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LITERATURE, SCIENCE AND INVENTION,
RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD, POLITICS,
ART, MUSIC, THE STAGE, SPORT,
BUSINESS, LAW, Etc.*

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*POPULATIONS, PSEUDONYMS OF WRITERS AND
ARTISTS, CHARACTERS IN DRAMA
AND FICTION, Etc.*

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PREFACE

“THE NUTTALL ENCYCLOPÆDIA” provides in a concise and condensed form and at a cheap rate an epitome of the information given in the larger Encyclopædias, such as may prove sufficient for all ordinary requirements.

An encyclopædia is now recognised to be as indispensable a book of reference as a dictionary; for while the latter explains and defines the vehicle of thought, the former seeks to define the subject-matter. Now, the rapid increase in the vocabulary of a nation, which makes the possession of an up-to-date dictionary almost one of the necessaries of life, is evidently due to the vast increase in the number of facts which the language has to describe or interpret; and if it is difficult to keep pace with the growth in the language, it is obviously more difficult to attain even a working knowledge of the array of facts which in this age come before us for discussion. No man can now peruse even a daily newspaper without being brought face to face with details about questions of the deepest interest to him, and he is often unable to grasp the meaning of what he reads for want of additional knowledge or explanation. In short, it becomes more and more a necessity of modern life to know something of everything. A little knowledge is not dangerous to those who recognise it to be little, and it may be sufficient to enable those who possess it to understand and enjoy intelligently what would otherwise only weigh as a burdensome reflection upon their ignorance. Detailed knowledge of any subject in this age of specialisation can be acquired only by study of the works specifically devoted to it. What is wanted in a popular encyclopædia is succinct information—the more succinct the better, so long as it gives what is required by the inquiry, leaving it to the authorities in each subject to supply the information desired by those intent on pursuing it further.

The value of an Encyclopædia of such scope must depend, therefore,

upon the careful selection of its materials, and in this respect it is hoped that "Nuttall's" will be found adequate to any reasonable demands made upon it. Within the necessary limits of a single volume the Editors persuade themselves that they have succeeded in including a wide range of subjects, and they trust that the information given on these will meet the wants of those for whom the book has been compiled. To the careful Newspaper Reader, to Heads of Families, with children at school, whose persistent questions have often to go without an answer, to the School-master and Tutor, to the Student, to the Busy Man and Man of Business it is believed that this volume will prove a solid help.

"The Nuttall Encyclopædia" is offered as a companion volume to "Nuttall's Standard Dictionary"; like the Dictionary it can lie on the desk ready to hand, and its size and arrangement make rapid reference easy.

In this new and revised edition which has been entirely reset all the information given in previous editions has been carefully checked and brought up to date, while a large number of new articles have been added. In Science and Invention the amazing progress of the last few years, which have seen the invention and development of the petrol engine, mechanical flight, and wireless telegraphy and telephony, makes large additions necessary. In Geography the Great War altered the face of Europe and affected other quarters of the globe. Biography, History, Literature and Art are all subjects that call for continual expansion. By careful selection and arrangement the Editors trust that they have done justice to all these new claims without unduly curtailing the space given to the older subjects, such as Mythology, Classics, Religion, and Philosophy, or sacrificing any of the features that have won so much appreciation for the Encyclopædia in the past. If any discerning reader objects that the new Encyclopædia is now less classical and more scientific than the old one, he will surely admit that that is but in accordance with the trend of modern life and unavoidable.

It may be of assistance to the reader if a synopsis is given of the general scheme upon which the Encyclopædia is based. The subjects dealt with could be roughly classified under the following headings, which are ranked in the order of importance attached to them :

1. *Biographies*.—The dates, nationalities and achievements of noted people in all ages.

2. *Geography*.—Concise articles on countries, location of towns, rivers, mountains, etc., distinguishing characteristics, etc. Populations are given in an appendix at the end.
3. *History*.—All important epochs, movements, and events, with dates and historical significance.
4. *Classical and Mythological references*.
5. *Literature*.—Summaries of the principal authors and poets, past and present, with notes upon the world's greatest books.
6. *Science and Invention*.—Short articles on general subjects, especially modern invention, with definition of terms.
7. *Religions of the World* and their respective beliefs and objects of worship, together with ancient and modern schools of philosophy.
8. *Politics*.—General movements and aims of political parties at home and abroad.
9. *Art, Music, and the Stage*.
10. *Sport*.
11. *Business*.
12. *Law*.—Definition of terms and short articles on procedure, courts, etc.
13. *General*.—A large number of miscellaneous subjects which cannot be classified under the above headings.

A new feature of this Encyclopædia which it is believed will be found of great value is the APPENDICES in which are given :

- (a) A list of towns, giving the populations.
- (b) Pseudonyms of well-known writers and artists.
- (c) A list of the principal characters in drama and fiction ; this compilation has been made as comprehensive as possible, covering both past and present writers of many countries.
- (d) Motor-Car Index Marks.

The figures in parentheses at the end of the biographies give the years of birth and death.

Where it has been thought necessary and found practicable, the syllable accented in pronunciation has been shown by the mark '—as Abruz'zi

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A'ALI PASHA, an eminent reforming Turkish statesman (1815-1871).

AACHEN. See **AX-LA-CHAPELLE**.

AALSBORG, a trading town on the Llimfjord, in the N. of Jutland.

AAR, a large Swiss river about 200 m. long, which falls into the Rhine as it leaves Switzerland.

AARGAU, a fertile Swiss canton bordering on the Rhine.

AAREHUUS, a port on the E. of Jutland, with a considerable export and import trade, and a fine old Gothic cathedral.

AARON, the elder brother of Moses, and the first high-priest of the Jews, an office he held for forty years.

AB, the fifth month of the ecclesiastical, and eleventh of the civil, year in the Jewish calendar.

ABACA, Manila hemp, or the plant, native to the Philippines, which yield it in quantities.

ABACUS, a tablet crowning a column and its capital; a calculating apparatus, consisting of a grooved board containing pebbles or a wire frame on which beads are strung, used by the ancient Greeks, Romans, Egyptians, Mexicans, and other peoples, and still extant in various forms.

ABADDON, the bottomless pit, or the angel thereof.

ABARIM, a mountain chain in Palestine, N.E. of the Dead Sea, the highest point being Mount Nebo.

ABATEMENT, a mark of disgrace in a coat of arms.

ABAUZIT, FIRMIN, a French Protestant theologian and a mathematician, a friend of Newton, and much esteemed for his learning by Rousseau and Voltaire (1679-1767).

ABEAS, uncle of Mohammed, founder of the dynasty of the Abbasides (566-652).

ABRAS THE GREAT, shah of Persia, of the dynasty of the Saphis, great alike in conquest and administration (1557-1628).

ABRAS-MIRZA, a Persian prince, a reformer of the Persian army, and a leader of it, unsuccessfully, however, against Russia (1783-1833).

ABRASIDES, a dynasty of 37 caliphs who ruled as such at Bagdad from 750 to 1258.

ABBA 'TI, NICCOLO DELLI', an Italian fresco-painter (1512-1571).

ABBEVILLE, a thriving old town on the Somme, 12 m. up, with an interesting house architecture, and a cathedral, unfinished, in the Flamboyant style. Used as a base by British troops in the Great War.

ABBEY, a church institution forming the dwelling-place of a community of monks or nuns. It usually comprises a church, chapter house, refectory, cloisters, dormitories, guest-room, almshouse, hospital, library, and other buildings, together with gardens. Among the principal British abbeys are those at Westminster, Canterbury, Durham, Fountains, and Holyrood. The first English abbey was that founded at Bangor in 580.

ABBOT, head of an abbey. There were two classes of abbots: Abbots Regular, as being such in fact, and Abbots Commendatory, as guardians and drawing the revenues.

ABBOT, GEORGE, archbishop of Canterbury in the reigns of James I. and Charles I., and one of the

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translators of King James's Bible; an enemy of Laodæ, who succeeded him (1582-1633).

ABBOT OF MISHULE, a person elected to superintend the Christmas revelries.

ABBOTSFORD, the residence of Sir Walter Scott, on the Tweed, near Melrose, built by him in 1811 on the site of a farm called Cartleyholme.

ABDALLAH, the father of Mohammed, famed for his beauty (545-570); also a caliph of Mecca (622-692).

ABDALRAHMAN, the Moorish governor of Spain, defeated by Charles Martel at Tours in 732.

ABDALS (ul. servants of Allah), a sect of Moslem fanatics in Persia.

ABD-EL-KA'DIR, an Arab emir, who for fifteen years waged war against the French in N. Africa, but at length surrendered prisoner to them in 1847. On his release in 1852 he became a faithful friend of France (1807-1883).

ABD-EL-KRIM, leader of the Riff rebels in Morocco against the French and Spanish. A son of Mohammed Abd-el-Krim, President of the Republic of the Riff, he fought to re-establish his country's freedom, using great ability to organise the tribesmen into the semblance of a modern army. Before he was forty he had retaken much Spanish territory, and he then turned his attention to France. From 1920 to 1925 he met with several successes, but in 1926 he surrendered to the French at Fez and was exiled to the Mascarene Islands.

ABDE RA, a town in ancient Thrace, proverbial for the stupidity of its inhabitants.

ABDICATIONS: the most celebrated are those of the Roman Dictator Nylia in 70 B.C.; Diocletian in A.D. 305; Charles V. in 1556; Christina of Sweden in 1654; Napoleon in 1814 and 1815; Charles X. in 1830; Louis Philippe in 1848; Ferdinand of Austria in 1848; Isabella II. of Spain in 1870; Amadeus I. of Spain in 1873; Milan of Serbia in 1889; Pedro II. of Brazil in 1889; Hamid II. of Turkey in 1909; Manuel of Portugal in 1910; Puyl of China in 1912; Nicholas II. of Russia in 1917; Ferdinand of Bulgaria in 1918; Wilhelm II. of Germany in 1918; Karl of Austria in 1918; Constantine of Greece in 1917; George II. of Greece in 1924; Muhammad VI. of Turkey in 1922; and Amanullah of Afghanistan in 1929.

ABDIEL, one of the seraphim, who withstood Satan in his revolt against the Most High.

ABDUL AZIZ, sultan of Turkey from 1861, in succession to Abdul-Medjid (1830-1876).

ABDUL-HAMID II., deposed sultan of Turkey, brother to Abdul-Aziz, and his successor; under him Turkey suffered serious dismemberment, and the Christian subjects in Armenia and Crete were cruelly massacred. He was deposed in 1909 (1842-1918).

ABDUL-MEDJID, sultan of Turkey, in whose defence against Russia England and France undertook the Crimean war (1828-1861).

ABECKET, GILBERT, an English humorist, who contributed to *Punch* and other organs; wrote the "Comic Blackstone" and comic histories of England and Rome (1811-1856).

ABEL, the second son of Adam and Eve; slain by his

brother. The death of Abel is the subject of a poem by Gessner and a tragedy by Legouvé.

ABEL, SIR FREDERICK AUGUSTUS, joint-inventor of cordite; a famous authority on explosives. President of British Association in 1890 (1827-1902).

ABEL, HENRY, an able Norwegian mathematician, who died young (1802-1828).

ABELARD, PETER, a theologian and scholastic philosopher of French birth, renowned for his dialectic ability, his learning, his passion for Héloïse, and his misfortunes; made conceivably the test of credibility, and was a great teacher in his day (1079-1142).

ABELLE, a Dominican monk, the confessor of Catharine de Medici (1603-1691).

ABENOCERRA, GEE, a powerful Moorish tribe in Grenada, whose fate in the 16th century has been the subject of interesting romance.

ABEN-EZ-RA, a learned Spanish Jew and commentator on the Hebrew scriptures (1090-1168).

ABERA VON, a town and seaport in Glamorganshire, with copper and iron works, for some years the Parliamentary seat of Ramsey MacDonald.

ABERCOORN, 3RD DUKE OF, became the first Governor of Northern Ireland in 1822, having at one time sat as M.P. for Londonderry and been Treasurer to the Household (1809).

ABERCROMBIE, LA SCOTLAND, English poet; educated at Malvern and Manchester University, he published several volumes of poetry and some critical essays, the first work appearing in 1908 (1881-).

ABERCROMBIE, SIR RALPH, a distinguished British general of Scottish birth, who fell in Egypt after defeating the French at Aboukir Bay (1731-1801).

ABERDEEN, the fourth city in Scotland, on the E. coast, between the mouths of the Dee and Don; built of grey granite, with many fine public edifices, a flourishing university, a large trade, and thriving manufactures. Old Aberdeen, on the Don, now incorporated in the municipality, is the seat of a cathedral church, and of King's College, founded in 1494, united with the university in the new town.

ABERDEEN, 4TH EARL OF, a shrewd English statesman, Prime Minister of England during the Crimean war (1784-1860).

ABERDEENSHIRE, a large county in NE. of Scotland; mountainous in SW., lowland N. and E.; famed for its granite quarries, its fisheries, and its breed of cattle.

ABERNETHY, a small burgh in S. Perthshire, with a Pictish round tower, and once the capital of the Pictish kingdom.

ABERNETHY, JOHN, a distinguished surgeon and authority on stomachic diseases (1764-1831).

ABERRATION OF LIGHT. In order that a certain star may be observed, the telescope must be pointed in a direction slightly different from that in which it would be pointed if the earth were not rotating on its axis. As a consequence the star appears to describe an ellipse in the heavens, and from careful measurements we can calculate the speed of the earth in its orbit, and hence its distance from the sun.

ABERYST-WITH, a town and seaport in Cardiganshire. Wales, with a university.

AB-GAR XIV., a king of Edessa, one of a dynasty of the name, a contemporary of Jesus Christ, and said to have corresponded with Him.

ABHORERS, the Royalist and High Church party in England under Charles II., so called from their abhorrence of the principles of their opponents.

ABIGAIL, the widow of Nabal, espoused by David.

ABIGES, WILHELM HERMANN, a German mineralogist and traveller; conducted explorations in Persia and Daghestan (1806-1884).

ABINGDON, a borough in Berks. 6 m. S. of Oxford.

ABIOTENISM, the theory that living organisms arise from non-living matter. Though it may have occurred in the remote past, there is no evidence that it takes place to-day.

ABIPONES, a once powerful warlike race in La Plata, now nearly all absorbed.

ABNER, a Hebrew general under Saul; assassinated by Joab.

ABO, the old capital of Finland and seat of the government, on the Gulf of Bothnia.

ABOLITIONISTS, a society formed in the Northern States of America in 1832 advocating the abolition

of slavery. The society grew in numbers and influence and was the moving force in the war of 1861-1864, which resulted in victory for the anti-slave States under Abraham Lincoln (q.v.).

ABOUBENY, the capital of Dahomey, in W. Africa.

ABOU'KIR, village near Alexandria, in Egypt, on the bay near which Nelson destroyed the French fleet in 1799; where Napoleon beat the Turks, 1799; and where Abercrombie fell, 1801.

ABRAHAM, the Hebrew patriarch, ancestor of the Jews, the very type of an Eastern pastoral chief at once by his dimmed character and simple faith.

ABRAHAM, THE FLAINS OF, a plateau in Quebec, the scene of the battle in which the English under Wolfe defeated the French under Montcalm, 1759.

ABRAHAM-MEN, a class of lunatics allowed out of restraint, at one time, to roam about and beg; a set of impostors who wandered about the country affecting lunacy.

ABRAN'TES, a town in Portugal, on the Tagus; taken by Marshal Junot, 1807, and giving the title of Duke to him.

ABRAXAS STONES, stones with cabalistic figures on them used as talismans.

ABRUZZI, a highland district in the Apennines.

ABRUZZI DUKE OF THE, Italian geographer and explorer; ascended Mt. Ruwenzori, Central Africa, 1906 (1873-).

ABRALOM, a son of David, who rebelled against his father, and at whose death David gave vent to a bitter wall of grief. A name given by Dryden to the Duke of Monmouth, son of Charles II.

ABSOLUTE, THE, the philosophical name for the uncreated Creator, or creating cause of all things, dependent on nothing external to itself.

ABSYRTUS, a brother of Medea, whom she cut in pieces as she fled with Jason, pursued by her father, throwing his bones behind her to detain her father who, in his pursuit of her, stopped to pick them up.

ABT, FRANZ, a German composer of song-music (1819-1885).

ABU, a mountain (6000 ft.) in Rajputana, with a footprint of Vishnu on the top, and two marble temples half-way up, held sacred by the Jains.

ABU'BEKKE, as the father of A'isha, the father-in-law of Mohammed, the first of the caliphs and the founder of the Sunnites; d. 634.

AB'U-KLEA, in the Sudan, where the Mahdi's forces were defeated by Sir H. Stewart in 1885.

ABUL-FARAJ, a learned Armenian Jew, who became bishop of Aleppo, and wrote a history of the world from Adam onwards (1226-1286).

ABUL-FAZEL, the vizier of the great Mogul emperor Akbar, who wrote an account of his reign and of the Mogul empire; he was assassinated in 1604.

ABUL-FEDA, a Moslem prince of Hamat in Syria, who in his youth took part against the Crusaders, and wrote historical works in Arabic (1275-1331).

ABU-THA'LEB, uncle of Mohammed, and his protector against the plots of his enemies the Koreish.

ABYDOS, a town on the Asiatic side of the Hellespont, famous as the home of Lander, who swam the Hellespont every night to visit Hero in Sestos, and as the spot where Xerxes built his bridge of boats to cross into Europe in 480 B.C.; also a place of note in Upper Egypt.

ABYSSINIA, a mountainous country SE. of Nubia with an area of 200,000 sq. m., made up of independent states, and a mixed population of some four millions, the Abyssinians proper being of the Semite stock. It has also been called Ethiopia. Its independence was recognised by Italy in 1896, and it is ruled as an empire on feudal lines.

ACACIA, a large group of trees with astringent and gum-yielding properties, natives of tropical Africa and Australia.

ACADEMY, a public shady park or place of groves near Athens, where Plato taught his philosophy and whence his school derived its name, of which there are three branches, the *Old*, the *Middle*, and the *New*, represented respectively by Plato himself, Arcesilao, and Carneades. The *French Academy*, of forty members, was founded by Richelieu in 1635, and is charged with the interests of the French language and literature, and in particular with the duty of compiling an authoritative dictionary of the French language. Besides these, there are in France

other four with a like limited membership in the interests of other departments of science and art, all now associated in the *Institute of France*, which consists in all of 229 members. There are similar institutions in other states of Europe, all of greater or less note.

ACADIA, the French name for Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

ACANTHUS, a leaf-like ornament on the capitals of the columns of certain orders of architecture.

ACAPULCO, a Mexican port in the Pacific; harbour commodious, but climate unhealthy.

ACARNANIA, a province of Greece N. of Gulf of Corinth; its pop. once addicted to piracy.

ACCA DIANS, a dark, thick-lipped, short-statured Mongol race in Central Asia, displaced by the Babylonians and Assyrians, who were Semitic.

ACCA LAURENTIA, the wife of Faustulus, shepherd of Numitor, who saved the lives of Romulus and Remus.

ACCIAIOLI, a Florentine family of 15th century, illustrious in scholarship and war.

ACCOLADE, a gentle blow with a sword on the shoulder in conferring knighthood.

ACCOLTI, a Tuscan family, of 15th century, famous for their learning.

ACCORDO, the name of a Florentine family, of 12th and 13th centuries, great in jurisprudence.

ACORA, capital and chief port in British Gold Coast colony.

ACCRINGTON, a manufacturing town in Lancs., 22 m. N. of Manchester.

ACCUMULATOR, or secondary battery, a cell consisting of plates of lead dipping into sulphuric acid; when an electric current is passed through it the plates undergo a chemical change; if the plates are subsequently joined by a wire the change takes place in the opposite direction and a current of electricity is produced in the direction opposite to that of the charging current.

ACERRA, an ancient city 9 m. NE. of Naples; is in an unhealthy district.

ACETIC ACID, the pure acid of vinegar; the salts are called *acetates*.

ACETONE, a colourless liquid obtained by the distillation of calcium acetate. It is used in the manufacture of chloroform, iodoform, and cordite (q.v.).

ACETYLENE, a colourless gas with an unpleasant smell which burns with a hot, smoky flame; it is usually prepared by the action of water on calcium carbide. It is the first of a series of hydrocarbons known as the acetylenes, the other simpler members being allylene, crotonylene, and valerylene. Acetylene burning in oxygen produces an intensely hot flame which will melt the hardest steel.

ACHEAN LEAGUE, a confederation of 12 towns in the Peloponnesus, formed especially against the influence of the Macedonians.

ACHEANS, the common name of the Greeks in the heroic or Homeric period.

ACHAIA, the N. district of the Peloponnesus, eventually the whole of it.

ACHARD, FRANZ KARL, a Prussian chemist, one of the first to manufacture sugar from beetroot (1753-1821).

ACHARD, LOUIS AMEDEE, a prolific French novelist (1814-1876).

ACHATES, the attendant of Aeneas in his wandering after the fall of Troy, remarkable for, and a perennial type of, fidelity.

ACHELOUS, a river in Greece, which rises in Mt. Pindus, and falls into the Ionian Sea; also the god of the river, the oldest of the sons of Oceanus, and the father of the Sirens.

ACHEN, an eminent German painter (1556-1621).

ACHENWALL, GOTTFRIED, a German economist, the founder of statistic science (1719-1772).

ACHERON, a river in the underworld; the name of several rivers in Greece more or less suggestive of it.

ACHETRY, a learned French Benedictine of St. Maur (1609-1685).

ACHIEVEMENT, the full representation in heraldry of the shield and accessories; also known as *Hatchment*.

ACHILL, a rocky, boggy island, sparsely inhabited, off W. coast of Ireland, co. Mayo, with a bold headland 2222 ft. high.

ACHILLEID, an unfinished poem of Statius.

ACHILLES, the son of Peleus and Thetis, king of the Myrmidons, the most famous of the Greek heroes in the Trojan war, whose wrath with the consequences of it forms the subject of the *Iliad* of Homer. He was invulnerable except in the heel, at the point where his mother held him as she dipped his body in the Styx to render him invulnerable.

ACHILLES OF GERMANY, Albert, third elector of Brandenburg, a man of fiery temper (1414-1486).

ACHILLES TENDON, the great tendon of the heel, where Achilles was vulnerable.

ACHMED PASHA, a French adventurer, served in French army, condemned to death, fled, and served Austria; condemned to death a second time, pardoned, served under the Sultan, was banished to the shores of the Black Sea (1675-1747).

ACHMET I., Sultan of Turkey from 1603 to 1617; A. II., from 1691 to 1695; A. III., from 1703 to 1780, who gave asylum to Charles XII. of Sweden after his defeat by the Czar at Pultowa.

ACHITOPHEIL, name given by Dryden to the Earl of Shaftesbury of his time.

A'CI-REBATH, a seaport town in Sicily, at the foot of Mount Etna, in NE. of Catania, with mineral waters.

A'CIS, a Sicilian shepherd enamoured of Galatea, whom the Cyclops Polyphemus, out of jealousy, overwhelmed under a rock, from under which his blood has since flowed as a river.

ACKERMANN, RUDOLPH, an enterprising publisher of illustrated works in the Strand, a native of Saxony (1764-1834).

ACLINIC LINE, the magnetic equator, which corresponds roughly with the geographical equator. If a magnetised needle is suspended so that it can turn in a vertical plane, the north pole dips if north of the aclinic line and the south if south of the line at an angle which increases as the poles are approached; upon the line itself the needle remains horizontal.

ACNE, a skin disease showing hard reddish pimples; *Acne rosacea*, a congestion of the skin of the nose and parts adjoining.

ACENETIZ, an order of monks in the 5th century who by turns kept up a divine service day and night.

ACOLYTE, a candidate for the priesthood who has reached the fourth stage of initiation; originally a youth who assisted in church ritual.

ACONCA-GUA, the highest peak of the Andes, about 100 m. NE. of Valparaiso, 22,867 ft. high; recently ascended by a Swiss and a Scotsman, attendants of Fitzgerald's party.

ACONITE, monk's-hood, a poisonous plant of the ranunculaceae order with a tapering root.

ACONITINE, a most virulent poison from aconite, and, owing to the very small quantity sufficient to cause death, very difficult of detection when employed in taking away life.

ACORN-SHELL, a crustacean attached to rocks on the sea-shore, described by Huxley as "fixed by its head," and "kicking its food into its mouth with its legs."

ACOUSTICS, the science of sound as it affects the ear, specially of the laws to be observed in the construction of halls so that people may distinctly hear in them.

ACRAMIA, an impersonation in Spenser's "Faerie Queen," of intemperance in the guise of a beautiful sorceress.

ACRE, ST. JEAN D', a strong place and seaport in Syria, at the foot of Mount Carmel, taken, at an enormous sacrifice of life, by Philip Augustus and Richard Cœur de Lion in 1191; held out against Bonaparte in 1799; its ancient name Ptolemais.

ACRES, BOB, a coward in Sheridan's "Elvina" whose "courage always oozed out at his finger ends."

ACROAMATOR, acrobatic lectures, i.e. lectures to the initiated.

ACROLEIN, a colourless volatile liquid with a pungent odour obtained by the destructive distillation of fats.

ACROLYTES, statues of which only the extremities are of stone.

ACROFOLIA, a fortified citadel commanding a city, and generally the nucleus of it, specially the rocky eminence dominating Athens.

ACROSTIC, a form of verse, dating historically from the 4th century, in which the initial letters of the lines, read in order, spell a word or phrase.

ACROTERIA, pedestals placed at the middle and the

extremities of a pediment to support a statue or other ornament, or the statue or ornament itself.

ACTA DIURNA, a kind of gazette recording in a summary way daily events, established at Rome in 181 n.c., and rendered official by Cæsar in 50 a.c.

ACTA SANCTORUM, the lives of the saints in 62 vols. folio, begun in the 17th century by the Jesuits, and carried on by the Bollandists.

ACTÆON, a hunter changed into a stag for surprising Diana when bathing, and afterwards devoured by his own dogs.

ACTINIC RAYS, sometimes termed ultra-violet rays, the invisible rays given off by a body under intense heat. They have a shorter wave-length and more rapid frequency than the violet rays.

ACTINIUM, a radioactive element discovered by Debiere in 1900. It is one of the products of disintegration of the uranium (q.v.) series, which itself gives rise to a series of radioactive substances, the final state being lead.

ACTINOMYCOSIS, a disease of a fungous nature on the mouth and lower jaw of cows.

ACTINOTHERAPY, the treatment of disease by means of natural or artificial light rays. Finsen, in Denmark, was one of the first to apply this method in medical practice, and it has since been widely adopted.

ACTIUM, a town and promontory at the entrance of the Ambracian Gulf (Arta), in Greece, where Augustus gained his naval victory over Antony and Cleopatra, Sept. 2, 31 n.c.

ACTON, SIR JOHN, an adventurer of English birth, who became prime minister of Naples, but was driven from the helm of affairs on account of his inveterate antipathy to the French (1737-1811).

ACTON, LORD, a grandson of the former, who became a leader of the Liberal Catholics in England, M.P. for Carlisle, and made a peer in 1869; a man of wide learning, and the projector of a universal history by experts in different departments of the field (1834-1902).

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES, a narrative account in the New Testament of the founding of the Christian Church chiefly through the ministry of Peter and Paul, written by Luke, commencing with the year 33, and concluding with the imprisonment of Paul in Rome in 62.

ACUN'HA, TRISTAN D', a Portuguese navigator, companion of Albuquerque, who gave his name to a group of volcanic islands in the South Atlantic (1506); Numa d', his son, viceroy of the Indies from 1528 to 1539; Rodriguez d', archbishop of Lisbon, who in 1640 freed Portugal from the Spanish domination, and established the house of Braganza on the throne.

ACUPRESSURE, checking hemorrhage in arteries during an operation by compressing their orifices with a needle.

ADAIR, SIR ROBERT, a distinguished English diplomatist, frequently employed on the most important diplomatic missions (1763-1855).

ADAL, a flat barren region between Abyssinia and the Red Sea.

ADALBERT, the archbishop of Rheims, chancellor of Lothaire and Louis V.; consecrated Hugh Capet; d. 908.

ADALBERT, a German ecclesiastical, who did much to extend Christianity over the North (1000-1072).

ADALBERT, ST., bishop of Prague, who, driven from Bohemia, essayed to preach the gospel in heathen Prussia, where the priests fell upon him, and "struck him with a death-stroke on the head." April 27, 997, on the anniversary of which day a festival is held in his honour.

ADALIA, a seaport on the coast of Asia Minor, on a bay of the same name.

ADAM (i.e. man), the first father, according to the Bible, of the human race.

ADAM, ALEX., a distinguished Latin scholar, rector for 40 years of the Edinburgh High School, Scott having been one of his pupils (1741-1809).

ADAM, LAMBERT, an eminent French sculptor (1700-1750).

ADAM, ROBERT, a distinguished architect, born at Kirkcaldy, architect of the Register House and the University, Edinburgh (1728-1792).

ADAM BEDL, George Eliot's first novel, published

anonymously in 1859; it took at once with both critics and public.

ADAM EADMON, primeval man as he at first emanated from the Creator, or man in his primeval rudimentary potentiality.

ADAM OF BROMEN, distinguished as a Christian missionary in the 11th century; author of a celebrated Church history of N. Europe from 788 to 1072, entitled "Gesta Hammemburgensis Ecclesie Pontificum."

ADAMAS-TOR, the giant spirit of storms, which (according to his "Liedad," represents as riding up before Vasco da Gama to warn him off from the Cape of Storms, henceforth called, in consequence of the resultant success of the voyagers, the Cape of Good Hope.

ADAMAWA, a region in the Lower Soudan with a healthy climate and a fertile soil, rich in all tropical products.

ADAMITES, visionaries in Africa in the 2nd century, and in Bohemia in the 14th and 15th, who affected innocence, rejected marriage, and went naked.

ADAMNAN, ST., abbot of Iona, of Irish birth, who wrote a life of St. Columba and a work on the Holy Places, of value as the earliest written (825-704).

ADAMS, JOHN, the second president of the United States, and a chief promoter of their independence (1730-1826).

ADAMS, JOHN QUINCY, his eldest son, the sixth president (1767-1848).

ADAMS, JOHN COUCH, an English astronomer, director of Cambridge Observatory, the discoverer simultaneously with Leverrier of the planet Neptune (1819-1892).

ADAMS, PARSON, a country curate in Fielding's "Joseph Andrews," with a head full of learning and a heart full of love to his fellows, but in absolute ignorance of the world, which in his simplicity he takes for what it professes to be.

ADAM'S BRIDGE, a chain of coral reefs and sandbanks connecting Ceylon with India.

ADAM'S PEAK, a conical peak in the centre of Ceylon 7420 ft. high, with a foot-like depression 5 ft. long and 21 broad at top, ascribed to Adam by the Moham-medans and to Buddha by the Buddhists; it was here, the Arabs say, that Adam alighted on his expulsion from Eden and stood doing penance on one foot till God forgave him.

ADA'NA, a town S.E. corner of Asia Minor, 30 m. from the sea.

ADANSON, MICHEL, a French botanist, born in Aix, the first to attempt a natural classification of plants (1727-1806).

ADCOCK, A. ST. JOHN, novelist and journalist. Abandoning law for literature in 1893, he contributed a large amount of writing to periodicals. "The Divine Tragedy," "Exit Homo," "A Man with a Past," and "Billicks" are among his books (1864-).

ADDA, an affluent of the Po, near Cremona; it flows through Lake Como; on its banks Bonaparte gained several of his famous victories over Austria.

ADDER. See **VIPER**.

ADDINGTON, HENRY, Lord Sidmouth, an English statesman; was for a short time Prime Minister, throughout a supporter of Pitt (1757-1844).

ADDISON, DR. CHRISTOPHER, English politician. After a period as medical professor at Sheffield he entered the House of Commons as M.P. for Hoxton in 1814; became secretary to the Ministry of Munitions, and later head of the department; was first Minister for Reconstruction in 1918, and as Minister of Health he was responsible for the Coalition Government's housing scheme; on a dispute arising over this he resigned, and later joined the Labour Party (1869-).

ADDISON, JOSEPH, a celebrated English essayist; studied at Oxford, became Fellow of Magdalen, was a Whig in politics, held a succession of Government appointments, resigned the last for a large pension; was pre-eminent among English writers for the purity and elegance of his style, had an abiding, refining, and elevating influence on the literature of the country; his name is associated with the *Tadler*, *Spectator*, and *Guardian*, as well as with a number of beautiful hymns (1672-1719).

ADELAAR, the name of honour given to Cort

Sivertsen, a famous Norse seaman, who rendered distinguished naval services to Denmark and to Venice against the Turks (1622-1675).

ADELAIDE, the capital of S. Australia, on the river Torrens, which flows through it into St. Vincent Gulf, 7 m. S.E. of Port Adelaide; a handsome city, with a cathedral, fine public buildings, a university, and an extensive botanical garden; it is the great emporium for S. Australia; exports wool, wine, wheat, and copper ore.

ADELAIDE, eldest daughter of Louis XV. of France (1732-1806).

ADELAIDE, PORT, the haven of Adelaide (q.v.), a port of call, with a commodious harbour.

ADELAIDE, QUEEN, consort of William IV. of England (1792-1849).

ADELAIDE OF ORLEANS, sister of Louis Philippe, his Egeria (1771-1841).

ADELBERG, a town of Carniola, 22 m. from Trieste, with a large stalactite cavern, besides numerous caves near it.

ADELUNG, JOHANN CHRISTOPH, a distinguished German philologist and lexicographer, born in Pomerania (1732-1806).

A'DEN, a fortified town on a peninsula in British territory S. of Arabia, 105 m. E. of Rab-el-Mandeb; a coaling and military station, in a climate hot but healthy.

AD HERBAL, son of Micipsa, king of Numidia, killed by Jugurtha, 249 B.C.

ADI GRANTH, the sacred books of the Sikhs.

ADIAPHORISTS, Lutherans who in 16th century maintained that certain practices of the Romish Church, obnoxious to others of them, were matters of indifference, such as having pictures, lighting candles, wearing surplices, and singing certain hymns in worship.

ADIGE, a river of Italy, which rises in the Rhetian Alps and falls into the Adriatic after a course of 250 m.; subject to sudden swellings and overflows.

ADIPOCERE, a fatty, spermaceti-like substance, produced by the decomposition of animal matter in moist places.

ADIPOSE TISSUE, a tissue of small vesicles filled with oily matter, in which there is no sensation, and a layer of which lies under the skin and gives smoothness and warmth to the body.

ADIRONDACK MOUNTAINS, a high-lying, picturesque granite range in the State of New York; source of the Hudson.

ADJUTANT, a gigantic Indian stork, about 5 ft. in height, with an enormous beak, which feeds on carrion and offal, and is useful in this way, as storks are. Also an army rank, denoting a regimental staff-officer who assists a commanding officer in administrative work.

ADLER, HERMANN, son and successor of the following, born in Hanover; a vigorous defender of his co-religionists and their faith, as well as their sacred Scriptures; was elected Chief Rabbi in 1891 (1839-1911).

ADLER, NATHAN MARCUS, Chief Rabbi in Britain, born in Hanover (1803-1890).

ADLERBREUTZ, a Swedish general, the chief promoter of the revolution of 1808, who told Gustavus IV. to his face that he ought to retire (1759-1815).

ADMETUS, king of Phæria, in Thessaly, one of the Argonauts, under whom Apollo served for a time as neat-herd. See **ALCESTIS**.

ADMIRABLE CRICHTON, THE, a comedy by Sir J. M. Barrie, first produced in 1902. The chief character is Crichton, a butler, who takes control of a noble family he serves when they are wrecked and cast up on a desert island, and reverts to his previous position on return to civilisation. The original bearer of the nickname, "Admirable Crichton," was a footman, James Crichton, who was renowned both for his learning and his skill in swordsmanship. His brilliant career was cut short by treachery in Mantua (1560-1585).

ADMIRAL, the highest of naval ranks, of which there are in Britain four grades—admirals-of-the-fleet, admirals, vice-admirals, and rear-admirals, each rank with a distinctive flag, the red cross of St. George marked in the cantons.

ADMIRALTY, BOARD OF, board of commissioners appointed for the management of naval affairs.

ADMIRALTY ISLAND, an island off the coast of Alaska.

ADMIRALTY ISLANDS, a group N.E. of New Guinea, in the Pacific.

ADOLF, FRIEDRICH, king of Sweden, under whose reign the nobles divided themselves into the two factions of the Caps, or the peace-party, and the Hats, or the war-party (1710-1771).

ADOLPH, ST., a Spanish martyr; festival, Sept. 27.

ADOLPHUS, JOHN, an able London barrister in criminal cases, and a voluminous historical writer (1766-1845).

ADONA'Y, the name used by the Jews for God instead of Jehovah, too sacred to be pronounced.

ADONA'YS, Shelley's name for Keats in the elegy so entitled.

ADONIS, a beautiful youth beloved by Aphrodite (Venus), but mortally wounded by a boar and changed by her into a flower the colour of his blood, by sprinkling nectar on his body.

ADOPTIONISTS, heretics who in the 8th century maintained that Christ was the son of God, not by birth, but by adoption, and as being one with Him in character and will.

ADORNO, an illustrious plebeian family in Genoa, of the Ghibelline party, several of whom were Doges of the republic.

ADOUR, a river of France, rising in the Pyrenees and falling into the Bay of Biscay.

ADOWA, a highland town in Abyssinia, and chief entrepôt of trade. It was the scene of a battle in 1896 in which the Abyssinians defeated the Italian general Baratieri.

ADRAS'TUS, a king of Argos, the one survivor of the first expedition of the Seven against Thebes, who died of grief when his son fell in the second.

ADRENALIN, a secretion produced in the neighbourhood of the kidneys which causes many effects in all parts of the body, altering the blood pressure and the breathing movements. The amount of adrenalin secreted is increased by great fear or violent anger, giving rise to the usual symptoms of these emotions. Adrenalin has been prepared in the laboratory.

ADRETS, BARON DES, a Huguenot leader, notorious for his cruelty; died a Catholic (1513-1587).

A'DRIA, an ancient town between the Po and the Adige; a flourishing seaport at one time, but now 14 m. from the sea.

A'DRIAN, name of six Popes: A. I., from 772 to 795, did much to embellish Rome; A. II., from 867 to 872, zealous to subject the sovereigns of Europe to the Popehood; A. III., from 884 to 885; A. IV., from 1054 to 1059, the only Englishman who attained to the Papal dignity; A. V., in 1276; A. VI., from 1222 to 1223.

ADRIAN, ST., the chief military saint of N. Europe for many ages, second only to St. George; regarded as the patron of old soldiers, and protector against the plague.

ADRIANO'PLE, a city on the highroad between Belgrade and Constantinople. The Ottoman capital until 1453. In 1913, during the Balkan war, it was besieged and captured by the Bulgarians and Serbs.

ADRIA'TIC, THE, a sea 450 m. long separating Italy from Illyria, Dalmatia, and Albania.

ADULLAM, David's hiding-place (1 Sam. xxii. 1), a royal Canaanitish city 10 m. N.W. of Hebron.

ADULLAMITES, an English political party who in 1866 deserted the Liberal side in protest against a Liberal Franchise Bill then introduced. John Bright gave them this name. See 1 Sam. xlii.

ADUMBLA, a cow, in old Norse mythology that grazes on bear-frost, "licking the rime from the rocks—a Hindu cow transported north," surmises Carlyle.

ADVENTISTS, various sects believing in the near approach of the Second Coming of Our Lord, found chiefly in America. The most famous are the Second Adventists, founded by William Miller in 1831, and the Seventh Day Adventists, founded in 1844.

ADVOCATE, LORD, chief counsel for the Crown in Scotland, public prosecutor of crimes, and a member of the administration in power.

ADVOCATES, FACULTY OF, the body of lawyers qualified to plead at the Scottish bar.

ADVOCATES' LIBRARY, a library belonging to the Faculty of Advocates in Edinburgh, founded in 1682.

ADVOCATUS DIABOLI, the devil's advocate, a functionary in the Roman Catholic Church appointed to show reason against a proposed canonisation.

ÆACUS, a Greek king renowned as an administrator of distributive justice, after death appointed one of the three judges in Hades, with Minos and Rhadamanthus.

ÆOLUS, magistrates of ancient Rome who had charge of the public buildings and public structures generally.

ÆE'TIS, king of Colchis and father of Medea.

ÆGEUS, the father of Theseus, who threw himself into the Ægean Sea, so called after him, in the mistaken belief that his son, who had been to slay the Minotaur, had been slain by the latter.

ÆGINA, an island 20 m. S.W. of Athens, in a gulf of the same name.

ÆGER, a giant of Norse mythology, also figuring in the Sagas as a god of the sea.

ÆGIS (lit. a goat's skin), the shield of Zeus, made of the hide of the goat Amalthea (q.v.), representing originally the storm-cloud in which the god invested himself when he was angry; it was also the attribute of Athena, bearing in her case the Gorgon's head.

ÆGIS-TRUB. See **AGAMEMNON**.

ÆL-FRIG, a Saxon writer of the end of the 10th century known as the "Grammarian."

ÆLIA'NUS, CLAUDIUS, an Italian rhetorician who wrote in Greek, and whose extant works are valuable for the passages from prior authors which they have preserved for us.

ÆMILIUS PAULUS, the Roman Consul who fell at Cannas, 216 B.C.; also his son, surnamed Macedonicus, so called as having defeated Perseus at Pydna, in Macedonia.

ÆNEAS, a Trojan, the hero of Virgil's "Æneid," who in his various wanderings after the fall of Troy settled in Italy, and became, tradition alleges, the forefather of the Julian line in Rome.

ÆNEAS SILVIUS. See **PICCOLLOMINI**.

ÆNEID, an epic poem by Virgil, of which Æneas is the hero.

ÆNESIDEMUS, a sceptical philosopher, born in Crete, who flourished shortly after Cicero, and summed up under ten arguments the contention against dogmatism in philosophy. See "Schwegler," translated by Dr. Hutchison Stirling.

ÆOLIAN ISLANDS, the Lipari Islands (q.v.).

ÆOLIAN, one of the Greek races who, originating in Thessaly, spread north and south, and emigrated into Asia Minor, giving rise to the Æolic dialect of the Greek language.

ÆOLUS, the Greek god of the winds.

ÆON, among the Gnostics, one of a succession of powers conceived as emanating from God and presiding over successive creations and transformations of being.

ÆGYPTORNIS, a gigantic fossil bird of Madagascar, of which the egg is six times larger than that of an ostrich.

ÆQUI, a tribe on N.E. of Latium, troublesome to the Romans until subdued in 302 B.C.

ÆRATED BREAD, bread of flour dough charged with carbonic acid gas.

ÆRATED WATERS, waters aerated with carbonic acid gas.

ÆROLITES, fused masses of metal or stone falling from the sky and known popularly as fireballs, meteoric stones, thunderbolts, etc. Many so-called "sacred stones," such as the Casba of the Mohammedans, are believed to be ærolites.

ÆROPLANE. See **AVIATION**.

ÆSCHINES, a celebrated Athenian orator, rival of Demosthenes, who in the end prevailed over him by persuading the citizens to believe he was betraying them to Philip of Macedon, so that he left Athens and settled in Rhodes, where he founded a school as a rhetorician (389-314 B.C.).

ÆSCHYLUS, the father of the Greek tragedy, who distinguished himself as a soldier both at Marathon and Salamis before he figured as a poet; wrote, it is said, some seventy dramas, of which only seven

are extant—the "Suppliants," the "Persæ," the "Seven against Thebes," the "Prometheus Bound," the "Agamemnon," the "Choephoroi," and the "Eumenides," his plays being trilogies; born at Eleusis and died in Sicily (525-456 B.C.).

ÆSCULA'PIUS, a son of Apollo and the nymph Coronis, whom, for restoring Hippolytus to life, Zeus, at the prayer of Pluto, destroyed with a thunderbolt, but afterwards admitted among the gods as god of medicine and the healing art; the cock, the emblem of vigilance, and the serpent, of vengeance, were sacred to him.

ÆSON, the father of Jason, was restored to youth by Medea.

ÆSOP, a celebrated Greek fabulist of the 6th century B.C., of whose history little is known except that he was originally a slave, manumitted by Iadmon of Samos, and put to death by the Delphians, probably for some witicism at their expense.

ÆSOPUS, a celebrated Roman actor, a friend of Pompey and Cicero.

ÆSTHETICS, the science of the beautiful in nature and the fine arts.

ÆT'IVS, a Roman general, who withstood the aggressions of the Barbarians for twenty years, and defeated Attila at Chalons, 451; assassinated out of jealousy by the Emperor Valentinian III., 454.

ÆTOLIA, a country of ancient Greece N. of the Gulf of Corinth.

AFFIDAVIT, an old legal form still in use, being a written statement of evidence given on oath before a magistrate or commissioner for oaths.

AFFRE, DENIS AUGUSTE, archbishop of Paris, suffered death at the barricades, as, with a green bough in his hand, he bore a message of peace to the insurgents (1793-1848).

AFGHANISTAN, a country in the centre of Asia, between India on the east and Persia on the west, its length about 600 m. and its breadth about 500 m., a plateau of immense mountain masses, and high, almost inaccessible, valleys, occupying 278,000 sq. m., with extremes of climate, and a mixed turbulent population, majority Afghans. The country, long a bone of contention between England and Russia, is now independent.

AFGHANS, THE, a fine and noble but hot-tempered race of the Mohammedan faith inhabiting Afghanistan. The Afghans proper are called Pathans in India, and call themselves Bani Israel (sons of Israel), tracing their descent from King Saul.

AFRANIUS, a Latin comic poet who flourished 100 B.C.; also a Roman Consul who played a prominent part in the rivalry between Cæsar and Pompey, 60 B.C.

AFRICA, one of the five great divisions of the globe, three times larger than Europe, seven-tenths of it within the torrid zone, and containing over 200,000,000 inhabitants of more or less dark-skinned races. Long a *terra incognita*, it was in the 19th century parcelled out by European nations, chiefly Britain, France, and Belgium, and with more zeal and appliance of resource by Britain than any other.

AFRICA'NUS, JULIUS, a Christian historian and chronologist of the 3rd century.

AFRIDS, a treacherous tribe of eight clans, often at war with each other, in a mountainous region on the North-Western frontier of India W. of Peshawar.

AFRIKANER, one born in S. Africa of Dutch descent.

AFRIT, a powerful evil spirit in the Mohammedan mythology.

AGA KHAN (Sultan Sir Mahomed Shah), the head of the Ismaili Mohammedans, a keen traveller and noted racehorse owner. For his loyal services during the Great War he was granted the status of a first-class chief. He spends much of his time in England (1875-).

AGA DES, a once important depot of trade in the S. of the Sahara, much decayed.

AGADIR, a port of Morocco some 20 m. south of Cape Ghr, where in 1911 the German gunboat *Panther* was sent with promises of assistance to the natives in their struggle against France. The affair nearly started a European war.

AGAG, a king of the Amalekites, conquered by Saul, and hewn in pieces by order of Samuel.

AGAMEMNON, a son of Atreus, king of Mycenae, and general-in-chief of the Greeks in the Trojan war, represented as a man of stately presence and a proud spirit. On the advice of the soothsayer Calchas sacrificed his daughter Iphigenia (q.v.) for the success of the enterprise he conducted. He was assassinated by Agisthus and Clytemnestra, his wife, on his return from the war. His fate and that of his house are the subject of Aeschylus's trilogy "Orestes."

AGANITTE, a fountain in Boeotia, near Helicon, dedicated to the Muses as a source of poetic inspiration.

AGAPES, love-feasts among the primitive Christians in commemoration of the Last Supper, in which they gave each other the kiss of peace as token of Christian brotherhood.

AGAPEMONIA, a community of mystics whose founder, in 1859, was Henry F. Prince, a clergyman. Its headquarters were at Bridgewater. The name signifies "the abode of love."

AGAR-AGAR, a gum extracted from a sea-weed, used in bacteriological investigations.

AGASIAS, a sculptor of Ephesus, famous for his statue of the "Gladiator."

AGASSIZ, LOUIS, a celebrated Swiss naturalist, in the department especially of ichthyology, and in connection with the glaciers; settled as a professor of zoology and geology in the United States in 1846 (1807-1873).

AGATHE, ST., a Sicilian virgin who suffered martyrdom at Palermo under Decius in 251; represented in art as crowned with a long veil and bearing a pair of shears, the instruments with which her breasts were cut off. Festival, Feb. 5.

AGATHIAS, a Byzantine poet and historian (536-582).

AGATHOCLES, the tyrant of Syracuse, by the massacre of thousands of the inhabitants, was an enemy of the Carthaginians, and fought against them; was poisoned in the end (361-289 B.C.).

AGATHON, an Athenian tragic poet, a rival of Euripides (447-400 B.C.).

AGATHON, ST., pope from 676 to 682.

AGDE, a French seaport on the Herault, 3 m. from the Mediterranean.

AGEN, a town on the Garonne, 84 m. above Bordeaux.

AGES, in the Greek mythology four—the Golden, self-sufficient; the Silver, self-indulgent; the Brazen, warlike; and the Iron, violent; together with the Heroic, nobly aspirant, between the third and fourth. In archaeology, three—the Stone Age, the Bronze, and the Iron. In history, the Middle and Dark, between the Ancient and the Modern. In Fichte, five—of Instinct, of Law, of Rebellion, of Rationality, of Conformity to Reason. In Shakespeare, seven—Infancy, Childhood, Boyhood, Adolescence, Manhood, Age, Old Age.

AGESANDER, a sculptor of Rhodes of the first century, who wrought at the famous group of the Laocoön.

AGESILAUS, a Spartan king, victorious over the Persians in Asia and over the allied Thebans and Athenians at Coronea, but defeated by Epaminondas at Mantinea after a campaign in Egypt; d. 360 B.C., aged 84.

AGGAS, RALPH, a surveyor and engraver of the 16th century, who first drew a plan of London as well as of Oxford and Cambridge.

AGGLUTINATE LANGUAGES, languages composed of parts which are words glued together, so to speak, as cowherd.

AGINCOURT, a small village in Pas-de-Calais, where Henry V. in a bloody battle defeated the French, Oct. 25, 1415.

AGE, the name of several Spartan kings, of whom the most famous were Ages III. and IV., the former famous for his resistance to the Macedonian domination, d. 330 B.C.; and the latter for his attempts to carry a law for the equal division of land, d. 240 B.C. **AGELAIA**. See **GRACIA**.

AGRADEL, a Lombard village, near which Louis XII. defeated the Venetians in 1509, and Vendôme routed Prince Eugene in 1706.

AGNA NO, LAKE OF, a lake near Naples, now drained; occupied the crater of an extinct volcano, its waters in a state of constant ebullition.

AGNELLO, COL D', passage by the S. of Monte Viso between France and Italy.

AGNES, an unsophisticated maiden in Molière's "L'Ecole des Femmes," so unsophisticated that she does not know what love means.

AGNES, ST., a virgin who suffered martyrdom, was beheaded because the flames would not touch her body, under Diocletian in 303; represented in art as holding a palm-branch in her hand and a lamb at her feet or in her arms. Festival, Jan. 21.

AGNES DE MERANIE, the second wife of Philip Augustus by a marriage in 1193, declared null by the Church, who, being dismissed in consequence, died broken-hearted in 1201.

AGNES SORREL, surnamed *Dame de beauté*, mistress of Charles VII. of France (1406-1450).

AGNESI, MARIA GAETANA, a native of Milan, a woman of extraordinary ability and attainments, prelected for her father in mathematics in the University of Bologna under sanction of the Pope; died a nun at her birthplace (1718-1799).

AGNI, the god of fire in the Vedic mythology, begets the gods, organizes the world, produces and preserves universal life, and throughout never ceases to be fire. One of the three terms of the Vedic trinity, Soma and Indra being the other two.

AGNOLO, a Florentine artist, friend of Michael Angelo and Raphael, distinguished for his carvings in wood (1460-1543).

AGNOTISM, the doctrine which disclaims all knowledge of the supernatural, or denies that we know or can know the absolute, the infinite, or God. The word itself was coined by Professor Huxley in 1869.

AGNUS DEI, the figure of a lamb bearing a cross as a symbol of Christ, or a medal with this device; also a prayer in the Mass beginning with the words, "Lamb of God."

AGONIC LINE, a line drawn on a map of the world through all parts at which the magnetic needle points due north and south. There are three such lines, the first passes down the middle of America, the second passes through Western Russia, Arabia, and the East Indies to Australia. In the area between these two, i.e. the Atlantic and Indian Oceans, Europe and Africa, the compass points to the west of true north, whilst in Asia, the Pacific, and Western America it points to the east. The third agonic line encloses an oval space in Siberia and China. The reasons for their irregular distribution are obscure.

AGORA, the forum of a Grecian town.

AGOSTA, a city on east coast of Sicily.

AGOULT, MARIE, COMTESSE D', a French authoress under the pseudonym of Daniel Stern; through a *liaison* with Liszt became mother-in-law of Richard Wagner (1805-1876).

AGOUT, CAPT. DE, a "cast-iron" captain of the Swiss Guards, who on May 4, 1788, by order of the Court of Versailles, marched the Parliament of Paris out of the Palais de Justice and carried off the keys. See Carlyle's "French Revolution," Bk. I., chap. vii.

AGOUTI, a rodent, native of Brazil, Paraguay, and Guiana; very destructive to roots and sugar-canes.

AGRA, a handsome city on the Jumna, in NW. Province of India, famous for, among other monuments, the Taj Mahal, a magnificent mausoleum erected near it by the Emperor Shah Jehan for himself and his favourite wife; it is a centre of trade, and seat of manufactures of Indian wares.

AGRAN, otherwise Zagreb, the capital of Croatia in Jugo-Slavia, with a fine Gothic cathedral and a university; is subject to earthquakes.

AGRARIAN LAWS, laws among the Romans regulating the division of lands.

AGRICOLA, a Roman general, father-in-law of Tacitus, who conquered Great Britain in 80, recalled by the Emperor Domitian in 87, and retired into private life (37-93).

AGRICOLA, JOHANN, a follower and friend of Luther, who became his antagonist in the matter of the binding obligation of the law on Christians (1492-1566).

AGRICOLA, EUDOLPHUS, a learned and accomplished Dutchman, much esteemed by Erasmus, and much in advance of his time; his most important

work, "Dialectics," being an attack on the scholastic system (1442-1485).

AGRIGENTUM, an ancient considerable city, now Agrigento, on the E. of Sicily, still showing traces of its former grandeur.

AGRIFFA, H. CORNELIUS, a native of Cologne, of noble birth, for some time in the service of Maximilian, but devoted mainly to the study of the occult sciences, which exposed him to various persecutions through life (1486-1535).

AGRIFFA, HEROD. See HEROD.

AGRIFFA, M. VIPSANIUS, a Roman general, the son-in-law and favourite of Augustus, who distinguished himself at the battle of Actium, and built the Pantheon of Rome (63-12 B.C.).

AGRIFFINA, the daughter of Germanicus and Julia, and thus the granddaughter of Augustus; married Germanicus, accompanied him in his campaigns, and brought his ashes to Rome on his death, but was banished from Rome by Tiberius, and d. in 33.

AGRIFFINA, the daughter of Germanicus and the former, born at Cologne, and the mother of Nero. Her third husband was her uncle, the Emperor Claudian, whom she got to adopt her son, and then poisoned him, in order to place her son on the throne; but the latter, resenting her intolerable ascendancy, had her put to death in 59.

AGTELEK, a village NE. of Pesh, in Hungary, with vast stalactite caverns, some of them of great height.

AGUADO, ALEXANDRE MARIE, a wealthy banker of Spanish-Jewish descent, born in Seville, and naturalised in France; negotiated important Spanish loans and was ennobled by Ferdinand VII. (1784-1842).

AGUAS CALIENTES, a high-lying inland trading town in Mexico.

AGUE-CHEEK, SIR ANDREW, a silly squire in "Twelfth Night."

AGUESSEAU, HENRI D', a French chancellor under Louis XIV. and Louis XV., of unimpeachable integrity and unselfish devotion, a learned jurist and law reformer, who held high posts in the administration of justice (1668-1751).

AGUINALDO, EMILIO, the leader of the insurgent Filipinos in their rising against the Spaniards. Later an ally of the Americans until the latter declared their intention to annex the Philippine Islands. He was ultimately captured (1869-).

AGULHAS, CAPE (i.e. the Needles), the most southerly point of Africa, 100 m. ESE. of the Cape, and, with the bank of the whole south coast, dangerous to shipping.

A' HAB, a king of Israel fond of splendour, and partial to the worship of Baal (918-896 B.C.).

AHASUERUS, a traditional figure known as the Wandering Jew; also the name of several kings of Persia.

AHAZ, a king of Judah who first brought Judea under tribute to Assyria.

AHLDEM, CASTLE OF, a castle in Lüneburg Heath, the nearly life-long prison-house of Sophia, the wife of George I. and the mother of George II. and of Sophia Dorothea of Prussia.

AHMADABAD, the chief town of Guzerat, in the Bombay Presidency, a populous city and of great splendour in the last century, of which gorgeous relics remain.

AHMED, a prince in the "Arabian Nights," noted for a magic tent which would expand so as to shelter an army, and contract so that it could go into one's pocket.

AHMED SHAH, the founder of the Afghan dynasty and the Afghan power (1724-1773).

AHMEDNUGAR, a considerable Hindu town 122 m. E. of Bombay.

AHOLIRAS, prostitution personified. See Ere. xlii.

AHOLIRAS, a granddaughter of Cain, beloved by a seraph, who at the Flood bore her away to another planet.

AHRIMAN, the Zoroastrian impersonation of the evil principle, to whom all the evils of the world are ascribed.

AIDAN, ST., the archbishop of Lindisfarne, founder of the monastery there and the apostle of Northumbria, sent thither from Iona on the invitation of King Oswald in 635.

AIGNAN, ST., the bishop of Orleans, defended it against Attila and his Huns in 451.

AIGUILLON, DUC D', corrupt minister of France, previously under trial for official plunder of money, which was quashed at the corrupt court of Louis XV. and the tool of Mme. Du Barry, with whom he rose and fell (1720-1782).

AIKMAN, WILLIAM, an eminent Scottish portrait-painter (1682-1731).

AILEY, PIERRE D', a cardinal of the Romish Church, and eminent as a theologian, presided at the council of Constantine which condemned Huss (1350-1420).

AILSA CRAIG, a rocky islet of Ayrshire, 10 m. NW. of Girvan, 2 m. in circumference which rises abruptly out of the sea at the mouth of the Firth of Clyde to a height of 1114 ft.

AIMARD, GUSTAVE, a French novelist, born in Paris; died insane (1818-1883).

AIME, ST., archbishop of Sens, in France; d. 690; festival Sept. 13.

AIN, a French river, has its source in the Jura Mts., and falls into the Rhone; also a department of France between the Rhone and Savoy.

AINLEY, HENRY, English actor. Born at Leeds, he worked in a bank before going on the stage, and made his first London appearance in 1900 at the Lyceum. He won a name chiefly for his acting in melodramas and in Shakespeare (1879-).

AINMILLER, MAX, a native of Munich, the reviver of glass-painting in Germany (1807-1870).

AINOS, a primitive thick-set, hairy race, now confined to Yezo and the islands N. of Japan, aboriginal to that quarter of the globe and fast dying out.

AINSWORTH, R., an English Latin lexicographer (1660-1743).

AINSWORTH, WILLIAM HARRISON, a popular English novelist, the author of "Rookwood" and "Jack Sheppard," as well as novels of an antiquarian and historical character (1805-1882).

AIN-TAB, a Syrian garrison town 60 m. NE. of Aleppo; trade in hides, leather, and cotton.

AIR MINISTRY, THE, the Govt. dept. formed in 1917 to look after the Royal Air Force and civil aviation. The Meteorological Office forms part of the Ministry.

AIR RAIDS were first carried out over Great Britain during the Great War, the civil population being the main target of the German machines. The first raid was made on Christmas Eve, 1914, when a bomb was dropped from an aeroplane into a garden at Dover. In January, 1915, the first raid by Zeppelin airships was launched, and 4 people were killed in Norfolk. From then on raids were regularly made until August, 1918, and a system of raid warnings and "all clear" signals was introduced. Of all the raids the most destructive was the aeroplane raid on London on June 13, 1917, when 160 people were killed and 432 were injured.

AIRD, SIR JOHN, famous contracting engineer. With his father he was responsible for the erection of the Crystal Palace and numerous docks and railways all over the world. Sir John built the Asuan and Assuit dams on the Nile, and sat in Parliament from 1887-1905 (1833-1911).

AIRD, THOMAS, a Scottish poet, author of the "Devil's Dream," the "Old Bachelor," and the "Old Scotch Village"; for nearly 30 years editor of the *Dumfries Herald* (1802-1876).

AIRDRIE, a town in Lanarkshire, 11 m. E. of Glasgow, in a district rich in iron and coal; is of rapid growth; has cotton-mills, foundries, &c.

AIRDS MOSS, a moor in Ayrshire, between the rivers Ayr and Lugar.

AIRE, a Yorkshire river which flows into the Ouse; also a French river, affluent of the Aisne.

AIRSHIP. See AVIATION.

AIRY, SIR GEORGE BIDDLE, English astronomer. Professor of astronomy and mathematics at Cambridge, and Astronomer Royal 1836-1881. He was the first to enunciate the complete theory of the rainbow and helped in the preparation of a catalogue of stars. President of the British Association in 1851 (1801-1892).

AISNE, a French river which, after a course of 150 m., falls into the Oise near Compiègne; also a department in the N. of France. It was the scene of a battle in the Great War in the autumn of 1914.

AISSE, MILLE, a Circassienne brought to France about 1700; left letters on French society in the 18th century, sparkling with wit and full of interest.

AITZEMA, LEO, historian of Fweland (1600-1660).

AIX, a town, the ancient capital of Provence, 20 m. N. of Marseilles, the seat of an archbishopric and a university; founded by the Romans 123 B.C.; near it Marius defeated the Teutons.

AIX, ISLE OF, island in the Atlantic, at the mouth of the Charente.

AIX-LE-CHAPELLE, in Rhenish Prussia, one of the oldest cities in Germany, made capital of the German empire by Charlemagne; derives its name from its mineral springs; is a centre of manufacturing industries and an important trade; is celebrated for its octagonal cathedral (in the middle of which is a stone marking the burial-place of Charlemagne), for treaties of peace in 1668 and 1748, and for a European congress in 1818.

AIX-LES-BAINS, a small town near Chambéry, in the dep. of Savoy, and much frequented by invalids for its waters and baths.

AJAC'GIO, the capital of Corsica, the birth-place of the Bonaparte family, of Cardinal Fesch, and Bacciocchi.

AJALON, VALLEY OF, in Palestine, scene of a battle between Joshua and five Canaanitish kings, during which the sun and moon stood still at the prayer of Joshua, to enable him to finish his victory (Josh. 10).

A'JAN COAST, a district on the E. coast of Africa, under the protectorate of Germany.

A'JAX, the name of two Greek heroes in the Trojan war, and the synonym of a fiery and impetuous warrior: **AJAX**, the son of Telamon of Sparta, one of the bravest of the Greeks, who, on the death of Achilles, contended with Ulysses for his arms, but was defeated, in consequence of which he lost his reason and put an end to his life; and **AJAX**, the son of Oileus, swift of foot, like Achilles, who suffered shipwreck on his homeward voyage, as a judgment for an outrage he perpetrated on the person of Cassandra in the temple of Athena in Troy.

AJMERE, city in a small territory in the heart of Rajputana, under the rule of the Viceroy; well built, and contains some famous edifices.

AJODHYA, an ancient city of Oudh, 77 m. E. of Lucknow, once, on religious grounds, one of the largest and most magnificent cities of India, now in ruins; the modern town is an insignificant place, but has an annual fair, attended by over 600,000 pilgrims.

AK'ABA, a gulf forming the NE. inlet of the Red Sea.

AKAKIA, DOCTOR, a satire of a very biting nature by Voltaire, directed against pretentious pedants of science in the person of Maupeitua, the President of the Royal Academy of Sciences at Berlin, which so excited the anger of Frederick the Great, the patron of the Academy, that he ordered it to be burnt by the common hangman, after 30,000 copies of it had been sold in Paris.

AKAKIA, MARTIN, physician of Francis I., born at Chalon-sur-Marne, his real name being Sans-Malice; d. 1561.

AK'BAR, the great Mogul emperor of India, who, after a minority of a few years, assumed the reins of government at the age of eighteen, and in ten or twelve years, such was his power of conquest, had the whole of India north of the Vindhya Mts. subject to his rule. He was wise in government as well as powerful in war, and one of the most large-minded and largest-hearted rulers recorded in history. He reigned half a century (1542-1605).

AKENSIDE, MARK, an English physician, who wrote, among other productions and pieces, the Hymn to the Naiads, especially a poem entitled the "Pleasures of Imagination," much quoted from at one time, and suggested by the study of Addison on the Imagination in the *Spectator* (1731-1770).

AKERS, B. F., an able American sculptor (1825-1861).

AKERMAN, a fortified town in Bessarabia, at the mouth of the Dniester.

AKIBA, BEN JOSEPH, a famous Jewish rabbi of the 2nd century, a great authority in the matter of Jewish tradition; slain alive by the Romans for being concerned in a revolt in 135.

AKKAS, a wandering race of negro dwarfs in Central Africa, with large heads and hairy bodies, who live by hunting.

AKRON, a town in Ohio, U.S., seat of manufactures and centre of traffic.

AKSAKOF, IVAN, a Russian litterateur and advocate of Panславism (1823-1890).

AKSU, a trading town in E. Turkestan, 250 m. NE. of Yarkand.

AK'YAB, the capital of Aracan, in British Burmah, 90 m. SE. of Calcutta.

AL RAKIM, the dog that guarded the Seven Sleepers (q.v.), and that stood by them all through their long sleep.

ALABAMA, one of the United States of N. America, traversed by a river of the name, a little larger than England, highly fertile and a great cotton-growing country, and abounding in iron, coal, and marble; bounded on the W. by the Mississippi, on the N. by Tennessee, and the E. by Georgia.

ALABAMA, THE, a war vessel built at Birkenhead for the Confederates in the American Civil War, for the devastation done by which, according to the decision of a court of arbitration, the English Government had to pay heavy damages of three millions of money.

ALAOOQUE, MARIE, a French nun of a mystic tendency, the founder of the devotion of the Sacred Heart (1647-1690).

ALAD'DIN, one of the chiefs of the Assassins in the 13th century, better known by the name of the Old Man of the Mountain.

ALADDIN, a character in the "Arabian Nights," who became possessed of a wonderful lamp and a wonderful ring, by rubbing which together he could call two evil genii to do his bidding.

ALADINISTS, freethinkers among the Mohammedans.

ALAGO'AS, a maritime province of Brazil, N. of Pernambuco, with tropical products as well as fine timber and dye-woods.

ALAIN DE L'IELE, a professor of theology in the University of Paris, surnamed the *Docteur universel* (1114-1203).

ALAIS, a town at the foot of the Cevennes, in the centre of a mining district; once the stronghold of French Protestantism.

ALABASTRE, LUIGI, Italian poet and diplomatist, born at Florence (1495-1566).

ALAND ISLES, a group of 300 small islands in the Gulf of Bothnia, of which 80 are inhabited; fortified by Russia; restored to Sweden 1919.

ALANS, a barbarous horde from the East, who invaded W. Europe in the 4th and 5th centuries, but were partly exterminated and partly ousted by the Visigoths.

ALAR'CON Y MENDO'ZA, JUAN RUIZ DE, a Spanish dramatist born in Mexico, who, though depreciated by his contemporaries, ranks after 200 years of neglect among the foremost dramatic geniuses of Spain, next even to Cervantes and Lope de Vega; he was a humphack, had an offensive air of conceit, and was very unpopular; he wrote at least twenty dramas, some of which have been translated into French; d. in 1639.

AL'ARIO I., the king of the Visigoths, a man of noble birth, who, at the end of the 4th and beginning of the 5th century, ravaged Greece, invaded Italy, and took and pillaged Rome; died at Cosenza, in Calabria, in 412, at the early age of thirty-four.

ALARIC II., king of the Visigoths, whose dominions included all Gaul and most of Spain; defeated by the Franks at Poitiers, and killed by the hand of Clovis, their king, in 507.

ALARIC COTIN, Voltaire's nickname for Frederick the Great, the former in recognition of him as a warrior, the latter as a would-be litterateur, after an indifferent French poet of the name of Cotin.

ALAS'GO, JOEN, the uncle of Sigismund, king of Poland, and a zealous promoter in that country of the Reformation; the friend of Erasmus and Zwinglius (1495-1560).

ALAS'KA, an immense territory belonging to the U.S. by purchase from Russia, extending from British N. America to Behring Strait; it was the scene of the Gold Rush of 1896, prior to which the inhabitants, chiefly Indians and Eskimos, lived by hunting and fishing and by the export of salmon; seal fishery valuable.

ALASNAM, a hero figuring in the "Arabian Nights" as having erected eight statues of gold, and, in quest of a statue for a ninth unoccupied pedestal, finding

what he wanted in the person of a beautiful woman for a wife.

ALASTOR, an avenging spirit in Greek mythology, given to tormenting families whose history has been stained by some crime.

ALAVA, the southernmost of the three Basque provinces of Spain, largest, but least populous; rich in minerals, and fertile in soil.

ALAYA, RICARDO DE, a Spanish general, born in Vittoria, joined the national party, and was aide-de-camp to the Duke of Wellington, becoming eventually ambassador to London and Paris (1771-1848).

ALBA LONGA, a city of Latium older than Rome.

ALBAICETE, a province in Spain, with a capital of same name, 178 m. SE. of Madrid.

ALBAN LAKE, near Alban Mount, 6 m. in circuit, occupying the basin of an extinct volcano, its surface 961 ft. above the sea-level.

ALBAN MOUNT, a small mountain overlooking Alba Longa.

ALBAN, ST., the first martyr in Britain to the Christian faith in 303; represented in art as carrying his head between his hands, having been beheaded.

ALBA TIZI, an Italian painter, a disciple of Caracci, born at Bologna; surnamed the Anacreon of painting; his pictures more distinguished for grace than vigour.

ALBA TILI, an illustrious Roman family, members of which attained the highest dignities in the Church, one, Clement XI., having been Pope.

ALBANI, EMILIE, adopted name of Marie Emma Lajeunesse, an operatic soprano singer. Of French-Canadian descent, she was born in Montreal, and made her opera debut at Milan at the age of 18. From 1872 to 1896 she appeared regularly at Covent Garden, and in 1911 made her farewell appearance at the London Albert Hall. Made a D.B.E. in 1925, she died five years later (1892-1930).

ALBA NIA, the former Turkish province of Scutari and parts of Kosovo and Yanina, with its coast on the Adriatic and having an area of 20,000 sq. m. It was declared independent by the Treaty of London in 1912, but was invaded by troops on both sides during the Great War. After the war the independence of the republic was guaranteed by the Supreme Council of the Allies.

ALBANO, LAKE OF, a small crater-like lake 15 m. SE. of Rome, near which rises the Castel Gandolfo, where the Pope has a villa.

ALBANY, the old Celtic name for the Scottish highlands. Also famous bachelor chambers off Piccadilly, where Gladstone and Macaulay, among others, were residents.

ALBANY, a town in W. Australia, on King George Sound, 261 m. SE. of Perth, a port of call for Australian liners; also the capital of the State of New York, on the Hudson River, a well-appointed city; seat of justice for the State, with a large trade and numerous manufactures.

ALBANY, COUNTESS OF, wife of English pretender, Prince Charles Stuart, a dissolute woman (1758-1824).

ALBATROSS, the largest and strongest of sea-birds, that ranges over the southern seas, often seen far from land; it is a superstition among sailors that it is disastrous to shoot one.

ALBERONI, an Italian of humble birth, became a Cardinal of the Church and Prime Minister to Philip V. of Spain, wrought hard to restore Spain to its ancient grandeur, was defeated in his project by the quadruple alliance of England, France, Austria, and Holland, and obliged to retire (1684-1752).

ALBERT, archbishop of Mainz, a dignity granted him by Pope Leo X. at the ransom of £15,000, which he was unable to pay, and which, as the Pope needed it for building St. Peter's, he borrowed, the Pope granting him the power to sell indulgences in order to repay the loan, in which traffic Tiesel was his chief salesman, a trade which roused the wrath of Luther and provoked the German Reformation (1450-1545).

ALBERT, the last Grandmaster of the Teutonic knights, who being "religious in an eminent degree and shaken in his belief," took seasonally to Protestantism and the cause under the influence of Luther, who advised him to declare himself Duke of Prussia, under the wing of Sigismund of Poland, in defiance

of the Teutonic order as no longer worthy of bed and board on the earth, so doing, became founder of the Prussian State (1490-1568).

ALBERT, PRINCE, second son of Ernest, Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha; born Aug. 26, 1819, he became the consort of Queen Victoria in 1840, and from his prudence and tact was held in high honour by the whole community; he died at Windsor of typhoid fever in 1861 (1819-1861).

ALBERT, ST., bishop of Liège, was assassinated by the emissaries of the Emperor Henry VI. in 1195. Festival, Nov. 21.

ALBERT I., emperor of Germany from 1298 to 1308, eldest son of Rudolf of Hapsburg, "a most clutching, strong-fisted, dreadfully hungry, tough, and un-beautiful man, whom his nephew at last had to assassinate, and did assassinate, as he crossed the river Rhine with him in a boat, May 1, 1308."

ALBERT II., a successor, "who got three crowns—Hungary, Bohemia, and the Imperial—in one year, and we hope a fourth," says the old historian, "which was a heavenly and eternal one," for he died the next year, 1439.

ALBERT, King of the Belgians. Born in Brussels, a younger brother of King Leopold II., he became Count of Flanders in 1905 on the death of his father, and after travelling succeeded to the throne in 1909. A popular monarch, the events of 1914 established his reputation in the eyes of the world. He took command of the Belgian forces after the German invasion, and in 1918 led an offensive of the Allies which ended in the recapture of the Belgian coast (1875-).

ALBERT, a French village in the department of the Somme on the Ancre, which was used as a base by British troops in the Great War.

ALBERT MEDAL, a medal of gold and of bronze, instituted in 1866, awarded to civilians for acts of heroism by sea or land.

ALBERT MEMORIAL, a monument in memory of Albert the Prince Consort, husband of Queen Victoria, erected in Kensington Gardens. A large Gothic work, it cost £120,000 and is highly ornamented in typical Victorian style. It was designed by Sir Gilbert Scott.

ALBERT NYANZA, a lake in Equatorial Africa, in the Nile basin, discovered by Sir Samuel Baker in 1864, 150 m. long by 40 broad, and 2500 ft. above sea-level.

ALBERTA, a fertile Province of Canada with large forests, on the E. slope of the Rocky Mountains, the south abounding in cattle ranches, and the mountainous districts in minerals; produces wheat and coal.

ALBERTI, an illustrious Florentine family, rivals of the Medici and the Albizzi.

ALBERTUS MAGNUS, one of the greatest of the scholastic philosophers and theologians of the Middle Ages, teacher of Thomas Aquinas, supreme in knowledge of the arts and sciences of the time, and regarded by his contemporaries in consequence as a sorcerer (1190-1280).

ALBI, a town of some antiquity and note in S. of France, 22 m. NE. of Toulouse.

ALBIGENES, a religious sect, odious, as heretical, to the Church, which sprang up about Albi, in the S. of France, in the 12th century, against which Pope Innocent III. proclaimed a crusade, which was carried on by Simon de Montfort in the 13th century, and by the Inquisition afterwards, to their utter annihilation.

ALBINOS, persons or animals with white hair, pale skin, and pink eyes, owing to their skin lacking the natural pigment. The eyes are often too weak to bear full light.

ALBION, a white cliff, the ancient name of Great Britain.

ALBOIN, king of the Lombards in the 6th century, from 561 to 575; invaded Italy as far as the Tiber, and set up his capital in Pavia; incurred the resentment of his wife, who had him assassinated for forcing her to drink wine out of the skull of her father.

ALBORAK, a wonderful horse of Mohammed, an incarnation of the lightning as his steed.

ALBORNOZ, a Spanish statesman, archbishop of Toledo, a bold defender of the faith against the Moors

and a plain-spoken man in the interest of Christianity (1810-1867).

ALBERTI, a powerful Florentine family, rivals of the Medici and the Alberti.

ALBUERA, a Spanish village 12 m. SE. of Badajoz, scene of a victory (May 16, 1811) of General Beresford over Marshal Soult.

ALBUFERA, a lake on the coast of Spain, 7 m. S. of Valencia, near which Marshal Suchet gained a victory over the English in 1811.

ALBULA, Swiss mountain pass in the canton of Grisons, 7595 ft. high.

ALBUMEN, an amorphous substance, a constituent of plants and animals, and found nearly pure in the yolk of an egg and in the serum of the blood. See

ALBUQUERQUE, ALFONSO D., a celebrated Portuguese patriot and navigator, the founder of the Portuguese power in India, who, after securing a footing in India for Portugal that he sought for, settled in Goa, where his recall at the instance of jealous rivals at home gave him such a shock that he died of a broken heart just as he was leaving. The Indians long remembered his benign rule, and used to visit his tomb to pray him to deliver them from the oppression of his successors (1453-1515).

ALBYN, ancient Celtic name of Scotland.

ALCEUS OF MITYLENE, a Greek lyric poet, an aristocrat by birth, a contemporary and an alleged lover of Sappho, and much admired by Horace; flourished about 600 B.C.

ALCALA DE HENARES, a town in Spain, the birthplace of Cervantes, 21 m. E. of Madrid, long the seat of a famous university founded by Cardinal Ximenes.

ALCAN'TARA, a town of Spain, on the Tagus, near Portugal, with a bridge of six arches, 670 ft. long and 210 ft. high, built in honour of Trajan in 104. The Order of Alcantara, a religious and military order, was established in 1176 here, for defence against the Moors, and was suppressed in 1835.

ALOESTE, the chief character in Molière's "Misanthrope."

ALCES TIS, the wife of Admetus, who gave herself up to death to save her husband. Hercules descended to the lower world and brought her back. She is the subject of one of the tragedies of Euripides.

ALCHEMY, the early analysis of substances which has in modern times developed into chemistry, and which aimed chiefly at the discovery of the philosopher's stone, of a universal solvent, and of the elixir of life.

ALCIBIADES, an Athenian of high birth, and related to Pericles, possessed of a handsome person, brilliant abilities, and great wealth, but of a wayward temper and depraved, whom Socrates tried hard to win over to virtue, but failed. He involved his country in a rash expedition against Sicily, served and betrayed it by turns in the Peloponnesian war, and died by assassination in exile (450-404 B.C.).

ALCIBES, the grandson of Alceus, a patronymic of Hercules.

ALCINOÛS, a king of the Phæaciens, the father of Nausicaa, who figures in the Odyssey as the host of Ulysses, who had been shipwrecked on his shore.

ALCIRA, a walled town in Spain, on an island 22 m. SW. of Valencia.

ALCMAN, an early Greek lyric poet, born at Sardis.

ALCONE, the wife of Amphitryon and the mother of Hercules.

ALCONIDES, a powerful Athenian family, of which Pericles and Alcibiades were members, who professed to be descended from Alcmæon, the grandson of Nestor.

ALCOCK, JOHN, an eminent ecclesiastic of the reign of Edward IV., distinguished for his love of learning and learned men; d. 1500.

ALCOCK, SIR JOHN, with Sir A. W. Brown made the first trans-Atlantic aeroplane flight from Newfoundland to Clifden, Ireland, in 16 hours, on June 14, 1919, a feat for which he was knighted. During the Great War he had been taken prisoner by the Turks when in the Royal Naval Air Service. He died as a result of a flying accident six months after the Atlantic crossing (1892-1919).

ALCOHOLS, name given to a series of neutral organic substances, with similar chemical properties, some of which are liquids and some solids. Common or ethyl alcohol is obtained by the fermentation of sugars

and is the basis of all intoxicating liquors. It is used extensively as a solvent for organic substances. Methyl alcohol or wood spirit, prepared by the distillation of wood, is mixed with ethyl alcohol in methylated spirits, of which it forms 10 per cent.

ALCOBAC, See FORAY.

ALCOOT, LOUISA MAY, American authoress, who acted as a nurse to the wounded during the Civil War; her works, of which "Little Women" is most widely known, were addressed to the young (1832-1888).

ALCOY, a town in Spain, N. of Alcant; staple manufacture, paper.

AL'OUIN, a learned Englishman, a disciple of Bede; invited by Charlemagne to introduce scholarly culture into the empire and establish libraries and schools of learning; was one of those men whose work lies more in what they influence others to do than in what they do themselves (735-804).

ALCYONE, daughter of Æolus, who threw herself into the sea after her husband, who had perished in shipwreck, and was changed into the kingfisher.

ALDEBARAN, a conspicuous star of first magnitude in constellation Taurus; a "giant" of diameter 34 million miles and composed of material of very low density.

ALDEHYDES, a family of organic substances obtained by the oxidation of different alcohols. *Formaldehyde* is used as an antiseptic in the solution known as formalin. *Acetaldehyde* is a colourless liquid with an unpleasant smell, which polymerises to give *Paraldehyde*, which is used in medicine as a soporific.

ALDERNEY, one of the Channel Islands, 3 or 4 m. long by 2 broad, celebrated for its breed of cows; separated from Cape de la Hague by the dangerous Race of Alderney.

ALDERSHOT, a permanent camp, established in 1855, for instruction in military manoeuvres, on a moorland 35 m. SW. of London.

ALDINE EDITIONS, editions, chiefly of the classics, issued from the press of Aldus Manutius in Venice in the 16th century, and remarkable for the correctness of the text and the beauty and clearness of the printing.

ALDINGAR, SIR, legendary character, the steward of Eleanor, wife of Henry II., who accused her of infidelity, and offered to substantiate the charge by combat, when an angel in the form of a child appeared and certified her innocence.

ALDOBRANDINI, a Florentine juriconsult (1500-1558).

ALDRED, bishop of Worcester in the reign of Edward the Confessor, made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem, became archbishop of York, and crowned the last of the Saxons and the first of the Norman kings of England; d. 1063.

ALDRICH, HENRY, dean of Oxford, an accomplished ecclesiastic; was a skilful musician, and composed many services for the Church; wrote a system of logic, long in use in Oxford University (1647-1710).

ALDRICH, THOMAS BAILEY, American poet and writer; former editor of *The Atlantic Monthly* (1836-1907).

ALDROVANDI, ULYSSES, a famous Italian naturalist of Bologna, who collected an immense body of interesting facts in natural history, published partly in his lifetime and partly after his death (1522-1607).

ALDUS MANUTIUS, or **ALDO MANUZIO**, an Italian printer, born at Bassano, established a printing-office in Venice in 1488, issued the celebrated Aldine Editions of the classics, and invented the italic type, for the exclusive use of which for many years he obtained a patent, though the honour of the invention is more probably due to his typesetter, Francesco de Bologna, than to him (1447-1515).

ALE-COONER, an officer formerly appointed to assay ale measures.

ALECTO, one of the three Eumenides or Furies.

ALEMÁN, MATEO, a Spanish novelist, author of the celebrated romance "Juanan de Alfaroche," which in 5 years ran through 26 editions, was translated several times into French; died in Mexico in 1610.

ALEMANNI, a confederacy of tribes which appeared on the banks of the Rhine in the 3rd cent., and for long gave no small trouble to Rome, but whose incursions were arrested, first by Maximinus, and

finally by Clovis in 496, who made them subject to the Franks, hence the modern names in French for Germany and the Germans.

ALEMTEJO, a southern province of Portugal; soil fertile to the east.

ALENCON, a town in the dep. of Orne, 105 m. W. of Paris, once famous for its lace.

ALENCON, COUNTS AND DUKES OF, a title borne by several members of the house of Valois—e.g. Charles of Valois, who fell at Crécy (1346); Jean IV., who fell at Agincourt (1415).

ALEPPO, a city in Northern Syria, one of the finest in the East, once one of the greatest trading centres in the world.

ALESIA, a strong place in the E. of Gaul, which, as situated on a hill and garrisoned by 80,000 Gauls, cost Caesar no small trouble to take.

ALESTUS, ALEXANDER, a noted Reformer, born in Edinburgh, converted to Protestantism by Patrick Hamilton; was driven first from Scotland and then from England, till he settled as a theological professor in Germany, and took an active part in the Reformation there (1600-1663).

ALESSANDRIA, a strongly fortified and stirring town on the Tenaro, in Northern Italy, the centre of 8 railways, 55 m. SE. of Turin.

ALESSI, GALEAZZO, architect, born at Perugia, architect of the monastery and church of the Escorial (c. 1500-1572).

ALETSCH GLACIER, THE, the largest of the glaciers of the Alps, which descends round the south of the Jungfrau into the valley of the Upper Rhône.

ALEUTIAN ISLANDS, a chain of volcanic islands, 150 in number, stretching over the N. Pacific from Alaska, in N. America, to Kamchatka, in Asia, with fishing and sealing industries.

ALEXANDER THE GREAT, the king of Macedonia, son of Philip by Olympias, daughter of Neoptolemus, king of Epirus; born at Pella, 356 a.c.; had the philosopher Aristotle for tutor, and being instructed by him in all kinds of serviceable knowledge, ascended the throne on the death of his father, at the age of 20; after subduing Greece, had himself proclaimed generalissimo of the Greeks against the Persians, and in 2 years after his accession crossed the Hellespont, followed by 30,000 foot and 5000 horse; with these conquered the army of Darius the Persian at Granicus in 334, and at Issus in 333; subdued the principal cities of Syria, overran Egypt, and crossing the Euphrates and Tigris, routed the Persians at Arbela; hurrying on farther, he swept everything before him, till the Macedonians refusing to advance, he returned to Babylon, when he suddenly fell ill of fever, and in eleven days died at the early age of 32. He is said to have slept every night with his Homer and his sword under his pillow, and the inspiring idea of his life is defined to have been the right of Greek intelligence to override and rule the uselessly glittering barbarity of the East.

ALEXANDER, ST., patriarch of Alexandria from 311 to 326, contributed to bring about the condemnation of Arius at the Council of Nice; festival, Feb. 26.

ALEXANDER, SOLOMON, first Protestant bishop of Jerusalem, of Jewish birth, died during a journey to Cairo (1799-1845).

ALEXANDER III., pope, successor to Adrian IV., an able man, whose election Barbarossa at first opposed, but finally assented to; took the part of Thomas à Becket against Henry II. and canonised him, as also St. Bernard. Pope from 1159 to 1181.

ALEXANDER VI., called Borgia from his mother a Spaniard by birth, obtained the popehood by bribery in 1492 in subversion to Innocent VIII., lived a licentious life and had several children, among others the celebrated Lucretia and the infamous Caesar Borgia; d. 1503, after a career of crime, not without suspicion of poison. In addition to Alexanders III. and VI., six of the name were popes: Alexander I., pope from 108 to 117; Alexander II., pope from 1061 to 1073; Alexander IV., pope from 1254 to 1261; Alexander V., pope from 1409 to 1410; Alexander VII., pope from 1663 to 1667, who was forced to kiss his hand to Louis XIV.; Alexander VIII., pope from 1689 to 1691.

ALEXANDER I., king of Scotland, son of Malcolm Canmore and Margaret, sister of Edgar Atheling, a vigorous prince, surnamed on that account *The*

Fierce; subdued a rising in the North, and stood stoutly out in defence of the independent rights of both Crown and Church against the claim of supremacy over both on the part of England; d. 1124.

ALEXANDER II., of Scotland, successor of William the Lion, his father, a just and wise ruler, aided the English barons against John, and married Joan, the sister of Henry III.; d. 1249.

ALEXANDER III., son of the preceding, married a daughter of Henry III., sided with him against the barons, successfully resisted the invasion of Haco, king of Norway, and on the conclusion of peace gave his daughter in marriage to Haco's successor Eric; accidentally killed by falling over a cliff near Kinghorn when hunting in 1285.

ALEXANDER I., emperor of Russia, son and successor of Paul I., took part in the European strife against the encroachments of Napoleon, was present at the battle of Austerlitz, fought the French at Pultusk and Eylau, was defeated at Friedland, had an interview with Napoleon at Tilsit in 1813, entered into a coalition with the other Powers against France, which ended in the capture of Paris and the abdication of Napoleon in 1814. Under his reign Russia rose into political importance in Europe (1777-1825).

ALEXANDER II., emperor of Russia, son and successor of Nicholas I., fell heir to the throne while the siege of Sebastopol was going on; on the conclusion of a peace applied himself to reform in the state and the consolidation and extension of the empire. His reign is distinguished by a ukase decreed in 1861 the emancipation of the serfs, numbering 23 millions, by the extension of the empire in the Caucasus and Central Asia, and by the war with Turkey in the interest of the Slavs in 1877-78, which was ended by the peace of San Stephano, revised by the treaty of Berlin. His later years were clouded with great anxiety, owing to the spread of Nihilism, and he was killed by a bomb thrown at him by a Nihilist (1818-1881).

ALEXANDER III., emperor of Russia, son of the preceding, followed in the footsteps of his father, and showed a marked disposition to live on terms of peace with the other Powers; his reign not distinguished by any very remarkable event. Nicholas II. was his son and successor (1845-1894).

ALEXANDER I., king of Serbia, b. 1876; d. 1903.

ALEXANDER, king of Jugo-Slavia, son of King Peter of Serbia, he took an active part in the Balkan wars and in the Great War led the Serbian forces. In 1918 he became king of the newly formed state of Jugo-Slavia (1888-).

ALEXANDER, SIR GEORGE, English actor. After a short business career he made his debut in 1880 under Irving at the Lyceum, taking a theatre himself nine years later. From 1891 to the end of his life he owned the St. James's. Modern comedy was his forte, and he played fashionable parts in Pinero and Wilde plays (1858-1918).

ALEXANDER NEVSKY, grand-duke of Russia, conquered the Swedes, the Danes, and the Teutonic knights on the banks of the Neva, freed Russia from tribute to the Mongols; is one of the saints of the Russian Church (1218-1263).

ALEXANDER OF HALEB, the *Doctor irrefragabilis* of the Schools, an English ecclesiastic, a member of the Franciscan order, who in his "Summa Universæ Theologiæ" formulated, by severe rigour of Aristotelian logic, the theological principles and ecclesiastical rites of the Romish Church; d. in 1245.

ALEXANDER OF PARIS, a Norman poet of the 16th century, who wrote a poem on Alexander the Great in twelve-syllabled lines, called after him *Alexandrides*.

ALEXANDER OF THE NORTH, Charles XII. of Sweden.

ALEXANDER SEVERUS, a Roman emperor, a wise, virtuous, and pious prince; conquered Artaxerxes, king of Persia, in an expedition against him, but setting out against the Germans, who were causing trouble on the frontiers of the empire, fell a victim, with his mother, to an insurrection among his troops not far from Mainz (205-235).

ALEXANDRA, QUEEN, wife of Edward VII. and mother of King George V. She was a daughter of

King Christian IX. of Denmark, and married in 1868 (1844-1925).

ALEXANDRIA, a world-famous city, the chief port of Egypt, founded by Alexander the Great in 332 B.C. at one time a great centre of learning, and in possession of the largest library of antique literature in the world, dispersed during the wars of Caesar and Theodosius; at one time a place of great commerce, but that has very materially decayed since the opening of the Suez Canal. Alexandria, from its intimate connection with both East and West, gave birth in early times to a speculative philosophy which drew its principles from eastern as well as western sources, and which was at its height on the first encounter of these elements.

ALEXANDRIA, a town on the Potomac, 7 m. S. of Washington, accessible to vessels of the largest size; also a thriving town on the river Leven, 8 m. N. of Dumbarton.

ALEXANDRIAN CODEX, an MS. on parchment of the Septuagint Scriptures in Greek in uncial letters, which belonged to the library of the patriarchs of Alexandria.

ALEXANDRIAN LIBRARY, destroyed in Caesar's wars; erroneously reported to have been burnt by the Caliph Omar in 642; said to have contained 700,000 volumes.

ALEXANDRIA LAKE, a lake in Australia into which the river Murray flows.

ALEXANDRINE PHILOSOPHY, a Gnostic philosophy, combining eastern with western forms of thought.

ALEXANDRINES. See **ALEXANDER OF PARIE**.

ALEXANDROPOL, the largest town in the Erivan district of Russian Armenia, and a fortress of great strength.

ALEXIEFF, **MICHAEL VASSILIEVITCH**, Russian general. The son of a private, he began his military career in the Russo-Turkish war of 1877, and in the Russo-Japanese war of 1904 he acted as quartermaster-general and chief of staff to one of the Russian armies. Until the war took command of the Russian troops in the Great War Alexieff was chief of staff to General Ivanoff, but he became the real leader of the army under the czar, a position he held until the first revolution of 1917, when he was replaced by Brussiloff. On the ascendancy of Lenin and Trotsky he retired and endeavoured to organise a counter-revolution, dying before his plans could materialise (1855-1918).

ALEXIS, **ST.**, the patron saint of beggars and pilgrims, represented in art with a staff and in a pilgrim's habit; sometimes lying on a mat, with a letter in his hand, dying.

ALEXIS MICHAELOVITCH, czar of Russia, the father of Peter the Great, the first czar who acted on the policy of cultivating friendly relations with other European states (1630-1677).

ALEXIS PETROVITCH, son of Peter the Great, conspired against his father as he had broken the heart of his mother, and was condemned to death; after his trial by secret judges he was found dead in prison (1695-1718).

ALEXIUS COMNENUS, emperor of the East, began life as a soldier, was a great favourite with the troops, who, in a period of anarchy, raised him to the throne at the period of the first crusade, when the empire was infested by Turks on the one hand and Normans on the other, while the crusaders who passed through his territory proved more troublesome than either. He managed to hold the empire together in spite of these troubles, and to stave off the doom that impended all through his reign of thirty-seven years (1048-1118).

AL-FADUR, the All-Father or uncreated supreme being in Norse mythology.

ALFARA'BI, an Arabian philosopher of the 10th century, had Avicenna for a disciple, wrote on various subjects, and was the first to attempt an encyclopaedic work.

ALFIERI, **VITTORIO**, COUNT, an Italian dramatist, spent his youth in dissipation before turning to the dramatic art; on the success of "Cleopatra," met at Florence with the Countess of Albany, the wife of Charles Edward Stuart, on whose death he married her; was at Paris when the Revolution broke out, and returned to Florence, where he died and was buried. Tragedy was his forte as a dramatist (1749-1803).

ALFONSINE TABLES, astronomical tables drawn up at Toledo by order of Alfonso X. in 1252 to correct the anomalies in the Ptolemaic tables; they divided the year into 365 days, 5 hours, 49 minutes, 16 seconds.

ALFONSO I., the "Conqueror," founder of the kingdom of Portugal, was the first king, originally only count, as his father before him; in that capacity took up arms against the Moors, and defeating them had himself proclaimed king on the field of battle, a title confirmed to him by the Pope and made good by his practically subjecting all Portugal to his sway (1110-1185).

ALFONSO X., the Wise, or the Astronomer, king of Castile and Leon, celebrated as an astronomer and a philosopher; after various successes over the Moors, first one son and then another rose against him and drove him from the throne; died of chagrin at Seville two years later. His fame connects itself with the preparation of the Alfonsine Tables, and the remark that "the universe seemed a crank machine, and it was a pity the Creator had not taken advice." It was a saying of his, "old wood to burn, old books to read, old wine to drink, and old friends to converse with" (1220-1284).

ALFONSO XII., surnamed the Great, king of Asturias, ascended the throne in 1868, fought against and gained numerous victories over the Moors; the members of his family rose against him and compelled him to abdicate, but on a fresh incursion of the Moors he came forth from his retreat and triumphantly beat them back; died in Zamora, 910.

ALFORD, **MICHAEL**, a learned English Jesuit, left two great works, "Britannia Illustrata" and "Annales Ecclesiastici et Civiles Britannorum."

ALFRED THE GREAT, king of the West Saxons, the most celebrated and the greatest of all the Saxon kings. His troubles were with the Danes, who at the time of his accession defeated the whole country north of the Thames; with these he fought nine battles with varied success, till after a lull of some years he was surprised by Guthrum, then king, in 878, and driven to seek refuge on the island of Athelney. Not long after this he left his retreat and engaged Guthrum at Edington, and after defeating him formed a treaty with him, which he never showed any disposition to break. After this Alfred devoted himself to legislation, the administration of government, and the encouragement of learning, being a man of letters himself. England owes much to him both as a man and a ruler, and it was he who in the creation of a fleet laid the first foundation of her greatness as monarch of the deep. His literary works were translations of the "General History" of Orosius, the "Ecclesiastical History" of Bede, Boethius's "Consolations of Philosophy" and the "Cura Pastoralis" of Pope Gregory, all executed for the edification of his subjects (849-901).

ALGEE, sea-weeds and plants of the same order under fresh water as well as salt; they are flowerless, stemless, and cellular throughout.

ALGARBI, an Italian sculptor of note, born at Bologna; his greatest work is an alto-relievo, the largest existing, of Pope Leo restraining Attila from marching on Rome (1602-1654).

ALGAROTTI, **FRANCESCO**, COUNT, a clever Italian author, born at Venice, whom, for his wit, Frederick the Great patronised; "one of the first beaux esprits of the age," according to Wilhelmina, Frederick's sister (1712-1764).

ALGARVE, the southernmost province of Portugal, hilly, but traversed with rich valleys, which yield olives, vines, oranges, &c.

ALGERIA, a universal arithmetic of Arabian origin or Arabian transmission, in which symbols are employed to denote operations, and letters to represent number and quantity.

ALGERIA, in the N. of Africa, belongs to France, stretches between Morocco on the W. and Tripoli and Tunis on the E., the country being divided into the Tell along the sea-coast, which is fertile, the Atlas Highlands overlooking it on the E., on the southern slopes of which are marshy lakes called "shotts," on which alfa grows wild; into the Steppe, a pastoral region; and, thirdly, into the Sahara beyond, rendered habitable here and there by the creation of artesian wells; its extent nearly equal in

area to that of France, with a population numbering about four millions, of which only a quarter of a million is French. The country is divided into Departments, of which Algiers, Oran, and Constantine are the respective capitals. It has been successively under the sway of the Carthaginians, the Romans, the Vandals, the Arabs, the Byzantines, and the Berbers, which last were in the 16th century supplanted by the Turks. At the end of this period it became a nest of pirates, against whom a succession of expeditions were sent from several countries of Europe, but it was only with the conquest of it by the French in 1830 that this state of things was brought to an end.

ALGESIRAS, a town and port in Spain on the Bay of Gibraltar, 5 m. across the bay; for centuries a stronghold of the Moors, but taken from them by Alfonso IX. after a siege of twenty months. Algeiras Bay was the scene of a battle between the French and English in 1801.

ALGIEERS, the capital of Algeria, founded by the Arabs in 985, called the "silver city," from the glistening white of its buildings as seen sloping up from the sea, presenting a striking appearance; was for centuries under its Bey the headquarters of piracy in the Mediterranean, which only began to cease when Lord Exmouth bombarded the town and destroyed the fleet in the harbour. Since it fell into the hands of the French the city has been greatly improved, the fortifications have been strengthened, and its neighbourhood has become a frequent resort of English people in winter.

ALGINE, a viscous gum obtained from certain sea-weeds, used as size for textile fabrics, and for thickening soups and jellies.

ALGOA BAY, an inlet at the E. of Cape Colony, 20 m. wide, on which Port Elizabeth stands, 425 m. E. of the Cape of Good Hope.

ALGOL, a variable double star in Perseus, normally of second magnitude, but fading to fourth magnitude for about 20 minutes at intervals of three days. The variation in apparent brightness is due to the eclipses of the brighter member by the fainter, which revolves round it.

ALGONQUINS, one of the three aboriginal races of N. American Indians, originally occupying nearly the whole region from the Churchill and Hudson Bay southward to N. Carolina, and from the E. of the Rocky Mts. to Newfoundland; the language they speak has been divided into five dialects.

ALHAMBRA (Red Castle), an ancient palace and stronghold of the Moorish kings of Granada, founded by Muhammad II. in 1213, decorated with gorgeous arabesques by Yusuf I. (1345), erected on the crest of a hill which overlooks Granada; has suffered from neglect, bad usage, and earthquake.

AL, the cousin of Mohammed, and one of his first followers at the age of sixteen. "a noble-minded creature, full of affection and fiery daring. Something chivalrous in him; brave as a lion; yet with a grace, a truth and affection worthy of Christian knight-hood." Became Caliph in 656; died by assassination in the Mosque at Bagdad; the Shi'ites yearly commemorate his death. See Carlyle's "Heroes."

ALI BABA. See **BABA, ALI**.

ALI PASHA, pasha of Janina, a bold and crafty Albanian, able man, and notorious for his cruelty as well as craft; alternately gained the favour of the Porte and lost it by the alliances he formed with hostile powers, until the Sultan sentenced him to deposition, and sent Hassan Pasha to demand his head; he offered violent resistance, but being overpowered at length surrendered, when his head was severed from his body and sent to Constantinople (1741-1822).

ALKANTEE, the third seaport-town in Spain, with a spacious harbour and strongly fortified, in a province of the same name on the Mediterranean.

EL, a town with a fort between Agra and the garrison of which mutilated in 1857.

EL, the family name of Dante.

ELTIA, an affluent on the right bank of the Congo, in French territory.

LYMBARTY CANAL, a passage 5 or 6 times the length of the body, lined throughout with mucous membrane, extends from the mouth to the anus.

and includes mouth, fauces, pharynx, cesophagus, stomach, and small and large intestines.

ALISON, ARCHIBALD, an Episcopal clergyman in Edinburgh, of which he was a native, best known for his "Essay on the Nature and Principles of Taste" (1757-1839).

ALISON, SIR ARCHIBALD, son of the preceding, a lawyer who held several prominent legal appointments, and a historian, his great work being a "Modern History of Europe from the French Revolution to the Fall of Napoleon," afterwards extended to the "Accession of Louis Napoleon" (1792-1867).

ALISON, W. PULTENEY, brother of the preceding, professor of medicine in Edinburgh University, and a philanthropist (1790-1859).

ALI WAL, a village in the Punjab, on the Sutlej, where Sir Harry Smith gained a brilliant victory over the Sikhs, who were provided with forces in superior numbers, in 1846.

AL-KAHEST, the presumed universal solvent of the alchemists; a term invented by Paracelsus.

ALKALINE EARTHS, name given to the oxides of the metals calcium, barium, and strontium, which are distinguished from the alkalis soda and potash by their small solubility in water.

ALKALIS, bodies which combine with acids to form salts, are soluble in water, and turn red litmus solution blue, e.g. potash, soda, lithia, and ammonia solution.

ALKALOIDS, nitrogenous organic substances with alkaline properties; many of them are poisonous and are used for medical purposes. They include piperine, cocaine, nicotine, atropine, cocaine, quinine, morphine, strychnine, and brucine.

ALEMAAR, the capital of N. Holland, 25 m. NW. of Amsterdam, with a large trade in cattle, grain, and cheese.

ALEMEER, HENRIK VAN, the reputed author of the first German version of "Reynard the Fox."

ALL THE TALENTS, ADMINISTRATION OF, a ministry formed by Lord Grenville and Fox on the death of Pitt in 1806.

ALLAH, the Adorable, the Arab name for God, adopted by the Mohammedans as the name of the one God.

ALLAHABAD, the City of God, a central city of British India, on the confluence of the Ganges and the Jumna, 550 m. from Calcutta, and on the railway between that city and Bombay.

ALLAN, DAVID, a Scottish portrait and historical painter, born at Alloa; illustrated Ramsay's "Gentle Shepherd"; his greatest work is the "Origin of Painting," now in the National Gallery at Edinburgh (1744-1796).

ALLAN, SIR WILLIAM, a distinguished Scottish historical painter, born at Edinburgh, many of his paintings being on national subjects; he was a friend of Scott who patronised his work, and in succession to Wilkie president of the Royal Scottish Academy; painted "Circassian Captives" and "Slave-Market at Constantinople" (1782-1850).

ALLANTOIS, a membrane enveloping the foetus in mammals, birds, and reptiles at a very early stage.

ALLARD, a French general, entered the service of Runjeet Singh at Lahore, trained his troops in European war tactics, and served him against the Afghans; died at Peshawar (1785-1839).

ALLBUTT, SIR THOMAS CLIFFORD, physician, Regius Professor at Cambridge from 1892 till death. He carried out much research in all branches of medical science, especially in connection with the nervous system (1836-1925).

ALLEGHANY, a manufacturing city in Pennsylvania, on the Ohio, opposite Pittsburg, of which it is a kind of suburb.

ALLEGHANY MOUNTAINS, a range in the Appalachian system in U.S., extending from Pennsylvania to N. Carolina; do not exceed 2400 ft. in height, run parallel with the Atlantic coast, and form the watershed between the Atlantic rivers and the Mississippi.

ALLEGORICAL INTERPRETATION, assigning a higher than a literal interpretation to the Scripture record of things, in particular the Old Testament story.

ALLEGORY, a figurative mode of representation, in

which a subject of a higher spiritual order is described in terms of that of a lower which resembles it in properties and circumstances, the principal subject being so kept out of view that we are left to construe the drift of it from the resemblance of the secondary to the primary subject.

ALLEGRI, the family name of Correggio; the name of an Italian composer, born at Rome, the author of a still celebrated "Miserere" (1680-1652).

AL LEINE, JOSEPH, a Puritan writer, author of a book once much in favour among religious people, entitled "Alarm to the Unconverted" (1634-1668).

ALLEN, BOG OF, a literary expense of poet E. of the Shannon, in King's Co. and Kildare, Ireland; Lough of, an expansion of the waters of the Shannon.

ALLEN, CHARLES GRANT, novelist. Born in Canada, he was educated at Birmingham and Oxford, and later became a professor in Jamaica. He wrote on biological subjects, though it is as a novelist he is chiefly remembered, his most famous book being "The Woman Who Did," which caused a considerable sensation on its publication in 1895 (1848-1899).

ALLEN, ETHAN, one of the early champions of American independence, taken prisoner in a raid into Canada; wrote a defence of deism and rational belief (1789-1789).

ALLEN, JOHN, an M.D. of Scottish birth, and a contributor to the *Edinburgh Review* (1771-1843).

ALLENEY, EDMUND HENRY HYNMAN, VISCOUNT, English general. He entered the Army in 1879, fought in the Zulu and Boer wars, and was British cavalry leader at Mons in 1914 and on the Somme. In 1917 he took command of the forces in Egypt, leading the offensive that won Palestine from the Turks, and by capturing Jerusalem achieved the object for which the Crusaders had fought six centuries earlier. After the war he became a field-marshal and High Commissioner for Egypt for some years (1861-).

ALLENTOWN, a town on the Lehigh River, 50 m. N.W. of Philadelphia, the great centre of the iron trade in the U.S.

ALLELION, in heraldry, an eagle with expanded wings the points turned downwards, and without beak or feet.

ALLEYN, EDWARD, a celebrated actor in the reigns of Elizabeth and James I., the founder of Dulwich College; as theatrical manager and proprietor acquired much wealth; bear-master to James I.; was a contemporary of Shakespeare (1566-1626).

AL'LIA, a stream flowing into the Tiber 11 m. from Rome, where the Romans were defeated by the Gauls under Brennus, 387 B.C.

ALLIANCE, THE TRIPLE, in 1668, between England, Holland, and Sweden against Louis XIV.; the Quadruple, in 1718, between France, England, Holland, and the Empire to maintain the treaty of Utrecht; the Holy, in 1816, between Russia, Austria, and Prussia against Liberal ideas; the Triple, in 1872, between Germany, Austria, and Russia, at the instigation of Bismarck, from which Russia withdrew in 1896, when Italy stepped into her place. Under it the signatories in 1887 guaranteed the integrity of their respective territories. It was broken up at the end of the Great War, at the outbreak of which in 1914 Italy withdrew.

ALLIER, a confluent of the river Loire, in France, near Nevers; also the department through which it flows.

ALLIES, the name given to the confederate Powers who in 1814 and 1815 entered France and restored the Bourbons. In the Great War it meant the nations fighting against the Central Powers, viz. Britain, France, Belgium, Russia, Italy, Japan, Servia, Montenegro, Albania, Rumania, Greece, Portugal, Cuba, Panama, Siam, China, Brazil, and the United States.

ALLIGATOR, a N. American fresh-water reptile of the crocodile species, but differing from the true crocodile in several features; it is numerous in the Mississippi and the lakes and rivers of Louisiana and Carolina; subsists on fish, and though timid, is dangerous when attacked.

ALLINGHAM, WILLIAM, a poet and journalist, born in Ireland, of English origin; his most celebrated works are "Day and Night Songs" and "Laurence

Bloomfield in Ireland"; was for a time editor of *Fraser's Magazine* (1824-1839).

ALLMAN, GEORGE J., professor of natural history in Edinburgh, President of the British Association 1879, and an eminent naturalist; born in Ireland (1812-1898).

ALLOA, a thriving seaport on north bank of the Forth, in Clackmannan, 6 m. below Stirling, famous for its ale.

ALLOB ROGES, a Celtic race troublesome to the Romans, who occupied the country between the Rhone and the Lake of Geneva, corresponding to Dauphiné and Savoy.

ALLOPATHY, in opposition to homoeopathy, the treatment of disease by producing a condition of the system different from or opposite to the condition essential to the disease to be cured.

ALLOTROPY, the phenomenon of a chemical substance being found in two or more entirely different forms, e.g. charcoal, graphite, and diamond are all composed of carbon, but differ entirely in physical properties and are known as the allotropic modifications of carbon. Sulphur and phosphorus both exist in allotropic modifications.

ALLOWAY, the birthplace of Burns, on the Doon, 2 m. from Ayr, the assumed scene of Tam o' Shanter's adventure.

ALLOWAY KIRE, a ruin S. of Ayr, celebrated as the scene of the witches' dance in "Tam o' Shanter."

ALL-SAINTS' DAY, the 1st of November, a feast dedicated to all the Saints.

ALL-SOULS' DAY, a festival on the 2nd November to pray for the souls of the faithful deceased, such as may be presumed to be still suffering in Purgatory.

ALLSPICE, the berry of the pimento, or Jamaica pepper.

ALLSTON, WASHINGTON, an American painter and poet, whose genius was much admired by Coleridge (1779-1843).

ALMA, a river in the Crimea, half-way between Eupatoria and Sebastopol, where the allied English, French, and Turkish armies defeated the Russians under Prince Menshikov, Sept. 20, 1854.

ALMAKOE's, a suite of assembly rooms, originally a gaming club, opened in 1768 by a Scotsman, Mc'aul, whose name, transposed, was given to the club. The place was afterwards known as Willis's Rooms, where select balls used to be given, admission to which was a certificate of high social standing.

ALMADEN, a town on the northern slope of the Sierra Morena, in Spain, with rich mines of quick-silver.

ALMA'GRO, DIEGO D', a confederate of Pizarro in the conquest of Peru, but a quarrel with the brothers of Pizarro about the division of the spoil on the capture of Cuzco, the capital of the Incas, led to his imprisonment and death (1475-1538).—**Diego d'**, his son, who avenged his death by killing Pizarro, but being conquered by Vasco de Castro, was himself put to death (1520-1542).

AL-MAMOUN, the son of Haroun-el-Raschid, the 7th Abbaside caliph, a great promoter of science and learning; d. 833.

ALMANACH DE GOTHA, a kind of European peerage, published annually by Perthes at Gotha; of late years extended so as to include statesmen and military people, as well as statistical information.

ALMANSUR, ABU GIAFAR, the 2nd Abbaside caliph, and the first of the caliphs to patronise learning; founded Bagdad, and made it the seat of the caliphate; d. 775.

ALMANSUR, ABU MOHAMMED, a great Moorish general in the end of the 10th century, had overrun and nearly made himself master of all Spain, when he was repulsed and totally defeated by the kings of Leon and Navarre in 948.

ALMA-TAD TEMA, KIB LAVERGHEUS, a distinguished artist of Dutch descent, settled in London; famous for his highly-finished treatment of classical subjects (1824-1912).

ALMAVIVA, a character in Beaumarchais' "Mariage de Figaro," representative of one of the old nobles of France, recalling all their manners and vices, who is duped by his valet Figaro, a personification of wit, talent, and intrigue.

ALMEIDA, a strong fortress in the province of Beira on the Spanish frontier of Portugal.

ALMEIDA, FRANCESCO, the first Portuguese viceroy of India, a firm and wise governor, superseded by Albuquerque, and killed on his way home by the Kaffirs at the Cape in 1510.—**Lorenzo**, his son, acting under him, distinguished himself in the Indian seas, and made Ceylon tributary to Portugal.

ALMERIA, a chief town and seaport in the S. of Spain, an important and flourishing place, next to Granada, under the Moors, and at one time a nest of pirates more formidable than those of Algiers.

ALMIGHTY DOLLAR, the god of money which the Americans are charged with worshipping, first applied to them, it would seem, by Washington Irving.

ALMORAVIDES, a Moslem dynasty which ruled in N. Africa and Spain from 1129 to 1273.

ALMO'RA, a high-lying town at the foot of the Himalayas, 85 m. N. of Bareilly.

ALMORAVIDES, a Moslem dynasty which subdued first Fez and Morocco, and then S. Spain, from 1056 to 1147.

ALNWICK, the county town of Northumberland, on the Aik; at the north entrance is Alnwick Castle, the seat of the Duke of Northumberland, one of the most magnificent structures of the kind in England, and during the Border wars a place of great strength.

ALOES, a genus of succulent plants embracing 500 species, the majority natives of S. Africa, valuable in medicine, in particular a purgative from the juice of the leaves of several species.

ALOES WOOD, the heart of certain tropical trees, which yields a fragrant resinous substance and admits of a high polish.

ALOIST, a Belgian town on the Dender, 19 m. NW. from Brussels, with a cathedral, one of the grandest in Belgium, which contains a famous painting by Rubens, "St. Roche beseeching Christ to arrest the Plague at Aloist."

ALOYSIUS, ST., an Italian nobleman, who joined the Society of Jesus; canonised for his devotion to the sick during a plague in Rome, to which he himself fell a victim, June 21, 1591. See **GONZAGA**.

ALPACA, a gregarious ruminant of the camel family, a native of the Andes, and particularly the table-lands of Chile and Peru; is covered with a long soft silky wool, of which textile fabrics are woven; in appearance resembles a sheep, but is larger in size, and has a long erect neck with a handsome head.

ALP-ARSLAN (Brave Lion), a sultan of the Seljuk dynasty in Persia, added Armenia and Georgia to his dominions (1080-1072).

ALPES, three departements in SE. France: the **Basses-A.**, in NE. part of Provence, bounded by Hautes-Alpes on the N. and Var on the S., sterile in the N., fertile in the S., cap. Digne; **Hautes-A.**, forming part of Dauphiné, traversed by the Cottian Alps, climate severe, cap. (cap. A. Maritimes, E. of the Basses-A.), bordering on Italy and the Mediterranean, made up of the territory of Nice, ceded by Italy, and of Monaco and Var; cap. Nice.

ALPHA PARTICLES, the positively charged particles expelled during certain radioactive changes. Their velocities, which vary somewhat, are about one-twentieth that of light. They are less penetrating than Beta particles (q.v.), but produce a greater effect within their smaller range; they cannot pass through more than 10 cm. of air or $\frac{1}{10}$ mm. of aluminium. They are detected and measured by the ionisation they produce in a gas, shown by the rate of discharge of an electroscope. Alpha particles appear to be atoms of helium which have lost their two outer electrons. See **RADIOACTIVITY** and **IONS**.

ALPHABET, as the basis of written language among a people, of indefinite origin. Whilst the Egyptian system of hieroglyphs and the Babylonian cuneiform writing are older, the first true alphabet is that known as Semitic. The earliest record of this is the inscription on the Moabite Stone (q.v.). From the Semitic was derived the Greek alphabet, which in turn, with certain literal changes, inspired the Roman, and it is in the last-named that the English alphabet had its origin. Of other alphabets the Arabic comes from the Aramean (a Phœnician derivative), and the several Indian forms from another similar source known as Sabaean. The Runic alphabet originated in Scandinavia, but whether it

is Phœnician, Greek, or Latin in origin is debatable. The Ogham alphabet (5th cent. A.D.), while believed by some scholars to be from the Runic, is attributed by others to Roman influence.

ALPHE'US, a river in the Peloponnese, flowing west, with its source in Arcadia; also the name of the river-god enamoured of the nymph Arethusa, whom he pursued under the sea as far as Sicily, where he overtook her and was wedded to her.

ALPHONSO XIII., of Spain, a posthumous son of Alfonso XII. He succeeded to the throne on the day of his birth. His mother, Queen Maria, acting as regent till 1904, in which year the king married Victoria Eugénie, niece of Edward VII. of England. There was an attempt to assassinate the king and queen on their wedding day, and outbreaks of a similar character have occurred on several occasions since (1886-).

ALPINE CLUB, an English club devoted to mountaineering, primarily in the Alps, but also in other districts.

ALPS, THE, the vastest mountain system in Europe; form the boundary between France, Germany, Switzerland, and Austria on the N. and W., and Italy on the S., their peaks mostly covered with perpetual snow, the highest being Mont Blanc, within the frontiers of France. According to height, they have been distributed into *Fore*, *Middle*, and *High*: the *Fore* rising to the limit of trees, the *Middle* to the line of perpetual snow; and the *High*, above the snow-line. In respect of range or extent, they have been distributed into *Western*, *Middle*, and *Eastern*: the *Western*, including the Maritime, the Cottian, the Dauphiné, and the Grailan, extend from the Mediterranean to Mont Blanc; the *Middle*, including the Pennine and Bernese, extend from Mont Blanc to the Brenner Pass; and the *Eastern*, including the Dolomite, the Julian, and the Dinaric, extend from the Brenner and Hungarian plain to the Danube. These giant masses occupy an area of 90,000 sq. m., and extend from the 44th to the 48th parallel of latitude.

ALPUJARR BAS, a rich and lovely valley which stretches S. from the Sierra Nevada in Spain.

ALRUNA-WIFE, the household goddess of a German family.

ALSACE-LORRAINE, a territory originally of the Holy Roman empire, ceded to Louis XIV. by the peace of Westphalia in 1648; restored to Germany after the Franco-German war in 1870-71, by the peace of Frankfurt; restored to France by the treaty of Versailles, 1919; is a great wine-producing country, yields cereals and tobacco, rich in coal and iron, and with a flourishing cotton industry.

ALSA-TIA, Whitefriars, London, which at one time enjoyed the privilege of a debtors' sanctuary, and, till abolished in 1697, had become a haunt of all kinds of nefarious characters; so called after Alsace, the possession of which was disputed by France and Germany.

ALSEN, a Danish island adjacent to Slesvig, one of the finest in the Baltic, now ceded to Germany.

AL-SIRAT, the hair-narrow bell-bridge of the Moslems, which every Mohammedan must pass to enter Paradise.

ALSTEN, an island off the coast of Northland, Norway, with seven snow-capped hills, called the Seven Sisters.

ALTAI MOUNTAINS, in Central Asia, stretching W. from the Desert of Gobi, and forming the S. boundary of Asiatic Russia, abounding, to the profit of Russia, in silver and copper, as well as other metals.

ALTAR, among the earliest peoples usually constructed of rough stones for the purpose of offerings or sacrifice. In later times made of wood or stone, or, as in King Solomon's temple, of gold and brass. For many centuries the altar provided a sanctuary for those fleeing from justice.

ALTAZIMUTH, an instrument based on the theodolite by means of which the altitudes and azimuths of heavenly bodies are determined.

ALTDORF, an old town in the canton Uri, at the S. end of the Lake of Lucerne; associated with the story of William Tell; a place of transit trade.

ALTDORFER, ALBRECHT, a German painter and engraver, a distinguished pupil of Albert Dürer, and, as a painter, inspired with his spirit; his "Battle

of Arbela" adorns the Munich Picture Gallery (1468-1638).

ALTEN, KARL AUGUST, a distinguished officer, native of Hanover, who entered the British service, bore arms under Sir John Moore, was chief of a division, under Wellington, in the Peninsular war, and closed his military career at the battle of Waterloo (1768-1840).

ALTENBURG, capital of Saxe-Altenburg, and 4 m. S. of Leipzig; its castle is the scene of the famous "Prinzessraub" (q.v.), related by Carlyle in his "Miscellaneous."

ALTERNATING CURRENT, a current which changes its direction several times a second. Low frequency currents—about 50 cycles per second—are used for electric motors, while those of high frequency—up to a million cycles or more—are utilised in wireless. Alternating current is economical owing to the fact that it is possible to transmit across long distances at high voltage, and step down to the required pressure by means of a transformer.

ALTHERN, a Persian refugee, who introduced into France the cultivation of madder, which became one of the most important products of the S. of France.

ALTHING, the parliamentary assembly of Iceland; instituted in 928 and reconstituted in 1874; it meets at Reykjavik.

ALTON LOCKE, a novel, by Charles Kingsley, written in sympathy with the Chartist movement, in which Carlyle is introduced as one of the personages.

ALTONA, a town and seaport of Sleswig-Holstein, close to Hamburg, on the right bank of the Elbe, and practically forming one city with it.

ALTO-RELIEVO, figures carved out of a tablet so as to project at least one half from its surface.

ALTRUISM, a Comtist doctrine which inculcates sacrifice of self for the good of others as the rule of human action.

ALUMBRA DO, a member of a Spanish sect that laid claim to perfect enlightenment.

ALUMINIUM, a metal found in combination in nearly all rocks and soils. It is produced on a large scale from bauxite (q.v.). It has many uses owing to its strength, lightness, and electrical conductivity. It is rapidly replacing copper as a material for electrical cables. Alloys of aluminium with copper, zinc, manganese, and silicon are used extensively for parts of motor-cars and aeroplanes.

ALURED OF BEVERLEY, an English chronicler of the 12th century; his annals comprise the history of the Britons, Saxons, and Normans up to his own time; d. 1129.

ALVA, DUKE OF, a general of the armies of Charles V. and Philip of Spain; his career as a general was uniformly successful, but as a governor his cruelty was merciless, especially as the viceroy of Philip in the Low Countries (1568-1582).

ALVARADO, PEDRO DE, one of the Spanish conquerors of Mexico, and comrade of Cortez; was appointed Governor of Guatemala by Charles V. as a reward for his Italian services in the interest of Spain; was a generous as well as a brave man.

ALVAREZ, FRANCISCO, a Portuguese who, in the 15th century, visited Abyssinia and wrote an account of it.

ALVAREZ, DON JOSE, the most distinguished of Spanish sculptors, born near Cordova, and patronised by Napoleon, who presented him with a gold medal, but of whom, for his treatment of his country, he conceived so great a hatred, that he would never model a bust of him (1768-1827).

ALVERSTONE, VISCOUNT (R. F. Webster), lawyer and statesman. Educated at Charterhouse and Cambridge, he was called to the bar in 1838 and took silk ten years later. In 1885 he entered the House of Commons, becoming Attorney-General in the Conservative Govts. of that year and 1886 and 1895; Master of the Rolls 1900, and Lord Chief Justice from 1900 to 1913 (1842-1915).

ALVIANO, an eminent Venetian general, distinguished himself in the defence of the republic against the Emperor Maximilian (1465-1515).

AMADEO, GIOVANNI ANTONIO, Italian sculptor and painter of the Renaissance period; assisted in the construction of Milan Cathedral (1447-1522).

AMADEUS LAKE, a lake in the centre of Australia, subject to an almost total drying-up at times.

AMADEUS V., count of Savoy, surnamed the Great from his wisdom and success as a ruler (1242-1283).

AMADEUS VIII., 1st duke of Savoy, increased his dominions, and retired into a monastery on the death of his wife; he was elected Pope as Felix V., but was not acknowledged by the Church (1383-1461).

AMADEUS I. of Spain, 2nd son of Victor Emmanuel of Italy, elected king of Spain in 1870, but abdicated in 1873 (1845-1890).

AMADIS DE GAUL, a celebrated romance in prose, written partly in Spanish and partly in French by different romancers of the 15th century; the first four books were regarded by Cervantes as a masterpiece. The hero of the book, Amadis, surnamed the Knight of the Lion, stands for a type of a constant and deferential lover, as well as a model knight-errant, of whom Don Quixote is the caricature.

AMADOU, a spongy substance, consisting of slices of certain fungi beaten together, used as a styptic, and, after being steeped in saltpetre, used as tinder.

AMADON, a devil who could be restrained from working evil from the third hour till noon and from the ninth till evening.

AMALARIC, king of the Visigoths, married a daughter of Clovis; d. 581.

AMALEKITES, a warlike race of the Sinaitic peninsula, which gave much trouble to the Israelites in the wilderness; were practically annihilated by King David.

AMALFI, a port on the N. of the Gulf of Salerno, 24 m. S.E. of Naples; of great importance in the Middle Ages, and governed by Dukes of its own.

AMALFIAN LAWS, a code of maritime law compiled at Amalfi in the 12th century.

AMALGAM, an alloy of another metal with mercury. **AMATIA, ANNA**, the Duchess of Weimar, the mother of the grand-duke; collected about her court the most illustrious literary men of the time, headed by Goethe, who was much attached to her (1759-1807).

AMALRIC, one of the leaders in the crusade against the Albigenses, who, when his followers asked him how they were to distinguish heretics from Catholics, answered, "Kill them all; God will know His own"; d. 1222.

AMALTHEA, the goat that suckled Zeus, one of whose horns became the cornucopia—horn of plenty.

AMANULLAH, ex-king of Afghanistan; at the age of 26 succeeded his father Habibullah by means of a coup d'état on the latter's assassination in 1919, and at once declared war on India, being decisively beaten. In 1928 he came on a visit to Europe, including London, and on his return he tried to introduce Western ideas into Afghanistan, an attempt which led to strong opposition from the chiefs and priests and ended in a revolution which brought about Amanullah's abdication in January, 1929 (1893-).

AMATA SINEHA, a Hindu Buddhist, left a valuable thesaurus of Sanskrit words.

AMATRI, MICHELE, an Italian patriot, born at Palermo, devoted a great part of his life to the history of Sicily, and took part in its emancipation; was an Orientalist as well; he is famous for throwing light on the true character of the Sicilian Vespers (1806-1889).

AMARYLLIS, a shepherdess in one of Virgil's pastorals; any young rustic maiden.

AMASIA, a town in Asia Minor, once the capital of the kings of Pontus.

AMASSIS, king of Egypt, originally a simple soldier, took part in an insurrection, dethroned the reigning monarch and assumed the crown, proved an able ruler, and cultivated alliances with Greece; reigned from 570 to 546 B.C.

AMATI, a celebrated family of violin-makers of whom the most noted were Andrea and Niccolò, brothers, at Cremona, in the 16th and 17th centuries.

AMATITLAN, a town in Guatemala, the inhabitants of which are mainly engaged in the preparation of cochineal.

AMAZON, a river in S. America and the largest on the globe, its basin nearly equal in extent to the whole of Europe; traverses the continent at its greatest breadth, rises in the Andes about 50 m. from the Pacific, and after a course of 4000 m. falls by a delta into the Atlantic, its waters increased

by a great number of tributaries, 20 of which are above 1000 m. in length, one 2000 m., its mouth 200 m. wide; its current affects the ocean 150 m. out; is navigable 8000 m. up, and by steamers as far as the foot of the Andes.

AMAZONS, a fabulous race of female warriors, who had a queen of their own, and excluded all men from their community; to perpetuate the race, they cohabited with men of the neighbouring nations; slew all the male children they gave birth to, or sent them to their fathers; burnt off the right breasts of the females, that they might be able to wield the bow in war.

AMBER, a fossil resin, generally yellow and semi-transparent, derived, it is presumed, from certain extinct coniferous trees; becomes electric by friction, and gives name to electricity, the Greek word for it being *electron*; has been flaked up for centuries in the Baltic, and is now used in varnishes and for tobacco pipes.

AMBERGER, a painter of Nürnberg in the 16th century, a disciple of Holbein, his principal work being the history of Joseph in twelve pictures.

AMBERGRIS, an ashy-coloured substance, a morbid fragment of the intestines of the spermocet whale, being often found floating on the ocean which this cetacean frequents; it has no smell, but is used for mixing with perfumes.

AMBLESIDE, a small market-town near the head of Lake Windermere, in the so-called Wordsworth District.

AMBLYOPSIS, a small fish with rudimentary but functionless eyes, found in the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, U.S.A.

AMBOISE, a town on the Loire, 14 m. E. of Tours, with a castle, once the residence of the French kings. The Conspiracy of A., the conspiracy of Condé and the Huguenots in 1560 against Francis II., Catharine de Medici, and the Guises. The Edict of A. (1563) conceded the free exercise of their worship to the Protestants.

AMBOISE, GEORGE DE, CARDINAL, the popular Prime Minister of Louis XII., who, much reduced the public burdens, and as the Pope's legate in France effected a great reform among the religious orders; is said to have died immensely rich (1460-1510).

AMBOYNA, with a chief city of the name, the most important of the Moluccas, in the Malay Archipelago, and rich before all in spices; it belongs to the Dutch, who have diligently fostered its resources.

AM'BROSE, ST., bishop of Milan, born at Trèves, one of the Fathers of the Latin Church, and a zealous opponent of the Arian heresy; as a stern puritan refused to allow Theodosius to enter his church, covered as his hands were with the blood of an infamous massacre, and only admitted him to Church privilege after a severe penance of eight months; he improved the Church service, wrote several hymns, which are reckoned his most valuable legacy to the Church; his writings fill two vols. folio. He is the patron saint of Milan; his attributes are a *scourge*, from his severity, and a *beehive*, from the tradition that a swarm of bees settled on his mouth when an infant without hurting him (340-397). Festival, Dec. 7.

AMBRASIA, the fragrant food of the gods of Olympus, fabled to preserve in them and confer on others immortal youth and beauty.

AMELIA, a character in Fielding's novel of the same name, distinguished for her conjugal affection.

AMENES HONORABLE, originally a mode of punishment in France which required the offender, stripped to his shirt, and led into court with a rope round his neck held by the public executioner, to beg pardon on his knees of his God, his king, and his country; now used to denote a satisfactory apology or reparation.

AMERBACH, JOHANN, a celebrated printer in Basel in the 15th century, the first who used the Roman type instead of Gothic and Italian; spared no expense in his art, taking, like a true workman, a pride in it; d. 1515.

AMERICA, including both North and South, 9000 m. in length, varies from 3400 m. to 28 m. in breadth, contains 164 millions of sq. m., is larger than Europe and Africa together, but is a good deal smaller than

Asia; bounded throughout by the Atlantic on the E. and the Pacific on the W.

AMERICA, BRITISH N., is bounded on the N. by the Arctic Ocean, on the E. by the Atlantic, on the S. by the United States, and on the W. by the Pacific; occupies one-third of the continent, and comprises the Dominion of Canada and Newfoundland.

AMERICA, CENTRAL, extends from Mexico on the N. to Panama on the S., and is about six times as large as Ireland; is a plateau with terraces descending to the sea on each side, and rich in all kinds of tropical vegetation; consists of seven political divisions: Guatemala, San Salvador, British Honduras, Honduras, Nicaragua, Mosquitia, and Costa Rica.

AMERICA CUP, a prize for international yacht racing, first competed for in 1851, and won in England by America. Sir Thomas Lipton attempted in 1899, 1901, 1903, and 1920 to win it back for this country, but without success.

AMERICA, NORTH, is 4560 m. in length, contains over 84 millions sq. m., is less than half the size of Asia, consists of a plain in the centre throughout its length, a high range of mountains, the Rocky, on the W., and a lower range, the Appalachian, on the E., parallel with the coast, which is largely indented with gulfs, bays, and seas; has a magnificent system of rivers and large lakes, the latter the largest in the world, a rich fauna and flora, and a wealth of minerals; was discovered by Columbus in 1492. The divisions are British North America, United States, Mexico, Central American Republics, British Honduras, the West Indian Republics, and the Spanish, British, French, and Dutch West Indies.

AMERICA, SOUTH, lies in great part within the Tropics, and consists of a high mountain range on the west, and a long plain with minor ranges extending therefrom eastward; the coast is but little indented, but the Amazon and the Plate Rivers make up for the defect of seaboard; abounds in extensive plains, which go under the names of Llanos, Selvas, and Pampas, while the river system is the vastest and most servicable in the globe; the vegetable and mineral wealth of the continent is great, and it can match the world for the rich plumage of its birds and the number and splendour of its insect species.

AMERICAN INDIANS, the aboriginal races of the New World, misnamed Indians by Columbus; they are mostly of a red or copper-coloured skin, coarse black straight hair, high cheek-bones, black deep-set eyes, and tall erect figure, and apparently are fast dying out; to be found still as far south as Patagonia, the Patagonians being of the race.

AMERIGO VESPUTCI, a Florentine navigator, who, under the auspices first of Spain, and afterwards of Portugal, four times visited the New World, first discovered by Columbus, which the first cartographers called America, after his name; these visits were made between 1499 and 1506, while Columbus's discovery, as is known, was in 1492 (1451-1512).

AMERY, RT. HON. LEOPOLD STENNETT, English politician. He was born in India and educated at Harrow and Oxford, afterwards taking up journalism and joining the staff of the *Times* in 1899. He entered the House of Commons as a Conservative in 1911, served in the Army from 1914 to 1916, and in 1922 became First Lord of the Admiralty, and in 1925 Secretary for the Dominions, a post he held till the defeat of the Baldwin Government in 1929 (1878-).

AMES, JOSEPH, historian of early British typography, and an antiquary who published a valuable catalogue of engraved portraits (1689-1759).

AMELA, the central and largest division of Abyssinia.

AMHERST, LORD, a British officer who distinguished himself both on the Continent and in America, and particularly with General Wolfe in securing for England the superiority in Canada (1717-1797).

AMICE, a flowing cloak formerly worn by pilgrims, also a strip of linen cloth worn over the shoulder of a priest when officiating at mass.

AMIENS, the old capital of Picardy, on the Somme, with a cathedral begun in 1220, described as the "Parthenon of Gothic architecture," and by Ruskin

as "Gothic, clear of Roman tradition and of Arabian taint, Gothic pure, authoritative, unsurpassable, and unaccountable"; possesses other buildings of interest; was the birthplace of Peter the Hermit, and is celebrated for a treaty of peace between France and England concluded in 1802. It was the British Army base during the Battle of the Somme in 1916.

AMIRANTES, a group of small coral islands NE. of Madagascar, belonging to Britain; are 11 in number, are wooded, and only a few feet above the sea-level.

AMMANA or **BAETOLOMEO**, a Florentine architect and sculptor of note, was an admirer of Michael Angelo, and executed several works in Rome, Venice, and Padua (1511-1592).

AMMIA NUS MARCELLI NUS, a Greek who served as a soldier in the Roman army, and wrote a history of the Roman Empire, specially valuable as a record of contemporary events; d. 390.

AMMIRATO, an Italian historian, author of a history of Florence (1531-1601).

AMMON, an Egyptian deity, frequently represented with the head of a ram, who had a temple at Thebes and in the Libyan Desert; was much resorted to as an oracle of fate; identified in Greece with Zeus, and in Rome with Jupiter.

AMMONIA, a soluble gas which, dissolved in water, gives an alkaline solution. This solution will combine with acids to give ammonium salts. It has been prepared synthetically from the nitrogen of the air and used to produce ammonium sulphate, used as a fertiliser. Ammonia is employed in one process for the manufacture of ice.

AMMONIO, ANDREA, a Latin poet born in Lucca, held in high esteem by Erasmus; sent to England by the Pope, he became Latin secretary to Henry VIII. and a prebendary of Salisbury; d. 1517.

AMMONITES, a Semitic race living E. of the Jordan; at continual feud with the Jews, and a continual trouble to them, till subdued by Judas Maccabeus.

AMMONITES, a group of extinct spiral cephalopods existing in Mesozoic times. They are particularly abundant in the Jurassic strata and are used as zone fossils (*q.v.*).

AMMONIUS SACCAS, a philosopher of Alexandria, and founder of Neo-Platonism; Longinus, Origen, and Plotinus were among his pupils; d. 243, at a great age.

AMNION, name given to the innermost membrane investing the foetus in the womb.

AMEBA, a minute animalcule of the simplest structure, being a mere mass of protoplasm; absorbs its food at every point all over its body by means of processes protruded therefrom at will, with the effect that it is constantly changing its shape.

AMOMUM, a genus of plants, such as the cardamom and grains of paradise, remarkable for their pungency and aromatic properties.

AMORITES, a powerful Canaanitish tribe, seemingly of tall stature, NE. of the Jordan; subdued by Joshua at Gibeon.

AMORY, THOMAS, an eccentric writer of Irish descent, author of the "Life of John Bunce, Esq.," and other semi-insane productions; he was a fanatical Unitarian (1691-1789).

AMOS, a poor shepherd of Tekoa, near Bethlehem, in Judah, who in the 8th century B.C. raised his voice in solitary protest against the iniquity of the northern kingdom of Israel, and denounced the judgment of God as Lord of Hosts upon one and all for their idolatry, which nothing could avert; one of the twelve minor prophets.

AMOY, one of the open ports of China, on a small island in the Strait of Fukien; has one of the finest harbours in the world and a large export and import trade; the chief exports are tea, sugar, paper, gold-leaf, &c.

AMPÈRE, ANDRÉ MARIE, a French mathematician and physicist, born at Lyons; distinguished for his discoveries in electro-dynamics and magnetism, and the influence of these on electro-telegraphy and the general extension of science (1775-1836).

AMPÈRE, the unit of electric current, being the current which flows through a wire of resistance 1 ohm when the potential difference between its ends is 1 volt.

AMPHICTYONIC COUNCIL, a council consisting of representatives from several confederate States of ancient Greece, twelve in number at length, two

from each, that met twice a year, sitting alternately at Thermopylae and Delphi, to settle any differences that might arise between them, the decisions of which were several times enforced by arms, and gave rise to what were called *sacred wars*, of which there were three.

AMPHION, a son of Zeus and Antiope, who is said to have invented the lyre, and built the walls of Thebes by the sound of it, a feat often alluded to as an instance of the miraculous power of music.

AMPHIBRENA, a genus of finless lizards with two heads and able to move backward or forward.

AMPHITRITE, a daughter of Oceanus or Nereus, the wife of Neptune, mother of Triton, and goddess of the sea.

AMPHITRYON, the king of Tiryns, and husband of Alcmena, who became by him the mother of Iphicles, and by Zeus the mother of Hercules.

AMPHITRYON THE TRUE, the real host, the man who provides the feast, as Zeus proved himself to be to the household when he visited Alcmena.

AMRAN RANGE, pronounced the "scientific frontier" of India towards Afghanistan.

AMRITSAR, a sacred city of the Sikhs in the Punjab, and a great centre of trade, 32 m. E. of Lahore; is second to Delhi in Northern India; manufactures cashmere shawls. It was the scene in 1919 of serious riots, which were quelled by Sir Michael O'Dwyer.

AMRU, a Mohammedan general under the Caliph Omar, conquered Egypt among other military achievements; he is said to have executed the order of the Caliph Omar for burning the library of Alexandria; d. 663.

AMSTERDAM, the capital of Holland, a great trading city and port at the mouth of the Amstel, on the Zuyder Zee, resting on 90 islands connected by 800 bridges, the houses built on piles of wood driven into the marshy ground; is largely a manufacturing place, as well as an emporium of trade, one special industry being the cutting of diamonds and jewels; birthplace of Spinoza.

AMUNDSEN, ROALD, famous Norwegian explorer. Born at Bergen, the son of a shipbuilder, went early to sea, and in 1897 joined the German expedition. He was in charge of an expedition which navigated the North-West Passage in 1906, and in 1911 an expedition of his reached the South Pole, the first to do so, a feat in which he beat Capt. Scott by a few weeks. In 1925 he made an unsuccessful attempt to reach the North Pole by aeroplane. When in 1928 General Nobile's airship was forced down during a North Pole voyage, Amundsen, despite a previous quarrel with Nobile, hastened by plane to take part in a search. From that moment he disappeared (1872-1928).

AMUR, a large eastward-flowing river, partly in Siberia and partly in China, which, after a course of 3040 m., falls into the Sea of Okhotsk.

AMURNATH, a place of pilgrimage in Cashmere, on account of a cave believed to be the dwelling-place of Shiva.

AMYGDALOIDAL ROCKS, igneous rocks in which the holes left by escaping bubbles of steam and gases have been filled by mineral deposits through the percolation of water from the surrounding rocks.

AMYOT, JACQUES, grand-almoner of France and bishop of Auxerre; was of humble birth; was tutor of Charles, son of Henry II., who appointed him grand-almoner; he was the translator, among other works, of Plutarch into French, which remains to-day one of the finest monuments of the old literature of France; it was much esteemed by Montaigne (1513-1593).

AMYOT, JOSEPH, a French Jesuit missionary to China, and a learned Orientalist (1713-1794).

ANABAPTISTS, a fanatical sect which arose in Saxony at the time of the Reformation, and though it spread in various parts of Germany came at length to grief by the excesses of its adherents in Münster. See **BAPTISTS**.

ANABASIS, an account by Xenophon of the ill-fated expedition of Cyrus the Younger against his brother Artaxerxes, and of the retreat of the 10,000 Greeks under Xenophon who accompanied him, after the battle of Cunaxa in 401 B.C.

ANABOLISM, name given to changes whereby an

animal or plant builds up its tissues from carbohydrates, fats, proteins, and mineral salts in its food. The building up process depends upon a sufficient and balanced supply of the four groups mentioned, as well as on small quantities of vitamins (q.v.).

ANACHARSIS, a Scythian philosopher of the 6th century B.C., who, in his roamings in quest of wisdom, arrived at Athens, and became the friend and disciple of Solon, but was put to death on his return home by his brother; he stands for a Scythian savant living among a civilized people, as well as for a wise man living among fools.

ANACONDA, a gigantic constricting serpent of tropical America of aquatic habits, belonging to the boa family. Some specimens are 30 feet long.

ANACREON, a celebrated Greek lyric poet, a native of Teos, in Asia Minor; lived chiefly at Samos and Athens; his songs are in praise of love and wine; not many fragments of them are preserved (560-418 B.C.).

ANADYOMENE, Aphrodite, a name meaning "emerging," given to her in allusion to her arising out of the sea; the name of a famous painting of Apelles so representing her.

ANADYE, a river in Siberia, which flows into Behring Sea.

ANAGNI, a small town 40 m. SE. of Rome, the birthplace of several popes.

ANAHUAC, a plateau in Central Mexico, 7580 ft. of mean elevation; one of the names of Mexico prior to its conquest by the Spaniards.

ANAKIM, a race of giants that lived in the S. of Palestine, called also sons of Anak.

ANAMALAH MOUNTAINS, a range of the W. Ghats in Travancore.

ANAMU'DI, the highest point in the Anamalah Mts., 7000 ft.

ANAPHYLAXIS, the name given to the condition of being highly sensitive to certain stimuli. It is found among all animals and also in men. A common example is hay-fever, which is caused in some people by air containing even a small amount of pollen. Anaphylaxis makes foods, harmless to the majority, have an immediate and violent effect on some people, e.g. eggs or shell fish.

ANARCHISM, a projected social revolution, the professed aim of which is that of the emancipation of the individual from the present system of government which makes him the slave of others, and of the training of the individual so as to become a law to himself, and in possession, therefore, of the right to the control of all his vital interests, the project definable as an insane attempt to realise a social system on the basis of absolute individual freedom.

ANASTASIUS, the name of four popes: A. I., the most eminent, pope from 398 to 401; A. II., pope from 496 to 498; A. III., pope from 911 to 913; A. IV., pope from 1153 to 1154.

ANASTASIUS, ST., a martyr under Nero; festival, April 15.

ANASTASIUS I., emperor of the East, excommunicated for his severities to the Christians, and the first sovereign to be so treated by the Pope (490-515).

ANATOLIA, the Greek name for Asia Minor.

ANATOMY OF MELANCHOLY, a "mosaic" work by Robert Burton, made up largely of quotations from ancient and classic writers, and dealing with a wide range of subjects, including medicine, philosophy, astrology and the arts; a work displaying great erudition.

ANAXAGORAS, a Greek philosopher of Clazomenae, in Ionia, removed to Athens and took philosophy along with him, i.e. transplanted it there, but being banished thence for impiety to the gods, settled in Lampsaque; d. 428 B.C.

ANAXARCHUS, a Greek philosopher of the school of Democritus and friend of Alexander the Great.

ANAXARCHUS, of Miletus, made air the first principle of things; d. 600 B.C.; A. of Lampsaque, preceptor and biographer of Alexander the Great.

ANCIUS, a son of Neptune, who left a dragon of wine to pursue a boar, which killed him.

ANCELOT, JACQUES, a French dramatic poet, distinguished both in tragedy and comedy; his wife also a distinguished writer (1794-1854).

ANCONIA, a town on the Loire, 23 m. NE. of Nantes.

ANCESTOR-WORSHIP, the worship of ancestors that prevails in primitive nations, due to a belief in Animism (q.v.); it obtained in ancient Rome and is still part of the Chinese religion.

ANCHISTA, a Portuguese Jesuit, born at Teneriffe, called the Apostle of the New World (1538-1597).

ANCHISES, the father of Aeneas, whom his son bore out of the flames of Troy on his shoulders to the ships; was buried in Sicily.

ANCHOVY, a small fish abundant in the Mediterranean, captured for the flavour of its flesh and made into sauce.

ANCHOVY PEAR, fruit of a W. Indian plant, of the taste of the mango.

ANCIENT MARINER, a mariner doomed to suffer dreadful penalties for having shot an albatross, and who, when he reaches land, is haunted by the recollection of them, and feels compelled to relate the tale of them as a warning to others; the hero of a poem by Coleridge.

ANGELON, FREDERICK, a Prussian statesman, philosophic man of letters, and of French descent (1766-1837).

ANCONA, a port of Italy in the Adriatic, second to Venice; founded by Syracusans.

ANCRE, river in the department of the Somme, France, of which river it is a tributary. It was the scene of British offensives in November, 1916, and January, 1917.

ANCRE, MARSHAL, a profigate minister of France during the minority of Louis XIII.

ANCUS MARCIUS, 4th king of Rome, grandson of Numa, extended the city and founded Ostia.

ANDALUSIA, a region in the S. of Spain watered by the Guadalquivir; fertile in grains, fruits, and vines, and rich in minerals.

ANDAMANS, volcanic islands in the Bay of Bengal, surrounded by coral reefs; since 1858 used by the government of India as a penal settlement.

ANDELYS, LES, a small town on the Seine, 20 m. NE. of Evreux, divided into Great and Little.

ANDERMAT, a central Swiss village in Uri, well known as a winter sports centre.

ANDERSEN, HANS CHRISTIAN, a world-famous fairy-story-teller of Danish birth, son of a poor shoemaker, born at Odense; was some time before he made his mark, was honoured at length by the esteem and friendship of the royal family, and by a national festival on his seventieth birthday (1805-1875).

ANDERSON, JAMES, native of Hermiton, near Edinburgh, a writer on agriculture and promoter of it in Scotland (1739-1808).

ANDERSON, JOHN, a native of Roseneath, professor of physics in Glasgow University, and the founder of the Andersonian College in Glasgow (1728-1796).

ANDERSON, LAWRENCE, one of the chief reformers of religion in Sweden (1480-1552).

ANDERSON, SIR EDMUND, Lord Chief Justice of Common Pleas under Elizabeth, sat as judge at the trial of Mary, Queen of Scots. Anderson's Reports is still a book of authority; d. 1605.

ANDES, an unbroken range of high mountains, 150 of them actively volcanic, which extend, often in double and triple chains, along the west of South America from Cape Horn to Panama, a distance of 4500 m., divided into the Southern or Chilian as far as 23° S., the Central as far as 10° S., and the Northern to their termination.

ANDRODEUS, an orator and leader of the oligarchical faction in Athens; was four times exiled, the first time for profaning the Eleusinian Mysteries (467-393 B.C.).

ANDORRA, a small republic in the E. Pyrenees, enclosed by mountains, under the protection of France and the Bishop of Urgel, in Catalonia; cattle-rearing is the chief occupation of the inhabitants, who are a primitive people and of simple habits.

ANDOVER, an old municipal borough and market-town in Hampshire, 66 m. SW. of London; also a town 23 m. from Boston, U.S., famous for its theological seminary, founded in 1807.

ANDRAL, GABRIEL, a distinguished French pathologist, professor in Paris University (1797-1876).

ANDRASSY, COUNT, a Hungarian statesman, was exiled from 1848 to 1851, became Prime Minister in 1867, played a prominent part in diplomatic affairs

on the Continent to the advantage of Austria (1823-1890).

ANDRÉ, JOHN, a brave British officer, tried and hanged as a spy in the American war in 1780; a monument is erected to him in Westminster Abbey.

ANDRÉ II, king of Hungary from 1205 to 1285, took part in the fifth crusade.

ANDREA PISANO, a sculptor and architect, born at Pisa, contributed greatly to free modern art from Byzantine influence (1270-1345).

ANDREOSSY, COUNT, an eminent French general and statesman, served under Napoleon, ambassador at London, Vienna, and Constantinople, advocated the recall of the Bourbons on the fall of Napoleon.

ANDREOSSY, FRANÇOIS, an eminent French engineer and mathematician (1833-1898).

ANDREW, ST., one of the Apostles, suffered martyrdom by crucifixion, became patron saint of Scotland; represented in art as an old man with long white hair and a beard, holding the Gospel in his right hand, and leaning on a transverse cross.

ANDREW, ST., THE CROSS OF, cross like a X, such having, it is said, been the form of the cross on which St. Andrew suffered.

ANDREWE, LANCELOT, an English prelate, born in Essex, a zealous High Churchman in the reigns of Elizabeth and James I.; eminent as a scholar, a theologian, and a preacher; attended the Hampton Court Conference, and was one of the translators of the Authorised Version of the Bible (1555-1626).

ANDREWS, JOSEPH, a novel by Melting, and the name of the hero, who is a footman; he is an attractive, model young man, the brother of Richardson's Pamela.

ANDREWS, THOMAS, scientist, professor of physics at Belfast; he carried out researches in heat, especially in connection with the effect of pressure and temperature on the change from liquid to gas and vapour (1813-1885).

ANDRIEUX, ST., a French littérateur and dramatist, born at Strasbourg, professor in the College of France, and permanent secretary to the Academy (1759-1828).

ANDROCLUS, a Roman slave condemned to the wild beasts, but saved by a lion, sent into the arena to attack him, out of whose foot he had long before sucked a painful thorn; the animal recognises him as its benefactor, and spares his life.

ANDROMACHE, the wife of Hector and the mother of Astyanax, famous for her conjugal devotion; fell to Pyrrhus, Achilles' son, at the fall of Troy, but was given up by him to Hector's brother; is the subject of tragedies by Euripides and Racine.

ANDROMEDA, a beautiful Ethiopian princess exposed to a sea monster, which Perseus slew, receiving as his reward the hand of the maiden; she had been demanded by Neptune as a sacrifice to appease the Nereids for an insult offered them by her mother, Cassiopeia.

ANDRONICUS, the name of four Byzantine emperors: A. I. Comnenus, killed his ward, Alexis II., usurped the throne, and was put to death, 1185; A. II. lived to see the empire devastated by the Turks (1282-1328); A. III., nephew of the preceding, dethroned him, fought stoutly against the Turks without staying their advances (1328-1341); A. IV. dethroned his father, Soter V., and was immediately stripped of his possessions himself (1377-1379).

ANDRONICUS, LIVIUS, the oldest dramatic poet in the Latin language (240 B.C.).

ANDRONICUS OF RHODES, a disciple of Aristotle in the time of Cicero, to whom we owe the preservation of many of Aristotle's works.

ANDROS, the most northern of the Cyclades, with fertile soil and productive of wine and silk.

ANDROUET DU CERCEREAU, an eminent French architect who designed the Pont Neuf at Paris (1530-1600).

ANDUJAR, a town of Andalusia, on the Guadalquivir, noted for the manufacture of porous clay water-cooling vessels.

ANEMOMETER, an instrument for measuring the force, direction, and velocity of the wind.

ANEROID, a barometer, consisting of a small watch-shaped, air-tight, air-exhausted metallic box, with

internal spring-work and an index, affected by the pressure of the air on plates exposed to its action.

ANEU'RIN, a British bard at the beginning of the 7th century, who took part in the battle of Cattraeth, and made it the subject of a poem.

ANEURISM, a tumour, containing blood, on the coat of an artery.

ANGARA, a tributary of the Yenisei, which passes through Lake Balkal.

ANGEL, an old English coin, with the archangel Michael piercing the dragon on the obverse of it.

ANGEL-FISH, a hideous, voracious fish of the shark family, with a flat, ray-like body; known also as the Monk-fish.

ANGELIO DOCTOR, Thomas Aquinas.

ANGELICA, a faithless lady of romance in Ariosto's "Orlando Furioso," for whose sake Orlando lost his heart and his senses.

ANGELICA DRAUGHT, something which completely changes the affection, with reference to the magic fountain in "Orlando Furioso" from which Rinaldo and Angelica both drank.

ANGELICO, FRA., an Italian painter, born at Mugello, in Tuscany; became a Dominican monk at Fiesole, whence he removed to Florence, and finally to Rome, where he died; devoted his life to religious subjects, which he treated with great delicacy, beauty, and finish, and conceived in virgin purity and child-like simplicity of soul; his work in the form of fresco-painting is to be found all over Italy (1387-1455).

ANGELUS, a devotional service in honour of the Incarnation.

ANGERS, on the Maine, the ancient capital of Anjou, 160 m. SW. of Paris, with a fine cathedral, a theological seminary, and a medical school; birthplace of David the sculptor.

ANGERSTEIN, JOHN, born in St. Petersburg, a distinguished patron of the fine arts, whose collection of paintings, bought by the British Government, formed the nucleus of the National Gallery (1735-1822).

ANGINA PECTORIS, an affection of the heart of an intensely excruciating nature, the pain of which at times extends to the left shoulder and down the left arm.

ANGLEE, a fish with a broad, big-mouthed head and a tapering body, both covered with appendages having glittering tips, by which, as it burrows in the sand, it allures other fishes into its maw.

ANGLES, a German tribe from Sleswig who invaded Britain in the 5th century and gave name to England.

AN'GLESEA, i.e. Island of the Angles, an island forming a county in Wales, separated from the mainland by the Menai Strait, flat, fertile, and rich in minerals.

ANGLESSEY, MARQUIS OF, eldest son of the first Earl of Uxbridge, famous as a cavalry officer in Flanders, Holland, the Peninsula, and especially at Waterloo, at which he lost a leg, and for his services which won him his title; was some time viceroy in Ireland, where he was very popular (1708-1854).

ANGLIA, EAST, territory in England occupied in the 6th century by the Angles, corresponding to the counties of Norfolk, Essex and Suffolk.

ANG'LICAN CHURCH, the body of Episcopal churches all over the British Empire and Colonies, as well as America, sprung from the Church of England, though not all subject to her jurisdiction.

ANGLING, the sport of catching fish with rod, line, and hook, either in fresh or salt water. The former is the more popular, fly-fishing for salmon in Scotland in particular among the wealthy, while in the north of England there are many working men's angling clubs. For sea-fishing worms instead of the fly are mainly used for bait.

ANGLO-CATHOLIC, the name given to the High party of the Church of England, which claims that the church is part of the Catholic Church, holding a common faith with Rome, though not under the authority of the Pope. It had its origin in the Tractarian Movement in Oxford in the middle of the last century, and has made its great stand on the question of reservation of the sacraments, and to a less extent on Catholic ritual and vestments.

ANGLO-SAXON, the name usually assigned to the early infected form of the English language.

ANGOLA, a district on the W. coast of Africa, between

the Congo and Benguela, subject to Portugal, the capital of which is St. Paul de Loanda.

ANGORA, since 1923 the seat of the Turkish Govt.; a city in the centre of Anatolia, in a district noted for its silky, long-haired animals, cats and dogs as well as goats.

ANGOSTURA, capital of the province of Guayana, in Venezuela, 240 m. up the Orinoco; also a medicinal bark exported thence.

ANGOULEME, an old French city on the Charente, 88 m. N.E. of Bordeaux, with a fine cathedral, the birthplace of Marguerite de Valois and Balzac.

ANGOULEME, CHARLES DE VALOIS, DUC D', natural son of Charles IX., gained great reputation as a military commander; left Memoirs of his life (1575-1660).

ANGOULEME, DUC D', the eldest son of Charles X., after the Revolution of 1830 gave up his rights to the throne and retired to Gortis (1778-1844).

ANGOULEME, DUCHESS D', daughter of Louis XVI., and wife of the preceding (1778-1851).

ANGRA, the capital of the Azores, on the island of Terceira, a fortified place.

ANGRA PEQUEÑA, a port in SW. Africa, N. of the Orange River, and the nucleus of the territory now known as South-West Africa.

ANGSTROM, PINDERES JONAS, a Swedish physicist and professor at Upsala, distinguished for his studies on the solar spectrum (1814-1874).

ANGULIA, or Snake Island, one of the Lesser Antilles, N. of Porto Rico, belonging to Britain.

ANGUIER, the name of two famous French sculptors in the 17th century.

ANHALT, a duchy of Central Germany, surrounded and split up by Prussian Saxony, and watered by the Elbe and Saale; rich in minerals.

ANHALT-DESSAU, LEOPOLD, PRINCE OF, a Prussian field-marshal, served and distinguished himself in the war of the Spanish Succession and in Italy, was wounded at Cassano, defeated Charles XII. at the Isle of Eugen, and the Saxons and Austrians at Kesseldorf (1676-1747).

ANICHINI, an Italian metallist of the 16th century; executed a medal representing the interview of Alexander the Great with the High Priest of the Jews, which Michael Angelo pronounced to be the perfection of the art.

ANILINE, a colourless transparent oily liquid, obtained chiefly from coal-tar, and extensively used in the production of dyes.

ANIMAL WORSHIP, the deification of certain animals that obtained in many ancient religions, of which survivals are still to be found, as in India and Polynesia.

ANIMISM, a belief that there is a psychical body within the physical body of a living being, correspondent with it in attributes, and that when the connection between them is dissolved by death the former lives on in a ghostly form; in other words, a belief in a ghost-soul existing conjointly with and subsisting apart from the body, its physical counterpart.

NILO, an affluent of the Tiber, 4 m. above Rome; ancient Rome was supplied with water from it by means of aqueducts.

ANISEED, the seed of an anise, an umbelliferous plant, used as a carminative and in the preparation of liquors.

ANJOU, an ancient province in the N. of France, annexed to the crown of France under Louis XI. in 1480; belonged to England till wrested from King John by Philip Augustus in 1208.

ANKARSTRÖM, the assassin of Gustavus III. of Sweden, at a masked ball, March 16, 1792, for which he was executed after being publicly hogged on three successive days.

ANKLAW, an old Hanse town in Pomerania, connected by railway with Swetlin.

ANKOBA, capital of Rhoa, in Abyssinia; stands 8200 ft. above the sea-level.

ANN ARBOR, a city of Michigan, on the Huron, with an observatory and a flourishing university.

ANNA COMNE'NA, a Byzantine princess, who, having failed in a political conspiracy, retired into a convent and wrote the life of her father, Alexius I., under the title of the "Alexiad" (1063-1148).

ANNA IVANOV'NA, niece of Peter the Great, empress of Russia in succession to Peter II. from 1780 to 1740; her reign was marred by the evil influence of her paramour, Biren over her, which led to the perpetration of great cruelties; was famed for her big cheek, "which, as shown in her portraits," Carlyle says, "was comparable to a Westphalian ham" (1693-1740).

ANNAM, an empire, of the size of Sweden, along the east coast of Indo-China, under a French protectorate since 1885; it has a rich, well-watered soil, which yields tropical products, and is rich in minerals.

ANNAN, a burgh in Dumfriesshire, on river Annan; birthplace of Edward Irving, and where Carlyle was a schoolboy and later mathematical master.

ANNAPOLIS, seaport of Nova Scotia, on the Bay of Fundy; also the capital of Maryland, U.S., 28 m. E. of Washington.

ANNE, QUEEN, daughter of James II.; by the union of Scotland with England during her reign in 1707 became the first sovereign of the United Kingdom; her reign distinguished by the part England played in the war of the Spanish succession and the number of notabilities, literary and scientific, who flourished under it, though without any patronage on the part of the Queen (1665-1714).

ANNE, ST., wife of St. Joachim, mother of the Virgin Mary, and the patron saint of carpentry; festival, July 26.

ANNE OF AUSTRIA, the daughter of Philip III. of Spain, wife of Louis XIII., and mother of Louis XIV., became regent on the death of her husband, with Cardinal Mazarin for minister; during the minority of her son triumphed over the Fronde; retired to a convent on the death of Mazarin (1610-1666).

ANNE OF BRITANNY, the daughter of Francis II., Duke of Brittany; by her marriage, first to Charles VIII., then to Louis XII., the duchy was added to the crown of France (1476-1514).

ANNE OF CLEVES, daughter of Duke of Cleves, a wife of Henry VIII., who fell in love with the portrait of her by Holbein, but, being disappointed, soon divorced her; d. 1557.

ANNECY, the capital of Haute-Savoie, in France, on a lake of the name, 22 m. S. of Geneva, at which the Counts of Geneva had their residence, and where Francis of Sales was bishop.

ANNOBON, a Spanish isle in the Gulf of Guinea.

ANNONAY, a town in Ardèche, France; paper is the chief manufacture.

ANNUNCIATION DAY, a festival on the 25th of March in commemoration of the salutation of the angel to the Virgin Mary on the Incarnation of Christ.

ANODE, name given in electrolysis to the positive electrode, where the current enters the liquid, and to the positive electrode of a vacuum tube, such as a thermionic valve or X-ray tube.

ANQUETIL, LOUIS PIERRE, a French historian in holy orders, wrote "Précis de l'Histoire Universelle" and a "Histoire de France" in 14 vols.; continued by Bouillet in 6 more (1723-1806).

ANQUETIL-DUPERRON, ABRAHAM HYACINTHE, brother of the preceding, an enthusiastic Orientalist, to whom we owe the discovery and first translation of the Zend-Avesta and for whom Schopenhauer gained his knowledge of Hindu philosophy (1781-1805).

ANSBACH, a manufacturing town in Bavaria, 25 m. SW. of Nürnberg, the capital of the old margraviate of the name, the margraves of which were Hohenzollerns (c.v.).

ANSCHER, or ANSGAR, ST., a Frenchman born, the first to preach Christianity to the pagans of Scandinavia, was by appointment of the Pope the first archbishop of Hamburg (801-884).

ANSELM, ST., archbishop of Canterbury, a native of Aosta, in Piedmont, monk and abbot; visited England frequently, gained the favour of King Rufus, who appointed him to succeed Lanfranc, quarrelled with Rufus and left the country, but returned at the request of Henry I., a quarrel with whom about investiture ended in a compromise; an able, high-principled, God-fearing man, and a calmly resolute upholder of the teaching and authority of the Church (1033-1109).

ANSON, LORD, a celebrated British naval commander, sailed round the world, during war with Spain, on a voyage of adventure with a fleet of three ships, and after three years and nine months returned to England, his fleet reduced to one vessel, but with £500,000 of Spanish treasure on board. Anson's "Voyage Round the World" contains a highly interesting account of this (1697-1762).

ANSTREY, F. See **GUTHRIE, T. A.**

ANSTRUTHER, EAST AND WEST, two contiguous royal burghs on the Fife coast, the former the birth-place of Tennant the poet, Thomas Chalmers, and John Goodall the anatomist.

ANTAEUS, a mythical giant, a *terra filius* or son of the earth, who was strong only when his foot was on the earth; lifted in air he became weak as water, a weakness which Hercules discovered to his discomfiture when wrestling with him. The fable has been used as a symbol of the spiritual strength which accrues when one rests his faith on the immediate fact of things.

ANTALCIDAS, a Spartan general, celebrated for a treaty which he concluded with Persia whereby the majority of the cities of Asia Minor passed under the sway of the Persians, to the loss of the fruit of all the victories gained over them by Athens (387 B.C.).

ANTANANARIOVO, the capital of Madagascar, in the centre of the island, on a well-nigh inaccessible rocky height 5000 ft. above the sea-level.

ANTAR, an Arab chief of the 6th century, a subject of romance, and distinguished as a poet.

ANTARCTIC EXPLORATION. In his ship *Discovery* Capt. Scott, in 1907, penetrated into this *terra incognita*, and Shackleton two years later succeeded in his *Nimrod* expedition in pushing across the ice to within 111 miles of the Pole. In 1911 Amundsen reached the Pole on December 14, and on January 18 the next year Scott and his small party arrived there after great hardship, only to find Amundsen's tent planted on the spot, and to perish in a blizzard on the way back to their base. In 1922 Shackleton died at sea on board the *Quest* while on another Antarctic voyage.

ANT-BEATERS, a family of edentate mammals; they have a tubular mouth with a small aperture, and a long tongue covered with a viscid secretion, which they thrust into the ant-hills and then withdraw covered with ants.

ANTELOPE, a hollow-horned ruminant closely allied to the sheep and the goat, very like the latter in appearance, with a light and elegant figure, slender, graceful limbs, small cloven hoofs, and generally a very short tail.

ANTEQUEIRA, a town in Andalusia, 22 m. N. of Malaga, a stronghold of the Moors from 712 to 1410.

ANTHELLA, luminous rings witnessed in Alpine and Polar regions, seen round the shadow of one's head in a fog or cloud opposite the sun.

ANTHEMIUS, the architect of the church of St. Sophia in Constantinople; c. 534.

ANTHON, CHARLES, a well-known American classical scholar and editor of the classics (1797-1867).

ANTHRACENE, a crystalline solid, one of the products obtained in the distillation of coal-tar and used for the manufacture of alizarin and other dyes.

ANTHRACITE, a form of hard black coal almost entirely composed of carbon. It burns with little ash or smoke and is therefore suited for naval purposes.

ANTHRAX, a disease, especially in cattle, due to the invasion of a living organism which, under certain conditions, breeds rapidly; called also splenic fever.

ANTHROPOID APES, a class of apes, including the gorilla, chimpanzee, orang-outang, and gibbon, without tails, with semi-erect figures and long arms.

ANTHROPOLOGY, the science of man as he exists or has existed under different physical and social conditions.

ANTHROPOLOGY, the ascription of human attributes to the unseen author of things.

ANTIBES, a seaport and place of ancient date on a peninsula in the S. of France, near Cannes and opposite Nice, much frequented by fashionable

to various incarnations of opposition to Christ in usurpation of His authority, but by St. John defined to involve that form of opposition which denies the doctrine of the Incarnation, or that Christ has come in the flesh.

ANTIOCHIA, a barren rocky island in the estuary of the St. Lawrence, frequented by fishermen, and with few inhabitants.

ANTIFERBIN, or acetanilide, is prepared by hoiling aniline with acetic acid and is used as a febrifuge in medicine.

ANTIGONE, the daughter of Oedipus, king of Thebes, led about her father when he was blind and in exile, returned to Thebes at his death; was condemned to be buried alive for covering her brother's exposed body with earth in defiance of the prohibition of Creon, who had usurped the throne; Creon's son, out of love for her, killed himself on the spot where she was buried. She has been immortalized in one of the grandest tragedies of Sophocles.

ANTIGONE, THE MODERN, the Duchess of Angoulême, daughter of Louis XVI. See the parting scene in Carlyle's "French Revolution."

ANTIGONUS, surnamed the Cyclops or One-eyed, one of the generals of Alexander the Great, made himself master of all Asia Minor, excited the jealousy of his rivals; was defeated and slain at Ipsus, in Phrygia, 301 B.C.

ANTIGONUS, the last king of the Jews of the Asmonean dynasty; put to death in 77 B.C.

ANTIGONUS GONATAS, king of Macedonia, grandson of the preceding; twice deprived of his kingdom, but recovered it; attempted to prevent the formation of the Achaean League (276-240 B.C.).

ANTIGUA, one of the Leeward Islands, the seat of the government; the most productive of the group belonging to Britain.

ANTILLES, an archipelago curving round from N. America to S. America, and embracing the Caribbean Sea; the Greater A., on the N. of the sea, being Cuba, Haiti, Jamaica, and Porto Rico; and the Lesser A., on the E., forming the Leeward Islands, the Windward Islands, and the Venezuelan Islands; the Leeward as far as Dominica, the Windward as far as Trinidad, and the Venezuelan along the coast of S. America.

ANTIMONY, a white brittle metal extensively used for alloying with other metals for various purposes. Type-metal contains a proportion of antimony, and during the Great War it was used for hardening bullets.

ANTINOMIANISM, the doctrine that the law is superseded in some sense or other by the all-sufficing, all-emancipating *irre* spirit of Christ.

ANTINOMY, in the transcendental philosophy the contradiction which arises when we carry the categories of the understanding above experience and apply them to the sphere of that which transcends it.

ANTINOUS, a Bithynian youth of extraordinary beauty, a slave of the Emperor Hadrian; became a great favourite of his and accompanied him on all his journeys. He was drowned in the Nile, and the grief of the emperor knew no bounds; he enrolled him among the gods, erected a temple and founded a city in his honour, while artists vied with each other in immortalizing his beauty.

ANTIOCH, an ancient capital of Syria, on the Orontes, called the Queen of the East, lying on the high-road between the E. and the W., and accordingly a busy centre of trade; once a city of great splendour and extent, and famous in the early history of the Church as the seat of several ecclesiastical councils and the birthplace of Chrysostom. There was an Antioch in Palestine, afterwards called Caesarea.

ANTIOCHUS, name of three Syrian kings of the dynasty of the Seleucids: A. I., *Soter*, i.e. Saviour, son of one of Alexander's generals, fell heir to all Syria; king from 281 to 261 B.C. A. II., Theos, i.e. God, being such to the Milesians in slaying the tyrant Timarchus; king from 261 to 246. A. III., the Great, extended and consolidated the empire, gave harbour to Hannibal, declared war against Rome, was defeated at Thermopylae and by Scipio at Magnesia, killed in attempting to pillage the temple at Elymais; king from 223 to 187. A. IV.,

, a name given in the New Testament

Epiphanes, i.e. Illustrious, failed against Egypt, tyrannised over the Jews, provoked the Maccabean revolt, and died insane; king from 175 to 164. A. V., Eupator, king from 164 to 162.

ANTIOPE, queen of the Amazons and mother of Hippolytus. "The Sleep of Antiope," *chef-d'œuvre* of Correggio is in the Louvre.

ANTIPAROS, one of the Cyclades, W. of Paros, with a stalactite cavern.

ANTIPATER, a Macedonian general, governed Macedonia with great ability during the absence of Alexander, defeated the confederate Greek states at Crannon, reigned supreme on the death of Perdiccas (397-317 B.C.).

ANTIPHILUS, a Greek painter, contemporary and rival of Apelles.

ANTIPHON, an Athenian orator and politician, preceptor of Thucydides, who speaks of him in terms of honour; was the first to formulate rules of oratory (479-411 B.C.).

ANTIOPE, a pope elected by a civil power in opposition to one elected by the cardinals, or one self-elected and usurping; there were some 26 of such, first and last.

ANTIPYRETICS, medicines to reduce the temperature in fever, of which the chief are quinine and salicylate of soda.

ANTIPYRINE, a febrifuge prepared from coal-tar, and used as a substitute for quinine.

ANTISANA, a volcano of the N. Andes, in Ecuador, 18,200 ft. high; also a village on its flanks, 13,000 ft. high, one of the highest villages in the world.

ANTISEPTICS, substances used, particularly in surgery, to prevent or arrest putrefaction by killing bacteria.

ANTISTHENES, a Greek philosopher, a disciple of Socrates, the master of Diogenes, and founder of the Cynic school; affected to disdain the pride and pomp of the world, and was the first to carry staff and wallet as the badge of philosophy, but so ostentatiously as to draw from Socrates the rebuke, "I see your pride looking out through the rent of your cloak, Antisthenes."

ANTI-TAURUS, a mountain range running NE. from the Taurus Mts.

ANTITOXINS, substances produced in the body as an antidote against certain poisons, but only produced in the presence of those poisons. If the dead germs of diphtheria are injected into the blood of a horse, the antitoxin is produced and can be used as a cure for cases of the disease. A similar treatment can be used against venom in cases of snake-bite.

ANTIUM, a town of Latium on a promontory jutting into the sea, long antagonistic to Rome, subdued in 333 B.C.; the beaks of its ships, captured in a naval engagement, were taken to form a rostrum in the Forum at Rome; it was the birthplace of Calpurnia and Nero.

ANTOFAGASTA, a rising port in Chile, taken from Bolivia after the war of 1879; exports silver ores and nitrate of soda.

ANTOMAR'CHI, FRANCESCO, Napoleon's attached physician at St. Helena, wrote "The Last Moments of Napoleon" (1780-1838).

ANTONELLI, CARDINAL, the chief adviser and prime minister of Pope Pius IX., accompanied the Pope to Gaeta, came back with him to Rome, acting as his foreign minister there, and offered a determined opposition to the Revolution; left immense wealth (1806-1876).

ANTONELLO, of Messina, Italian painter of the 15th century, introduced from Holland oil-painting into Italy (1414-1493).

ANTONINUS, LIBRARY OF, a valuable geographical work supposed to be of date 46 B.C.

ANTONINUS, MARCUS AURELIUS, Roman emperor, successor to the following; he surpassed him in virtue, being also of the Stoic school and one of its most exemplary disciples, was surnamed the "philosopher," and has left in his "Meditations" a record of his religious and moral principles (121-180).

ANTONINUS PIUS, a Roman emperor, of Stoic principles, who reigned with justice and moderation from 138 to 181, during which time the Empire enjoyed unbroken peace.

ANTONINUS, WALL OF, an earthen rampart about

36 m. in length, from the Forth to the Clyde, in Scotland, as a barrier against invasion from the north, erected in the year 140 A.D.

ANTONINUS, MARCUS, a famous Roman orator and consul, slain in the civil war between Marius and Sulla, having sided with the latter (143-87 B.C.).

ANTONINUS, MARCUS (Mark Antony), grandson of the preceding and warm partisan of Caesar; after the murder of the latter defeated Brutus and Cassius at Philippi, formed a triumvirate with Octavius and Lepidus, fell in love with the famous Cleopatra, was defeated by Octavius in the naval battle of Actium, and afterwards killed himself (83-30 B.C.).

ANTONY, ST., a famous anchorite of the Thebaid; relinquishing his fortune, he spent 20 years of his life, in a lonely ruin by himself, resisting devils without number; left his retreat for a while to institute monasteries, and so became the founder of monachism, but returned to die; festival, Jan. 17 (251-351).

ANTONY OF PADUA, a Minorite missionary to the Moors in Africa; preached to the fishes, who hearkened to him when no one else would; the fishes came in myriads to listen, and shamed the pagans into conversion, says the fable; festival, June 13 (1194-1234).

ANTIRAGUES, COUNT D', one of the firebrands of the French Revolution; but veered round to royalism, and intrigued on behalf of the Bourbons. He settled in England and was assassinated in London (1765-1812).

ANT'RID, a maritime county in the NE. of Ulster, in Ireland; soil two-thirds arable, linen the chief manufacture, exports butter; inhabitants mostly Protestant.

ANTWERP, a large fortified trading city in Belgium, on the Scheldt, 50 m. from the sea, with a beautiful Gothic cathedral, the spire 402 ft. high; the burial-place of Rubens; has a large picture-gallery full of the works of Dutch and Flemish artists.

ANUBIS, an Egyptian deity with the body of a man and the head of a jackal, whose office, it is said, it was to see to the disposal of the souls of the dead in the nether world, on quitting the body.

ANWARI, a Persian lyric poet who flourished in the 12th century.

AN'YTUS, the most vehement accuser of Socrates; banished in consequence from Athens, after Socrates' death.

ANZAC, the name given during the Great War to the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, formed from the initials of the same.

ANZAC COVE, the bay in the Dardanelles where British and Anzac troops landed on April 25, 1915, under General Sir Ian Hamilton.

AOSTA, a town of Italy, N. of Turin, in a fertile Alpine level valley, but where goitre and cretinism prevail to a great extent; the birthplace of Anselm.

APA CHES, a fierce tribe of American Indians on the S. and W. of the United States; long a source of trouble to the republic. The same name is applied to men of the Paris underworld.

APATITE, a phosphate of lime, found in veins in igneous rocks, and the ore from which are obtained the various phosphorus compounds required in agriculture and chemistry.

APELLES, the most celebrated painter of antiquity; bred, if not born, at Ephesus; lived at the court of Alexander the Great; his great work "Aphrodite Anadyomene"; a man conscious, like Dürer, of mastery in his art, as comes out in his advice to the criticising shoemaker to "stick to his last."

APENNINES, a branch of the Alps extending, with spurs at right angles, nearly through the whole length of Italy, forming about the middle of the peninsula a double chain which supports the tableland of Abruzzi.

APES, DEAD SEA, dwellers by the Dead Sea who, according to the Moslem tradition, were transformed into apes because they turned a deaf ear to God's message to them by the lips of Moses.

APHELION, the point in the orbit of a planet when it is farthest from the sun.

APHIDES, a family of insects very destructive to plants by feeding on them in countless numbers.

APHRODITE, the Greek goddess of love and beauty, wife of Hephaestus and mother of Cupid; sprang

from sea-foam; as queen of beauty had the golden apple awarded her by Paris, and possessed the power of conferring beauty on others by means of her magic girdle, the cestus.

APICIUS, the name of three famous Roman epicures, the first of whom was contemporary with Sulla, the second with Augustus, and the third with Trajan.

A'PION, an Alexandrian grammarian of the 1st century, an enemy of the Jews, and hostile to the privileges conceded them in Alexandria.

A'PIE, the sacred live bull of the Egyptians, the incarnation of Osiris; must be black all over the body, have a white triangular spot on the forehead, the figure of an eagle on the back, and under the tongue the image of a scarabæus; was at the end of 25 years drowned in a sacred fountain, had his body embalmed, and his mummy regarded as an object of worship.

APOCALYPTIC WRITINGS, writings composed among the Jews in the 2nd century A.C., and ascribed to one and another of the early prophets of Israel, forecasting the judgments ordained of God to overtake the nation, and predicting its final deliverance at the hands of the Messiah.

APOCRYPHA, **THE**, a literature of sixteen books composed by Jews, after the close of the Hebrew canon, which, though without the sanction of the prophetic books of the canon, are inscribed, for most part, with the wisdom which rests on the fear of God and loyalty to His law. The word Apocrypha means hidden writing, and it was given to it by the Jews to distinguish it from the books which they accepted as canonical.

APOGEE, the point in the orbit of the moon when it is farthest from the earth.

APOLDA, a town in Saxo-Weimar with extensive hosiery manufactures; has mineral springs.

APOLLINARIUS, bishop of Laodicea, denied the proper humanity of Christ by affirming that the Logos in Him took the place of the human soul, as well as by maintaining that His body was not composed of ordinary flesh and blood; d. 390.

APOLLO, one of the principal gods in the Greek pantheon, identified with the sun and all that we owe to it in the shape of inspiration, art, poetry, and medicine; son of Zeus and Leto; twin brother of Artemis; born in the island of Delos (q.v.), whither Leto had fled from the jealous Hera; his favourite oracle at Delphi.

APOLLODORUS, (1) an Athenian painter, the first to paint figures in light and shade, 408 B.C.; (2) a celebrated architect of Damascus, d. A.D. 129; and (3) an Athenian who wrote a well-arranged account of the mythology and heroic age of Greece.

APOLLONIUS OF RHODES, a grammarian and poet, flourished in the 3rd century B.C., author of the "Argonautica," a rather prosaic account of the adventures of the Argonauts.

APOLLONIUS OF TYANA, a Pythagorean philosopher, who, having become acquainted with some sort of Brahminism, professed to have a divine mission, and, it is said, a power to work miracles; was worshipped after his death, and has been compared with Christ; d. 97.

APOLLON, Jew of Alexandria, who became an eloquent preacher of Christ, contemporary of St. Paul.

APOLLYON, the destroying angel, the Greek name for the Hebrew Abaddon.

APOLOGETICS, a defence of the historical verity of the Christian religion in opposition to the rationalist and mythical theories.

APOSTATE, an epithet applied to the Emperor Julian, from his having, conscientiously however, abjured the Christian religion established by Constantine, in favour of paganism.

APOSTLES OF GERMANY, St. Boniface; A. of Ireland, St. Patrick; of the English, St. Augustine; of the French, St. Denis; of the Gauls, Irenæus; of the Gentiles, St. Paul; of the Goths, Ulfilas; of the Indians, John Elliot; of the Scots, Columba; of the North, Ansgar; of the Poles, St. Ninian; of the Indies, Francis Xavier; of Temperance, Father Mathew.

APOSTLES, THE FOUR, picture of St. John, St. Peter, St. Mark, and St. Paul, in the museum at Munich, painted by Albert Dürer.

APOSTOLIC FATHERS, Fathers of the Church who lived at the same time as the Apostles: Clements, Barnabas, Polycarp, Ignatius, and Hermas.

APOSTOLIC SUCCESSION, the derivation of episcopal power in an unbroken line from the Apostles, a qualification believed by High Churchmen to be essential to the discharge of episcopal functions and the transmission of promised divine grace.

APPALACHIANS, a mountainous system of N. America that stretches N.E. from the tablelands of Alabama to the St. Lawrence, and includes the Alleghenies and the Blue Mountains; their utmost height, under 7000 feet; do not reach the snow-line; abound in coal and iron.

APPENZEL, a canton in the N.E. of Switzerland, enclosed by St. Gall, divided into Outer Rhoden, which is manufacturing and Protestant, and Inner Rhoden, which is agricultural and Catholic; also the name of the capital.

AP'PIAN, an Alexandrian Greek, wrote in 2nd century a history of Rome in 24 books, of which 11 remain.

AP'PIAN WAY, a magnificent highway begun by Apuleius Claudius 312 A.D., and finished by Augustus, and extending from Rome to Brundisium.

APPLE OF DISCORD, a golden apple inscribed with the words, "To the most Beautiful," thrown in among the gods of Olympus on a particular occasion, contended for by Hera, Athena, and Aphrodite, and awarded by Paris of Troy, as referee, to Aphrodite, on promise that he would have the most beautiful woman of the world for wife.

APPLEBY, the county town of Westmorland, on the Eden; is a health resort.

APPLEGATH, AUGUSTUS, inventor of the vertical printing press (1788-1871).

APPLETON, a city of Wisconsin, U.S., on the Fox River.

APPOMATTOX COURTHOUSE, a village in Virginia, U.S., where Gen. Lee surrendered to Gen. Grant in 1865.

APRAJIN, COUNT, a celebrated naval commander under Peter the Great and his right-hand man in many enterprises (1671-1728).

AP'TERYX, a curious New Zealand bird with rudimentary wings, plumage like hair, and no tail, allied to the extinct moa; known popularly as the kiwi.

APULEIUS, a student of Plato, of N. African birth, lived in the 2nd century; having captivated a rich widow, was charged at one time with sorcery; his most celebrated work was the "Golden Ass," which contains, among other stories, the exquisite apologue or romance of Psyche and Cupid (q.v.).

APU'LIA, an ancient province in S.E. of Italy, which extends as far N. as Monte Gargano, and was the scene of the last stages in the second Punic war.

APU'RE, a river in Venezuela, chief tributary of the Orinoco, into which it falls by six branches.

AQUA TOFANA, Tofana's poison, some solution of arsenic prepared by a Sicilian woman called Tofana, in 17th century, and employed to poison many thousands of people.

AQUARIUS, the Water-bearer, 11th sign of the Zodiac, which the sun enters Jan. 21.

AQUATIVA, a general of the Jesuits of high authority (1543-1615).

AQUEDUCTS, pipes for carrying water, such as were used to some extent by the Greeks, and more extensively by the Romans. Several Roman aqueducts are still standing, notably the Aqua Julia and the Aqua Felici.

A'QUILA, capital of the province of Abruzzo Ulteriore, on the Alferno, founded by Barbarossa; lacemaking is the chief industry.

A'QUILA, a Judæised Greek of Sinope, in Pontus, executed a literal translation of the Old Testament into Greek in the interests of Judaism versus Christianity in the first half of the 2nd century A.D.

A'QUILA, GASPARE, a friend of Luther who aided him in the translation of the Bible.

AQUILEIA, an Italian village, 22 m. W. of Trieste, once a place of great importance, where several councils of the Church were held.

AQUINAS, THOMAS, the Angelic Doctor, or Doctor of the Schools, an Italian of noble birth, studied at Naples, became a Dominican monk despite the opposition of his parents, sat at the feet of Albertus

Magnus, and went with him to Paris, was known among his pupils as the "Dumb Ox," from his stubborn silence at study; prelected at his Alma Mater and elsewhere with distinguished success, and while on his way to the Council at Lyons, fell sick and died. His "Summa Theologiae," the greatest of his many works is a masterly production and to this day a standard authority in the Romish Church. His writings, which fill 17 folio vols., together with those of Duns Scotus, his rival, constitute the high-water mark of scholastic philosophy and the watershed of its divergence into the philosophico-speculative thought on the one hand, and the ethico-practical or realism of modern times on the other; he was canonized in 1323 (1226-1274).

AQUITAINE, a division of ancient Gaul between the Garonne and the Pyrenees, was from the time of Henry II. till 1453 an appanage of the English crown.

ARABELLA STUART, a cousin of King James I., the victim all her days of jealousy and state policy; suspected of aspiring to the crown on the death of Queen Elizabeth, was shut up in the Tower of London, where she died bereft of reason in 1615 at the age of 38.

ARABESQUE, an ornamentation introduced by the Moors, consisting of imaginary, often fantastic, mathematical or vegetable forms, but exclusive of the forms of men and animals.

ARABIA, the most westerly peninsula of Asia and the largest in the world, being one-third the size of the whole of Europe, consisting of (a) a central plateau with pastures for cattle, and fertile valleys; (b) a ring of deserts, the Nefud in the N., stony, the Great Arabian, a perfect Sahara, in the S., sandy, said sometimes to be 600 ft. deep, with the Dahna between; and (c) stretches of coast land, generally fertile on the W. and S.; is divided into eight territories; has no lakes or rivers, only wadies, often dry; the climate being hot and arid, has no forests, and therefore few wild animals; a trading country with few roads or railways, yet the birth-land of a race that threatened at one time to sweep the globe, and of a religion that has been a life-guidance to wide-scattered millions of human beings for over twelve centuries of time. Politically it is divided into the Kingdom of the Hedjaz and Nejd, the Principality of Kuwait, the Sultanate of Oman, the Imanate of Yemen, and the Imanate of Asir.

ARABIAN NIGHTS, or the Thousand and One Nights, a collection of tales of various origin and date, traceable in their present form to the middle of the 16th century, and first translated into French by Galland in 1704. The thread on which they are strung is this: A Persian monarch having made a vow that he would marry a fresh bride every night and sacrifice her in the morning, the vizier's daughter obtained permission to be the first bride, and began a story which broke off at an interesting part evening after evening for a thousand and one nights, at the end of which term the king, it is said, released her and spared her life. The authoritative English translation is that by Sir R. F. Burton.

ARACHNE, a Lydian maiden, who excelled in weaving, and whom Athena changed into a spider because she had proudly challenged her ability to weave as artistic a work; she had failed in the competition, and previously hanged herself in her despair.

ARAD, a fortified town in Hungary, seat of a bishop, on the right bank of the Maros; manufactures tobacco, trades in cattle and corn.

ARAF, the Mohammedan sheol or borderland between heaven and hell for those who are from incapacity neither good nor bad.

ARAFAT, a granite hill E. of Mecca, a place of pilgrimage as the spot where Adam received his wife after 300 years' separation from her on account of their disobedience to the Lord in deference to the suggestion of Satan.

ARAGO, DOMINIQUE FRANÇOIS, French physicist and astronomer; appointed director of Paris Observatory in 1830. He made discoveries in connection with the polarization of light and in electromagnetism (1786-1853).

ARAGO, JACQUES, a brother of the preceding, a

litterateur and a traveller, author of "A Voyage Round the World" (1790-1855).

AR'AGON, a territory in the NE. of Spain, traversed by the Ebro, and divided southward into the provinces of Huesca, Saragossa, and Teruel; mountainous in the N., with beautiful fertile valleys, rather barren, in the S.; was a kingdom till 1469.

ARAGUAY, an affluent of the Tocantins, in Brazil, which it joins after a course of 1000 m., augmented by subsidiary streams.

ARAKAN, a strip of land in British Burmah, on the E. of the Bay of Bengal, 400 m. long and from 15 to 90 m. broad, a low, marshy country; produces and exports large quantities of rice, as well as sugar and hemp. The natives belong to the Burman stock, and are of the Buddhist faith, though there is a sprinkling of Mohammedans among them.

ARAL, THE SEA OF, a lake in Turkestan, 265 m. long and 145 broad, larger than the Irish Sea, 150 m. E. of the Caspian; has no outlet, is shallow, and is said to be drying up.

ARAM, EUGENE, an English school-usher of scholarly attainments, convicted of murder years after the act and executed 1759, to whose fate a novel of Bulwer Lytton and a poem by Hood have lent a romantic and somewhat fictitious interest.

ARAMEA, the territories lying to NE. of Palestine, the inhabitants of which spoke a Semitic dialect called Aramaic, and improperly Chaldee.

ARAMAIC, the language of Palestine in the days of Christ, a Semitic dialect that has now almost entirely died out.

ARAME'ANS, a generic name given to the Semitic tribes that dwelt in the NE. of Palestine, also to those that dwelt at the mouths of the Euphrates and the Tigris.

ARAN, VAL D', a Pyrenean valley, source of the Garonne, and one of the highest of the Pyrenees.

ARAN ISLANDS, three islands with antique relics across the mouth of Galway Bay, to which they form a breakwater.

ARANDA, COUNT OF, an eminent Spanish statesman, banished the Jesuits, suppressed brigandage, and outwitted the power of the Inquisition; was Prime Minister of Charles IV., and was succeeded by Godoy (1719-1798).

ARANJUEZ, a town 28 m. SE. of Madrid, long the spring resort of the Spanish Court.

AR'ANY, JANOS, a popular Hungarian poet of peasant origin, attained to eminence as a man of letters (1819-1892).

ARAPAHOES, a tribe of North American Indians in Colorado, with long black hair and large noses.

AR'ARAT, a mountain in Armenia on which Noah's ark is said to have rested; 17,000 ft. high, it is a volcanic peak also known as Mount Massis. Ararat is an old name of Armenia.

ARAT'US, native of Sicyon, in Greece, promoter of the Achaean League, in which he was thwarted by Philip of Macedon, was poisoned, it is said, by the latter's order (271-213 B.C.); also a Greek poet, author of two didactic poems, born in Cilicia, quoted by St. Paul in Acts xvii. 28.

ARAUCA'NIA, the country of the Araucos, in Chile, S. of Concepcion and N. of Valdivia, the Araucos being an Indian race long resistant but now subject to Chilean authority, and interesting as the only one that has proved itself able to govern itself and hold its own in the presence of the white man.

ARAUCA'RIA, tall coniferous trees, natives of and confined to the southern hemisphere.

ARBE'LA, a town near Mosul, where Alexander the Great finally defeated Darius, 331 B.C.

ARBERGATE, a thriving seaport and manufacturing town on the Forfarshire coast, 17 m. N. of Dundee, with the picturesque ruins of an extensive old abbey, of which Cardinal Beaton was the last abbot. It is the "Fairport" of the "Antiquary."

ARBUETHNOT, JOHN, a physician and eminent literary man of the age of Queen Anne and her two successors, born in Kincardineshire, the friend of Swift and Pope, joint-author with Swift, it is thought, of the "Memoirs of Martinus Scriblerus" and the "History of John Bull" (1667-1735).

ARC LAMPS have carbon electrodes kept a short distance apart, the current being carried across the

space by the carbon vapour, the high temperature produced—3000° C.—raising the carbon to white heat. A similar arc is used for the electric furnace and electric welding.

ARCACHON, a popular watering-place, with a fine beach and a mild climate, favourable for invalids suffering from pulmonary complaints, 34 m. SW. of Bordeaux.

ARCA DIA, a mountain-girt pastoral tableland in the heart of the Moors, 50 m. long by 40 broad, conceived by the poets as a land of shepherds and shepherdesses, and rustic simplicity and bliss; it was the seat of the worship of Artemis and Pan.

ARCA DIUS, the first emperor of the East, born in Spain, a weak, luxurious prince, leaving the government in other hands (877-406).

ARCESILAUS, a Greek philosopher, a member of the Platonic School and founder of the New Academy, who held in opposition to the Stoics that perception was not knowledge, denied that we had any accurate criterion of truth, and denounced all dogmatism in religion.

ARCEAN ROCKS, those igneous rocks underlying the Cambrian in which no certain traces of life have been found. These rocks form much of the highlands of Scotland.

ARCHEOLOGY, the study or the science of the monuments of antiquity, as distinct from paleontology, which has to do with extinct organisms or fossil remains.

ARCHEOPTERYX, the earliest species of bird, remains of which have been found in the Upper Jurassic beds of Bavaria. It preserved many reptilian characteristics.

ARCHANGEL, the oldest seaport of Russia, on the Volga, near its mouth, on the White Sea; is accessible to navigation from July to October, is connected with the interior by river and canal, and has a large trade in flax, timber, tallow, and tar.

ARCHANGELS. Of these, according to the Koran, there are four: Gabriel, the angel who reveals; Michael, the angel who fights; Azrael, the angel of death; Azrael, the angel of the resurrection.

ARCHELAUS, king of Macedonia, and patron of art and literature, with whom Euripides found refuge in his exile, d. 400 B.C.; a general of Mithridates, conquered by Sulla twice over; also the Ethnarch of Judea, son of Herod, deposed by Augustus, died at Vienna.

ARCHER, FREDERICK JAMES, English jockey. Rode his first winner when 13, and before the end of his career rode 2748 winners out of 8084 mounts, being the leading jockey from 1878-1886, including five Derby and six St. Leger winners. Taken ill of typhoid fever in 1886, he shot himself (1857-1886).

ARCHES, COURT OF, an ecclesiastical court of appeal connected with the archbishopric of Canterbury, the judge of which is called the dean.

AR'CHIL, a purple dye obtained from lichens.

ARCHILOCHUS, a celebrated lyric poet of Greece; of a satiric and often bitter vein, the inventor of iambic verse (714-678 B.C.).

ARCHIMEA GO, a sorcerer in Spenser's "Faerie Queene," who in the disguise of a reverend hermit, and by the help of Duessa or Deceit, seduces the Red-Cross Knight from Una or Truth.

ARCHIMEDES OF SYRACUSE, the greatest mathematician of antiquity, a man of superlative inventive power, well skilled in all the mechanical arts and sciences of the day. When Syracuse was taken by the Romans, he was unconscious of the fact, and slain while busy on some problem, by a Roman soldier, notwithstanding the order of the Roman general that his life should be spared. He is credited with the boast: "Give me a fulcrum, and I will move the world." He discovered how to determine the specific gravity of bodies while he was taking a bath, and was so excited over the discovery that, it is said, he dashed off stark naked on the instant through the streets, shouting "Eureka! Eureka! I have found it! I have found it!" (287-212 B.C.).

ARCHIPHEL AGO, originally the Egean Sea, now the name of any similar sea interspersed with islands, or the group of islands included in it.

ARCHITRAVE, the lowest part of an entablature, resting immediately on the capital.

AR'CHON, a chief magistrate of Athens, of whom there were nine at a time, each over a separate department; the tenure of office was first for life, then for ten years, and finally for one.

ARCHYTAS OF TARENTUM, famous as a statesman, a soldier, a geometer, a philosopher, and a man; a Pythagorean in philosophy, and influential in that capacity over the minds of Plato, his contemporary, and Aristotle; was drowned in the Adriatic Sea, 4th century B.C.

ARCIUS-SUR-AUBE, a town 17 m. N. of Troyes, in France, birthplace of Danton; scene of a defeat of Napoleon, March, 1814.

ARCOUS, the buying and selling agency of the Russian Soviet Govt., founded in 1920 and deriving its name from the initial letters of the All-Russian Co-operative Society. In May, 1927, the London headquarters were raided by the police; search revealed evidence of hostile activity on the part of the Soviet Govt., and as a result diplomatic relations between Great Britain and Russia were broken off.

AR'OOT, the name of two districts, N. and S., in the Presidency of Madras; also chief town in the district, 65 m. SW. of Madras; captured by Clive in 1781, once the capital of the Carnatic.

ARCTIC EXPLORATION has its origin in early times, though the first properly organized voyages in search of the North-West and North-East Passages were made in the 16th century. Among these early explorers were Henry Hudson, Sir Hugh Willoughby, Baffin, Frobenius, Davis, and Chancellor. In the early part of the 19th century Ross, Franklin, McClintock, and Parry took part in expeditions, Franklin losing his life in that of 1845, which led to search parties and fresh discoveries. Nansen and Johansen in 1888 got 200 m. nearer the Pole than had previously been reached, and Peary made further progress in 1902, and in 1906 was only 201 m. from the Pole. In 1909 Peary planted the American flag at the Pole, not long after Dr. Cook had announced he had been the first to reach the Pole, a story which was disproved. In 1925 Amundsen tried unsuccessfully to reach the Pole by aeroplane, but in 1928 the airship *Norge*, under General Noble, succeeded in flying over it, though subsequently forced down.

ARCTIC OCEAN, a circular ocean round the N. Pole, its diameter 40°, with low, flat shores, covered with ice-fields, including numerous islands; the Gulf Stream penetrates it, and a current flows out of it into the Atlantic.

ARCTURUS, star of first magnitude in constellation Bootes at a distance of 135 light-years; it is 13 thousand times as large as the sun.

ARDOCHE, an affluent of the Rhône, with its source in the Cévennes; gives name to a department traversed by the Cévennes Mountains.

ARDEEN, a large forest at one time in England, E. of the Severn.

ARDEN, ENOCH, hero of a poem by Tennyson, who, on his return from the sea, after long absence, finds his wife, who believed him dead, married happily to another; he does not disclose himself, and dies broken-hearted.

ARDENNES, a forest, a tract of rugged woodland on the confines of France and Belgium; also a department of France, on the borders of Belgium.

AR'DOCH, a place in Perthshire, 7 m. from Orkney, with the remains of a Roman camp, the most complete in Britain.

ARENDZ, LEOPOLD, a Russian of literary ability, inventor of a system of stenography extensively used on the Continent (1817-1885).

AREOPAGITICA, a press work of Milton, being a speech for the liberty of unlicensed printing, published in 1644.

AREOPAGUS, the hill of Ares in Athens, which gave name to the celebrated council held there, a tribunal of 81 members, charged with judgment in criminal offences, whose sentences were uniformly the awards of strictest justice.

AREQUIPA, a city in Peru, founded by Pizarro in 1586, in a fruitful valley of the Andes, 8000 ft. above the sea, 30 m. inland; is much subject to earthquakes, and was almost destroyed by one in 1868.

ARES, the Greek god of war in his sanguinary aspects; was the son of Zeus and Hera; identified by the

Romans with Mars; was fond of war for its own sake, and had for sister Eris, the goddess of strife, who used to pander to his passion.

ARETE'US, a Greek physician of 1st century; wrote a treatise on diseases.

ARETHU'SA, a celebrated fountain in the island of Ortygia, near Syracuse, transformed from a Nereid pursued thither from Ellis, in Greece, by the river-god Alpheus, so that the waters of the river henceforth mingled with those of the fountain.

ARETINO, PIETRO, called the "Scourge of Princes," a licentious satirical writer, born at Arezzo, in Tuscany; settled in Venice, where his witty verses and plays enjoyed wide popularity (1492-1567).

AREZZO, an ancient Tuscan city, 38 m. SE. of Florence, and eventually subject to it; the birthplace of Meccenas, Michael Angelo, Petrarck, Guido, and Vasari.

AR'GALL, a sheep of Siberia, as large as a moderately-sized ox, with enormous grooved curving horns; it is strong-limbed, sure-footed, and swift.

ARGAN, the hypochondriac rich patient in Molière's "Le Malade Imaginaire."

ARGAND, a Swiss physician and chemist, born at Geneva; inventor of the argand lamp, which, as invented by him, introduced a circular wick (1755-1803).

ARGELANDER, FRIEDRICH WILHELM, a distinguished astronomer, born at Memel, professor at Bonn; he fixed the position of 22,000 stars, and recorded observations to prove that the solar system was moving through space (1790-1875).

AR'GENS, MARQUIS D', a French soldier who turned to letters, author of sceptical writings, of which the best known is entitled "Lettres Juives" (1704-1771).

ARGENSON, RENÉ-LOUIS, MARQUIS D', French statesman, who left "Mémoires" of value as affecting the early and middle part of Louis XV.'s reign (1694-1757).

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC, or ARGENTINA, a federal republic consisting of 14 states and 10 territories, occupying the eastern slope of the Andes and the vast level plain extending from them to the Atlantic, bounded on the N. by Bolivia and Paraguay; its area ten times that of Great Britain and Ireland, while the population includes Italians, French, Spaniards, English, and Germans; produces wheat, maize and other cereals, with sugar and tobacco; large areas are devoted to stock raising, and the country is rich in gold, silver, lead and other minerals; capital, Buenos Aires.

AR'GO, the fifty-oared ship of the Argonauts (q.v.).

AR'GOLIS, the north-eastern peninsula of the Morea of Greece, and one of the 13 provinces of Greece, is 12 m. long by 5 m. broad.

ARGON, an inert gas discovered in the atmosphere by Sir William Ramsay and Lord Rayleigh. See **INERT GASES, ATMOSPHERE**.

AR'GONAUTS, the Greek heroes, sailors in the *Argo*, who, under the command of Jason, sailed for Colchis in quest of the golden fleece, which was guarded by a dragon that never slept; a perilous venture, but it proved successful with the assistance of Medea, the daughter of the king, whom, with the fleece, Jason in the end brought away with him to be his wife.

ARGONNE, FOREST OF, in the NE. of France, within the borders of which the Duke of Brunswick was outwitted by Dumouriez in 1792.

AR'GOS, the capital of Argolis, played for long a prominent part in the history of Greece, but paled before the power of Sparta.

AR'GUS, surnamed "The All-seeing," a fabulous creature with a hundred eyes, of which one half were always awake, appointed by Hera to watch over Io, but Hermes killed him after lulling him to sleep by the sound of his flute, whereupon Hera transferred his eyes to the tail of the peacock, her favourite bird. Also the dog of Ulysses, immortalised by Homer; he was the only creature that recognised Ulysses under his rags on his return to Ithaca after twenty years' absence, under such excitement, however, that immediately after he dropped down dead.

ARGUS, a pheasant, a beautiful Oriental game-bird, so called from the eye-like markings on its plumage; found in the Indo-Malay country.

ARGYLL, a large county in the W. of Scotland, consisting of deeply indented mainland and islands, and abounding in mountains, moorlands, and lochs.

ARGYLL, a noble family or clan of the name of Campbell, the members of which have held successively the titles of Earl, Marquis, and Duke, their first patent of nobility dating from 1445, and their earldom from 1463.

ARGYLL, ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, 1ST MARQUIS OF, sided with the Covenanters, fought against Montrose, disgusted with the execution of Charles I., crowned Charles II. at Scots, after the Restoration committed to the Tower, was tried and condemned, met death nobly (1598-1661).

ARGYLL, ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, 9TH EARL OF, son of the preceding, fought for Charles II., was taken prisoner, released at the Restoration and restored to his estates, proved rebellious at last, and was condemned to death; escaped to Holland, made a descent on Scotland, was captured and executed in 1685.

ARIAD'NE, daughter of Minos, king of Crete, gave to Theseus a clue by which to escape out of the labyrinth after he had slain the Minotaur, for which Theseus promised to marry her; took her with him to Naxos and left her there, where, according to one tradition, Ariene killed her, and according to another, Dionysus found her and married her, placing her at her death among the gods, and hanging her wedding wreath as a constellation in the sky.

ARIANISM, the heresy of Arius (q.v.).

ARIA'NO, a city with a fine cathedral, 1500 ft. above the sea-level, NE. of Naples; has a trade in wine and butter.

ARI'CA, a seaport connected with Tacna, S. of Peru, the chief outlet for the produce of Bolivia; suffers frequently from earthquakes, and was almost destroyed in 1832.

ARIEGE, a department of France, at the foot of the northern slopes of the Pyrenees; has extensive forests and is rich in minerals.

A'RIEL, in Shakespeare's "Tempest," a spirit of the air, the first of the elementals, imprisoned by Sycorax in the cleft of a pine-tree, and liberated on condition of her serving him for a season, which she willingly engages to do.

A'RIEL, an idol of the Moabites, an outcast angel.

ARIES, the first sign of the zodiac, which the sun enters on March 21. The constellation of that name is now in the sign Taurus, owing to the precession of the equinoxes.

ARI'ON, a lyrist of Lesbos, lived chiefly at the court of Periander, Corinth; returning in a ship from a musical contest in Sicily laden with prizes, the sailors plotted to kill him, when he begged permission to play one strain on his lute; on this being conceded, dolphins crowded round the ship, whereupon he leapt over the bulwarks, was received on the back of one of them and carried to Corinth, arriving there before the sailors, who, on their landing, were apprehended and punished.

ARIOS'TO, LUDOVICO, an illustrious Italian poet, born at Reggio, in Lombardy; spent his life chiefly in Ferrara, mostly in poverty; his great work "Orlando Furioso," published in 40 cantos, in 1516; the work is so called from the chief subject of it, the madness of Roland induced by the loss of his lady-love through her marriage to another (1474-1533).

ARIOVISTUS, a German chief, invaded Gaul and threatened to overrun it, but was forced back over the Rhine by Caesar.

ARISTAE'US, a son of Apollo, the guardian divinity of the vine and olive, of hunters and herdsmen; first taught the management of bees, some of which stung Eurydice to death, whereupon the nymphs, companions of Orpheus, her husband, set upon his bees and destroyed them. In this extremity Aristaeus applied to Proteus, who advised him to sacrifice four bullocks to appease the manes of Eurydice; this done, there issued from the carcasses of the victims a swarm of bees, which reconciled him to the loss of the first ones.

ARISTAR'CHUS OF SAMOS, a Greek astronomer, who first conceived the idea of the rotundity of the earth and its revolution both on its own axis and round

the sun, in promulgating which idea he was accused of impudently disturbing the serenity of the gods (280 B.C.).

ARISTARCHUS OF SAMOTHRACE, a celebrated Greek grammarian and critic, who devoted his life to the elucidation and correct transmission of the text of the Greek poets, and especially Homer (168-88 B.C.).

ARISTEAS, a sort of Wandering Jew of Greek fable, who turns up here and there in Greek tradition, and was thought to be endowed with a soul that could as will leave and enter the body.

ARISTIDES, an Athenian general and statesman, surnamed The Just; covered himself with glory at the battle of Marathon; was made archon next year, in the discharge of the duties of which office he received his surname; was banished by ostracism at the instance of his rival, Themistocles; recalled three years after the invasion of Xerxes, was reconciled to Themistocles, fought bravely at Salamis, and distinguished himself at Plataea; managed the finances of the State with such probity that he died poor, was buried at the public charges, and left the State to provide for his children.

ARISTON, a philosopher, tyrant of Athens, put to death by order of Sulla, 80 B.C.

ARISTOTELUS OF CYRENE, founder of the Cyrenaic school of philosophy, a disciple of Socrates; in his teaching laid too much emphasis on one principle of Socrates, apart from the rest, in insisting too exclusively upon pleasure as the supreme good and ultimate aim of life.

ARISTOBULUS I., son of John Hyrcanus, first of the Asmonean dynasty in Judea to assume the name of king, which he did from 104-102 B.C., a pronounced Helleniser; **A. II.**, twice carried captive to Rome, assassinated 60 B.C.; **A. III.**, last of Asmonean dynasty, drowned by Herod in the Jordan, 34 B.C.

ARISTODEMUS, king of Messenia, carried on for 20 years a war with Sparta, till at length, finding resistance hopeless, he put an end to his life on the tomb of his daughter, whom he had sacrificed to ensure the fulfilment of an oracle to the advantage of his house; d. 724 B.C. Also a Greek sculptor, 4th century B.C.

ARISTOMENES, a mythical king of Messenia, celebrated for his struggle with the Spartans, and his resistance to them on Mount Ira for 11 years, which at length fell to the enemy, while he escaped and was snatched up by the gods; died at Rhodes.

ARISTOPHANES, the great comic dramatist of Athens, lived in the 5th century B.C.; directed the shafts of his wit against all, of whatever rank, who sought in any way to amend the religious, philosophical, social, political, or literary creed and practice of the country, and held up to ridicule such men as Socrates and Euripides, as well as Cleon the farmer; wrote 64 plays, of which 11 have come down to us; of these the "Clouds" aims at Socrates, the "Acharnians" and the "Frogs" at Euripides, and the "Knights" at Cleon; d. 384 B.C.

ARISTOTLE, a native of Stagira, in Thrace, and hence named the Stagirite; deprived of his parents while yet a youth; came in his 17th year to Athens, remained in Plato's society there for 20 years; after the death of Plato, at the request of Philip, king of Macedonia, who held him in high honour, became the preceptor of Alexander the Great, then only 13 years old; on Alexander's expedition into Asia, returned to Athens and began to teach in the Lyceum, where it was his habit to walk up and down as he taught, from which circumstance his school got the name of Peripatetic; after 13 years he left the city and went to Chalcis, in Euboea, where he died. He was the oracle of the scholastic philosophers and theologians in the Middle Ages; is the author of a great number of writings which covered a vast field of speculation, of which the progress of modern science goes to establish the value; is often referred to as the incarnation of the philosophic spirit. His chief writings were "The Politics" and "The Poetics," the latter the first written treatise on the principle of criticism (385-322 B.C.).

ARISTOXENUS OF TARENTUM, a Greek philosopher, author of the "Elements of Harmony," the only one of his many works extant, and one of

the oldest writers on music; contemporary of Aristotle.

ARIUS, a presbyter of Alexandria in the 4th century and founder of Arianism, which denied the consubstantiality of the Son with the Father in the Trinity, a doctrine which hovered for a time between acceptance and rejection throughout the Catholic Church; was condemned first by a local synod which met at Alexandria in 321, and then by a General Council at Nice in 325, which the Emperor Constantine attended in person; the author was banished to Illyricum, his writings burned, and the possession of them voted to be a crime; after three years he was recalled by Constantine, who ordered him to be restored; was about to be readmitted into the Church when he died suddenly (280-336).

ARIZONA, one of the southern United States, N. of Mexico and W. of New Mexico, nearly four times as large as Scotland, rich in mines of gold, silver, and copper, fertile in the lowlands; much of the surface a barren plateau 11,000 ft. high, through which the cañon of the Colorado passes. See **CANON**.

ARK OF THE COVENANT, a chest of acacia wood overlaid with gold, 2½ cubits long and 1½ in breadth; contained the two tables of stone inscribed with the Ten Commandments, the gold pot with the manna, and Aaron's rod; the lid supported the mercy-seat, with a cherub at each end, and the shekinah radiance between.

ARKANSAS, one of the Southern States of America, N. of Louisiana and W. of the Mississippi, a little larger than England; rich in metals, grows cotton and corn; the old pronunciation of the name was *Arkansaw*.

ARKWRIGHT, SIR RICHARD, born at Preston, Lancashire; bred to the trade of a barber; took interest in the machinery of cotton-spinning; with the help of a clockmaker, invented the spinning frame; was mobbed for threatening thereby to shorten labour and curtail wages, and had to flee; fell in with Mr. Strutt of Derby, who entered into partnership with him; prospered in business, was knighted in 1786, and died worth half a million (1732-1792).

ARLBERG, a mountain mass between Vorarlberg and Tyrol, pierced by a tunnel, one of the three that penetrate the Alps, and nearly four miles in length.

ARLES, a city, one of the oldest in France, on the Rhône, 46 m. N. of Marseilles, where Constantine built a palace, with ruins of an amphitheatre and other Roman works; the seat of several Church Councils.

ARLINGTON, HENRY BENNET, EARL OF, served under Charles I., and accompanied Charles II. in his exile; a prominent member of the famous Cabal; being impeached when in office, lost favour and retired into private life (1618-1685).

ARLON, a prosperous town in Belgium, capital of Luxembourg.

ARMA'DA, SPANISH, named the Invincible, an armament fitted out in 1588 by Philip II. of Spain against England, consisting of 130 war-vessels, mounted with 2430 cannon, and manned by 20,000 soldiers; was defeated in the Channel on July 20 by Admiral Howard, seconded by Drake, Hawkins, and Frobisher; completely dispersed and shattered by a storm in retreat on the coasts of Scotland and Ireland, the English losing only one ship; of the whole fleet only 53 ships found their way back to Spain, and these nearly all *hors de combat*.

ARMAGEDDON, a name given in the Apocalypse to the final battlefield between the powers of good and evil, or Christ and Antichrist.

ARMAGH, a county in Ulster, Ireland, 32 m. long by 20 m. broad; and a town in it, 33 m. S.W. of Belfast from the 5th to the 9th century the capital of Ireland; the chief manufacture, linen-weaving.

ARMAGNAC, a district, part of Gascony, in France, now in dep. of Gers, celebrated for its wine and brandy.

ARMAGNACS, a faction in France in time of Charles VI. at mortal feud with the Bourguignons.

ARMATOLES, warlike marauding tribes in the mountainous districts of Northern Greece, played a prominent part in the War of Independence in 1820.

ARMATURE, the rotating coil of wire in a dynamo or electric motor through which the current flows.

ARME'NIA, a country in Western Asia, W. of the Caspian Sea and N. of Kurdistan Mts., anciently independent, now a republic included in the Transcaucasian Federation under Soviet Russia, occupying a plateau interspersed with fertile valleys, which culminates in Mt. Ararat, in which the Euphrates and Tigris have their sources. The country is rich in copper and manufactures carpets.

ARMENIANS, a people of the Arayan race occupying Armenia, early converted to Christianity of the Eutychnian type; from early times have emigrated into adjoining, and even remote, countries, and are, like the Jews, mainly engaged in commercial pursuits, the wealthier of them especially in banking. Over a million of them were massacred during the Great War.

ARMENTIÈRES, a manufacturing and trading town in France, 12 m. N. of Lille. During the Great War it was the scene of much fighting and was made famous by the song "Mademoiselle from Armentières."

ARMIDA, a beautiful enchantress in Tasso's "Jerusalem Delivered," who bewitched Rinaldo, one of the Crusaders, by her charms, and who in turn, when the spell was broken, was overpowered by his love and persuaded to become a Christian. The *Armida Palace*, in which she enchanted Rinaldo, has become a synonym for any merely visionary but enchanting palace of pleasure.

ARMINIUS, or **HERMANN**, the deliverer of Germany from the Romans by the defeat of Varus, the Roman general, in A.D. 9, near Detmold (where a colossal statue has been erected to his memory); killed in some family quarrel in his 37th year.

ARMINIUS, **JACOBUS**, a learned Dutch theologian and founder of Arminianism, an assertion of the free-will of man in the matter of salvation against the necessitarianism of Calvin (1560-1609).

ARMISTICE, a pact to end fighting prior to a treaty being effected, the most famous being that signed at 5 a.m. on November 11, 1918, under which Germany and the Allies agreed that all troops should cease fire at 11 a.m. that day.

ARMORICA, a district of Gaul in pre-Roman times, extending from the Loire to the Seine; now known as Brittany.

ARMSTRONG, HENRY EDWARD, chemist, professor at City and Guilds College, London. He carried out much useful work in organic and physical chemistry, especially in connection with the terpenes and the compounds of the benzene series.

ARMSTRONG, WARWICK, famous Australian all-round cricketer, who captained the Australian team in Australia in 1920 and in England in 1921 without losing a single Test match (1870-).

ARMSTRONG, WILLIAM GEORGE, LORD, born at Newcastle, produced the hydraulic accumulator and the hydraulic crane, established the Elswick engine works in the suburbs of his native city, and invented the Armstrong gun (1810-1900).

ARMY, BRITISH, was first officially established with five infantry regiments in 1683, the cavalry being established by James II. in 1685. The Territorial Army was started in 1906.

ARNAUD, HENRI, a pastor of the Vaudois, turned soldier to rescue his co-religionists from their dispersion under the persecution of the Count of Savoy; when the Vaudois were exiled a second time, he accompanied them in their exile to Schomberg, and acted as pastor to them till his death (1641-1721).

ARNAULD, ANTOINE, the "great Arnauld," a French theologian, doctor of the Sorbonne, an inveterate enemy of the Jesuits, defended Jansenism against the Bull of the Pope, became religious director of the nuns of Port Royal des Champs, associated here with a circle of kindred spirits, among others Pascal; expelled from the Sorbonne and banished the country, died at Brussels (1612-1694).

ARNAULD, MARIE ANGE'LIQUE, *La Mère Angélique* as she was called, sister of the preceding and abbess of Port Royal, a victim of the persecutions of the Jesuits to her death (1624-1684).

ARNDT, ERNST MORITZ, a German poet and patriot, whose memory is much revered by the whole

German people, one of the first to rouse his countrymen to shake off the tyranny of Napoleon; his songs and eloquent appeals went straight to the heart of the nation and contributed powerfully to its liberation; his "Geist der Zeit" made him flee the country after the battle of Jena, and his "Was ist des Deutschen Vaterland?" strikes a chord in the breast of every German all the world over (1769-1840).

ARNE, THOMAS AUGUSTINE, a musical composer of versatile genius, produced during over 40 years, a succession of pieces in every style from sonata to sonatas and oratorios, among others the world-famous chorus "Rule Britannia" (1710-1778).

ARN'HEIM, the capital of Guelderland, is situated on the right bank of the Rhine, and has a large transit trade.

ARNIM, BETTINA VON, sister of Clemens Brentano, wife of Ludwig von Arnim, a native of Frankfurt; at 22 conceived a passionate love for Goethe, then in his 60th year, visited him at Weimar, and corresponded with him afterwards, part of which correspondence appeared subsequently under the title of "Goethe's Correspondence with a Child" (1788-1859).

ARNIM, COUNT, ambassador of Germany, first at Rome and then at Paris; accused in the latter capacity of purloining State documents, and sentenced to imprisonment; died in exile at Nice (1824-1841).

ARNIM, LUDWIG ACHIM VON, a German poet and novelist (1781-1831).

ARNO, a river of Italy, rises in the Apennines, flows westward past Florence and Pisa into the Mediterranean; subject to destructive inundations.

ARNOBIUS, an African rhetorician who, in the beginning of the 4th century, embraced Christianity, and wrote a book in its defence, still extant and of great value, entitled "Disputations against the Heathen."

ARNOLD, BENEDICT, an American soldier, entered the ranks of the insurgent colonists under Washington during the War of Independence, distinguished himself in several engagements; promoted to the rank of general, negotiated with the English general Clinton to surrender an important post entrusted to him, escaped to the English ranks on the discovery of the plot, and served in them against his country; d. in England in 1801.

ARNOLD, MATTHEW, poet and critic, eldest son of Thomas Arnold of Rugby; professor of Poetry in Oxford from 1857 to 1867; inspector of schools for 35 years from 1851; commissioned twice over to visit France, Germany, and Holland, to inquire into educational matters there; wrote two separate reports thereon of great value; author of "Poems," "Essays on Criticism," "Culture and Anarchy," "St. Paul and Protestantism," "Literature and Dogma" (1822-1888).

ARNOLD, SIR EDWIN, poet and journalist, learned in Indian literature; author of the "Light of Asia," "Light of the World," and other works in prose and verse (1832-1904).

ARNOLD, THOMAS, head master of Rugby, and professor of Modern History at Oxford; by his moral character and governing faculty effected immense reforms in Rugby School; was liberal in his principles and of a philanthropic spirit; he wrote a "History of Rome" based on Niebuhr, and edited Thucydides; his "Life and Correspondence" was edited by Dean Stanley. He is the head master mentioned in "Tom Brown's School-days" (1795-1842).

ARNOLD OF BRESOLA, an Italian monk, and disciple of Abelard; declaimed against the temporal power of the Pope, the corruptions of the Church, and the avarice of the clergy; headed an insurrection against the Pope in Rome, which collapsed under the Pope's interdict; at last was burned alive in 1156, and his ashes thrown into the Tiber.

ARNOLD OF WINKELRIED, the Decius of Switzerland, a peasant of the canton of Unterwald, who, by the voluntary sacrifice of his life, broke the lines of the Austrians at Sempach in 1386 and decided the fate of the battle.

ARNOTT, DR. NEIL, a native of Arbroath, author of the "Elements of Physics" and of several hygienic inventions (1788-1874).

AROU'ET, the family name of Voltaire; his name

formed by an ingenious transposition he made of the letters of his name, Arouet L. I. (*le jeune*).

ARPAD, the national hero of Hungary; established for the Magyars a firm footing in the country; was founder of the Arpad dynasty, which became extinct in 1301; d. 907.

ARPI'NO (ARPINUM), an ancient town in Latium, S. of Rome, birthplace of Cicero and Marius.

ARQUA, a village 12 m. SW. of Padua, where Petrarch died and was buried.

ARRACK, a spirituous liquor, especially that distilled from the juice of the coco-nut tree and from fermented rice.

AR'RAH, a town in Bengal, 36 m. from Patna; famous for its defence by a handful of English and Sikhs against thousands during the Mutiny.

ARRAN, largest island in the Firth of Clyde, in Bute-shire; a mountainous island, highest summit (Goatfell, 2866 ft., with a margin of lowland round the coast; nearly all the property of the Duke of Hamilton, whose seat is Brodick Castle.

ARRAS, a French town in the dep. of Pas-de-Calais, long celebrated for its tapestry; the birthplace of Darnaud and Robespierre. It was the scene of five battles during the Great War.

ARRENIUS, SVANTE AUGUST, professor of physics at Stockholm, 1895-1905, and afterwards director of the department of physical chemistry at the Nobel Institute. He originated the theory of electrolytic dissociation, which laid the foundations of modern physical chemistry. Awarded Nobel Prize in 1903 (1859-1927).

AR'RIA, a Roman matron, who, to encourage her husband in meeting death, to which he had been sentenced, thrust a poniard into her own breast, and then handed it to him, saying, "It is not painful," whereupon he followed her example.

AR'RIAN, FLAVIUS, a Bithynian, a friend of Epictetus the Stoic, edited his "Enchiridion"; wrote a "History of Alexander the Great," and "Periplus," an account of voyages round the Euxine and round the Red Sea; b. 100, and died at an advanced age.

ARROW-HEADED CHARACTERS, the same as the Cuneiform (q.v.).

ARRU ISLANDS, a group of 80 coralline islands, belonging to Holland, W. of New Guinea; export mother-of-pearl, pearls, tortoise-shell, &c.

AR'SACES I., the founder of the dynasty of the Arsacidae, by a revolt which proved successful against the Seleucidae, 250 B.C.

ARSACIDÆ, a dynasty of 31 Parthian kings, who wrested the throne from Antiochus II., the last of the Seleucidae, 250 B.C.

ARSENIC, is found in many mineral ores, including mispickel, realgar, and orpiment, and is used for green paint, drugs, and as a weed-killer.

ARSINOË, the name of several Egyptian princesses of antiquity; also a prude in Mollère's "Misanthrope."

ARTA, GULF OF, gulf forming the NW. frontier of Greece; scene of battle of Actium, 29 B.C.

ARTAXERXES, the name of four ancient Persian monarchs: A. I., called the "Long-handed," from his right hand being longer than his left; son of Xerxes I.; concluded a peace with Greece after a war of 52 years; entertained Themistocles at his court; king from 465 to 424 B.C. A. II., Mnemon, vanquished and killed his brother Cyrus at Cunaxa in 401, who had revolted against him; imposed in 387 on the Spartans the shameful treaty of Antalcidas; was king from 405 to 359 B.C. A. III., Ochus, son of the preceding, slew all his kindred on ascending the throne; in Egypt slew the sacred bull Apis and gave the flesh to his soldiers, for which his eunuch Bagoas poisoned him; king from 359 to 338 B.C. A. IV., grandson of Sasan, founder of the dynasty Sassanidae; restored the old religion of the Magi, amended the laws, and promoted education; king from A.D. 223 to 232.

AR'TEGAL, the impersonation and champion of Justice in Spenser's "Faerie Queene."

AR'TEMIS, in the Greek mythology the daughter of Zeus and Leto, twin sister of Apollo, born in the Isle of Delos, and one of the great divinities of the Greeks; a virgin goddess, represented as a huntress armed with bow and arrows; presided over the birth of animals, was guardian of flocks.

ARTEMISIA, queen of Halicarnassus, joined Xerxes in his invasion of Greece, and fought with valour at Salamis, 440 B.C. A. II., also queen, raised a tomb over the grave of her husband Mausolus, regarded as one of the seven wonders of the world, 355 B.C.

ARTEMISIUM, a promontory N. of Euboea, near which Xerxes lost part of his fleet, 480 B.C.

ARTEMUS WARD. See C. F. BROWNE.

ARTESIAN WELLS, wells made by boring for water where it is lower than its source, so as to obtain a constant supply of it; so called from Artois (Artestum) in France, where the first was sunk in 1126.

AR'VEVELDE, JACOB VAN, a wealthy brewer of Ghent, chosen chief in a revolt against Count Louis of Flanders, expelled him, made a treaty with Edward III. as lord-superior of Flanders, and was massacred in a popular tumult (1285-1345).

ARTEVELDE, PHILIP VAN, son of the preceding, defeated Louis II. and became regent; but with the help of France Charles VI. retaliated and defeated the Flemings, and slew him in 1382 (1340-1382).

ARTFUL DODGER, a young thief, an expert in the profession in Dickens' "Oliver Twist."

ARTHUR, a British prince of widespread fame, who is supposed to have lived at the time of the Saxon invasion in the 6th century, whose exploits and those of his court have given birth to the tradition of the Round Table, to the rendering of which Tennyson devoted so much of his genius. Arthurian Romance owes much to the writings of Geoffrey of Monmouth (12th cent.), Walter Map (12th cent.), and Sir Thomas Malory (15th cent.).

ARTHUR, PRINCE, DUKE OF BRITTANY, heir to the throne of England by the death of his uncle Richard I.; supplanted by King John.

ARTHUR'S SEAT, a lion-shaped hill 822 ft., close to Edinburgh on the E., from the top of which the prospect is unrivalled.

ARTICLES, THE THIRTY-NINE, originally Forty-Two, a creed framed in 1562, to which every clergyman of the Church of England is bound by law to subscribe at his ordination, as the accepted faith of the Church.

ARTIST, PRINCE OF, Albert Dürer, so called by his countrymen.

AR'TOIS, an ancient province of France, comprising the dep. of Pas-de-Calais, and parts of the Somme and the Nord; united to the crown in 1559.

ARTZ, DAVID ADOLF CONSTANT, Dutch painter; much influenced in his early years by Josef Israëls while a student at Amsterdam, and later by the Maris brothers in Paris; he became one of the best of the 19th-century Dutch genre painters, his homely subjects including "With Grandmother," "The Old Fisherman," and "The Return of the Flock" (1837-1890).

AR'UNDEL, a town in Sussex, on the Arun, 9 m. E. of Chichester, with a castle of great magnificence, the seat of the Dukes of Norfolk.

ARUNDEL, THOMAS, successively bishop of Ely, Lord Chancellor, archbishop of York, and archbishop of Canterbury; a persecutor of the Wickliffites, but a munificent benefactor of the Church (1353-1414).

ARUNDEL MARBLES, ancient Grecian marbles collected at Smyrna and elsewhere by the Earl of Arundel in 1624, now in the possession of the University of Oxford, the most important of which is one from Paros inscribed with a chronology of events in Grecian history from 1582 to 264 B.C.; the date of the marbles themselves is 263 B.C.

ARUNS, son of Tarquinius Superbus, who fell in single combat with Brutus.

ARUWITI, an affluent of the Congo on the right bank below the Stanley Falls.

ARVA LES, PRATES, a college of twelve priests in ancient Rome whose duty it was to make annual offerings to the Lares for the increase of the fruits of the field.

ARVE, a river that flows through the Jura and falls into the Rhône below Geneva.

ARVEYRON, an affluent of the Arve from the Mer de Glace, Haute-Savoie, France.

AR'YANS, or Indo-Europeans, a race that is presumed to have had its primitive seat in Central Asia, E. of the Caspian Sea and N. of the Hindu-Kush, and to

have branched off at different periods north-westward and westward into Europe, and southward into Persia and the valley of the Ganges, from which sprang the Greeks, Latins, Celts, Teutons, Slavs, on the one hand, and the Persians and Hindus on the other, a community of origin that is attested by the comparative study of their respective languages.

ARZEW, a seaport in Algeria, 22 m. from Oran, with Roman remains; exports grain and salt.

ARACE-TIA, a feld impregnated sap from an Indian umbelliferous tree, used in medicine.

ASAPH, a musician of the temple at Jerusalem in the time of David and Solomon.

ASAPH, ST., a town in Flintshire, 20 m. from Chester; seat of a bishopric.

ASBESTOS, a fibrous non-inflammable mineral found in the igneous rocks of Devonian age in Canada and elsewhere. It is largely used for making fireproof materials, owing to its bad thermal conductivity, and for motor-car brakes and clutches.

ASBURY, FRANCIS, a zealous, assiduous Methodist preacher and missionary, sent to America, was consecrated the first bishop of the Methodist Church there (1745-1816).

AS-CALON, one of the five cities of the Philistines, much contested during the Crusades.

ASCA NIUS, the son of Aeneas, who trotted *non passibus regis* ("with unequal steps") by the side of his father as he escaped from burning Troy; was founder of Alba Longa.

ASCAPART, a giant conquered by Bevis of Southampton, though so huge as to carry Bevis, his wife, and horse under his arm, a character in Drayton's "Polyolbion."

ASCENSION, a bare volcanic island in the Atlantic, rising to nearly 3000 ft., belonging to Britain, 700 m. N.W. of St. Helena, and 900 m. from the coast of Africa; a coaling and victualling station for the navy, in which it is rated as a man-of-war, H.M.S. *Ascension*.

ASCHAPFENBURG, an ancient town of Bavaria, on the Main, 20 m. from Frankfort, with an old castle and cathedral.

ASCHAM, ROGER, a Yorkshireman, Fellow of Cambridge, a good classical, and particularly Greek, scholar; wrote a book on archery, deemed a classic, entitled "Toxophilus," for which Henry VIII. settled a pension on him; was tutor and Latin secretary to Queen Elizabeth; his chief work, the "Schoolmaster," a treatise on education (1516-1568).

ASCHERSLEBEN, a manufacturing town in the Magdeburg district of Prussia.

ASCLEPIADES, a Bithynian who practised medicine with repute at Rome in Cæsar's time, and was great in hygiene (1st cent. B.C.).

AS-COT, a race-course in Berks, 6 m. S.W. of Windsor, the races at which, instituted by Queen Anne, take place a fortnight after the Derby.

AS-GARD, the garden or heaven of the Aesir or gods in the Norse mythology, in which each had a separate dwelling, and wherein they held intercourse with the other spheres of existence by the bridge Bifrost, &c. the rainbow.

ASH, JOHN, a dissenting divine, author of an English dictionary, valuable for the number of obsolete and provincial words contained in it (1724-1779).

ASH-ANTI, or **ASHANTEE**, a negro inland kingdom in the Upper Soudan, N. of Gold Coast territory, wooded, well watered, and well cultivated; natives intelligent, warlike, and skilful; twice provoked a war with Great Britain, and finally the despatch of a military expedition under Sir Garnet (afterwards Lord) Wolseley, which led to the submission of the king and the appointment of a British Resident; annexed by Great Britain 1901.

ASHBURNHAM, 4TH EARL OF, collected a number of valuable MSS. and rare books known as the Ashburnham Collection (1797-1878).

ASHBURN, ALEXANDER BARING, LORD, second son of Sir Francis Baring, a Liberal politician, turned Conservative, member of Peel's administration in 1834-35, sent as special ambassador to the United States in 1842; concluded the boundary treaty of Washington, known as the Ashburn Treaty (1774-1848).

ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH, a small market-town 17 m. W. of Leicester, figures in "Ivanhoe"; with the ruins of a castle in which Queen Mary was immured.

ASHDOD, a maritime Philistine city 20 m. S. of Jaffa, seat of the Dagon worship.

ASHE'RA, an image of Ashtar (q.v.), and associated with the worship of that Syrian goddess.

ASHES, THE, the mythical trophy for which England and Australia compete in Test matches at cricket. In 1882 Australia beat England at the Oval, and a sporting paper published a mock In Memoriam notice "in loving memory of English cricket, which died at the Oval on August 29, 1882. The remains will be cremated and the ashes taken to Australia." Since then every team going to or coming from Australia has been said to be fighting for "the Ashes."

ASH-MOLE, ELIAS, a celebrated antiquary and authority on heraldry; presented to the University of Oxford a collection of rarities bequeathed to him, which laid the foundation of the Ashmolean Collection there (1617-1692).

ASHMUN, JEHUDI, an American philanthropist, founder of the Negro Republic of Liberia, on the W. coast of Africa (1794-1828).

ASH-TAROT. See **ASTARTE**.

ASH-TON-UNDER-LYNE, a cotton-manufacturing town near Manchester.

ASIA, the largest of the four quarters of the globe; contains one-third of all the land, which, from a centre of high elevations, extensive plains, and deep depressions, stretches southward into three large peninsulas separated by three immense arms of the sea, and eastward into three bulging masses and three pronounced peninsulas forming seas, protected by groups of islands; with rivers the largest in the world, of which four flow N. to S.E., and eight S. with a large continental basin, also the largest in the world, and with lakes which, though they do not match those of America and Africa, strikingly stand at a higher level towards the E.; with every variety of climate, with a richly varied flora and fauna, with a population of more than a thousand million, half that of the globe, of chiefly three races, Caucasian, Mongolian, and Malay, at different stages of civilisation, and as regards religion, by far the majority professing the faith of Brahma, Buddha, Mohammed, or Christ.

ASIA MINOR, called also **ANATOLIA**, a peninsular extension westward of the Armenian and Kurdistan highlands in Asia, bounded on the N. by the Black Sea, on the W. by the Archipelago, and on the S. by the Levant; indented all round, mainland as well as adjoining islands, with bays and harbours, all more or less busy centres of trade; is as large as France, and consists of a plateau with slopes all round to the coasts.

ASKE, ROBERT, leader of the Pilgrimage of Grace, in Yorkshire and Lincolnshire, arising from the ecclesiastical reforms of Henry VIII.; was executed 1537.

ASKEW, ANNE, a lady of good birth, a victim of persecution in the time of Henry VIII. for denying transubstantiation, tortured on the rack and burnt at the stake, 1546.

ASMODE'US, a mischievous demon or goblin of the Jewish demonology, who gloats on the vices and follies of mankind and figures in Le Sage's "Le Diable Boiteux," or the "Devil on Two Sticks," as lifting off the roofs of the houses of Madrid and exposing their most interiors and the secret doings of the inhabitants.

ASMONÆ'ANS, a name given to the Maccabees, from Asmon, the place of their origin.

ASO'KA, a king of Belhar, in India; after his accession in 264 B.C. became an ardent disciple of Buddha; organised Buddhism, as Constantine did Christianity, into a State religion; convened the third great council of the Church of that creed at Patna; made a proclamation of this faith as far as his influence extended, evidence of which is still extant in pillars and rocks inscribed with his edicts in wide districts of Northern India (272-232 B.C.).

ASP, a venomous Egyptian viper of uncertain species; a viper common in Italy and to be found in Algeria.

ASPA'SIA, a Greek courtesan remarkable for her wit, beauty, and culture, a native of Miletus; being

attracted to Athens, came and settled in it; became the wife of Pericles, and made her home the rendezvous of all the intellectual and wise people of the city, Socrates included.

ASPERN, a village in Austria, on the Danube, 4 m. N.E. of Vienna, the scene of a fierce battle between the Austrians under the Archduke Charles and the French under Napoleon, May 21, 1809, in which Marshal Lannes was killed.

ASPHALT, a mineral pitch of a black or brownish-black colour, consisting chiefly of carbon; also a limestone impregnated with bitumen.

ASPHALTIC LAKE, the Dead Sea (*q.v.*), so called from the asphalt on its surface and banks.

ASPHODEL, a lily plant appraised by the Greeks for its almost perennial flowering, and with which they, in their imagination, covered the Elysian fields, called hence the Asphodel Meadow.

ASPENWALL, a town founded by an American of the name in 1800, at the Atlantic extremity of the Panama railway and canal; named (so, since the Empress Eugénie presented it with a statue of Columbus.

ASPROMONTE, a mountain close by Reggio, overlooking the Strait of Messina, near which Garibaldi was defeated and captured in 1802.

ASQUINI, COUNT, a rural economist who did much to promote silk culture in Italy (1726-1818).

ASQUITH, RT. HON. H. H. See **OXFORD AND ASQUITH**.

ASSAB BAY, a coaling-station belonging to Italy, on the W. coast of the Red Sea.

ASSAM, a province E. of Bengal, ceded to Britain after the Burmese war in 1824; is an alluvial plain, with ranges of hills along the Brahmaputra, 450 m. long and 50 broad; the low lands extremely fertile and productive, and the hills covered with tea plantations.

ASSAROTTI, an Italian philanthropist, born at Genoa; the first to open a school for deaf-mutes in Italy; he devoted zealously his fortune and time to the task (1753-1821).

ASSASSINS, a fanatical Moslem sect organised in the 11th century, at the time of the Crusades, under a chief called the Old Man of the Mountain, whose stronghold was a rock fortress at Alamut, in Persia, devoted to the as-sassination of all enemies of the Moslem faith, and called because they braced their nerves for their deeds of blood by draughts of an intoxicating liquor distilled from hashish (the hemp-plant). A Tartar force burst upon the horde in their stronghold in 1256, and put them wholesale to the sword.

ASSAYE, a small town 46 m. N.E. of Aurungabad, where Sir Arthur Wellesley gained a victory over the Marhattas in 1803.

ASSEGAI, a spear or javelin of wood tipped with iron, used by certain S. African tribes with deadly effect in war; of two varieties, the long throwing-spear and the short stabbing-spear.

ASSEMANI, GIUSEPPE, a learned Syrian Maronite, librarian of the Vatican, wrote an account of Syrian writers (1687-1768); Stefano, nephew, held the same office, wrote "Acta Sanctorum Martyrum" (1707-1782).

ASSEMBLY, CHURCH, was set up under the Enabling Act of 1919; it governs the Church of England subject to the approval of Parliament, and consists of three houses, bishops, clergy, and laity, the last two elected from the diocesan conferences.

ASSEMBLY, GENERAL, the chief court of the Presbyterian Church, a representative body, half clergymen and half laymen, which sits in Edinburgh for ten days in May, disposes of the general business of the Church, and determines appeals.

ASSEMBLY, NATIONAL, the Commons section of the States-General of France which met on May 5, 1789, constituted itself into a legislative assembly, and gave a new constitution to the country.

ASSER, JOHN, monk of St. David's, in Wales, and bishop of Sherborne, tutor, friend, and biographer of Alfred the Great; is said to have suggested the founding of Oxford University; d. 909.

ASSIENTO, a treaty with Spain to supply negroes for her colonies, concluded in succession with the Flemings, the Genoese, a French company, the English, and finally the South Sea Company, who

relinquished their rights in 1750 on compensation by Spain.

AS-SIGNATS, bills or notes, to the number of 45 thousand million, issued as currency by the revolutionary government of France in 1790, and based on the security of Church and other lands appropriated to it, and which in course of time became almost valueless, to the ruin of millions.

ASSINIBOIA, a prairie region in Canada, included in the province of Saskatchewan since 1905.

ASSINIBOINE, a river in Canada, flowing from Saskatchewan to the Red River, Manitoba; it gives its name to an Indian tribe of the Sioux stock.

ASSIOUT, province and town in Upper Egypt; town is the site of a Nile barrage and lock.

ASSISI, a town in Central Italy, 12 m. S.E. of Perugia, the birthplace and burial-place of St. Francis, and the birthplace of Metastasio; it was a celebrated place of resort of pilgrims, who sometimes came in great numbers.

ASSOUAN, the ancient Syene, the southernmost city of Egypt, on the right bank of the Nile, near the last cataract. A dam one mile in length, capable of storing 2,420,000,000 cubic metres of water, was opened here in 1902.

ASSOUCY, D', a French burlesque poet ridiculed by Boileau (1604-1679).

ASSUMPTION, FEAST OF THE, festival in honour of the translation of the Virgin Mary to heaven, celebrated on the 15th of August.

ASSUR, mythical name of the founder of Assyria, who was afterwards deified.

ASSYRIA, an ancient kingdom, the origin and early history of which is uncertain, between the Niphates Mountains of Armenia on the N. and Babylonia on the S., 280 m. long and 150 broad, with a fertile soil and a population at a high stage of civilisation; became a province of Media, which lay to the E., in 606 B.C., and afterwards a satrapy of the Persian empire, and was under the Turks from 1638 till the Great War, when it was mandated to France.

ASSYRIOLOGY, the study of the monuments of Assyria, chiefly in a Biblical interest.

ASTARTE, or **ASHTOROTH**, or **IST'AR**, the female divinity of the Phœnicians, as Baal was the male, these two being representative respectively of the concceptive and generative powers of nature, and symbolised, the latter, like Apollo, by the sun, and the former, like Artemis or Diana, by the moon; sometimes identified with Urania and sometimes with Venus; the rites connected with her worship were of a lascivious nature.

ASTER, of Amphipolis, an archer who offered his services to Philip of Macedon, boasting of his skill in bringing down birds on the wing, and to whom Philip had replied he would accept them when he made war on the birds. Aster, to be revenged, sped an arrow from the wall of a town Philip was besieging, inscribed, "To the right eye of Philip," which took effect; whereupon Philip sped back another with the words, "When Philip takes the town, Aster will hang for it," and he was true to his word.

ASTEROIDS, small planets revolving in orbits round the sun. The search for a new planet between Mars and Jupiter led to the discovery of the first of these, Ceres, by Piazzi in 1801; this is the largest known and its diameter is less than 500 m. At least 2000 have now been found, some of which are but 10 m. in diameter. Amongst the best known are Pallas, Juno, Vesta, and Eros.

AS'TI, an ancient city in Piedmont, on the Tanaro, 26 m. S.E. from Turin, with a Gothic cathedral; is noted for its wine, birthplace of Alfieri.

ASTIGMATISM, a defect of the eye which results in the clear vision of vertical objects but not of horizontal at the same distance. It is due to irregular curvature of the eye and can be rectified by the use of cylindrical lenses. It is quite distinct from and may occur with either short or long-sightedness.

ASTLEY, PHILIP, a famous equestrian and circus manager, who with Franconi established the Cirque Olympique in Paris (1742-1814).

ASTOLFO, a knight-errant in mediæval legend who generous-heartedly is always to do greater feats than he can perform; in "Orlando Furioso" he brings back Orlando's lost wife in a phial from the

moon, and possesses a horn that with a blast can discomfit armies.

ASTON, FRANCIS WILLIAM, Cambridge physicist who experimented on the structure of the atom in the Cavendish laboratory. His greatest work has been the analysis of positive rays by means of the mass spectrograph, by the use of which he has discovered a large number of isotopes (q.v.) and determined their atomic masses. He was awarded a Nobel Prize in 1922, and during the Great War was engaged in technical work in connection with aircraft (1897-).

ASTON MANOR, a suburb of Birmingham.

ASTOR, JOHN JACOB, a millionaire, son of a German peasant, who made a fortune of four millions in America by trading in furs (1763-1848). His son, William Backhouse, doubled his fortune; known as the "landlord of New York" (1792-1875); his great-grandson, William Waldorf Astor, was U.S. Minister to Italy, and afterwards settled in England, becoming 1st Viscount Astor.

ASTOR, NANCY WITCHER, VISCOUNTESS, the first woman to take her seat in the House of Commons, being returned for the Sutton Division of Plymouth as a Conservative in November, 1919, and taking her seat on December 1, when Balfour and Lloyd George introduced her. A daughter of C. D. Langhorne of Virginia, she made temperance and social reform a life interest, the law prohibiting the sale of intoxicants to juveniles under 18 having been sponsored by her.

ASTORIA, in Oregon, a fur-trading station, with numerous salmon-tinning establishments.

ASTREA, the daughter of Zeus and Themis, the goddess of justice; dwelt among men during the Golden Age, but left the earth on its decline, together with her sister Dike, the withdrawal explained to mean the vanishing of the ideal from the life of man on the earth; now placed among the stars under the name of Virgo.

ASTRAKHAAN, a Russian trading town on the Volga, 40 m. from its mouth in the Caspian Sea, of which it is the chief port.

ASTRAL BODY, an ethereal body believed by the theosophists to invest the animal, to correspond to it, and to be capable of bilocation (q.v.).

ASTRAL SPIRITS, spirits believed to animate or to people the heavenly bodies, to whom worship was paid, and to hover unembodied through space exercising demonic influence on embodied spirits.

ASTROLOGY, a science founded on a presumed connection between the heavenly bodies and human destiny, and at one time believed in by men of such intelligence as Tacitus and Kepler; few great families at one time but had an astrologer attached to them to read the horoscope of any new member of the house.

ASTRONOMY, the study of the stars; the principal constellations were named and the apparent motions of the various heavenly bodies were discovered at a very early age. The systematic study of astronomy may be divided into three periods. First, the *Greek*, when careful measurements led to the Ptolemaic or earth-centred conception of the solar system; second, the *Copernican*, when the work of Copernicus, Galileo, Kepler, and Newton gave rise to the modern idea of the sun-centred system; third, the *Spectroscopic*, wherein we have seen the rise of the science of astrophysics, or the study of the nature of the stars themselves and not merely of their positions.

ASTOPHEL, the name given to Penelope Devereux ("Stella") by Sir Philip Sidney in his sonnets; the title of a pastoral elegy by Spenser, written in memory of Sidney.

ASTRUC, JEAN, a French physician and professor of medicine in Paris, now noted as having discovered that the book of Genesis consists of Elohistic and Jehovistic portions, and who by this discovery founded the modern school called the Higher Criticism (1681-1766).

ASTURIAS, an ancient province in the N. of Spain, gives title to the heir to the crown, rich in minerals, and with good fisheries; now named Oviedo, from the principal town.

ASTYAGES, last king of the Medes; dethroned by Cyrus, 549 B.C.

ASTYANAX, the son of Hector and Andromache; was cast down by the Greeks from the ramparts after the fall of Troy, lest he should live and restore the city.

ASUNCION, or ASSUMPTION, the capital of Paraguay, on the left bank of the Paraguay, so called from having been founded by the Spaniards on the Feast of the Assumption in 1535.

ASURAS, THE, in the Hindu mythology the demons of the darkness of night, in overcoming whom the gods asserted their sovereignty in the universe.

ASYMPTOTE, a line always approaching some curve but never meeting it at a finite distance.

ATACA'MA, an all but rainless desert in the N. of Chile, abounding in silver and copper mines, as well as yielding gold in considerable quantities.

ATAHUALPA, the last of the Incas of Peru, who fell into Pizarro's hands through perfidy, and was executed by his orders in 1533, that is, little short of a year after the Spaniards landed in Peru.

ATALANTA, a beautiful Grecian princess celebrated for her agility, the prize of any suitor who could outstrip her on the race-course, failure entailing death; at last one suitor, Hippomenes, accepted the risk and started along with her, but as he neared the goal, kept dropping first one golden apple, then another, provided him by Venus, stooping to lift which lost Atalanta the race, whereupon Hippomenes claimed the prize.

AT'AVISM, name given to the reappearance in progeny of the features, and even diseases, of ancestors several generations before.

ATBA'RA, or Black River, from the Highlands of Abyssinia, the lowest tributary of the Nile, which it joins near Berber; the scene of General Kitchener's defeat of the Khalifa's army, April 8, 1898.

ATE, in the Greek mythology the goddess of strife and mischief, also of vengeance; was banished by her father Zeus, for the annoyance she gave him, from heaven to earth.

ATHABASCA, a former territory, a river, and a lake in British N. America; the territory was absorbed into the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan in 1905. Under the name Athabascan is included a number of Indian tribes which range from Yukon to California.

ATHALIAH, the queen of Judah, daughter of Abah and Jezebel, celebrated for her crimes and impiety, for which she was in the end massacred by her subjects, 9th century B.C.

ATHANASIAN CREED, a statement, in the form of a confession, of the orthodox creed of the Church as against the Arians, and damatory of every article of the heresy severally; ascribed to Athanasius at one time, but now believed to be of later date, though embracing his theology in affirmation of the absolute co-equal divinity of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost in the Trinity.

ATHANASIUS, Christian theologian, a native of Alexandria, and a deacon of the Church; took a prominent part against Arius in the Council at Nice, and was his most uncompromising antagonist; was chosen bishop of Alexandria; driven forth again and again from his bishopric under persecution of the Arians; retired into the Thebaid for a time; spent the last 10 years of his life as bishop at Alexandria, where he died; his works consist of treatises and orations bearing on the Arian controversy, and in vindication of the doctrine of the Trinity viewed in the most absolute sense (296-373).

ATHEISM, disbelief in the existence of God, which may be either theoretical, in the intellect, or practical, in the life.

ATHELNEY, ISLE OF, an island in a marsh near the confluence of the Tone and Parret, Somerset; Alfred's place of refuge from the Danes.

ATHE'NA, the Greek virgin goddess of wisdom, particularly in the arts of war and peace; is said to have been the conception of Metis, to have issued full-armed from the brain of Zeus, and in this way the child of both wisdom and power; wears a helmet, and bears on her left arm theegis with the Medusa's head; the olive among trees and the owl among birds were sacred to her.

ATHENÆUM, a school of learning established in Rome about 133 by Hadrian. It is also the name of a London club, founded in 1824.

ATHENEUS, a Greek writer of the 3rd century, wrote a curious miscellany of a book entitled "Dipsosophists," or the "Suppers of the Learned," extant only in an imperfect state.

ATHENAGORAS, an able Christian apologist of the 2nd century, was Athenian and a pagan by birth, but being converted to Christianity, wrote an apology in its defence and a treatise on the resurrection of the dead.

ATHENS, the capital of Attica, and the chief city of ancient Greece, the resort in ancient times of all the able and wise men, particularly in the domain of literature and art, from all parts of the country and lands beyond; while the monuments of temple and statue that still adorn it give evidence of a culture among the citizens such as the inhabitants of no other city of the world have had the genius to surpass. The two chief monuments of the architecture of ancient Athens, both erected on the Acropolis, are the Parthenon (q.v.), dedicated to Athena, the finest building on the finest site in the world, and the Erechtheum, a temple dedicated to Poseidon close by; is the capital of modern Greece and the seat of the government.

ATHLETICS, sports such as running, jumping, wrestling, and boxing, which were popular with the Greeks and Romans, and which were indulged in at the Olympic Games from an early date. In Britain the earliest games of the kind were those of Taitlin in Ireland and Braemar in Scotland. Oxford University was a pioneer of the modern athletic meeting in 1850, and now the Amateur Athletic Association, in co-operation with the universities and schools, organises several championship meetings. In 1896 an international championship meeting was held in Athens: the Olympic Games were thus revived, and except for the War years they have been held every four years since in different countries.

ATHLONE, a market-town on the Shannon, which divides it, and a chief military station.

ATHLONE, EARL OF (Prince Alexander of Teck), a son of the Duke and Duchess of Teck. He entered the Life Guards and saw service in the South African war, and in Flanders in 1915. He adopted the English title in 1917, and in 1920 became Governor-General of Canada, being appointed to a similar post in South Africa in 1923 (1874-).

ATHOLE, a district in the N. of Perthshire, which gives name to a branch of the Murray family, the dukedom of Athole (or Atholl) having been granted to John Murray, the third Earl, in 1708.

ATHOLE-BROSE, oatmeal, honey, and whisky mixed.

ATHOS, MOUNT, or MONTE SANTO, a mountain 6780 ft. high at the southern extremity of the most northerly peninsula of Salonica, in Turkey, covered with monasteries, inhabited exclusively by monks of the Greek Church, and rich in curious manuscripts.

ATLANTA, the largest city in Georgia, U.S.; a large manufacturing and railway centre.

ATLANTEES, figures of men used in architecture instead of pillars.

ATLANTIC, the most important and best known of all the oceans on the globe, separating the Old World and the New; covers nearly one-fifth of the surface of the earth; length 9000 m., its average breadth 2700 m.; its average depth 15,000 ft., or from 3 to 5 m., with waves in consequence of greater height and volume at times than those of any other sea.

ATLANTIC CABLES. The first, between Valentia and Newfoundland, was laid by Sir Charles Bright in 1858 and was 2500 miles long, but did not prove a success. In 1865 a second cable was laid with the help of the *Great Eastern* steamer, but it broke in mid-Atlantic. Success came in 1866, when a third cable was laid and the one of the year before repaired.

ATLANTIC FLIGHTS. The Atlantic Ocean was first crossed by aeroplane in June, 1919, by Sir John Alcock and Sir A. W. Brown in a Vickers-Vimy biplane, the crossing being made in 16 hours from Newfoundland to Ireland, a distance of 1890 m. In 1927 Charles Lindbergh made the first solo crossing, flying from New York to Paris in a monoplane. At about that period several fruitless attempts to cross were made, as well as many successful ones, and several lives were lost. In 1928 the

first east to west crossing was made, by two Germans—Baron Huenfeld and Capt. Koehl—and an Irishman—Capt. Fitzmaurice. The first crossing by airship was in 1919, the British machine R34 cruising in 44 days from Scotland to New York.

ATLANTIS, an island alleged by tradition to have existed in the ocean W. of the Pillars of Hercules; Plato has given a beautiful picture of this island and an account of its fabulous history. The New A., a Utopia figured as existing somewhere in the Atlantic, which Lord Bacon began to outline but never finished.

ATLAS, a Titan who, for his audacity in attempting to dethrone Zeus, was doomed to bear the heavens on his shoulders; although another account makes him a king of Mauritania whom Perseus, for his want of hospitality, changed into a mountain by exposing to view the head of the Medusa.

ATLAS MOUNTAINS, a range in N. Africa, the highest 11,000 ft., the Greater in Morocco, the Lesser extending through Algeria and Tunisia, and the whole system stretching from Cape Nun, in Morocco, to Cape Bon, in Tunis.

ATMAN, THE, in the Hindu philosophy, the divine spirit in man, conceived of as a small being having its seat in the heart, where it may be felt stirring, travelling whence along the arteries it moves out as a small image in the eye, the pupil; it is centred in the heart of the universe, and appears with dazzling effect in the sun, the heart and eye of the world, and is the same there as in the heart of man.

ATMOSPHERE, the gaseous envelope which surrounds the earth and gets less and less dense as the distance from the earth increases. At a height of 7½ m. the density is ¼ that at sea-level, and it is calculated that at a height of 76 m. it is only one millionth. The atmosphere is composed of 78 per cent. of nitrogen, 21 per cent. of oxygen, less than 1 per cent. of the inert gases (q.v.), and small varying quantities of carbon dioxide and water vapour.

ATOLL, the Polynesian name given to a coral island consisting of a ring of coral enclosing a lagoon.

ATOM, the smallest part of an element taking part in chemical action and preserving the properties of that element. Modern investigation has shown that the atom consists of a central nucleus with a number of planetary electrons revolving round it in orbits. The number and arrangement of the electrons are peculiar to each element; the nucleus consists of both electrons and protons (or positive particles), the latter being 1800 times as massive as the former. The number of planetary electrons is called the *atomic number*, and this determines the chemical properties of the element; in a neutral atom the resultant charge of the nucleus is just sufficient to neutralise the charges of the exterior electrons. Some investigation has been made into the structure of the nucleus itself. An atom may lose one of its outer electrons or gain an extra one, in which case it is said to be ionised. The *atomic mass* of an element is the mass of its atom compared with that of an atom of oxygen, which is taken as 16, and depends almost entirely upon the number of protons in its nucleus.

ATREUS, a son of Pelops and king of Mycenae, who, to avenge a wrong done him by his brother Thyestes, killed the latter's two sons and served them up in a banquet to him, for which act, as tradition shows, his descendants had to pay heavy penalties.

ATRIDES, descendants of Atreus, particularly Agamemnon and Menelaus, a family frequently referred to as capable of and doomed to perpetrate the most atrocious crimes.

ATROPINE, an alkaloid found in deadly nightshade. The sulphate is used for opthalmic cases.

ATROPOS, one of the three Fates, the one who cut around the thread of life; one of her sisters, Clotho, appointed to spin the thread, and the other, Lachesis, to direct it.

ATTA, SIR NANA OFORI, paramount chief of the Akem Abakwa and member of the legislative council of the Gold Coast; was educated in missionary schools on the Gold Coast. He visited London in 1928 as a guest of the Govt. (1881-).

ATTALUS, the name of three kings of Pergamos; A. I. founded the library of Pergamos and joined the Romans against Philip and the Achaeans (241-

197 B.C.): A. II. kept up the league with Rome (169-134 B.C.): A. III., bequeathed his kingdom to the Roman people (134-133 B.C.).

ATTICA, a country in ancient Greece, on the NE. of the Peloponnese, within an area not larger than that of Lanarkshire, which has nevertheless had a history of world-wide fame and importance.

ATTICISM, a pure and refined style of expression in any language, originally the purest and most refined style of the ancient literature of Greece.

ATTICUS, TITUS POMPONIUS, a wealthy Roman and friend of Cicero, devoted to study and the society of friends, took no part in politics, died of voluntary starvation rather than endure the torture of a painful and incurable disease (110-33 B.C.).

ATTILA, or *Etzel*, the king of the Huns, surnamed "the Scourge of God," from the terror he everywhere inspired; overran the Roman Empire at the time of its decline, vanquished the emperors of both East and West, extorting heavy tribute; led his forces into Germany and Gaul, was defeated in a great battle near Châlons-sur-Marne by the combined armies of the Romans under Aëtius and the Goths under Theodoric, retreated across the Alps and ravaged the N. of Italy; died of hemorrhage, on the day of his marriage, and was buried in a gold coffin containing immense treasures in 453, the slaves who dug the grave having been killed, it is said, lest they should reveal the spot.

ATTOK, a town and fortress in the Punjab, on the Indus where the Kabul joins it; it was built by Akbar in 1583.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL, THE, with the Solicitor-General, a law officer of the Crown, giving advice to the Government and leading for the Crown in important civil and criminal cases. The office was created in 1278, William de Giselham being the first to hold it.

ATTWOOD, GEORGE, a mathematician, invented a machine for illustrating the law of uniformly accelerated motion, as in falling bodies (1745-1807).

ATTWOOD, THOMAS, an eminent English musician and composer, wrote a few anthems (1707-1836).

ATYS, a beautiful Phrygian youth, beloved by Cybele, who turned him into a pine, after, by her apparition at his marriage to forbid the unions, she had driven him mad.

AUBE, a dep. in France, formed of Champagne and a small part of Burgundy, with Troyes for capital.

AU'BER, DANIEL FRANÇOIS, a popular French composer of operas, born at Caen; his operas included "La Muette de Portici," "Le Domino Noir," and "Fra Diavolo" (1782-1871).

AU'BERT, THE ABBE, a French fabulist, born at Paris (1731-1814).

AUBREY, JOHN, an eminent antiquary, a friend of Anthony Wood; inherited estates in Wilt, Hereford, and Wales, all of which he lost by lawsuits and bad management; was intimate with all the literary men of the day; left a vast number of MSS.; published one work, "Miscellanies," being a collection of popular superstitions; preserved a good deal of the gossip of the period (1624-1697).

AUBRIOT, a French statesman, born at Dijon, provost of Paris under Charles V.; built the famous Bastille; was imprisoned in it for heresy, but released by a mob; died at Dijon, 1382.

AUBUSSON, a French town on the Creuse, manufactures carpets and tapestry.

AUBUSSON, PIERRE D', grand-master of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem, of French descent, who in 1480 gallantly defended Rhodes when besieged by the Turks, and drove the assailants back, amounting to no fewer than 100,000 men (1423-1503).

AUCH, capital of the dep. of Gers, France, 14 m. W. of Toulouse, with a splendid cathedral perched on a hill, and accessible only by a flight of 200 steps; has a trade in wine and brandy.

AUCHINCLOSS, a village 15 m. E. of Ayr, with the mansion of the Boswell family.

AUCHTERAR-DEE, a village in Perthshire, where the forcing of a presentee by a patron on an unwilling congregation awoke a large section in the Established Church to a sense of the wrong and the assertion of the rights of the people, and led to the disruption of the community and the creation of the Free Church in 1843.

AUCKLAND, the largest town in New Zealand, in the N. island, with an excellent harbour in the Gulf of Hauraki, and the capital of a district of the name, 400 m. long, and 200 m. broad, with a fertile soil and a fine climate, rich in natural products of all kinds; was the capital of New Zealand till the seat of government was transferred to Wellington.

AUCKLAND ISLANDS, a group of small islands 180 m. S. of New Zealand, with some good harbours and rich in vegetation.

AUDE, a maritime dep. in the S. of France, being a portion of Languedoc; yields cereals, wine, &c., and is rich in minerals.

AUDEBERT, JEAN BAPTISTE, a French artist and naturalist; devoted himself to the illustration in coloured plates of objects of natural history, such especially as monkeys and humming-birds, all exquisitely done (1769-1800).

AUDHUMBLA, the cow, in the Norse mythology, that nourished Hymir. See **ADUMBLA**.

AUDLEY, SIR THOMAS, LORD, born in Essex, son of a yeoman; became Speaker of the House of Commons and Lord Chancellor of England, the selfish, unscrupulous tool of Henry VIII. (1488-1554).

AUDRAN, EDMOND, French musical composer; wrote "La Cigale," "La Poupée," and many other light operas (1842-1901).

AUDRAN, GERARD, an engraver, the most eminent of a family of artists, born at Lyons; engraved the works of Lebrun, Mignard, and Poussin; he did some fine illustrations of the battles of Alexander the Great (1640-1703).

AUDUBON, JOHN JAMES, a celebrated American ornithologist of French Huguenot origin; author of two great works, the "Birds of America" and the "Quadrupeds of America," written and illustrated by himself, the former characterised by Cuvier as "the most magnificent monument that Art up to that time had raised to Nature" (1780-1851).

AUERBACH, BERTHOLO, a German poet and novelist of Jewish birth, born in the Black Forest; his novels, which have been widely translated, are in the main of a somewhat philosophical bent, he having been early led to the study of Spinoza, and having begun his literary career as editor of the latter's works; his "Village Tales of the Black Forest" were widely popular (1812-1882).

AUERSPERG, COUNT VON, an Austrian lyrical and satirical poet, of liberal politics, and a pronounced enemy of the absolutist party headed by Metternich (1800-1876).

AUGE'AS, a legendary king of Elis, in Greece, and one of the Argonauts; had a stable with 3000 oxen, that had not been cleaned out for 30 years, but was cleansed by Hercules turning the rivers Peneus and Alpheus through it; the act a symbol of the worthless lumber a reformer must sweep away before his work can begin.

AUGER, a French littérateur, born at Paris, renowned as a critic (1772-1829).

AUGEREAU, PIERRE FRANÇOIS CHARLES, marshal of France and duke of Castiglione, born at Paris; distinguished in the campaigns of the Republic and Napoleon; executed the *comp. d'état* of Sept. 4, 1797; his services were rejected by Napoleon on his return from Elba, on account of his having supported the Bourbons during his absence. He was simply a soldier, rude and rough-mannered, and with no great brains for anything else but military discipline (1767-1816).

AUGIER, EMILE, able French dramatist, produced brilliant comedies for the French stage through a period of 40 years, all distinctly on the side of virtue (1820-1889).

AUGSBURG, a busy manufacturing and trading town on the Lech, in Bavaria, once a city of great importance, where in 1530 the Protestants presented their Confession to Charles V., and where the peace of Augsburg was signed in 1555, ensuring religious freedom.

AUGSBURG CONFESSION, a document drawn up by Melancthon in name of the Lutheran reformers, headed by the Elector of Saxony, in statement of their own doctrines and of the doctrines of the Church of Rome, against which they made their protest.

AUGURS, a college of priests in Rome appointed to forecast the future mainly by the behaviour or flight of birds kept for the purpose, these being sometimes carried about in a coop to consult in emergencies.

AUGUST, originally called *Sextilis*, as the sixth month of the Roman year, which began in March, and named August in honour of Augustus, as being the month identified with remarkable events in his career.

AUGUSTA, a prosperous town in Georgia, U.S., on the Savannah, 231 m. from its mouth; also a town, the capital of Maine, U.S.

AUGUSTAN AGE, the time in the history of a nation when its literature is at its best, the reign of the Roman emperor Augustus having been made notable by the great writers Ovid, Livy, Horace, Virgil, and Catullus.

AUGUSTI, JOHANN, a German rationalist theologian of note, born near Gotha (1771-1841).

AUGUSTIN, or AUSTIN, ST., the apostle of England, sent thither with a few monks by Pope Gregory in 598 to convert the country to Christianity; began his labours in Kent; founded the archbishopric of Canterbury; *d.* 605.

AUGUSTINE, ST., the bishop of Hippo and the greatest of the Latin Fathers of the Church; a native of Tagaste, in Numidia; son of a pagan father and a Christian mother, St. Monica; after a youth of dissipation, was converted to Christ by a text of St. Paul (Rom. xiii. 13, 14). He became bishop in 396, devoted himself to pastoral duties, and took an active part in the Church controversies of his age, opposing especially the Manicheans, the Donatists, and the Pelagians; his principal works are his "Confessions," his "City of God," and his treatises on Grace and Free-Will. It is safe to say, no Churchman has ever exercised such influence as he has done in moulding the creed as well as directing the destiny of the Christian Church. He was especially imbued with the theology of St. Paul (354-430).

AUGUSTINIANS, (a) Canons, called also Black Cenobites, under a less severe discipline than monks, had 200 houses in England and Wales at the Reformation; (b) Austin Priors, mendicant, a portion of them barefooted; (c) Nuns, nurses of the sick.

AUGUSTUS, called at first *Calus Octavius*, ultimately *Gaius Julius Caesar Octavianus*, the first of the Roman Emperors or Caesars, grand nephew of Julius Caesar, and his heir; joined the Republican party at Caesar's death, became consul, formed one of a triumvirate with Antony and Lepidus; together with Antony overthrew the Republican party under Brutus and Cassius at Philippi; defeated Antony and Cleopatra at Actium, and became master of the Roman world; was voted the title of "Augustus" by the Senate in 27 B.C.; proved a wise and beneficent ruler, and patronised the arts and letters, his reign forming a distinguished epoch in the history of the ancient literature of Rome (63 B.C.-A.D. 14).

AUGUSTUS I., Elector of Saxony, a Lutheran prince, whose reign was peaceful comparatively; he was himself both a good man and a good ruler, a monarch designated the "Pious" and the "Justinian of Saxony" (1526-1586).

AUGUSTUS II., Elector of Saxony and King of Poland; forced himself on Poland; had twice to retire, but was reinstated; is known to history as "The Strong"; among his many illegitimate children was the famous Marshal Saxe (1670-1733).

AUGUSTUS III., son of the preceding; beat Stanislaus Leszcynski in the struggle for the crown of Poland; proved an incompetent king (1696-1763).

AULIC COUNCIL, supreme council in the old German Empire, from which there was no appeal, of date from 1405 to 1654; it had no constitution, dealt with judicial matters, and lived and died with the emperors.

AULIS, a port in Boeotia. Where the fleet of the Greeks assembled before taking sail for Troy, and where Iphigenia, to procure a favourable wind, was sacrificed by her father Agamemnon, an event commemorated in the "Iphigenia in Aulis" of Euripides.

AUMALE, DUC D', one of the chiefs of the Holy League, became governor of Paris, which he held

against Henry IV., leagued with the Spaniards, was convicted of treason, and, having escaped, was burned in effigy; died an exile at Brussels (1556-1631).

AUMALE, DUC D', fourth son of Louis Philippe, distinguished himself in Algiers, and was governor of Algeria, which he resigned when his father abdicated; lived in England for twenty years after, acknowledged the Republic, and left his estate and valuables to the French nation (1822-1897).

AUMONIER, STACY, novelist. He started as a decorative designer and landscape painter, achieving considerable success, and then took up acting. He wrote his first book in 1913, and served in the ranks during the Great War (1887-1928).

AUNOY, COMTESSE D', a French authoress, known and appreciated for her fairy tales (1650-1705).

AURELIANUS, LUCIUS DOMITIUS, powerful in physique and an able Roman emperor; son of a peasant of Pannonia; distinguished as a skilful and successful general; was elected emperor, 270; drove the barbarians out of Italy; vanquished Zenobia, queen of Palmyra, carrying her captive to Rome; subdued a usurper in Gaul, and while on his way to crush a rebellion in Persia was assassinated by his troops (212-275).

AURELIUS, MARCUS. See **ANTONINUS**.

AURELIUS, VICTOR SEXTUS, a Roman consul and a Latin historian of the 4th century.

AUREOLA, a wreath of light represented as encircling the brows of the saints and martyrs.

AURILLAC, capital of the dep. of Cantal, on the Jourdanne, affluent of the Dordogne, built round the famous abbey of St. Gerand, now in ruins.

AU'ROCHS, an ancient German wild ox, of which there are survivals in Lithuania.

AURO'RA, the Roman goddess of the dawn, charged with opening for the sun the gates of the East; had a star on her forehead, and rode in a rosy chariot drawn by four white horses. See **EOS**.

AUROREA, a city in Illinois, U.S., 35 m. SW. of Chicago, said to have been the first town to light the streets with electricity.

AURORA BOREALIS, bright luminous beams seen in the night sky in northern latitudes, especially within the Arctic Circle; the phenomenon is sometimes visible in the British Isles. It is supposed to be due to electrical disturbances having their origin in the upper atmosphere, but its exact nature is obscure. A similar light seen in southern latitudes is known as *Aurora Australis*.

AURUN'GABAD, a city in Hyderabad, in the Nizam's dominions; once the capital, now much decayed, with the ruins of a palace of Aurunzebe.

AURUNGEZE, Mogul emperor of Hindustan, third son of Shah Jehan; ascended the throne by the deposition of his father, the murder of two brothers and of the son of one of these; he governed with skill and courage; extended his empire by subduing Golconda, the Carnatic, and Bengal, and though fanatical and intolerant, was a patron of letters; his rule was far-shining, but the empire was rotten at the core, and when he died it crumbled to pieces in the hands of his sons, among whom he beforehand divided it (1615-1707).

AUSONIA, an ancient name of Italy.

AUSONIUS, DECIMUS MAGNUS, a Roman poet, a native of Gaul, born in Bordeaux; tutor to the Emperor Gratian, who, on coming to the throne, made him prefect of Latium and of Gaul and consul of Rome (309-394).

AUSTEN, JANE, a gifted English novelist, daughter of a clergyman in N. Hampshire; member of a quiet family circle, occupied herself in writing without eye to publication, and only in mature womanhood thought of writing for the press. Her first novel, "Sense and Sensibility," was published in 1811, and was followed by "Pride and Prejudice," her masterpiece, "Persuasion," and others, her interest being throughout in ordinary quiet cultured life and the delineation of it, which she achieved in an infinitely charming manner. "She showed once for all," says Professor Saintsbury, "the capabilities of the very commonest and most ordinary life, if sufficiently observed and selected, and combined with due art, to furnish forth pure fiction not merely that would pass, but that should

he of the absolutely first quality as literature. She is the mother of the English 19th-century novel, as Scott is the father of it" (1775-1817).

AUSTERLITZ, a town in Moravia, near Brünn, where Napoleon defeated the emperors of Russia and of Austria, at "the battle of the three emperors," Dec. 2, 1805.

AUSTIN, the capital of Texas, on the Colorado River, named after Stephen Austin, who was chiefly instrumental in annexing Texas to the States.

AUSTIN, ALFRED, poet-laureate in succession to Tennyson, born near Leeds, bred for the bar, but devoted to literature as journalist, writer, and poet; wrote "The Seasons," "A Satire," "The Human Tragedy," "Savonarola," "English Lyrics," and several works in prose (1835-1918).

AUSTIN, JOHN, a distinguished English jurist, professor of Jurisprudence in London University; mastered the science of law by the study of it in Germany, but being too profound in his philosophy, was unsuccessful as professor; his great work, "The Province of Jurisprudence Determined," and his Lectures appeared after his death (1790-1850).

AUSTIN, MRS. J. (née Sarah Taylor), wife of the preceding, executed translations from the German, "Faik's Characteristics of Goethe" for one; was, like her husband, of the utilitarian school; was introduced to Carlyle when he first went up to London; he wrote to his wife of her, "If I swear eternal friendship with any woman here, it will be with her" (1793-1867).

AUSTIN PRIARS. See AUGUSTINIANS.

AUSTRALASIA (i.e. Southern Asia), a popular name given chiefly to Australia, New Zealand, and the islands adjoining, but sometimes employed to include the Malay Archipelago, the Philippines, and the Pacific islands.

AUSTRALIA, a continent entirely within the Southern Hemisphere, about one-fourth smaller than Europe, its utmost length from E. to W. being 2400 m., and breadth 1711; the coast has singularly few inlets, though many and spacious harbours, only one great gulf, Carpentaria, on the N., and one inlet, the Great Australian Bight, on the S.; the interior consists of a low desert plateau, depressed in the centre, bordered with ranges of various elevation, between which and the sea is a varying breadth of coastland; the chief mountain range is in the E., and extends more or less parallel all the way with the E. coast; the rivers are few, and either in flood or dried up, for the climate is very parching, only one river, the Murray, 2345 m. long, of any consequence, while the lakes, which are numerous, are shallow and nearly all salt; the flora is peculiar, the eucalyptus and the acacia the most characteristic, grains, fruits, and edible roots being all imported, the fauna is no less peculiar, including, in the absence of many animals of other countries, the kangaroo, the dingoo, and the duck-bill, the useful animals being all imported; of birds, the cassowary and the emu, and smaller ones of great beauty, but songless; reptiles are numerous; minerals abound, both the precious and the useful. The aborigines, of many tribes, of primitive habits, and a low order of intelligence, are disappearing. The territory divided into Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, S. Australia, W. Australia, and the Northern Territory (North and Central Australia), which with Tasmania federated in 1900 and became the Commonwealth. The capital is Canberra.

AUSTRASIA, or the East Kingdom, a kingdom on the E. of the possessions of the Franks in Gaul, that existed from 511 to 843, capital of which was Metz; it was celebrated for its rivalry with the kingdom of Neustria, or the Western Kingdom.

AUSTRIA, has an area of about 40,000 sq. m., and is bounded on the north by Germany and Czecho-Slovakia, on the south by Italy and Yugo-Slavia, on the west by Switzerland, and on the east by Hungary. Before the Peace of Versailles in 1919 it formed the western half of the Austro-Hungarian empire, which was a country of every variety of surface and scenery, inhabited by peoples of different races and nationalities, speaking 20 different languages and composed of 50 different states, 5 of them being kingdoms. It occupied the centre of Europe, and was watered by rivers all of which had

their mouths in other countries. Austria is now a republic the size of Newfoundland, with the southern half occupied by the ranges of the Eastern Alps, and includes Tirol and Vorarlberg.

AUTEUIL, a village in the dep. of the Seine, now included in Paris.

AUTHORISED VERSION OF THE BIBLE was executed between the years 1604 and 1610 at the instance of James I., so that it is not undeservedly called King James's Bible, and was the work of 47 men selected with marked fairness and discretion, divided into three groups of two sections each, who held their sittings for three years severally at Westminster, Cambridge, and Oxford, the whole being thereafter revised by a committee of six, who met for nine months in Stationers' Hall, London, and received thirty pounds each, the rest being done for nothing. The result was a translation that at length superseded every other, and that has since woven itself into the affectionate regard of the whole English-speaking people. The men who executed it evidently felt something of the inspiration that breathes in the original, and they have produced a version that will remain to all time a monument of the simplicity, dignity, grace, and melody of the English language; its very style has had a nobly educative effect on the national literature.

AUTOCHTHONS, Greek for aborigines.

AUTO-DA-FÉ, or Act of Faith, a ceremony held by the court of the Inquisition in Spain, in the Middle Ages, preliminary to the execution of a heretic, in which the condemned, dressed in a hideously fantastic robe, called the San Benito, and a pointed cap, walked in a procession of monks, followed by carts containing coffins with malefactors' bones, to hear a sermon on the true faith, prior to being burned alive; the most historic auto-da-fé took place in Madrid in 1680.

AUTOLYCUS, in the Greek mythology a son of Hermes (q.v.), and maternal grandfather of Ulysses by his daughter Anticlea; famed for his cunning and roguery; synonym for a scoundrel.

AUTOMEDON, the charioteer of Achilles.

AUTONOMY (i.e. Self-law), in the Kantian metaphysics denotes the sovereign right of the pure reason to be a law to itself.

AUTRAN', JOSEPH, a French poet and dramatist, born at Marseilles; he was of the school of Lamartine, and attained distinction by the production of the tragedy "La Fille d'Eschyle" (1813-1877).

AUTUN, an ancient city in the dep. of Saône-et-Loire, on the Arroux, 28 m. NW. from Châlons, where Talleyrand was bishop, with a fine cathedral and rich in antiquities; manufactures serges, carpets, velvet, &c.

AUVERGNE, an ancient province of France, united to the crown under Louis XIII. in 1610, embracing the depts. of Puy-de-Dôme, Cantal, and part of Haute-Loire, the highlands of which separate the basin of the Loire from that of the Garonne, and contain a hardy and industrious race of people descended from the original inhabitants of Gaul; they speak a strange dialect, and supply most of the water-carriers and street-sweepers of Paris.

AUXERRE, an ancient city, capital of the dep. of Yonne, 90 m. SE. of Paris; has a fine cathedral in the Flamboyant style; drives a large trade in wine.

AVA, capital of the Burmese empire from 1364 to 1740 and from 1822 to 1838; now in ruins from an earthquake in 1839.

AVAGADRO, AMEDEO, physicist and chemist, professor of physics at Turin. He is remembered for his hypothesis (1811) that equal volumes of all gases at the same temperature and pressure contain the same number of molecules (1776-1850).

AVALON, in the Celtic mythology an island of faerie in the region where the sun sinks to rest at eventide, and the final home of the heroes of chivalry when their day's work was ended on earth; the island-valley of Arllion in Tennyson's "Morte d'Arthur."

AVARS, a tribe of Huns who, driven from their home in the Altai Mts. by the Chinese, invaded the E. of Europe about 553, and committed ravages in it for about three centuries, till they were subdued by Charlemagne and all but exterminated in 827.

AVATAR, or Descent, the incarnation and incarnated manifestation of a Hindu deity, a theory both

characteristic of Vlahnism and marking a new epoch in the religious development of India.

AVE MARIA, an invocation to the Virgin, so called as forming the first two words of the salutation of the angel in Luke i. 28.

AVEBURY, or **ABERY**, a village in Wiltshire, 6 m. W. of Marlborough, in the middle of a so-called Druidical structure consisting of 100 monoliths, surmised to have been erected and arranged in memory of some great victory.

AVEBURY, BARON (Sir John Lubbock), the founder of bank holidays. Educated at Eton, he went in for his father's profession of banking in 1848, and became M.P. in 1870 as a Liberal. He sponsored the Bank Holiday Bill in 1881 and the Shop Hours Bill of 1886. He took a keen interest in natural history, was President of the British Association, wrote "The Use of Life" and "The Pleasures of Life," was Vice-Chancellor of London University, and was raised to the peerage in 1900 (1834-1912).

AVELLINO, chief town in a province of the name in Campania, 59 m. E. of Naples, famous for its trade in hazel-nuts and chestnuts; manufactures woollens, paper, macaroni, &c.; has been subject to earthquakes.

AVENTINE HILL, one of the seven hills of Rome, the mount to which the plebs sullenly retired on their refusal to submit to the patrician oligarchy, and from which they were enticed back by Menenius Agrippa by the well-known fable of the members of the body and the stomach.

AVENTINUS, JOHANNES, a Bavarian historian, author of the "Chronica Bavarum" (Annals of Bavaria), a valuable record of the early history of Germany (1477-1534).

AVENZOAR, an Arabian physician, the teacher of Averroës (1073-1163).

AVERNUS, a deep lake in Italy, near Naples, 1½ m. in circumference, occupying the crater of an extinct volcano, at one time surrounded by a dark wood, and conceived, from its gloomy appearance, as well as from the mephitic vapours it exhaled, to be the entrance to the infernal world, and identified with it.

AVERROES, an Arabian physician and philosopher, a Moor by birth and a native of Cordova; devoted himself to the study and the exposition of Aristotle, earning for himself the title of the "Commentator," though he appears to have coupled with the philosophy of Aristotle the Oriental pantheistic doctrine of emanations (1126-1198).

AVERSA, an Italian town 8 m. from Naples, amid vineyards and orange groves; much resorted to by the Neapolitans.

AVEYRON, a mountainous dep. in the S. of France, with excellent pastures, where the Roquefort cheese is produced.

AVIATION. During the 18th century experiments were made with balloons, the first fire balloon being built in 1782 by Joseph Montgolfier, while in the following year one filled with hydrogen succeeded in rising from the ground in Paris. In 1785 Blanchard and Jefferies crossed the Channel in a balloon, and in 1836 one flew from London to Nassau. An important landmark was the ascent in 1863 of a balloon with steering apparatus and carrying 14 passengers. These early experiments led to the construction of dirigible balloons. Count Zeppelin producing one in 1900. With the present century came experiments with gliders, to some of which machinery was attached. Lillenthal, the Wright brothers, S. Dumont, and Farman were the chief pioneers. Bleriot, in a monoplane, succeeded in 1909 in flying across the Channel, and from then until 1914 progress was steady if slow. The Great War gave an impetus to aviation and design improved rapidly, so rapidly, in fact, that in June, 1910, Sir John Alcock and Sir A. W. Brown flew in a biplane across the Atlantic from Newfoundland to Ireland, 1890 m., in just under 16 hours. The same year a British ship crossed from Scotland to New York in 4½ days. In 1927 Charles Lindbergh flew from New York to Paris in a monoplane, the first solo flight across the Atlantic. Afterwards Atlantic flights became more common, though mention should be made of the flight in 1928 from Ireland to America of two Germans—Baron Euenfeldt and Capt. Koehl—and an Irishman—Capt. Fitz-

maurice—the first successful East to West flight. Flights were made at the same period to India, Persia, South Africa, and Australia. Besides regular routes to Europe an air mail was established in 1920 from London to India. The highest speed attained in the air prior to 1914 was 107 m. an hour. In 1923 the British aerial Derby was won at 102 m. an hour, in 1927 the Schneider Cup was won at 281 m. an hour, and in 1929 at 328 m. an hour, even greater speeds being attained on a straight course. Expert opinion is divided as to the future of the airship, a large school holding that it is unsuited to sea storms, and pointing to the collapse of the *Norge* in the Arctic in 1928. Others point to such successes as that of the *Graf Zeppelin*, which carried out a flight round the world in all kinds of weather in 1929.

AVICENNA, an illustrious Arabian physician, surnamed the prince of physicians, a man of immense learning and extensive practice in his art; of authority in philosophy as well as in medicine, his philosophy being of the school of Aristotle with a mixture of Neoplatonism, his "Canon of Medicine" being supreme in medical science for centuries (980-1037).

AVIENUS, **RUFUS FESTUS**, a geographer and Latin writer of the 4th century.

AVIGNON, capital of the dep. of Vaucluse, France; an ancient city beautifully situated on the left bank of the Rhône, near the confluence of the Durance, of various fortune from its foundation by the Phœnicians in 539 B.C.; was the seat of the Papacy from 1305 to 1377, purchased by Pope Clement VI. at that period, and belonged to the Papacy from that time till 1797, when it was appropriated to France; it contains a number of interesting buildings, and carries on a large trade in wine, oil, and fruits; grows and manufactures silk in large quantities.

AVILA, a town in Spain, in a province of the name, in S. of Old Castile, 3000 ft. above the sea-level, with a Gothic cathedral and a Moorish castle; birth place of St. Theresa.

AVILA, JUAN D', a Spanish priest, surnamed the Apostle of Andalusia, for his zeal in planting the Gospel in its mountains (1500-1569).

AVILA Y ZINUGA, LUIS DE, a soldier, diplomatist, and historian under Charles V. of Spain.

AVLONA, or **VALONA**, a port of Albania, on an inlet of the Adriatic.

AVOLA, a seaport on the E. coast of Sicily, ruined by an earthquake in 1693, rebuilt since; place of export of the Hybla honey.

AVON, the name of several English rivers, such as Shakespeare's in Warwickshire, of Salisbury in Wiltshire, and of Bristol, rising in Wiltshire; from a Celtic word meaning water.

AVRANCHES, a town in dep. of Manche, Normandy; the place, the spot marked by a stone, where Henry II. received absolution for the murder of Thomas à Becket; lace-making the staple industry, and trade in agricultural products.

AVE, LQEH, in the centre of Argyllshire, overshadowed by mountains, 25 m. in length, the second in size of Scottish lakes, studded with islands, one with the ruin of a castle; the scenery gloomily picturesque; its surface is 100 ft. above the sea-level.

AXEL, archbishop of Lund; born in Zealand; a Danish patriot with Norse blood; subdued tribes of Weende and compelled them to adopt Christianity.

AXHOLME, ISLE OF, a tract of land in N.W. Lincolnshire, 17 m. long and 5 m. broad; once a forest, then a marsh; drained in 1632, and now fertile, producing hemp, flax, rape, &c.

AXIM, a trading settlement on the Gold Coast, Africa, belonging to Britain; belonged to Holland till 1871.

AXOLOTL, an amphibian, numerous in Mexico and the Western States, believed to be in its preliminary or tadpole state of existence.

AX'UM, capital of an Ethiopian kingdom in Abyssinia, now in ruins, where Christianity was introduced in the 4th century, and which as the outpost of Christendom fell early before the Mohammedan power.

AYACUCHO, a thriving town in Peru, founded by Pizarro in 1539, where the Peruvians and Colombians achieved their independence of Spain in 1824, and ended the rule of Spain in the S. American continent.

AYA LA, PEDRO LOPEZ D', a Spanish soldier, statesman, and diplomatist, born in Murcia; wrote a "History of the Kings of Castile," which was more than a chronicle of wars, being also a review of them; and a book of poems entitled the "Rhymes of the Court" (1332-1407).

AYE-AYE, a genus of nocturnal habits found in the woods of Madagascar.

AYESHA, the daughter of Abulckr, and favourite wife of Mohammed, whom he married soon after the death of Kadliah; as much devoted to Mohammed as he was to her, for he died in her arms. "A woman who distinguished herself by all manner of qualities among the Moslems," who is styled by them the "Mother of the Faithful" (see **KADITAH**). She was, it is said, the only wife of Mohammed that remained a virgin. On Mohammed's death she opposed the accession of Ali, who defeated her and took her prisoner, but released her on condition that she should not again interfere in State matters (610-677).

AYLESBURY, a borough and market-town in Buckinghamshire, 40 m. N.W. of London, in an agricultural district; has an extensive industry in dairy-farming and duck-rearing.

AYLMER, JOHN, tutor to Lady Jane Grey, bishop of London, a highly arbitrary man, and a friend to neither Papist nor Puritan; he is satirised by Spenser in the "Shepherd's Calendar" (1521-1594).

AYLOFFE, SIR JOSEPH, English antiquary, born in Sussex; compiled the "Calendars of the Antient Charters" (1708-1781).

AYMA RAS, the chief native race of Peru and Bolivia, from which it would appear sprang the Quichuas, the dominant people of Peru at the time of the Spanish conquest, attained a high degree of civilisation, and number to day 500,000.

AYMON, THE COUNT OF DORDOGNE, the father of four sons, Renaud, Gislehard, Alard, and Richard, renowned in the legends of chivalry, and particularly as paladins of Charlemagne.

AYMAR-VER-NAY, a peasant of Dauphine, who in the 17th century professed to discover springs and treasures hid in the earth by means of a divining rod.

AYR, the county town of Ayrshire, at the mouth of a river of the same name, a clean, ancient town, its charter, granted by William the Lion, dating from 1200; well built, with elegant villas in the suburbs, a good harbour and docks for shipping, famous in early Scottish history, and doubly so among Scottish towns as figuring frequently in Burns's poems. Alloway, the poet's birthplace, is close to it.

AYRER, JACOB, a German dramatist in the 16th century, of the style of Hans Sachs (*q.v.*).

AYRSHIRE, a large and wealthy county in the W. of Scotland, bordered on the W. by the Firth of Clyde, agricultural and pastoral, with a large coalfield and thriving manufactures; its divisions, Carrick, to the S. of the Doon; Kyle, between the Doon and the Irvine; and Cunningham, on the N., concerning which there is an old rhyme: "Kyle for a man,

Carrick for a coo, Cunningham for butter and cheese, Galloway for 'oo."

AYTON, SIR ROBERT, poet, a native of Fife, born at Kinaldie, who made his fortune by a Latin panegyric to King James I. on his accession; was on friendly terms with the eminent literary men of his time, Ben Jonson in particular (1571-1633).

AYTOIN, WILLIAM EDMONDSTOUNE, poet and critic, a native of Edinburgh, professor of Rhetoric and English Literature in Edinburgh University, author of the "Lays of the Scottish Cavaliers" and part-author with Sir Theodore Martin of the "Bon Gaultier Ballads" (1813-1865).

AZAZEL, one of the Jinns, or desert-spirits, supposed to have inhabited the earth before man's creation, personified in the scapegoat which carried away the sins of the Israelites on the Day of Atonement, in Hell the standard-bearer of Satan's host (Milton, "Paradise Lost").

AZEGLIO, MARCHESE D', an Italian patriot and statesman, native of Turin; wounded at Vicenza in 1848, fighting for Italian independence, entered the Piedmontese Parliament, was Victor Emmanuel's right-hand man, but retired in favour of Cavour; he was not altogether engrossed with politics, being an amateur in art (1798-1866).

AZERBIJAN, prov. of Armenian Persia, S. of the river Aras, with fertile plains, cattle breeding, and rich in minerals.

AZORES (*see* **Islew** Islands), a group of nine volcanic islands in the Atlantic, 800 m. W. of Portugal, and forming a province of it; are in general mountainous, covered with orange groves, of which the chief are at St. Michael's and Fayal, the climate is mild, and good for pulmonary complaints; they were known to the Carthaginian mariners, but fell out of the map of Europe till rediscovered in 1431.

AZOV, SEA OF, an opening from the Black Sea, very shallow, and gradually silted up with mud from the Don; in winter it is generally ice-bound.

AZRAEL, the angel of death according to Rabbinical tradition.

AZTECS, a civilised race of small stature, of reddish-brown skin, lean, and broad-featured, which occupied the Mexican plateau for some centuries before the Spaniards visited it, and founded a powerful empire, they were overthrown by the Spaniards under Cortez in 1520.

AZULI, DOMINICO ALBERTO, an Italian jurist, born in Sardinia; president of the Court of Appeal at Genoa; made a special study of maritime law, author of "Droit Maritime de l'Europe" (1720-1827).

AZYMITES (meaning "not leavened"), the name given to a party in the Church who insisted that only unleavened bread should be used in the Eucharist, and the controversy hinged on the question whether the Lord's Supper was instituted before the Passover season was finished or after, as in the former case the bread must have been unleavened and in the latter leavened.

BAADER

BAADER, FRANZ XAVIER VON, a German philosopher, born at Munich: was patronised by the king of Bavaria, and became professor in Munich, but, revolting alike from the materialism of Hume, which he studied in England, and the transcendentalism of Kant, with its self-sufficiency of the reason, fell back upon the mysticism of Jacob Boehme, and taught in 16 vols. what might rather be called a theosophy than a philosophy, which regarded God in Himself, and God even in life, as incomprehensible realities. He identified himself with the liberal movement in politics, and offended the king (1765-1841).

BA'AL (meaning Lord), *pl.* Baalim, the principal male divinity of the Canaanites and Phoenicians, identified with the sun as the great quickening and life-sustaining power in nature, the god who presided over the labours of the husbandman and granted the increase, his crowning attribute, strength; worshipped on hill-tops with sacrifices, incense, and dancing. Baal-worship, being that of the Canaanites, was for a time mixed up with the worship of Jehovah in Israel, and at one time threatened to swamp it, but under the zealous preaching of the prophets it was eventually stamped out. The name recurs often in personal and place-names.

BAAL-BEK (i.e. City of Baal, or the Sun), an ancient city of Syria, 35 m. NW. of Damascus, called by the Greeks, Heliopolis; once a place of great size, wealth, and splendour; now a small, insignificant village; conspicuous among its ruins is the Great Temple to Baal, one of the most magnificent remains of the ancient East, covering an area of four acres.

BAALISM, the name given to the worship of natural causes, tending to the obscuration and denial of the worship of God as Spirit.

BABA, ALI, the character in the "Arabian Nights" who discovers and extorts the den of the Forty Thieves by the magic password *Sesame*, a word which he accidentally overheard.

BABA, CAPE, in Asia Minor, the most western point in Asia, in Anatolia, with a town of the same name.

BABBAGE, CHARLES, a mathematician, born in Devonshire; studied at Cambridge, and professor there from 1828 to 1839; spent much time and money over the invention of a calculating machine; wrote on "The Economy of Manufactures and Machinery," and an autobiography entitled "Passages from the Life of a Philosopher" (1791-1871).

BARBITT METAL, an alloy of antimony, lead, and tin used in the construction of machinery.

BABEL, TOWER OF, described in Genesis xi. 9, built with the aim of reaching to Heaven; its workmen were made to speak in confusing languages and the work stopped.

BAB-EL-MANDEB (i.e. the Gate of Tears), a strait between Asia and Africa forming the entrance to the Red Sea, so called from the strong currents which rush through it, and often cause wreckage to vessels attempting to pass it, also a cape on the Arabian coast.

BABER, (i.e. the tiger), the name by which is known **ZEHR ED-DIN MORHAMMED**, the founder of the Mogul empire in Hindustan, a descendant of Tamerlane; three invaded India, and became at length master of it in 1526; left no heirs; his dynasty lasted for many centuries (1483-1530).

BABINGTON, ANTONY, an English Catholic gentleman; conspired against Elizabeth on behalf of Mary, Queen of Scots, confessed his guilt, and was executed at Tyburn in 1586.

BABIRUSA, a mammal of the pig family found exclusively in Celebes and Buru, in the East Indies; remarkable for four curved tusks which are elongated growths of the upper canine teeth, these arching backwards towards the forehead.

BABIS, a Persian sect founded in 1843 by Mirza Ali; their doctrines a mixture of pantheistic with Gnostic and Buddhist beliefs; adverse to polygamy, concubinage, and divorce; insisted on the emancipation

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of women; suffered from persecution, their leader being executed, but the sect has survived in Acre and elsewhere.

BABCEUF, FRANÇOIS NOEL, a violent revolutionary in France, self-styled Gracchus; headed an insurrection against the Directory, which died in the birth, stifled by the soldiery; convicted of conspiracy, was guillotined, after attempting to commit suicide (1764-1797).

BABOO, or **BABU**, name applied to a native Hindu gentleman who has some knowledge of English.

BA'BRUS, or GABRIUS, a Greek poet of uncertain date; turned the fables of Æsop and of others into verse, with alterations.

BABY-FARMING, a system of nursing new-born infants whose parents desire to get rid of them; under the Infant Life Protection Act of 1897 persons so receiving infants are subject to supervision.

BABYLON, the capital city of Babylonia, one of the richest and most magnificent cities of the East, the gigantic walls and hanging gardens of which were classed among the seven wonders of the world; was taken, according to tradition, by Cyrus in 538 B.C., by diverting out of their channel the waters of the Euphrates, which flows through it, and by Darius in 519 B.C. through the self-sacrifice of Zopyrus. The name was often metaphorically applied to Rome by the early Christians, and is so to-day to great centres of population, such as London, where the overcrowding, the accumulation of material wealth, and the refinements of civilisation are conceived to have a corrupting effect on the religion and morals of the inhabitants.

BABYLO'NIA, the name given by the Greeks to that country called in the Old Testament *Sinear*, *Babel*, and "the land of the Chaldees"; it occupied the rich, fertile plain through which the lower waters of the Euphrates and the Tigris flow, now called Iraq. From very early times it was the seat of a highly developed civilisation introduced by the Sumerio-Accadians, who descended on the plain from the mountains in the NW. Semitic tribes subsequently settled among the Accadians and impressed their characteristics on the language and institutions of the country. The 8th century B.C. was marked by a fierce struggle with the northern empire of Assyria, in which Babylonia eventually succumbed and became an Assyrian province. But Nabopolassar in 626 B.C. asserted his independence, and under his son Nebuchadnezzar Babylonia rose to the zenith of its power. Judah was captive in the country from 599 to 538 B.C. In that year Cyrus conquered it for Persia, and its history became merged in that of Persia.

BABYLONISH CAPTIVITY, the name given to the deportation of Jews from Judea to Babylon after the capture of Jerusalem by the king of Babylon, the migration continuing for 70 years, till they were allowed to return to their own land by Cyrus, who had conquered Babylon; those who returned were solely of the tribes of Judah, Benjamin, and Levi.

BACCARAT, an unlawful gambling game which originated in France, being at its height in the reign of Louis Philippe; popular in two forms, *baccarat à banque* and *baccarat chemin de fer*.

BACCHANALIA, a festival, originally of a loose and riotous character, in honour of Bacchus.

BACCHANTES, those who took part in the festival of Bacchus, confined originally to women, who were called by a number of names, such as *Menads*, *Thyads*, &c.; they wore their hair dishevelled and thrown back and had loose flowing garments.

BACCHUS, son of Zeus and Semele, the god of the vine, and promoter of its culture as well as the civilisation which accompanied it; represented as riding in a car drawn by tame tigers, and carrying a Thyrsus (q.v.); he rendered signal service to Zeus in the war of the gods with the Giants (q.v.). See **DIONYSUS**.

BACCHYLIDES, a Greek lyric poet, 5th century B.C., nephew of Simonides and uncle of Æschylus, a rival

- of Pindar; only a few fragments of his poems extant.
- BACCIO'CHI**, a Corsican officer who married Maria Bonaparte and was created by Napoleon Prince of Lucra (1762-1841).
- BACH, JOHANN SEBASTIAN**, one of the greatest of musical composers, born in Eisenach, of a family of Hungarian origin, noted—sixty of them—for musical genius; was in succession a chorister, an organist, a director of concerts, and finally director of music at the School of St. Thomas, Leipzig; his works, from their originality and scientific rigour, difficult of execution (1685-1760).
- BACHE, A. DALLAS**, an American physicist, born at Philadelphia, superintendent the United States coast survey (1806-1867).
- BACILLUS**, the name given to bacteria which are rod-like in form.
- BACH, SIR GEORGE**, Arctic explorer, born at Stockholm, entered the navy, was a French captive for five years, associated with Franklin in three polar expeditions, went in search of Sir John Ross, discovered instead and traced the Great Fish (or Back) River in 1839 (1796-1878).
- BACHHAUS, WILHELM**, German pianist. He studied under Keckendorf at Leipzig and D'Albert at Frankfurt, won the Rubenstein Prize at Paris in 1905, subsequently playing all over the world (1884-).
- BACKHUYSEN, LUDOLPH**, a Dutch painter, famous for his sea-pieces and skill in depicting sea-waves, was an etcher as well as painter (1631-1708).
- BACON, DELIA**, an American authoress, who first broached, though she did not originate, the theory of the Baconian authorship of Shakespeare's works (1811-1859).
- BACON, FRANCIS, LORD VERULAM**, the father of the inductive method of scientific inquiry, born in the Strand, London; son of Sir Nicholas Bacon, educated at Cambridge; called to the bar when 21, after study at Gray's Inn, represented successively Taunton, Liverpool, and Ipswich in Parliament; was a favourite with the queen; attached himself to Essex, but witnessed against him at his trial, and became at last in succession Attorney-General, Privy Councillor, Lord Keeper, and Lord Chancellor; was convicted of venality as a judge, deposed, fined, and imprisoned, but pardoned and released, spent his retirement in his favourite studies; his great works were his "Advancement of Learning," "Novum Organum," and "De Augmentis Scientiarum," but is seen to best advantage by the generality in his "Essays," which are full of practical wisdom and keen observation of life; indeed, these show such shrewdness of wit as to embolden some (see **DELIA BACON**) to maintain that the plays named of Shakespeare were written by him (1561-1626).
- BACON, ROGER**, a Franciscan monk, born at Ilchester, Somerset; a fearless truth-seeker of great scientific attainments; accused of magic, convicted and condemned to imprisonment, from which he was released only to die; suggested several scientific inventions, such as the telescope, the air-pump, the diving-bell, the camera obscura, and gunpowder, and wrote some eighty treatises (1214-1294).
- BACON, SIR NICHOLAS**, the father of Francis, Lord Bacon, Privy Councillor and Keeper of the Great Seal under Queen Elizabeth; a prudent and honourable man and minister, and much honoured and trusted by the queen (1510-1579).
- BACON, SIR REGINALD**, Admiral; commander of the Dover Patrol (q.r.) from 1915 to 1918. He wrote a Life of Admiral Fisher (1863-).
- BACSENYI, JANOS**, a Hungarian poet; he suffered from his liberal political opinions, like many of his countrymen (1763-1845).
- BACTE'RIA**, exceedingly minute organisms of the simplest structure, being merely cells of varied forms, in the shape of spheres, rods, or intermediate shapes, which develop in infusions of organic matter, and multiply by fission with great rapidity, conspicuous by the part they play in the process of fermentation, in enabling plants to build up proteins, and in the origin and progress of disease, to the knowledge of them and the purpose they serve in nature we owe much to the labours of Pasteur.
- BACTRIA**, a province of ancient Persia, now Balkh (q.r.) the presumed fatherland of the Aryans and the birthplace of the Zoroastrian religion.
- BACTRIAN SAGE**, a name given to Zoroaster as a native of Bactria.
- BACUP**, a manufacturing town in Lancashire, about 20 m. N.E. of Manchester; cotton-spinning and weaving main industries.
- BADAJOS**, capital of a Spanish province of the name, on the Guadiana, near the frontier of Portugal; a place of great strength; surrendered to Soult in 1811, and taken after a violent and bloody struggle by Wellington in 1812.
- BADAKANS**, a Dravidian people of small stature, living on the Nilghiri Mountains, in S. India.
- BADAKHSHAN**, a Mohammedan territory N.E. of Afghanistan, a picturesque hill country, rich in minerals; it is 200 m. from E. to W. and 150 from N. to S.; it has been often visited by travellers, from Marco Polo onwards; the inhabitants, called Badakhshans, are of the Aryan family and speak Persian.
- BADALONA**, a seaport 5 m. N.E. of Barcelona.
- BADEN**, a town in the canton of Aargau, Switzerland, 14 m. N.W. of Zurich, long a fashionable resort for its mineral springs; also a town near Vienna.
- BAD EN, THE GRAND-DUCHY OF**, a German duchy, extends along the left bank of the Rhine from Constantine to Mannheim; consists of valley, mountain and plain; includes the Black Forest; is rich in timber, minerals and mineral springs, cotton fabrics, wood-carving, and jewellery employ a great proportion of the inhabitants, there are two university seats, Heidelberg and Freiburg.
- BADEN-BADEN**, a town in the duchy of Baden, 18 m. from Karlsruhe and 22 from Strassburg, noted for its hot mineral springs, which were known to the Romans, and popular as a summer resort.
- BAD ENOCH**, a forest-covered district of the Highlands of Scotland, 45 m. long by 19 broad, traversed by the Spey, in the S.E. of Inverness-shire; belonged originally to the Comyns, but was forfeited by them, was bestowed by Bruce on his nephew; became finally the property of the Earl of Huntly.
- BADEN-POWELL, BARON**, founder of the Boy Scouts in 1908 as Sir Robert Baden-Powell. He first leapt to fame by his defence of Mafeking in the Boer War; from 1903 to 1907 he was Inspector-General of Cavalry, and in 1910 he retired from the army to devote his whole time to the Scout movement. He was raised to the peerage in 1929 (1857-).
- BADI'A-Y-LABELICH**, a Spaniard, born at Barcelona; travelled in the East, having acquired a knowledge of Arabic and Arab customs, disguised himself as a Mohammedan under the name of Ali-Bel; his disguise was so complete that he passed for a Mussulman, even in Mecca itself; is believed to be the first Christian admitted to the shrine of Mecca; after a time settled in Paris, and wrote an account of his travels (1766-1818).
- BADRINATH**, a peak and shrine of Vishnu, in NW. India, 10,000 ft. high; much frequented by pilgrims for the sacred waters near it, which are believed to be potent to cleanse from all pollution.
- BAEDEKER, KARL**, a German printer in Coblenz, famed for the guide-books to almost every country of Europe that he published (1801-1859).
- BAER, KARL ERNST VON**, a native of Esthonia; professor of zoology, first in Königsberg and then in St. Petersburg, the greatest of modern embryologists, styled the "father of comparative embryology"; the discoverer of the law, known by his name, that the embryo when developing resembles those of successively higher types (1792-1876).
- BAEYER, JOHANN FRIEDRICH VON**, German chemist, professor at Strassburg and Munich, who carried out a large number of investigations into the structure of organic compounds, particularly indigo, which he prepared artificially. He showed the possibility of a substance having two distinct forms, and his work led to the idea of tautomerism (1835-1917).
- BAFFIN, WILLIAM**, an early English Arctic explorer, who, when acting as pilot to an expedition in quest of the NW. Passage, discovered Baffin Bay (1584-1622).
- BAFFIN BAY, or SEA**, a strait stretching northward

- between N. America and Greenland, upon four months in summer to whale and seal fishing; discovered in 1615 by William Baffin.
- BAGDAD**, on the Tigris, 500 m. from its mouth, and connected with the Euphrates by canal, the capital of Iraq; dates, wool, grain, and horses are exported; red and yellow leather, cotton, and silk are manufactured; the transit trade, though much less than formerly, is still considerable. It is a station on the Anglo-Indian telegraph and air route, and is served by a railway and a fleet of river steamers plying to Basra. Formerly a centre of Arabic culture, it had belonged to Turkey since 1638, but was captured by the British under General Maude in the Mesopotamian campaign of 1917.
- BAGERHOT, WALTER**, an English political economist, born in Somerset, a banker by profession, and an authority on banking and finance; a disciple of Ricardo; author of, besides other publications, an important work, "The English Constitution"; was editor of *The Economist*; wrote in a vigorous style (1826-1877).
- BAGGARA**, an Arab people in the Sudan; Mohammedans by religion, they formed part of the dervish armies in the Egyptian wars of 1881-1899.
- BAGGESEN, JENS EMMANUEL**, a Danish poet, travelled a good deal, wrote mostly in German, in which he was proficient; his chief works, a pastoral epic, "Parthenais oder die Alpenreise," and a mock epic, "Adam and Eve"; his minor pieces are numerous and popular and are remarkable for their satiric humour (1764-1826).
- BAGHELKAND**, name of five native states in Central India, Rewah the most prosperous.
- BAGHERIA**, a town in Sicily, 8 m. from Palermo, where citizens of the latter have more or less stylish villas.
- BAGIR MI**, a Mohammedan kingdom in Central Africa, S.E. of Lake Tchad, 240 m. from N. to S. and 150 m. from E. to W.
- BAGLIO'NI**, an Italian fresco-painter of note (1573-1641).
- BAGLI'VI, GIORGIO**, an illustrious Italian physician, wrote "De Fibra Motrice" in defence of the "solidist" theory, as it is called, which traced all diseases to alterations in the solid parts of the body (1667-1706).
- BAGNERES** ("the baths"), two French towns on the Pyrenees, well-known watering places, with hot mineral and sulphur springs.
- BAGNES**, name given to convict prisons in France after the abolition of the galleys; abandoned in 1852, since when convicts have been sent to French penal settlements.
- BAGRA' TION, PRINCE**, Russian general, distinguished in many engagements; commanded the vanguard at Austerlitz, Eylau, and Friedland, and in 1812, against Napoleon; achieved a brilliant success at Smolensk; fell at Borodino (1765-1812).
- BAGSTOCK, JOE**, a "self-absorbed" talking character in Dickens' "Dombey & Son."
- BAHA' MAS, THE**, a group of over 500 low, flat coral islands in the W. Indies, and thousands of rocks, belonging to Britain, of which 20 are inhabited, and on one of which Columbus landed during his voyage when he discovered America; yield tropical fruits, sponges, turtle, &c.; Nassau the capital.
- BAHAR**, a town on the Ganges, 34 m. S.E. of Patna; after falling into decay, is again rising in importance.
- BAHAWALPUR**, a feudatory state in the NW. of India, with a capital of the name; is connected administratively with the Punjab.
- BAHIA**, or San Salvador, a fine city, one of the chief seaports of Brazil, in the Bay of All Saints, and originally the capital in a province of the name stretching along the middle of the coast.
- BAHR**, an Arabic word meaning "river," prefixed to the name of many places occupied by Arabs.
- BAHR, FELIX**, classical scholar and philologist, born at Darmstadt; wrote a "History of Roman Literature" in high repute (1798-1872).
- BAHREIN ISLANDS**, a group of islands in the Persian Gulf, under the protection of Britain, belonging to Muscat, the largest 27 m. long and 10 broad, cap. Manamah; long famous for their pearl-fisheries, among the richest in the world.
- BAHR-EL-GHAZAL**, an old Egyptian prov. including the district watered by the tributaries of the Bahr-el-Arab and the Bahr-el-Ghazal; it was wrested from Egypt by the Mahdi, 1884; a district of French Congo lies W. of it, and it was through it Marchand made his way to Fashoda.
- BALE**, a small town near Naples, now in ruins and nearly all submerged; famous as a resort of the old Roman nobility, for its climate and its baths.
- BAIF**, a French poet, one of a group of seven known in French literature as the "Pleïade," whose aim was to accommodate the French language and literature to the models of Greek and Latin.
- BAIKAL**, a clear fresh-water lake, in S. of Siberia, 397 m. long and from 12 to 64 wide, in some parts 4300 ft. deep, and at its surface 1550 ft. above the sea-level, the third largest in Asia; sledges ply on it for six or eight months in winter, and steam-boats in summer; it abounds in fish, especially sturgeon and salmon, and contains several islands, the largest Olkhon, 32 m. by 10 m.
- BAIKIE, W. BALFOUR**, an Orcadian, born at Kirkwall, surgeon in the Royal Navy; was attached to the Niger Expedition in 1854, and ultimately commanded it, opening the region up and letting light in upon it at the sacrifice of his life; died at Sierra Leone (1825-1864).
- BAILEY, NATHAN**, an early English lexicographer, whose dictionary, very popular in its day, was the basis of Johnson's; d. 1742.
- BAILEY, PHILIP JAMES**, poet, born at Nottingham; author of "Festus," which appeared in 1839 (1816-1902).
- BAILEY, SAMUEL**, an English author, born in Sheffield, a liberal-minded man, a utilitarian in philosophy, who wrote on psychology, ethics, and political economy, and left a fortune, acquired in business, to his native town (1791-1870).
- BAILLIE, JOANNA**, a poetess, born at Bothwell, child of the Presbyterian manse there; joined a brother in London, stayed afterwards with a sister at Hampstead; produced a series of dramas entitled "Plays of the Passions," besides many others, both comedies and tragedies, one of which, the "Family Legend," was acted in the Theatre Royal, Edinburgh, under the auspices of Sir Walter Scott; she does not stand high either as a dramatist or a writer (1702-1851).
- BAILLIE, LADY GRIZEL**, an heroic Scottish lady of covenanting days, famous for her songs; "And were na' heart licht I wad dee" is well known (1665-1746).
- BAILLIE, ROBERT**, a Scottish Presbyterian divine, born in Glasgow; resisted Laud's attempt to thrust Episcopacy on the Scottish nation, and became a zealous advocate of the national cause, which he was delegated to represent twice over in London; he was a royalist all the same, and was made principal of Glasgow University (1599-1662).
- BAILLIE, ROBERT**, a zealous Scottish Presbyterian, tried for complicity in the Rye House Plot, was unfairly condemned to death and barbarously executed the same day (in 1683) for fear he should die afterwards and cheat the gallows of its victim.
- BAILLY, JEAN SYLVAIN**, an astronomer, born at Paris; wrote the "History of Astronomy, Ancient and Modern," in five volumes; was distracted from further study of the science by the occurrence of the Revolution; elected president of the National Assembly; installed mayor of Paris; lost favour with the people; was imprisoned as an enemy of the popular cause and guillotined (1788-1793).
- BAILY, EDWARD HODGES**, a sculptor, born in Bristol, studied under Flaxman; his most popular works were, "Eve Listening to the Voice," the "Sleeping Girl," and the "Graces Seated" (1789-1867).
- BAILY, FRANCIS**, astronomer, in business as stockbroker in London before devoting his time to science; founder of the *Astronomical Society* (1820); discovered "Baily's Beads" on the sun; revised the "Nautical Almanac" (1774-1844).
- BAIN, ALEXANDER**, born at Aberdeen, professor of Logic in the university, and twice Lord Rector, where he was much esteemed by and exercised a great influence over his pupils; his chief works, "The Senses and the Intellect," "The Emotions and the Will," and "Mental and Moral Science" (1818-1903).

BAIRAM, a Mohammedan festival of three days at the conclusion of the Ramadan, followed by another of four days, seventy days later, called the Second Bairam, in commemoration of the offering up of Isaac, and accompanied with sacrifices.

BAIRD, JAMES, ironmaster and M. P., founder of the Baird Lectureship, in vindication of Scottish orthodoxy; bequeathed £500,000 to support churches (1802-1876).

BAIRD, SIR DAVID, a distinguished English general of Scottish descent, born at Newbyth, Aberdeenshire; entered the army at 15; served in India, Egypt, and at the Cape; was present at the taking of Seringapatam, and the siege of Pondicherry; in command when the Cape of Good Hope was wrested from the Dutch, and on the fall of Sir John Moore at Corunna, wounded; he afterwards retired (1757-1829).

BAIRD, SPENCER FULLERTON, an American naturalist, wrote, among other subjects, on the birds and mammals of N. America, and on fish-culture and fisheries (1823-1887).

BAIRREUTH, the capital of Upper Franconia, in Bavaria, with a large theatre erected by the king for the performance of Wagner's musical compositions, and with a monument, simple but massive, to the memory of Jean Paul, who died there.

BAIREUTH, WILHELMINA, MARGARINE OF, sister of Frederick the Great, left "Memoirs" of her time (1709-1758).

BAJAZET I., sultan of the Ottoman Turks, surnamed *Isterim*, i. e. Lightning, from the energy and rapidity of his movements; aimed at Constantinople, pushed everything before him in his advance on Europe, but was met and defeated on the plain of Angora by Tamerlane, who is said to have shut him in a cage and carried him about with him in his train till the day of his death (1347-1403).

BAJUS, MICHAEL, deputy from the University of Louvain to the Council of Trent, where he incurred much obloquy at the hands of the Jesuits by his insistence on the doctrine of Augustine, as the Jesuits did after him (1513-1589).

BAKER, MOUNT, an extinct volcano in the Cascade range, in Washington, U.S.A., 11,000 ft.

BAKER, SIR RICHARD, a country gentleman, born in Kent, often referred to by Sir Roger de Coverley; author of "The Chronicle of the Kings of England," which he wrote in the Fleet prison, where he died (1603-1645).

BAKER, SIR SAMUEL WHITE, a man of enterprise and travel, born in London; discovered the Albert Nyanza; commanded an expedition under the Khedive into the Soudan; wrote an account of it in a book, "Ismaïlia"; left a record of his travels in five volumes with different titles (1821-1893).

BAKSHISI (Persian for "a gift"), a word used all over the East to denote a small fee for some slight service rendered.

BAKU, a Russian port on the Caspian Sea, in a district so impregnated and saturated in parts with petroleum that by digging in the soil wells are formed, in some cases so gushing as to overflow in streams, the wells, reckoned by hundreds, being connected by pipes with refineries in the town; a district which, from the spontaneous ignition of the petroleum, was long ago a centre of attraction to the Parsees or fire-worshippers of the East, and resorted to by them as holy ground.

BAKU'NIN, MICHAEL, an extreme and violent anarchist and a leader of the movement; native of Moscow, was banished to Siberia, but escaped; joined the International, but was expelled (1814-1876).

BALA, the county town of Merioneth, in Wales.

BALA LAKE, the largest lake in Wales, 4 m. long, and with a depth of 100 ft.; formed by the river Dee.

BAL'LAAM, a Midianitish seafarer; for the account of him see Num. xiv. xlv., and Carlyle's essay on the "Corn-Law Rhymes"; for its application to modern State councillors of the same time-serving type, and their probable fate.

BALACLAVA, a small port 6 in SE. of Sebastopol, with a large land-locked basin; the headquarters of the British during the Crimean War, and famous in the war, among other events, for the "Charge of the Six Hundred."

BALALAÏKA, a stringed musical instrument like a guitar, popular in Russia.

BALANCE OF POWER, preservation of the equilibrium existing among the States of Europe as a security of peace, for long an important consideration with European statesmen.

BALANCE OF TRADE, the difference in value between the exports and the imports of a country, and said to be in favour of the country whose exports exceed in value the imports in that respect.

BALATA, a vegetable gum used as a substitute for gutta-serena, being at once ductile and elastic; goes under the name of "bully."

BAL'ATON LAKE, the largest lake in Hungary, 48 m. long, and 10 m. broad, 56 m. SW. of Pesth; slightly saline, and abounds in fish.

BALBI, ADRIANO, a geographer of Italian descent, born at Venice, who composed in French a number of works bearing on geography (1782-1848).

BALBO, CESARE, an Italian statesman and publicist, born at Turin, devoted his later years to literature, wrote a life of Dante, and works in advocacy of Italian independence (1789-1853).

BALBOA, VASCO NÚÑEZ DE, a Castilian noble, established a settlement at Darien; discovered the Pacific; took possession of territory in the name of Spain; put to death by a new governor, from jealousy of the glory he had acquired and his consequent influence in the State (1475-1517).

BALDACHINO, a tent-like covering or canopy over portals, altars, or thrones, supported on columns, suspended from the roof, or projecting from the wall.

BALD'ER, the sun-god of the Norse mythology, "the beautiful, the wise, the benignant," who is fated to die, and dies, in spite of, and to the grief of, all the gods of the pantheon, a pathetic symbol conceived in the Norse imagination of how all things in heaven, as on earth, are subject in the long run to mortality.

BALDERSTONE, CALEB, the faithful old domestic in Scott's "Bride of Lammermoor," the family he served with pride.

BALDRICK, an ornamental belt worn hanging over the shoulder, across the body diagonally, with a sword, dagger, or horn suspended from it.

BALDUNG, HANS, or HANS GRÜN, a German artist born in Suabia, a friend of Dürer, his greatest work, a masterpiece, a painting of the "Crucifixion," now in Freiburg Cathedral (1300-1347).

BALDWIN, archbishop of Canterbury, crowned Richard Cœur de Lion, accompanied him on the crusade; died at Acre in 1191.

BALDWIN, the name of several counts of Flanders, nine in all.

BALDWIN I., king of Jerusalem; succeeded his brother Godfrey de Bouillon, assuming said title, made himself master of most of the towns on the coast of Syria, contracted a disease in Egypt; returned to Jerusalem, and was buried on Mount Calvary, there were five of this name and title, the last of whom, a child some eight years old, died in 1186 (1058-1118).

BALDWIN I., the first Latin emperor of Constantinople; by birth, count of Hainault and Flanders, joined the fourth crusade, led the van in the capture of Constantinople, and was made emperor; was defeated and taken prisoner by the Bulgarians (1171-1206).

B. II., nephew of Baldwin I., last king of the Latin dynasty, which lasted only 57 years (1217-1273).

BALDWIN, RT. HON. STANLEY, British statesman. Educated at Harrow and Cambridge, he entered Parliament as a Conservative for Bewdley in 1908, and first took office as financial secretary to the Treasury in the Coalition Govt. in 1917. In 1921 he became President of the Board of Trade, and the following year took an active part in replacing the Coalition by Bonar Law's Conservative Govt., taking the post of Chancellor of the Exchequer and succeeding to the Premiership in May, 1923, on the death of Bonar Law. He went to the country for a mandate for Protection in November, 1923, was defeated at the polls and resigned when Parliament met in January, 1924. On the defeat of the Labour Govt. in November, 1924, he again became Prime Minister, and held office till his party was defeated at the election of May, 1929. In politics he will be

remembered for his funding of the American debt in 1923 and his handling of the General Strike situation in 1926 (1867-).

BALEARIC ISLES, a group of five islands off the coast of Valencia, in Spain, Mallorca the largest; inhabitants in ancient times famous as expert slingers (whence the name Balearic), having been one and all systematically trained to the use of the sling from early childhood; cap. Palma.

BALFE, MICHAEL WILLIAM, a musical composer, of Irish birth, born near Wexford; author of "The Bohemian Girl," his masterpiece (1808-1870).

BALFOUR, EARL OF (A. J. Balfour), British politician. Educated at Eton and Cambridge; nephew of Lord Salisbury, and First Lord of the Treasury and leader of the House of Commons in his ministry. He became Prime Minister in 1902, was defeated in 1905, lost his seat in Manchester the following year and was elected for the City of London; till 1911 he was leader of the Conservative opposition; served as Foreign Secretary in the Coalition, 1916-1919; in 1917 he visited the U.S.A. to seek war co-operation. Raised to the peerage in 1922, he acted as Lord President of the Council from 1924 to 1929. A keen philosopher, he was president of the British Association in 1904, and was the author of a "Defence of Philosophic Doubt" and a volume of "Essays and Addresses." In politics he will be remembered as the author of the Balfour Declaration (q.v.) and the Balfour Note (q.v.). He was also prominent in the Washington Conference (q.v.) (1848-1930).

BALFOUR, FRANCIS MAITLAND, brother of the preceding; a promising biologist who wrote on animal embryology. His career was cut short by death in attempting to ascend the Wetterhorn (1851-1882).

BALFOUR, SIR JAMES, Lord President of the Court of Session; native of Fife; an unprincipled man, sided now with this party, now with the opposite, to his own advantage, and that at the most critical period in Scottish history; d. 1583.

BALFOUR DECLARATION, THE, a statement made by the British Govt. in November, 1917, promising that Palestine should be made a national home for the Jewish people, as a result of which the League of Nations gave Great Britain a mandate for the country in 1919.

BALFOUR NOTE, the principle of British finance of post-war years that Britain's receipts from Germany and Allied debtors should equal but not exceed our payments to the U.S.A.

BALFOUR OF BURLEY, leader of the Covenanters in Scott's "Old Mortality."

BALL, one of the Lesser Sunda Islands, Dutch East Indies, 75 m. long by 40 m. broad, produces cotton, coffee, and tobacco.

BALJOL, EDWARD, son of the following, invaded Scotland; was crowned king at Scone, supported by Edward III.; was driven from the kingdom, and obliged to renounce all claim to the crown, on receipt of a pension; died at Doncaster, 1369.

BALJOL, JOHN DE, son of the following; laid claim to the Scottish crown on the death of the Maid of Norway in 1290; was supported by Edward I., and did homage to him for his kingdom, but rebelled, and was forced publicly to resign the crown; died in 1314 in Normandy, after spending some three years in the Tower; satirised by the Scots as King Toom Tabard, i.e. Empty King Cloak.

BALJOL, SIR JOHN DE, of Norman descent; a guardian to the heir to the Scottish crown on the death of Alexander III.; founder of Balliol College, Oxford; d. 1269.

BALIZE, or BELIZE, the capital of British Honduras, in Central America; trade in mahogany, rosewood, &c.

BALKAN PENINSULA, the territory between the Adriatic and the Aegean Sea, bounded on the N. by the Save and the Lower Danube, and on the S. by Greece.

BALKAN WARS, wars fought between Turkey and the Balkan States in 1912 and 1913. After the Balkan League had captured Macedonia and Albania Greece continued the war alone from December, 1912, to February, 1913, when she was again joined by the other allies. On the disintegration of the Balkan League in June, 1913, a second Balkan war

started, Serbia, Montenegro, and Greece fighting Turkey, Bulgaria, and Rumania.

BALKANS, THE, a mountain range extending from the Adriatic to the Black Sea; properly the range dividing Bulgaria from Rumania; mean height, 6500 ft.

BALKASH, LAKE, a lake in Siberia, 780 ft. above sea-level, the waters clear, but intensely salt, 345 m. long and 55 m. broad.

BALKH, anciently called Bactria, a district of Afghan Turkestan lying between the Oxus and the Hindu Kush, 250 m. long and 120 m. broad, with a capital of the same name, reduced now to a village; birth-place of Zoroaster.

BALL, JOHN, a priest who had been excommunicated for denouncing the abuses of the Church; a ring-leader in the Wat Tyler rebellion; captured and executed at St. Albans in 1381.

BALL, SIR ROBERT STAWELL, mathematician and astronomer, born in Dublin; Astronomer-Royal for Ireland from 1874 to 1892; appointed director of Cambridge Observatory 1892; author of works on astronomy and mechanics, the best known of a popular kind on the former science being "The Story of the Heavens" (1840-1913).

BALLAD, a story in verse, composed with spirit, generally of patriotic interest, and sung originally to the harp.

BALLANCHE, PIERRE SIMON, a mystic writer, born at Lyons, his chief work "La Palingénésie Sociale," his aim being the regeneration of society (1776-1847).

BALLANTINE, JAMES, glass-stainer and poet, born in Edinburgh (1808-1877).

BALLANTINE, WILLIAM, SERJEANT, distinguished counsel in celebrated criminal cases (1812-1887).

BALL'ANTYNE, JAMES, a native of Kelso, became a printer in Edinburgh, printed all Sir Walter Scott's works; failed in business, a failure in which Scott was seriously implicated (1772-1833).

BALL'ANTYNE, ROBERT MICHAEL, author of many popular books for boys; nephew of James Ballantyne (above); for some time in Canada in the fur trade, afterwards in the publishing house of Constable of Edinburgh (1825-1894).

BALLARAT, a town in Victoria, about 100 m. NW. of Melbourne; the centre of the chief goldfields in the colony, the precious metal being at first washed out of the soil, and now crushed out of the quartz rocks and dug out of deep mines; it is the seat of both a Roman Catholic and a Church of England bishopric.

BALL'ATER, Aberdeenshire village on the Dee, a favourite summer resort; stands 668 ft. above sea-level.

BALLOONS. See **AVIATION**.

BALM OF GILEAD, a resin yielded by a variety of the balsam tree and much in demand in Egypt in the olden time for its aromatic and medicinal properties; produced in quantities in the mountainous region of Gilead, east of the river Jordan, in Palestine.

BALMAT, JACQUES, of Chamounix, a celebrated Alpine guide (1796-1834).

BALMAWHAPPLE, a prejudiced Scottish clergyman in Scott's "Waverley."

BALMOR'AL, a castle on the upper valley of the Dee, at the foot of Braemar, 524 m. from Aberdeen, 9 m. from Balmoral; the Highland residence of the Royal Family since 1846, when it was purchased by Queen Victoria.

BALMUNG, the sharp-cutting sword of Siegfried, in the Nibelungen legends, so sharp that a smith cut in two by it did not know he was so cut till he began to move, when he fell in pieces.

BALNAVES, HENRY, conditor of John Knox, in the Scottish Reformation, and a fellow-sufferer with him in imprisonment and exile; afterwards contributed towards formulating the creed of the Scottish Church; born at Kirkcaldy, and educated in Germany; d. 1579.

BALTHA'ZAR, one of the three Magi who journeyed to Bethlehem to see the infant Jesus, the other two being Melchior and Gaspar; all three are figured in Cologne Cathedral.

BALTIC PROVINCES, Russian provinces bordering on the Baltic.

BALTIC SEA, an inland sea in the N. of Europe,

900 m. long and from 100 to 200 m. broad, about the size of England and Wales; comparatively shallow; has no tides; waters fresher than those of the ocean, owing to the number of rivers that flow into it and the slight evaporation that goes on at the latitude; the navigation of it is practically closed from the middle of December to April, owing to the inlets being blocked with ice.

BALTIMORE, the metropolis of Maryland, on an arm of Chesapeake Bay, 250 m. from the Atlantic. It is picturesquely situated; not quite so regular in design as most American cities, but noted for its fine architecture and its public monuments. It is the seat of the Johns Hopkins University. The industries are varied and extensive, including textiles, flour, tobacco, iron, and steel. The staple trade is in bread-stuffs; principal exports, grain, flour, and tobacco.

BALUCHISTAN. See **BELUCHISTAN**.

BALUË, CARDINAL, minister of Louis XI.; imprisoned by Louis in an iron cage for eleven years for having conspired with Charles the Rash (1421-1491).

BALZAC, HONORE DE, native of Tours, in France; a brilliant as well as prolific novel-writer; his productions remarkable for their sense of reality; they show power of observation, warmth, and fertility of imagination, and subtle and profound delineation of human passion, his dexterity in producing them being to make them form part of one great work, the "Comédie Humaine," the whole being a minute dissection of the different classes of society; is regarded as the father of realistic fiction (1799-1850).

BALZAC, JEAN LOUIS GUEZ DE, born at Angoulême, a French littérateur and gentleman of rank, who devoted his life to the refinement of the French language, and contributed by his "Letters" to the classic form it assumed under Louis XIV.; "he deliberately wrote," says Prof. Saintsbury, "for the sake of writing, and not because he had anything particular to say," but in this way did much to improve the language (1694-1854).

BAMANGWATO, a native people, belonging to the Bantu stock, their country lying in the Bechuanaland Protectorate.

BAMBARA, a Soudan state on the banks of the Upper Niger, opened up to trade, the soil fertile; yields grain, dates, cotton, and palm-oil, the natives are negroes of the Mohammedan faith, and are good husbandmen and workers in metal.

BAMBERG, a manufacturing town in Upper Franconia, Bavaria; once the centre of an independent bishopric; with a cathedral, a magnificent edifice, containing the tomb of its founder, the Emperor Henry II.

BAMBINO, a figure of the infant Christ wrapped in swaddling bands, the infant in pictures being surrounded by a halo and angels.

BAMBOUE, a fertile but unhealthy West African negro territory, with natural wealth and deposits of gold. W. of Bambarra.

BAMIAN, a high-lying valley in Afghanistan, 8500 ft. above sea-level; out of the rocks on its N. side, full of caves, are hewn huge figures of Buddha, one of them 173 ft. high, all of ancient date.

BANBURY, a market-town in Oxfordshire, celebrated for its cross and its cakes.

BANCA, an island in the Eastern Archipelago, belonging to the Dutch, with an unhealthy climate; rich in tin, worked by Chinese.

BANCROFT, GEORGE, an American statesman, diplomatist, and historian, born in Massachusetts, his chief work "The History of the United States," issued finally in six vols. (1800-1801).

BANCROFT, RICHARD, archbishop of Canterbury, a zealous Churchman and an enemy of the Puritans; represented the Church at the Hampton Court Conference, and was chief overseer of the Authorized Version of the Bible (1554-1610).

BANCROFT, SIR SQUIRE, English actor, born in London, made his first appearance in Birmingham in 1861; married Miss Wilton, an actress; opened with her the Haymarket Theatre in 1880; retired in 1885 (1841-1926).

BAND OF HOPE, THE, a society for promoting temperance principles among the young, founded in 1855.

BANDA ISLES, a group of the Moluccas, some twelve in number, belonging to Holland; yield nutmegs and mace; are subject to earthquakes.

BANDELLO, MATTEO, an Italian Dominican monk, a writer of tales, some of which furnished themes and incidents for Shakespeare, Massinger, and other dramatists of their time (1480-1562).

BANDIE'RA, ATTILIO and EMILIO, brothers, born in Venice; martyrs, in 1844, to the cause of Italian independence.

BANDINELLI, a Florentine sculptor, tried hard to rival Michael Angelo and Cellini; his work "Hercules and Cacus" is the most ambitious of his productions; did a "Descent from the Cross" in bas-relief, in Milan Cathedral (1487-1559).

BANDY, the game of ice hockey, popular in the northern parts of the U.S.A.; known also as "shinty."

BANFF, (1) county town of Banffshire, on the Moray Firth, at the mouth of the Deveron; the county itself stretches level along the coast, though mountainous on the S. and S.E.; fishing and agriculture the great industries; (2) a township in Alberta, Canada, tourist resort with hot sulphur springs.

BANGA, the Hindu name for the Delta of the Ganges. **BANGALORE**, the largest town in Mysore, and the capital; stands high; is manufacturing and trading.

BANGHIS, a low-caste people in the Ganges valley.

BANGKOK, the capital of Siam, on the Menam; a very striking city; styled, from the canals which intersect it, the "Venice of the East"; 20 m. from the sea, the centre of the foreign trade, carried on by Europeans and Chinese; includes the royal palace standing on an island, in the courtyard of which several white elephants are kept.

BANGOR, an episcopal city in Carnarvon, N. Wales, with large slate quarries, a place of summer resort, from the beauty of its surroundings.

BANGORIAN CONTROVERSY, a controversy in the Church of England provoked by a sermon which Hoadley, bishop of Bangor, preached before George I. in 1717, and which offended the sticklers for ecclesiastical authority.

BANGWEO LO, a lake in Equatorial Africa, discovered by Livingston, and on the shore of which he died; 150 m. long, and half as wide; 3690 ft. above sea-level.

BANIAN DAYS, days when no meat was served out to ships' crews in the Navy, probably an allusion to the Banians, Hindu ascetics.

BANIM, JOHN, Irish author, a native of Kilkenny, novelist of Irish peasant life on its dark side, who, along with his brother Michael, wrote 24 vols. of Irish stories, &c.; his health giving way, he fell into poverty, but was rescued by a public subscription and a pension; Michael survived him 32 years (1798-1842).

BANJARL, a non-Aryan race in Central India, the carriers and caravan-conductors of the region.

BANK HOLIDAYS, established in 1871 through the efforts of Sir John Lubbock (Lord Avebury), fall in England on Easter Monday, Whit Monday, the first Monday in August and December 26.

BANK OF ENGLAND, THE, Britain's national bank, founded by W. Paterson and M. Godfrey and incorporated in 1694. In 1797 it suspended payment, but resumed in 1819. It is the only bank in England allowed to issue monetary notes, and these have to be cashed into gold on demand. A new and larger building than the old one in Threadneedle Street was begun in 1924.

BANK RATE, the rate at which the Governors of the Bank of England are prepared to lend money. Fixed at their meeting every Thursday, it affects the price of money throughout the London market.

BANKS, SIR JOSEPH, a zealous naturalist, particularly in botany; a collector, in lands far and wide, of specimens in natural history; accompanied Captain Cook in his voyage round the world, and was one of the founders of Botany Bay settlement; left his collection and a valuable library and herbarium to the British Museum; president of the Royal Society for 41 years (1744-1820).

BANKS, THOMAS, an eminent English sculptor, born at Lambeth; first appreciated by the Empress Catharine of Russia; his finest works, "Psyche" and "Achilles Enraged," now in the entrance-hall of

Burlington House; he excelled in imaginative art (1735-1805).

BANNATYNE CLUB, a club founded by Sir Walter Scott to print rare works of Scottish interest, whether in history, poetry, or general literature, of which it printed 116, all deemed of value; dissolved in 1861. It was named after George Bannatyne, who collected most of Scotland's ancient poetry.

BAN NOCKBURN, a manufacturing village 3 m. SE. of Stirling, the scene of the victory, on June 24, 1814, of Robert the Bruce over Edward II., which reasserted and secured Scottish independence; it manufactures carpets and tartans.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE, the practice of reading out in churches on three successive Sundays the names of those who intend to marry, in order that objections can be made. The custom dates back to 1200.

BANNU, a district in the Punjab prominent during the Indian Mutiny as the headquarters of John Nicholson (q.v.).

BAN'SHEE, among the Irish, and in some parts of the Highlands and Brittany, a female fairy, believed to be attached to a family, who gave warnings by wailings of an approaching death in it, and kept guard over it.

BANTAM, a chief town in Java, abandoned as unhealthy by the Dutch; whence the Bantam fowl is thought to have come.

BANTING SYSTEM, a dietary for keeping down fat, recommended by a Mr. Banting, a London tradesman, in a "Letter on Corpulence" in 1863; he advocated lean meat, and the avoidance of sugar and starchy foods.

BANTRY BAY, a deep inlet on the SW. coast of Ireland; a place of shelter for ships; the scene of a naval fight between the French and British, in the French favour, on May 1, 1690.

BANTU, the name of most of the races, with their languages, that occupy Africa from 6° N. lat. to 20° S.; are negroid rather than negro, being in several respects superior, the name, however, suggests rather a linguistic than an ethnological distinction, the language differing radically from all other known forms of speech; the inflection, for one thing, chiefly initial, not final.

BANVILLE, THEODORE DE, a French poet, born at Moulins; well characterised as "*Roi des Jokes*," for with him form was everything, and the matter comparatively insignificant, though there are touches here and there of both fine feeling and sharp wit; was the author of the play "Gringoire," produced in London by Sir H. Beerbohm Tree under the title of "The Ballad-monger" (1823-1891).

BANYAN, the Indian fig; a tree whose branches, bending to the ground, take root and form new stocks, till they cover a large area and become a forest.

BA'OBAB, a large African tropical tree, remarkable for the girth of its trunk, the thickness of its branches, and their expansion; its leaves and seeds are used in medicine.

BAPAUME, a village in the department of the Somme, France, captured by British troops in March, 1917.

BAPHOMET, a mysterious two-headed image, presumed to represent Mohammed, which the Templars were accused of worshipping, but which they may rather be surmised to have invoked to curse them if they failed in their vow.

BAPTISM, the Christian rite of initiation into the membership of the Church, identified by St. Paul (Rom. vi. 4) with that No to the world which accompanies Yea to God, but a misunderstanding of the nature of which has led to endless diversity, debate, and alienation all over the Churches of Christendom.

BAPTISMAL REGENERATION, the High Church doctrine that the power of spiritual life, forfeited by the Fall, is bestowed on the soul in the sacrament of baptism duly administered.

BAPTISTERY, a circular building, originally detached from a church, in which the rite of baptism is administered; the most remarkable, that of Pisa.

BAPTISTS, a denomination of Christians, who insist that the rite of initiation is duly administered only by immersion, and to those who are of age to make an intelligent profession of faith they are a

numerous body, particularly in America, and more so in England than in Scotland, and have included in their membership a number of eminent men.

BAR, in Jewish names signifies "son of," as Bar-Jesus, Bartholomew.

BARAGUAY D'HILLIERS, ACHILLE, a French marshal who fought under Napoleon at Quatre-Bras; distinguished himself under Louis Philippe in Algeria, as well as under Louis Napoleon; predated at the trial of Marshal Bazaine (1795-1878).

BARATARIA, the imaginary island in Cervantes' "Don Quixote," of which Sancho Panza was formally installed governor, and where in most comical situations he learned how imaginary is the authority of a king, how, instead of governing his subjects, his subjects govern him.

BARBACAN, or BARBICAN, a fortification to a castle outside the walls, generally at the end of the drawbridge in front of the gate.

BARBA DOES, one of the Windward Islands, rather larger than the Isle of Wight; almost encircled by coral reefs; is the most densely peopled of the group; subject to hurricanes; healthy and well cultivated; it yields sugar, arrowroot, ginger, and aloes.

BARBARA, ST., a Christian martyr of the 3rd century; beheaded by her own father, a fanatical heathen, who was immediately after the act struck dead by lightning; who is the patron saint of those who might otherwise die impudent, of artillerymen, and of the city of Mantua; her attributes are a tower, a sword, and a crown. Festival, Dec. 4.

BARBARIANS, originally those who could not speak Greek, and ultimately synonymous with the uncivilised and people without culture, particularly literary.

BARBAROSSA, the surname of Frederick I., emperor of Germany, of whom there is this tradition, that "he is not yet dead; but only sleeping, till the bad world reach its worst, when he will reappear. He sits within a cavern near Salzburg, at a marble table, leaning on his elbow and winking, only half-asleep, as a peasant once tumbling into the lake saw him, with his beard grown through the table and streaming out on the floor" (1152-1180).

BARBAROSSA (i.e. Red-beard), HORUK, a native of Mitylene, turned corsair; became sovereign of Algiers by the murder of Selim the emir, who had adopted him as an ally against Spain; was defeated twice by the Spanish general Gomara and slain (1473-1518).

BARBAROSSA, KHAIR-ED-DIN, brother and successor of the preceding, became victory of the Porte, made admiral under the sultan, opposed Andrea Doria, ravaged the coast of Italy, and joined the French against Spain; died at Constantinople in 1547.

BARBAROUX, CHARLES, advocate, born at Marseilles, of which he became town-clerk; came to Paris "a young Spartan" and became chief of the Girondins in the French Revolution; represented Marseilles in the Constituent Assembly and the Convention; joined the Islands; sent "fire-eyed" messages to Marseilles for six hundred men "who knew how to die"; held out against Marat and Robespierre; declared an enemy of the people, had to flee; was captured and guillotined (1767-1794).

BARBARY APE, a tallish macaque monkey of gregarious habits, native of the mountainous parts of Barbary, there is a colony of them on the Rock of Gibraltar, the only one in Europe.

BARBARY STATES, the four states of Morocco, Algeria, Tunis, and Tripoli, so called from the Berbers who inhabit the region.

BARBAZAN, a French general under Charles VI. and VII. who deservedly earned for himself the name of the Irreproachable Knight; d. 1432.

BARBECUE, a feast in the open air on a large scale, at which the animals are roasted and dressed whole, formerly common in the SW. States of N. America.

BARBERINI, an illustrious and influential Florentine family, several of the members of which were cardinals, one being made pope in 1623 under the name Urban VIII.

BARBERTON, a mining town and important centre in the Transvaal, 180 m. E. of Pretoria.

BARBIER, ED., juriscout of the French parliament,

born in Paris; author of a journal, historical and anecdotal, of the time of Louis XV. (1689-1771).

BARBIZON, a village in Seine-et-Marne, France, which has given its name to a school, or group, of artists among whom have been Millet, Corot, Diaz, and Daubigny, their note being sincerity and realism in painting.

BARBOUR, JOHN, a Scottish poet and chronicler, archdeacon of Aberdeen, a man of learning and sagacity; his only extant work a poem entitled "The Bruce," being a long history in rhyme of the life and achievements of Robert the Bruce, a work consisting of 13,000 octosyllabic lines, and possessing both historical and literary merit; "represents," says Stanford Brodie, "the whole of the eager struggle for Scottish freedom against the English, which closed at Bannockburn, and the national spirit in its full grown into life" (*l.c.* 1316-1395).

BARBUSSE, HENRI, French novelist. Practically unknown before the Great War, he produced in 1916 "Le Feu," one of the greatest indictments of war ever penned, ranking with Remarque's "All Quiet on the Western Front."

BARCA, an Italian province in the N. of Africa, between Tripoli and Egypt; produces maize, figs, dates, and olives.

BARCA, name of a Carthaginian family to which Hamilcar, Hasdrubal, and Hannibal belonged, and determinedly opposed to the ascendancy of Rome, hence known as the Barcine faction.

BARCELONA, the largest town in Spain next to Madrid, on the Mediterranean, and its chief port, with a naval arsenal, also its largest manufacturing town, called the "Spanish Manchester," the staple manufacture being cotton; is the seat of a bishopric and a university; has numerous churches, convents, and theatres.

BARCLAY, ALEX., a poet and prose-writer, of Scottish birth; bred a monk in England, where he ceased to be on the dissolution of the monasteries; wrote "The Ship of Fools," partly a translation and partly an imitation of the German "Narrenschiff" of Brundt (1475-1492).

BARCLAY, JOHN, born in France, educated by the Jesuits, a staunch Catholic; wrote the "Argenis," a Latin romance, much thought of by Cowper, translated more than once into English (1582-1621).

BARCLAY, JOHN, leader of the Scottish sect of the Bereans, whose name was taken from the Berea whither the apostle Paul went from Thessalonica (1734-1798).

BARCLAY, ROBERT, the celebrated apologist of Quakerism, born in Morayshire; tempted hard to become a Catholic; joined the Society of Friends, as his father had done before him; his greatest work, written in Latin as well as in English, and dedicated to Charles II., "An Apology for the True Christian Divinity, as the same is held forth and preached by the People called in scorn Quakers," a great work, the leading thesis of which is that Divine Truth is not matter of reasoning, but intuition and patent to the understanding of every truth-loving soul (1645-1690).

BARCLAY DE TOLLY, a Russian general and field-marshal, of Scottish descent, and of the same family as Robert Barclay the Quaker; distinguished in successive Russian wars; his promotion rapid, in spite of his unpopularity as German born; on Napoleon's invasion of Russia his tactics were to retreat till forced to fight at Smolensk; he was defeated, and superseded in command by Kutusow; on the latter's death was made commander-in-chief; commanded the Russians at Dresden and Leipzig, and led them into France in 1815; he was afterwards Minister of War at St. Petersburg, and elevated to the rank of prince (1761-1818).

BARD OF AVON, Shakespeare; of Avonshire, Burns; of Hope, Campbell; of Imagination, Akenside; of Memory, Rogers; of Olney, Cowper; of Rydal Mount, Wordsworth; of Twickenham, Pope.

BARDELL, MRS., a widow in the "Pickwick Papers," who sues Pickwick for breach of promise.

BARDOLPH, a drunken, swaggering, worthless follower of Falstaff in Shakespeare's "Henry IV." "Merry Wives of Windsor," and "Henry V."

BARDON HILL, a hill in Leicestershire, from which one can see right across England.

BARDSEY, a small island off the coast of Carnarvon, Wales, the legendary last home of the old Welsh bards; has a lighthouse and is remarkable for its distinctive bird life.

BAR-DURANI, the collective name of a number of Afghan tribes between the Hindu-Kush and the Soliman Mountains.

BARBONE'S PARLIAMENT, Cromwell's Little Parliament, met July 4, 1653; derisively called Barbone's Parliament, from one Fraise-God Barbone, a leading member of it.

BARÈGES, a village on the Hautes-Pyrénées, at 4000 ft. above the sea-level, resorted to for its mineral waters.

BARRELY, a city in NW. India, the chief town in Rohilkhand, 153 m. E. of Delhi, notable as the scene of an outbreak in the Indian Mutiny.

BARNTZ, WILLEM, an Arctic explorer, born in Friesland; discovered Spitzbergen, and doubled the NE. extremity of Nova Zembla, in 1597, and died the same year; gave his name to Barantz Island and Barantz Sea, in the Arctic.

BARÈRE, French revolutionary, a member of the States-General, the National Assembly of France, and the Convention; voted in the Convention for the execution of the king, uttering the oft-quoted words, "The tree of Liberty thrives only when watered by the blood of tyrants"; escaped the fate of his associates, became a spy under Napoleon; was called by Burke, from his flowery oratory, the Anacron of the Guillotine, and by Mercier, "the greatest liar in France"; died in beggary (1755-1841).

BARETTI, GIUSEPPE, an Italian lexicographer, born in Turin; taught Italian in London, was patronised by Johnson, and became secretary of the Royal Academy (1719-1780).

BARFLEUR, a seaport 15 m. E. of Cherbourg, where in May, 1692, the battle began which ended in the naval victory of La Hogue.

BARFRÜSH, a town S. of the Caspian, famous for its bazaar.

BAR GUEST, a goblin long an object of terror in the N. of England, frequently assuming the form of a dog.

BARHAM, RICHARD HARRIS, his literary name Thomas Ingoldsby, born at Canterbury, minor canon of St. Paul's; friend of Sydney Smith; author of "Ingoldsby Legends," published originally as a series of papers in *Bentley's Miscellany* (1788-1845).

BARING, SIR FRANCIS, founder of the great banking firm of Baring Brothers & Co., amassed property, value of it said to have been nearly seven millions (1740-1810).

BARING, MAURICE, British author. A son of Lord Revelstoke, he entered the diplomatic service, acted as war correspondent in the Russo-Japanese war, and served in the Air Force in the Great War. His writings include poems, essays, books of travel, novels, and plays (1874-).

BARING-GOULD, SABINE, rector of Lew-Trenchard, Devonshire; the author of "Onward, Christian Soldiers"; celebrated in various departments of literature, history, theology, and romance, especially the latter; a voluminous writer on all manner of subjects, and a man of wide reading (1834-1924).

BARIUM, a metallic element, resembling calcium in its chemical properties, first obtained by Davy in 1808. It is present in the minerals heavy spar and witherite.

BARKER, SIR HERBERT, surgeon, who attained extraordinary skill in bone-setting. His methods were not always approved by the medical profession, in which for years he had no status. He was knighted in 1922 (1860-).

BARKING, a market-town in Essex, 7 m. NE. of London, with the remains of an ancient Benedictine convent.

BARKLA, CHARLES GLOVER, physicist, professor at King's College, London, and since 1913 at Edinburgh. He was awarded a Nobel Prize in 1917 for work in connection with X-rays (1877-).

BARLAAM AND JOSAPHAT, a medieval legend, being a Christianised version of an earlier legend relating to Buddha, in which Josaphat, a prince like Buddha, is converted by Barlaam to a like ascetic life.

BARLEYCORN, JOHN, the exhilarating spirit distilled from barley personified.

BARLOW, JANE, authoress of several novels dealing with Irish peasant life; born at Clontarf, co. Dublin (1860-1917).

BARLOW, JOEL, an American poet and diplomatist; for his Republican zeal was in 1792 accorded the rights of citizenship in France; wrote a poem "The Vision of Columbus" (1755-1812).

BARLOWE, a French watchmaker, inventor of the repeating watch; d. 1690.

BARNACLE FEAST, an imaginary feast, so called from a story in the "Arabian Nights" of a hungry beggar invited by a Barnacle prince to a banquet, which proved a long succession of merely empty dishes, and which he enjoyed with such seeming gusto and such good-humour as to earn for himself a sumptuous real one.

BARNEDES, a Persian family of the 8th century, celebrated for their magnificence, which in the end met with the cruellest fate. Yâhya, one of them, eminent for ability and virtue, was chosen by the world-famous Haroun-al-Raschid on his accession to the caliphate to be his vizier; his four sons rose along with him to such influence in the government, as to excite the jealousy of the caliph, whereupon the latter had the whole family invited to a banquet, and every man, woman, and child of them massacred at midnight in cold blood. The caliph, it is related, never forgave himself for this cruelty, and was visited with a gnawing remorse to the end of his days; his crime had fatal issues to his kingdom as well as to himself.

BAR MEN, a long town, consisting of a series of hamlets, 6 m. in extent, in Rhénish Prussia; the population consists chiefly of Protestants; staple industry, the manufacture of ribbons.

BARNABAS, ST., a member of the first Christian brotherhood, a companion of St. Paul's, and characterized in the Acts as "a good man"; stoned to death at Cyprus, where he was born; an epistle extant bears his name, but is not believed to be his work; the Epistle to the Hebrews has by some been ascribed to him; he is usually represented in art as a venerable man of majestic mien, with the Gospel of St. Matthew in his hand. Festival, June 11.

BARNABITES, a proselytising order of monks founded at Milan, where Barnabas was reported to have been bishop, in 1530; bound, as the rest are, by the three monastic vows, and by a vow in addition, not to sue for preferment in the Church.

BARNABY RUDGE, the chief character in Dickens' novel of the name, published in 1841.

BARNARD, FREDERICK, artist; illustrator of the "Household Edition" of Dickens' works; contributor to many humorous periodicals (1846-1890).

BARNARD, LADY ANNE, daughter of Lindsay, the 5th Earl of Balcarres, born in Fife; authoress of "Auld Robin Gray," named after a Balcarres herd; lived several years in the Cape, where her husband held an appointment, and, after his death, in London (1750-1825).

BARNARD CASTLE, an old town W. of Darlington, in Durham; birthplace of John Balliol, and the scene of Scott's "Rokeby."

BAR NARDINE, a reckless character in "Measure for Measure."

BARNARDO, DR. THOMAS JOHN, founder of the home for waifs named after him; devoted his life to the care of destitute children (1845-1905).

BARNAVE, JOSEPH MARIE, French lawyer, born at Grenoble; president of the French Constitutional Assembly in 1790; one of the trio in the Assembly of whom it was said, "Whatever those three have on hand, Dupont thinks it, Barnave speaks it, Lameth does it"; a defender of the monarchy from the day he gained the favour of the queen by his gallant conduct to her on her way back to Paris from her flight with the king to Varennes; convicted by documentary evidence of conspiring with the court against the nation; was guillotined (1791-1793).

BARN-BURNERS, name formerly given (about 1844) to an extreme radical party in the United States, as imitating the Dutchman who, to get rid of the rats, burned his barn.

BARNBY, SIR JOSEPH, composer, wrote many popular hymn tunes, part songs, and the oratorio "Rebekah"; conducted Albert Hall Royal Choral Society from 1871 to 1896; principal of Guildhall School of Music (1838-1896).

BARNES, RT. HON. GEORGE NICOLL, British politician. For ten years secretary of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, he became Labour representative in the War Cabinet in 1916, acting as Minister of Pensions, and in 1919 as Minister without portfolio. He retired in 1920 (1856-).

BARNES, RT. REV. ERNEST WILLIAM, British scholar and divine, educated at Birmingham and Cambridge, where he was a Wrangler, he became Master of the Temple in 1915, Canon of Westminster in 1918, and Bishop of Birmingham in 1924. An F.R.S., he made a name as a modernist, holding that true religion is not inconsistent with the teaching of modern science (1874-).

BARNES, WILLIAM, a lyric poet, "the Dorsetshire Burns"; author of "Poems of Rural Life in Dorset," in three vols.; wrote on subjects of philological interest (1830-1886).

BARNET, a town in Hertfordshire, almost a suburb of London; a favourite resort of Londoners; has a large annual horse and cattle fair; scene of a battle in 1471, at which Warwick, the kingmaker, was slain.

BARNETT, JOHN, composer, born at Bedford; author of operas and a number of fugitive pieces (1802-1801).

BARNEVELDT, JOHANN VAN OLDEN, Grand Pensionary of Holland, of a distinguished family; studied law at the Hague, and practised as an advocate there; fought for the independence of his country against Spain, concluded a truce with Spain, in spite of the Stadtholder Maurice, whose ambition for supreme power he courageously opposed; being an Arminian, took sides against the Gomarist or Calvinist party, to which Maurice belonged; was arrested, tried, and condemned to death as a traitor and heretic, and died on the scaffold at 71 years of age, with sanction, too, of the Synod of Dort, in 1619.

BARNLEY, a manufacturing town in W. Yorkshire, 18 m. S. of Sheffield; produces textile fabrics, glass, and machinery.

BARNUM, PHINEAS TAYLOR, an American showman; began with the exhibition of George Washington's reputed nurse in 1834, picked up Tom Thumb in 1844; engaged Jenny Lind for 100 concerts in 1849, and realised a fortune, which he lost, started in 1871 with his huge travelling show, and realised another fortune, dying worth five million dollars (1810-1891).

BAROCCI, a celebrated Italian painter, imitator of the style of Caravaggio (1528-1612).

BARODA, a native state of Gujerat, in the prov. of Bombay, with a capital of the same name, the ruling chief being called the Gaekwar; the third city in the presidency, with Hindu temples and a considerable trade.

BAROMETER, an instrument for measuring the pressure of the air. It can be used for finding the height above sea-level by mountaineers and aviators; for small heights it falls at the rate of one inch for every 1000 ft. ascended. Normally air-pressure is sufficient to support 76 centimetres of mercury in the barometer tube.

BARON, BERNHARD, tobacco magnate and philanthropist. Starting life penniless in America, he emigrated to England at 16, made a fortune, which he largely devoted to hospitals, and died leaving £4,000,000 (1851-1929). His son, Sir Louis Baron, was created a baronet in 1930.

BARONIUS, CESAR, a great Catholic ecclesiastic, born near Naples, priest of the Congregation of the Oratory under its founder, and ultimately Superior, cardinal and librarian of the Vatican; his great work, "Annales Ecclesiastici," being a history of the first 12 centuries of the Church, written to prove that the Church of Rome was identical with the Church of the 1st century, a work of immense research that occupied him 30 years; failed of the popehood from the intrigues of the Spaniards, whose political schemes he had frustrated (1538-1607).

BARONS' WAR, a war in England of the barons

against Henry III., headed by Simon de Montfort, which lasted from 1258 to 1265.

BAROQUE, ornamentation of a florid, bold, lavish character, reflecting the spirit of the counter-Reformation, much in vogue from the 16th to the 18th centuries in Central Europe.

BAROTSE LAND, otherwise known as North-Western Rhodesia, in the Upper Zambezi, Central Africa; natives of Hantu stock.

BARRA, a small island, one of the Hebrides, 5 m. SW of S. Uist, the inhabitants of which are engaged in fisheries.

BAR-RACKPUR, a town on the Hooghly, 15 m. above Calcutta, where the lieutenant-governor of Bengal has a residence; a health resort of the Europeans; was the scene of the outbreak of the Indian Mutiny, in Jan. 1857.

BARRACUDA, a tropical fish of large size and predatory habits, resembling the mullet.

BARRAS, PAUL FRANÇOIS, a member of the Jacobin Club, born in Provence; voted in the National Convention for the execution of the king; took part in the siege of Toulon; put an end to the career of Robespierre and the Reign of Terror; named general-in-chief to oppose the reactionaries; employed Bonaparte to command the artillery; was a member of the Directory till Bonaparte swept it away (1756-1826).

BAR-RATRY, the offence of inciting and stirring up riots and quarrels among the king's subjects. Also a fraud by a ship captain on the owners of a ship.

BARRE, ISAAC, soldier and statesman, born in Dublin, served under Wolfe in Canada, entered Parliament, supported Pitt, charged with authorship of "Junius' Letters" (1720-1802).

BARREL MIRABEAU, Viscount de Mirabeau, brother of the great tribune of the name, so called from his bulk and the liquor he held.

BARRIE, SIR JAMES MATTHEW, a writer with a rich vein of humour and pathos, born at Kilmuir ("Thrunis"), in Forfarshire, began his literary career as a contributor to journals; author of "Auld Licht Idylls," "A Window in Thrunis," "The Little Minister," "Margaret Ogilvy," &c. As a dramatist, is the author of "Peter Pan," "Quality Street," "The Admirable Crichton," &c.; created a baronet in 1913 (1860-1906).

BARRIER REEF, THE GREAT, a slightly interrupted succession of coral reefs off the coast of Queensland, of 1200 m. extent, and 100 m. wide at the S., and growing narrower as they go N.; are from 7 to 20 m. off the coast, and protect the intermediate channel from the storms of the Pacific.

BARRIÈRE, JEAN FRANÇOIS, French historian of the Revolution (1786-1866).

BARRIÈRE, PIERRE, would be assassin of Henry IV. of France; broken on the wheel in 1593.

BARRIERS, BATTLE OF THE, a battle fought within the walls of Paris in 1814 between Napoleon and the Allies, which ended in the capitulation of the city and the abdication of Napoleon.

BARRINGTON, JOHN SHUTE, 1st Viscount, gained the favour of the Nonconformists by his "Rights of Dissenters," and an Irish peerage from George I. for his "Dissuasive from Jacobitism" (1678-1734).

BARROS, JOÃO DE, a distinguished Portuguese historian; his great work, "Asia Portuguesa," relates, in a pure and simple style, the discoveries and conquests of the Portuguese in the Indies; he did not live to complete it (1493-1570).

BARROT, ODILON, famous as an advocate, born at Villefort; contributed to the Revolutions of both 1830 and 1848; accepted office under Louis Napoleon; retired after the *coup d'état*, to return to office in 1872 (1791-1873).

BARROW, a river in Ireland rising in the Slieve-bloom Mts.; falls into Waterford harbour, after a course of 114 m.

BARROW, SIR JOHN, secretary to the Admiralty for 40 years, distinguished also as a man of letters; wrote the Lives of Macartney, Anson, Howe, and Peter the Great; one of the founders of the Royal Geographical Society (1764-1848).

BARROW-IN-FURNESS, a town and seaport in N. Lancashire, of rapid growth, when the discovery of extensive deposits of iron in the neighbourhood led

to the establishment of smelting works, large manufacture of steel, and a shipbuilding yard; the principal landowners in the district being the Dukes of Devonshire and Buccleuch.

BARRY, JAMES, painter, born in Cork; painted the "Death of General Wolfe"; became professor of Painting at the Royal Academy, but was deposed; died in poverty; his masterpiece is the "Victory at Olympia" (1741-1806).

BARRY, SIR CHARLES, architect, born at Westminster; architect of the Houses of Parliament at Westminster, besides other public buildings (1795-1860).

BARRY, SPENCER, Irish actor, who was the friend and, later, rival of David Garrick in London; most successful in emotional parts (1719-1777).

BARRY CORNWALL. See PROCTER.

BART, or BARTH, JEAN, a distinguished French seaman, born at Dunkirk, son of a fisherman, served under De Ruyter, entered the French service at 20, purchased a ship of two guns, was subsidised as a privateer, made numerous prizes; having had other ships placed under his command, was captured by the English, but escaped; defeated the Dutch admiral, De Vries, and captured his squadron laden with corn, for which he was ennobled by Louis XIV. (1650-1702).

BARTH, HEINRICH, a great African explorer, born at Hamburg; author of "Travels in the East and Discoveries in Central Africa," in five volumes (1821-1865).

BARTHELEMY, AUGUSTE MARSEILLE, a poet and politician, born at Marseille; author of "Nemesis," and the best French translation of the "Æneid," in verse; an enemy of the Bourbons, an ardent Imperialist, and warm supporter of Louis Napoleon (1798-1867).

BARTHELEMY, THE ABBÉ, JEAN JACQUES, a French historian and antiquary, born at Cassis, in Provence; educated by the Jesuits; had great skill in numismatics; wrote several archaeological works, in chief, "Voyage du Jeune Anacharsis en Grèce"; long treated as an authority in the history, manners, and customs of Greece (1716-1795).

BARTHELEMY SAINT-HILAIRE, JULES, a French baron and politician, born at Paris; an associate of Odilon Barrot in the Revolutions of 1830 and 1848, and subsequently a zealous supporter of M. Thiers; for a time professor of Greek and Roman Philosophy in the College of France; an Oriental as well as Greek scholar; translated the works of Aristotle, his greatest achievement, and the "Iliad" into verse, as well as wrote on the Vedas, Buddhism, and Mahomet (1803-1893).

BARTHEZ, PAUL JOSEPH, a celebrated physician, physiologist, and encyclopaedist, born at Montpellier, where he founded a medical school; suffered greatly during the Revolution; was much esteemed and honoured by Napoleon; is celebrated among physiologists as the advocate of what he called the Vital Principle as a physiological force in the functions of the human organism; his work "Nouveaux Elements de la Science de l'Homme" has been translated into all the languages of Europe (1734-1806).

BARTHOLDI, FREDÉRIC AUGUSTE, a French sculptor, born at Colmar; his principal works, "Lion de Belfort," and "Liberté éclairant le Monde," the largest bronze statue in the world, being 200 ft. high, presented by the French government to the U.S.A. to commemorate the centenary of the latter's independence, and erected at the entrance of New York harbour (1834-1904).

BARTHOLOMEW, ST., an apostle of Christ, and martyr; represented in art with a knife in one hand and his skin in the other; sometimes painted as being flayed alive, also as headless. Festival, Aug. 24.

BARTHOLOMEW FAIR, an annual market held at Smithfield, London, and instituted in 1133 by Henry I., to be kept on the saint's day; once the chief cloth fair in England, it was abolished in 1853, when it had ceased to be a market and became an occasion for mere dissipation and riot.

BARTHOLOMEW'S DAY, ST., Aug. 24, day in 1572 memorable for the wholesale massacre of the Pro-

testants in France at the instance of Catharine de Medic, then regent of the kingdom for her son, Charles IX., an event, cruelly gloried in by the Pope and the Spanish Court, which kindled a fire in the nation that was not quenched, although it extinguished Protestantism proper in France, till Charles was coerced to grant liberty of conscience throughout the realm.

BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL, ST., a hospital in Smithfield, London, founded in 1123, by Rahere, head of an adjoining priory; has a medical school attached to it, with which the names of a number of eminent physicians are associated.

BARTIZAN, an overhanging wall-mounted turret projecting from the walls of ancient fortifications.

BARTLETT, JOHN H., an American ethnologist and philologist, born at Rhode Island, U.S.; author of "Dictionary of Americanisms," among other works particularly on ethnology (1805-1886).

BARTOLI, PIETRO, Italian engraver, engraved a great number of ancient works of art (1636-1700).

BARTOLINI, LORENZO, a Florentine sculptor, patronised by Napoleon; produced a great number of busts (1777-1850).

BARTOLOMEO, FRA., a celebrated Florentine painter of sacred subjects, born at Florence; an adherent of Savonarola, friend of Raphael; "St. Mark" and "St. Sebastian" are among his best productions (1469-1517).

BARTOLOZZI, FRANCESCO, an eminent engraver, born at Florence; wrought at his art both in England and in Portugal, where he died; his chief works, "Clytie," after Annibale Carnacci, the "Prometheus," after Michael Angelo, and "Virgin and Child," after Carlo Dolce; he was the grandfather of Madame Vestris (1728-1813).

BARTON, BERNARD, the "Quaker poet," born in London; a clerk nearly all his days in a bank; his poems, mostly on homely subjects, but instinct with poetic feeling and fancy, gained him the friendship of Southey and Charles Lamb, as well as more substantial patronage in the shape of a government pension (1784-1849).

BARTON, ELIZABETH, "the Maid of Kent," a poor country servant-girl, born in Kent, subject from nervous debility to trances, in which she gave utterances ascribed by Archbishop Warham to divine inspiration, till her communications were taken advantage of by despoiling people, and she was led by them to pronounce sentence against the divorced Catharine of Aragon, which involved her and her abettors in a charge of treason, for which they were all executed at Tyburn (1506-1534).

BARUCH, (1) the friend of the prophet Jeremiah, and his scribe, who was cast with him into prison, and accompanied him into Egypt; (2) a book in the Apocrypha, instinct with the spirit of Hebrew prophecy, ascribed to him; (3) also a book entitled the Apocalypse of Baruch, affecting to predict the fall of Jerusalem, but obviously written after the event.

BARYE, ANTOINE LOUIS, a French sculptor, distinguished for his groups of statues of wild animals (1795-1875).

BASATTI, a Venetian painter of the 15th and 16th centuries, a rival of Bellini; his best works, "Christ in the Garden" and the "Ceiling of St. Peter and St. Andrew."

BASALT, a common basic rock formed from the solidification of volcanic lava.

BASEBALL, America's national summer sport, bearing a resemblance to both rounders and cricket. Played at fast pace with nine players a side, it abounds in thrills, and is watched by large crowds. High fees are paid for players, of whom the most famous has been "Babe" Ruth.

BASEL, in the NW. of Switzerland, on the Rhine, just before it enters Germany; has a cathedral, university, library, and museum; was a centre of influence in Reformation times, and the home for several years of Erasmus; it is now a great money market, and has manufactures of silks and chemicals; the people are Protestant and German-speaking.

BASEL, COUNCIL OF, met in 1431, and laboured for 12 years to effect the reformation of the Church from within. It effected some compromise with the Hussites, but was hampered at every step by

the opposition of Pope Eugenius IV. Asserting the authority of a general council over the pope himself, it cited him on two occasions to appear at its bar, on his refusal declared him contumacious, and ultimately endeavoured to suspend him. Failing to effect its purpose, owing to the secession of his supporters, it elected a rival pope, Felix V., who was, however, but scantily recognised. The Emperor Frederick III. supported Eugenius, and the council gradually melted away. At length, in 1449, the pope died, Felix resigned, and Nicholas V. was recognised by the whole Church. The decrees of the council were directed against the immorality of the clergy, the indecorousness of certain festivals, the papal prerogatives and exactions, and dealt with the election of popes and the procedure of the College of Cardinals. They were all confirmed by Nicholas V., but are not recognised by modern Roman canonists.

BASES, the name given to those chemical substances which react with an acid to give salt and water; the class includes the oxides and hydroxides of most of the metals, as well as some organic substances, e.g. the amines. Those bases which are soluble in water and turn red litmus blue are known as alkalis.

BASHAHR, a native hill state in the Punjab, traversed by the Sutlej; tributary to the British Government.

BA'SHAN, a fertile and pastoral district in NE. Palestine, of considerable extent, and at one time densely peopled; the men of it were remarkable for their stature.

BASHI-BAZOUKS', irregular, undisciplined troops in the pay of the Sultan; rendered themselves odious by their brutality in the Bulgarian atrocities of 1876, as well as, more or less, in the time of the Crimean war.

BASHKIRS, originally a Finnish nomad race of E. Russia, professing Mohammedanism; they number some 500,000.

BASIL, ST., THE GREAT, bishop of Caesarea, in Cappadocia, his birthplace; studied at Athens; had Julian the Apostate for a fellow-student; the lifelong friend of Gregory Nazianzen; founded a monastic body, whose rules are followed by different monastic communities; a conspicuous opponent of the Arian heresy, and defender of the Nicene Creed; tried in vain to unite the Churches of the East and West; is represented in Christian art in Greek pontificals, bearded, and with an enacelated appearance (326-380). There were several Basils of eminence in the history of the Church; Basil, bishop of Ancyra, who flourished in the 4th century; Basil, the mystic; and Basil, the friend of St. Ambrose.

BASIL I., the Macedonian, emperor of the East; though he had raised himself to the throne by a succession of crimes, governed wisely; supplied, with his son Leo, surname the Philosopher, a code of laws that were in force till the fall of the empire; fought successfully against the Saracens (867-886).

BASILICA, the code of laws, in 60 books, compiled by Basil I., and Leo, his son and successor, first published in 897, and named after the former.

BASILICA, a spacious hall, twice as long as broad, for public business and the administration of justice, originally open to the sky, but eventually covered in, and with the Judge's bench at the end opposite the entrance, in a circular apse added to it. They were first erected by the Romans, 180 B.C.; afterwards, on the adoption of Christianity, they were converted into churches, the altar being in the apse.

BASILICON DORON (i.e. Royal gift), a work written by James I. in 1599, before the union of the crowns, for the instruction of his son, Prince Henry, containing a defence of the royal prerogative.

BASILIDES, a Gnostic of Alexandria, flourished at the commencement of the 2nd century; appears to have taught the Oriental theory of emanations, to have construed the universe as made up of a series of worlds, some 365 it is alleged, each a degree lower than the preceding, till we come to our own world, the lowest and farthest off from the parent source of the series, of which the God of the Jews was the ruler; he regarded Jesus as having been sent into it direct from the parent source to redeem it from the

materialism to which the God of the Jews, as Creator and Lord of the material universe, had subjected it; which teaching a sect called after his name accepted and propagated in both the East and the West for more than two centuries afterwards.

BASILISK, an animal fabled to have been hatched by a toad from the egg of an old cock, before whose breath every living thing withered and died, and the glance of whose eye no bewitched one to his ruin that the bravest could confront and overcome it only by looking at the reflection of it in a mirror, as Perseus (*q.v.*) was advised to do, when he cut off the head of the Medusa; seeing itself in a mirror, it burst. It is said, at the sight.

BASKERVILLE, JOHN, a printer and typesetter, originally a writing-master in Birmingham; native of Slon Hill, Worcestershire; produced editions of classical works prized for their pre-eminent beauty by connoisseurs in the art of the printer, and all the more for their rarity (1706-1775).

BASNAGE, JACQUES, a celebrated Protestant divine, born at Rouen; distinguished as a linguist and man of affairs; wrote a "History of the Reformed Churches" and on "Jewish Antiquities" (1653-1725).

BASOCHE. See **BAZOCHE**.

BASQUE PROVINCES, a fertile and mineral district in N. of Spain, embracing the three provinces of Biscaya, Guipuzcoa, and Alava, of which the chief towns are respectively Bilbao, St. Sebastian, and Vittoria, the natives differ considerably from the rest of the Spaniards in race, language and customs. See **BASQUES**.

BASQUE ROADS, an anchorage between the Isle of Oleron and the mainland; famous for a British naval victory gained in 1809 over a French fleet under Vice-Admiral Allemand.

BASQUES, a people of the Western Pyrenees, partly in France and partly in Spain; distinguished from their neighbours only by their speech, which is non-Argan; a superstitious people, conservative, irascible, ardent, proud, serious in their religious convictions, and pure in their moral conduct.

BASRA, or **BASSORAH**, a town at the mouth of the Euphrates and Tigris, used as a base by the British forces in Mesopotamia in the Great War.

BAS-RELIEF (*i.e.* low relief), a term applied to figures very slightly projected from the ground; a design originated by the Egyptians and copied in India, Greece and Rome.

BASS ROCK, a steep basaltic rock at the mouth of the Firth of Forth, 350 ft. high, tenanted by solar geese; once used as a prison, especially in Covenanting times.

BASS STRAIT, strait between Australia and Tasmania, about 150 m. broad, named after George Bass, explorer, who accompanied Matthew Flinders on his voyage to Australia (1798).

BASSANO, the lover of Fortia in the "Merchant of Venice."

BASSANO, a town in Italy, on the Brenta, 30 m. N.W. of Padua; printing the chief industry.

BASSANO, or **JACOPO DA PONTE**, an eminent Italian painter, chiefly of country scenes, though the "Nativity" at his native town, Bassano, shows his ability in the treatment of higher themes (1510-1592).

BASSES-PYRENEES, a department in the south-west of France which forms the boundary with Spain; among the mountain peaks passes to the number of over twenty lead from one country to the other, including the Pass of Roncaveaux (Roncavalles) associated with Roland the paladin.

BASSOMPIERRE, FRANÇOIS DE, a marshal of France, born in Lorraine; entered military life under Henry IV., was a gallant soldier, and one of the most brilliant wits of his time, took part in the siege of Rochelle; incurred the displeasure of Richelieu; was imprisoned by his order twelve years in the Bastille; wrote his Memoirs there; was liberated on the death of Richelieu (1579-1646).

BASTIA, a town in NE. Corsica, the most commercial in the island, and once the capital, was founded by the Genoese in 1383, and taken by the French in 1553; exports wine, oil, fruits, &c.

BASTIAT, FREDERIC, an eminent political economist,

born at Bayonne; a disciple of Cobden; a great advocate of Free Trade; wrote on behalf of it and against Protection, "Sophismes Economiques"; a zealous anti-socialist (1801-1850).

BASTIDE, JULES, French Radical writer, born in Paris; took part in the Revolution of 1848, and later became Minister of Foreign Affairs (1800-1879).

BASTIEN-LEPAGE, JULES, an eminent French painter of pastoral scenes of the realistic school; also painted portraits of King Edward VII., when Prince of Wales, and Sarah Bernhardt (1848-1934).

BASTILLE (*the* the building), a State prison in Paris, built originally as a fortress of defence to the city, by order of Charles V., between 1369 and 1382, but used as a place of imprisonment from the first; a square structure, with towers and dungeons for the incarceration of the prisoners, the whole surrounded by a moat and accessible only by drawbridges; "tyranny's stronghold"; attacked by a mob on July 14, 1789, demolished, and the key of it sent to Washington; the taking of it was the first event in the Revolution. See Carlyle's "French Revolution" for the description of its fall.

BASUTOLAND, a fertile, healthy, grain-growing territory in S. Africa, SE. of the Orange Free State, under protection of the British crown, of the size of Belgium, yields great quantities of maize, the natives keep large herds of cattle.

BASUTOS, a S. African race of the same stock as the Kafirs, but superior to them in intelligence and industry; although under British protection they are ruled by their own chiefs and head men.

BATANGAS, a port in the island of Luzon, one of the Philippine Islands, which has a considerable trade.

BATAVIA, the capital of Java, on the N. coast, and of the Dutch possessions in the Eastern Archipelago; the emporium, with a large trade, of the Far East, with a very mixed population. Also the ancient name of Holland, *insula Batavorum*, it was called—that is, island of the Batavi, the name of the native tribes inhabiting it.

BATES, HARRY, famous sculptor, born at Stevenage; chief works, "Pandora" in the Tate Gallery, London, Queen Victoria statue at Dundee, and Lord Robert's statue at Calcutta (1850-1899).

BATES, HENRY WALTER, a naturalist and traveller, born at Leicester, friend of, and a fellow-labourer with, Alfred R. Wallace; author of "The Naturalist on the Amazons"; an advocate of the Darwinian theory, and author of contributions in defence of it (1825-1892).

BATES, THORPE, British actor-singer. After leaving the Royal Academy of Music he appeared on platforms throughout the country, turning in 1916 to the musical comedy stage (1883-).

BATH, the largest town in Somerset, on the Avon; a cathedral city; a place of fashionable resort from the time of the Romans, on account of its hot baths and mineral waters, of which there are six springs; it was from 1704 to 1750 the scene of Beau Nash's triumphs, has a number of educational and other institutions and a fine public park.

BATH, MAJOR, a gentleman in Fielding's "Amelia," who stoops from his dignity to the most menial duties when affection prompts him.

BATH, ORDER OF THE, an English order of knighthood, traceable to the reign of Henry IV., consisting of three classes: the first, Knights Grand Cross; the second, Knights Commanders, and the third, Companions, abbreviated respectively into G.C.B., K.C.B., and C.B.; initiation into the order originally preceded by immersion in a bath, whence the name, in token of the purity required of the members by the laws of chivalry. It was originally a military order, and it is only since 1847 that civil Knights, Knights Commanders, and Companions have been admitted. The first class, exclusive of royal personages and foreigners, is limited to 102 military and 28 civil; the second, to 102 military and 50 civil; and the third, to 525 military and 200 civil. The motto of the order is *Trius junctus in uno* (Three united in one), and the ribbon is crimson; Henry VII.'s chapel at Westminster is the chapel of the order, with the arms of the Knights on their stalls and their banners suspended over them.

BATHGATE, largest town in Linlithgowshire; a mining centre; the birthplace of Sir J. Simpson,

the distinguished physician, who was among the first to advocate the use of anaesthetics.

BATHILDA, ST., queen of France, wife of Clovis II., who governed France during the minority of her sons, Clovis III., Childeric II., and Thierry; died 680, in the monastery of Chelles.

BATH ORI, ELIZABETH, a Polish princess, a woman of infamous memory, caused some 650 young girls to be put to death, in order, by bathing in their blood, to renew her beauty; immersed in a fortress for life on the discovery of the crime, while her accomplices were burnt alive; d. 1614.

BATHSHEBA, a woman of great beauty, wife of Uriah the Hittite (2 Sam.), who afterwards became wife of David and the mother of Solomon.

BATHURST, the capital of British Gambia, at the mouth of the river Gambia, in Western Africa; inhabited chiefly by negroes; exports palm-oil, ivory and gold dust.

BATHURST, the principal town on the western slopes of New South Wales, second to Sydney, with gold mines in the neighbourhood, and in a fertile wheat-growing district.

BATHURST, a district in Ontario, on the Ottawa, a thriving place and an agricultural centre.

BATHYSTUS (i.e. living matter in the deep), substance of a slimy nature found at great sea depth, over-hastily presumed by Huxley to be organic, proved by recent investigation to be inorganic and of no avail to the evolutionist.

BATLEY, a manufacturing town in the W. Riding of Yorkshire, 8 m. SW. of Leeds; a centre of the textile trade.

BATN-EL-HAJAR, a stony tract in the Nubian Desert, near the third cataract of the Nile.

BATON-ROUGE, a city on the E. bank of the Mississippi, 130 m. above New Orleans, and capital of the state of Louisiana; originally a French settlement.

BATON-SINISTER, a bend-sinister like a marshal's baton, an indication of illegitimacy.

BATOUM, a town in Transcaucasia, on the E. of the Black Sea; a place of some antiquity; ceded by Turkey to Russia, and now a free port; has an excellent harbour, and is the terminus of the railway from Baku and Tiflis.

BATRACHOMYOMACHIA, a mock-heroic poem, "The Battle of the Frogs and Mice," falsely ascribed to Homer, more probably written by Pigras of Caria.

BATTAS, a Malay race, native to Sumatra, now much reduced in numbers and driven into the interior, where they still remain independent of Dutch rule.

BATTERSEA, a suburb of London, on the Surrey side of the Thames, opposite Chelsea, and connected with it by three bridges; with a park 185 acres in extent.

BATTERY, a chemical generator of electricity consisting of two metallic plates immersed in certain solutions. The chemical action taking place inside the cell causes a current to flow if the two plates are connected by a wire. The simplest battery consists of two plates, one copper, one zinc, dipping into dilute sulphuric acid; such a cell ceases to act after a time owing to bubbles of hydrogen collecting on the plate, and the batteries in general use contain some substance which will remove the hydrogen as it is formed, e.g. nitric acid or potassium bichromate. Dry-cell batteries in general use contain a paste of sal-ammoniac and manganese dioxide.

BATTHYÁNYI, COUNT LOUIS, a Hungarian patriot, who fought hard to see his country reinstated in its ancient administrative independence, but failed in his efforts; was arrested by the Austrians, tried for high treason by court-martial, and sentenced to be shot, to the horror, at the time, of the civilised world (1809-1849).

BATTLE, a market-town in Sussex, near Hastings, so called from the battle of Senlac, in which William the Conqueror defeated Harold in 1066. It is famous for its abbey, which is now a girls' school.

BATTLE OF THE SPURS, (1) an engagement at Courtrai in 1302 where the burghers of the town beat the knighthood of France, and the spurs of 4000 knights were collected after the battle; (2) an engagement at Guinegate, 1513, in which Henry VIII. made the French forces take to their spurs.

BATTUE, method of killing game after crowding them by cries and beating them towards the sportsmen.

BAUDELAIRE, CHARLES, French poet of the romantic school, born in Paris; distinguished among his contemporaries for his originality and his influence on others of his class; was a charming writer of prose as well as verse, as his "Petits Poèmes" in prose bear witness (1821-1867).

BAUDRICOURT, a French courtier whom Joan of Arc pressed to conduct her into the presence of Charles VII.

BAUDRY, PAUL, French painter, decorated the *four* of the Grand Opéra in Paris; is best known for his "Triumph of a Vestal Virgin" and the "Assassination of Marat" (1828-1880).

BAUER, BRUNO, a daring Biblical critic, and violent polemic on political as well as theological subjects; born at Saxe-Altenburg; regarded the Christian religion as overlaid and obscured by accretions foreign to it; denied the historical truth of the Gospels, and, like a true disciple of Hegel, ascribed the troubles of the 19th century to the overmastering influence of the "Enlightenment" or the "Aufklärung" that characterised the 18th (1800-1882).

BAUMGARTEN, ALEXANDER GOTTLIEB, professor of Philosophy at Frankfurt-on-the-Oder; disciple of Wolff; born at Berlin; the founder of Aesthetics as a department of philosophy, and inventor of the name (1714-1762).

BAUR, FERDINAND CHRISTIAN, head of the Tübingen school of rationalist divines, born near Stuttgart; distinguished by his scholarship and his labours in Biblical criticism and dogmatic theology; his dogmatic treatises were on the Christian Gospels, the Atonement, the Trinity, and the Incarnation, while his Biblical were on certain epistles of Paul and the canonical Gospels, which he regarded as the product of the 2nd century; regarded Christianity of the Church as Judaic in its origin, and Paul as distinctively the first apostle of pure Christianity (1792-1860).

BAUTZEN, a town of Saxony, an old town on the Sire, where Napoleon defeated the Prussians and Russians in 1813; manufactures cotton, linen, wool, tobacco and paper.

BAUXITE, a hydrated oxide of aluminium occurring as a mineral in most parts of the world and used in the manufacture of aluminium, alum and cement.

BAVARIA, next to Prussia the largest of the German States, about the size of Scotland, is separated by mountain ranges from Czechoslovakia on the E. and the Tyrol on the S.; Wurtemberg lies on the W., Prussia, Meiningen, and Saxony on the N. The country is a tableland crossed by mountains and lies chiefly on the basin of the Danube. It is a busy agricultural state, half the soil is tilled; the other half is uncultivated, planted with vineyards and forests. Salt, coal, and iron are widely distributed and wrought. The chief manufactures are beer, coarse linen, and woollen fabrics. There are universities at Munich, Würzburg, and Erlangen. Munich, on the Isar, is the capital. Nuremberg, where watches were invented, and Augsburg, a banking centre, the other chief towns. Formerly a dukedom, the palatinate, on the banks of the Rhine, was added to it in 1216. Napoleon I. raised the duke to the title of king in 1805. Bavaria fought on the side of Austria in 1806, but joined Prussia in 1870-1871. It is now a republic.

BAVIE'CA, the famous steed of the Cid, held sacred after the hero's death, and buried at Valencia.

BAVOU, ST., a soldier monk, the patron saint of Ghent.

BAKTER, RICHARD, an eminent Nonconformist divine, native of Shropshire, at first a conformist, and parish minister of Kidderminster for 19 years; sympathised with the Puritans, yet stopped short of going the full length with them; acted as chaplain to one of his regiments, and returned to Kidderminster; became, at the Restoration, one of the king's chaplains; driven out of the Church by the Act of Uniformity, was thrown into prison at 70, let out, spent the rest of his days in peace; his popular works, "The Saints' Everlasting Rest," and his "Call to the Unconverted" (1615-1691).

BAY CITY, place of trade, and of importance as a great railway centre in Michigan, U.S.; the third city in it.

BAYADERE, a dancing-girl in India, dressed in loose Eastern costume; of two classes, one attached to temples and associated with religious rites, the other (Nautch girls) travelling about the country.

BAYARD, a horse of remarkable swiftness belonging to the four sons of Aymon, which they sometimes rode all at once; also a horse of Amadis de Gaul, better known under the Italian form, Bayardo.

BAYARD, CHEVALIER DE, an illustrious French knight, born in the Château Bayard, near Grenoble; covered himself with glory in the wars of Charles VIII., Louis XII., and Francis I.; his bravery and generosity commanded the admiration of his enemies, and procured for him the thrice-honourable cognomen of "The Knight *sans peur et sans reproche*"; one of his most brilliant feats was his defence, single-handed, of the bridge over the Garigliano, in the face of a large body of Spaniards; was mortally wounded defending a pass at Abbiategrosso; fell with his face to the foe, who carried off his body, but restored it afterwards for due burial by his friends (1470-1524).

BAYEUX, an ancient Norman city in the dep. of Calvados, France; manufactures lace, hosiery, &c.; is a bishop's seat; has a very old (Gothic) cathedral of the 11th century.

BAYEUX TAPESTRY, representations in tapestry of events connected with the Norman invasion of England, commencing with Harold's visit to the Norman court, and ending with his death at the battle of Hastings; still preserved in the public library of Bayeux; is so called because originally found there; it is 214 ft. long by 20 in. wide, divided into 72 scenes, and contains a variety of figures. Whose work the tapestry was is unknown; its first historical mention was in an inventory of 1369; its later discovery due to Bernard de Montfaucon, who published reproductions in 1729-1733.

BAYLE, PIERRE, a native of Languedoc; first Protestant (as the son of a Calvinist minister), then Catholic, then sceptic; professor of Philosophy at Padua, then at Rotterdam, and finally retired to the Bourneville in the latter city; known chiefly as the author of the famous "Dictionnaire Historique et Critique," to the composition of which he consecrated his energies with a zeal worthy of a religious devotee, and which became the fountainhead of the sceptical philosophy that flooded France on the eve of the Revolution (1647-1700).

BAYLEN, a town in the province of Jaen, Spain, where General Castaños defeated Dupont, and compelled him to sign a capitulation, in 1808.

BAYLEY, SIR JOHN, a learned English judge; author of a standard work "On the Law of Bills of Exchange"; d. 1841.

BAYONNE, a fortified French town, trading and manufacturing, in the dep. of Basses-Pyrénées, at the confluence of the Adour and Nive, 4 m. from the Bay of Biscay; noted for its strong citadel, constructed by Vauban and one of his *chef-d'œuvre*, and its 12th-century cathedral church; it belonged to the English from 1152 to 1451.

BAZAINE, FRANÇOIS ACHILLE, a marshal of France, born at Versailles; distinguished himself in Algiers, the Crimea, and Mexico; did good service, as commander of the army of the Rhine, in the Franco-German war, but after the surrender at Sedan was shut up in Metz, surrounded by the Germans, and obliged to surrender, with all his generals, officers, and men; was tried by court-martial, and condemned to death, but was imprisoned instead; made good his escape one evening to Madrid, where he lived to write a justification of his conduct, the sale of the book being prohibited in France (1811-1888).

BAZARD, SAINT-AMAND, a French socialist, founder of the *Charbonnerie Française*; a zealous but unsuccessful propagator of St. Simonianism, in association with Enfantin (*q.v.*), from whom he at last separated (1791-1832).

BAZOCHE, a guild of clerks of the parliament of Paris, under a mock king, with the privilege of performing religious plays, which they abused.

BEACHES, RAISED, elevated lands, formerly sea beaches, the result of upheaval, or left high by the recession of the sea, their origin being shown by the shells found in them and the nature of the débris.

BEACHY HEAD, a chalk cliff in Sussex, 575 ft. high, projecting into the English Channel; famous for a naval engagement between the allied English and Dutch fleets and that of France, in which the latter was successful.

BEACONSFIELD, capital of the gold-mining district in Tasmania; also a town in Buckinghamshire, 10 m. N. of Windsor, from which Benjamin Disraeli took his title on his elevation to the peerage.

BEACONSFIELD, BENJAMIN DISRAELI, EARL OF, British politician and novelist, born in London; son of Isaac D'Israeli, littérateur, and thus of Jewish parentage; was baptized at the age of 12; educated under a Unitarian minister; studied law, but did not qualify for practice. His first novel, "Vivian Grey," appeared in 1826, and thereafter, whenever the business of politics left him leisure, he devoted it to fiction. "Contarini Fleming," "Coningsby," "Tancred," "Lothair," and "Endymion" are the most important of a brilliant and witty series, in which many prominent personages are represented and satirised under thin disguises. His endeavours to enter Parliament as a Radical failed twice in 1832; in 1835 he was unsuccessful again as a Tory. His first seat was for Malden in 1837; thereafter he represented Shrewsbury and Buckinghamshire. For 9 years he was a free-lance in the House, hating the Whigs, and after 1842 leading the Young England party; his onslaught on the Corn Law repeal policy of 1846 made him leader of the Tory Protectionists. He was for a short time Chancellor of the Exchequer under Lord Derby in 1852, and coolly abandoned Protection. Returning to power with his chief six years later, he introduced a Franchise Bill, the defeat of which threw out the Government. In office a third time in 1866, he carried a democratic Reform Bill, giving household suffrage in boroughs and extending the county franchise. Succeeding Lord Derby in 1868, he was forced to resign soon afterwards. In 1874 he entered his second premiership. Two years were devoted to home measures, among which were Russell's Shipping Act and the abolition of Scottish Church patronage. Then followed a slow foreign policy. The securing of the half of the Suez Canal shares for Britain; the proclamation of the Queen as Empress of India; the support of Constantinople against Russia, afterwards stultified by the Berlin Congress, which he himself attended; the annexation of Cyprus; the Afghan and Zulu wars, were its salient features. Defeated at the polls in 1880 he resigned, and died next year. A master of epigram and a brilliant debater, he really led his party. He was the opposite in all respects of his protagonist, Mr. Gladstone. Lacking in zeal, he was yet loyal to England, and a warm personal friend of the Queen (1804-1881).

BEALE, DOROTHEA, a pioneer in higher education for girls. In 1838 appointed first principal of the Ladies' College, Cheltenham, which she developed on new lines; her work served as a model for the many girls' high schools which followed (1831-1906).

BEAM TRANSMISSION, a system of wireless transmission whereby the waves sent out are confined to a beam in the direction of the receiving station, instead of being radiated equally in all directions.

BEAR, name given in the Stock Exchange to one who contracts to deliver stock at a fixed price on a certain day, in contradistinction from the *bull*, or he who contracts to take it, the interest of the former being that in the intervening time the stocks should fall and that of the latter that they should rise.

BEAR, GREAT. See **URSA MAJOR**.

BEARDSLEY, AUBREY VINCENT, a distinguished black-and-white artist with a high sense of the decorative; illustrated many notable volumes, including the "Morte d'Arthur," and was art editor of the "Yellow Book" (1872-1898).

BEARN, an ancient prov. of France, fell to the crown with the accession of Henry IV. in 1589; formed a great part of the dep. of Basses-Pyrénées; capital, Pau.

BEATIFICATION, religious honour allowed by the pope to certain who are not so eminent in sainthood as to entitle them to canonisation.

BEATON, or BETHUNE, DAVID, cardinal, archbishop of St. Andrews, and primate of the kingdom, born

in life; an adviser of James V., twice over ambassador to France; on the death of James secured to himself the chief power in Church and State as Lord High Chancellor and Papal Legate; opposed alliance with England; persecuted the Reformers; condemned the preacher, George Wishart, to the stake, witnessed his sufferings from a window of his castle in St. Andrews, and was assassinated within its walls shortly after; with his death ecclesiastical tyranny of that type came to an end in Scotland (1494-1546).

BEATON, JAMES, archbishop of Glasgow and St. Andrews, uncle of the preceding, a prominent figure in the reign of James V.; was partial to affiliation with France, and a persecutor of the Reformers; d. 1539.

BEATTIE, JAMES, a poet and essayist, born at Laurencekirk; became professor of Logic and Moral Philosophy at Marischal College, Aberdeen; wrote an "Essay on Truth" against Hume; his chief poem, "The Minstrel," a didactic piece, which traces the progress of poetic genius, admitted him to the Johnsonian circle in London, obtained for him the degree of LL.D. from Oxford, and brought him a pension of £200 per annum from the king; died at Aberdeen (1735-1803).

BEATRICE, a beautiful Florentine maiden of the family of Portinari, for whom Dante conceived an undying affection, and whose image abode with him to the end of his days. She is the heroine of his "Vita Nuova" and "Divina Commedia."

BEATTY, DAVID, EARL, Admiral of the Fleet; commanded the Battle Cruiser Squadron from 1912 to 1916, when he succeeded Lord Jellicoe as commander of the whole fleet after the Battle of Jutland. From 1919 to 1927 he was First Sea Lord; was raised to the peerage in 1919 and granted £100,000 by the nation (1871-).

BEAU BRUMMELL, George Bryan Brummell, a notable leader of fashion in the Regency; an intimate friend of George IV.; owing to losses in gambling died in poverty (1773-1840).

BEAU NASH, Richard Nash, a Welshman who superintended the social activities of Bath; died in beggary (1674-1761).

BEAU TIBBS, a character in Goldsmith's "Citizen of the World," noted for his finery, vanity and poverty.

BEAUGAIRE, a French town near Avignon, on the Rhône, which it spans with a magnificent bridge; once a great centre of trade, and famous, as it still is, for its annual fair, frequented by merchants from all parts of Europe.

BEAUCHAMP, ALPHONSE DE, a historian, born at Monaco; wrote the "Conquest of Peru" and a "History of Brazil" (1769-1832).

BEAUCLERE, Henry I. of England, so called from his superior learning.

BEAUCOURT, a village in the department of the Somme, France, on the River Ancre. It was the scene of British offensives in November, 1916, and August, 1918.

BEAUFORT, DUKE OF, grandson of Henry IV. of France; one of the chiefs of the Fronde; was surnamed Roi des Halles (King of the Market-folk); appointed admiral of France; did good execution against the pirates; passed into the service of Venice; was killed at the siege of Candia in 1669.

BEAUFORT, HENRY, cardinal, bishop of Winchester, son of John of Gaunt, learned in canon law, was several times chancellor; took a prominent part in all the political movements of the time, exerted an influence for good on the nation, lent immense sums to Henry V. and Henry VI., also left bequests for charitable uses, and founded the hospital of St. Cross at Winchester (1377-1447).

BEAUFORT, NAIS, ALEXANDRE, VICOMTE DE, born at Martinique, where he married a lady who afterwards, as wife of Napoleon, became the Empress Josephine; accepted and took part in the Revolution; was secretary of the National Assembly and its president when Louis XVI. fled from the capital; was convicted of treachery to the cause of the Revolution in the matter of the loss of Mayence, and put to death; as the father of Hortense, who married Louis, Napoleon's brother, he became grandfather of Napoleon III. (1760-1794).

BEAUFORT, EUGENE DE, son of the preceding

and of Josephine, born at Paris, step-son of Napoleon, therefore was made viceroy of Italy; took an active part in the wars of the empire; died at Munich, whither he retired after the fall of Napoleon (1781-1824).

BEAUFORT, HORTENSE EUGÉNIE, sister of the preceding, ex-queen of Holland; wife of Louis Bonaparte, an ill-starred union; mother of Napoleon III., the youngest of three sons (1783-1837).

BEAUMAR CHAIS, PIERRE AUGUSTIN CARON DE, a dramatist and translator of the most versatile, brilliant gifts, and French to the core, born in Paris, son of a watchmaker at Caen; ranks as a comic dramatist next to Molière; author of "Le Barbier de Séville" (1775), and "Le Mariage de Figaro" (1784), his masterpiece. He was a zealous supporter of the Revolution, and made sacrifices on its behalf, but narrowly escaped the guillotine; died in distress and poverty. He made a fortune by speculations in the American war, and lost by others, one of them being the preparation of a sumptuous edition of Voltaire (1732-1799).

BEAUMARIS, principal town in Anglesea, Wales, on the Menai Strait, near Bangor, a favourite watering-place, with remains of a castle erected by Edward I.

BEAUMONT, CRISTOPHE DE, archbishop of Paris, born at Perigord; spent his life in persecuting hysterical Jansenists and incredulous non-confessors; but scrupled to grant, though he felt would have granted, absolution on his deathbed to the disolute monarch of France, Louis XV.; issued a charge condemnatory of Rousseau's "Emile," which provoked a celebrated letter from Rousseau in reply (1703-1781).

BEAUMONT, FRANCIS, dramatic poet, born in Leicestershire, of a family of good standing; bred for the bar, but devoted to literature; was a friend of Ben Jonson; in conjunction with his friend Fletcher the composer of a number of plays, about the separate authorship of which there has been much discussion, but the dramatic power of which comes far short of that so conspicuous in the plays of their great rival Shakespeare, though it is said contemporary criticism gave them the preference; buried in Westminster Abbey (1584-1616).

BEAUMONT, JEAN BAPTISTE ELIE DE, French geologist, born in Calvados; became secretary to the Academy of Sciences; was joint-editor of a geological map of France. He had a theory of his own of the formation of the crust of the earth (1798-1874).

BEAUNE, a town in the department of Côte d'Or, France, famous for its burgundy wine.

BEAUREGARD, PIERRE GUSTAVE TOUTANT, American Confederate general, born at New Orleans; adopted the cause of the South, and fought in its behalf (1818-1893).

BEAUREPAIRE, a French officer, noted for his noble defence of Verdun against the Prussians; preferred death by suicide to the dishonour of surrender (1748-1792).

BEAUSOBRE, ISAAC, a Huguenot divine, born at Poitou, fled to Holland on the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, settled in Berlin, and became a notability in high quarters there; attracted the notice of the young Frederick, the Great that was to be; author of a "History of Manichæism," praised by Gibbon, and of other books famous in their day, including a translation of the New Testament (1659-1739).

BEAUTIFUL PARRICIDE, Beatrice Cenci (q.v.).
BEAUTY AND THE BEAST, the hero and heroine of a famous fairy tale. Beauty falls in love with a being like a monster, who has, however, the heart of a man, and she marries him, upon which he is instantly transformed into a prince of handsome presence and noble mien.

BEAUVAIS, capital of the dep. of Oise, in France, 34 m. S.W. of Amiens, an ancient town, noted for its cathedral, its tapestry-weaving, and the feat of Jeanne-Hachette and her female following when the town was besieged by Charles the Bold.

BEAUVAIS, a French prelate, born at Cherbourg, bishop of Senes, celebrated as a pulpit orator (1781-1790).

BEAUVILLIER, a statesman, patron of letters, to whom Louis XIV. committed the governorship of

his sons; died of a broken heart due to the shock the death of the dauphin gave him (1607-1687).

BEAVERBROOK, LORD (W. M. Aitken), newspaper proprietor. Son of a New Brunswick minister, he was active in the organisation of the Canadian forces in France. From 1910 to 1917 he was Conservative M.P. for Ashton, was knighted in 1911 and raised to the peerage in 1916. He acquired control of the *Daily Express* group of papers, and in 1918 served for a short time as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster (1879-).

BESEK BAY, a fashionable resort on the Bosphorus, near Constantinople, and at one time the site of a palace of the sultan.

BECCAFUMI, DOMENICO, Italian painter, distinguished also as a sculptor and a worker in mosaic (1486-1550).

BECCA'RIA, CÉSARE BONESANA, MARQUIS OF, an Italian publicist, author of a celebrated "Treatise on Crimes and Punishments," which has been widely translated and contributed much to lessen the severity of sentences in criminal cases. He was a utilitarian in philosophy and a disciple of Rousseau in politics (1735-1794).

BECHER, JOHANN JOACHIM, chemist, born at Spire, distinguished as a pioneer in the scientific study of chemistry; wrote "Physica Subterranea" and originated the Phlogiston Theory (*q.v.*) (1635-1682).

BECHUANALAND, an inland tract in S. Africa, extends from the Orange River to the Zambezi. The whole country is under British protection, that part which is S. of the river Moposi was made a crown colony in 1885. On a plateau 4000 ft. above sea-level, the climate is suited for British emigrants. The soil is fertile; extensive tracts are suitable for corn, sheep and cattle thrive; rains fall in summer. In winter there are frosts, sometimes snow. Gold is found near Sitalgohi and diamonds at Vryburg. The Bechuannas are the most advanced of the black races of S. Africa.

BECHUA NAB, a widespread S. African race, totipotent, rears of cattle, and growers of maize; are among the most intelligent of the Bantu peoples, and show considerable capacity for self-government.

BECKER, KARL, German philologist; bred to medicine, author of a German grammar (1775-1849).

BECKER, NICOLAUS, author of the "Wacht am Rhein," was an obscure lawyer's clerk, and unnoted for anything else (1810-1845).

BECKER, WILLIAM ADOLPHE, an archaeologist, born at Dresden, was professor at Leipzig, wrote books in reproductive representation of ancient Greek and Roman life; author of "Manual of Roman Antiquities" (1796-1846).

BECKET, ST. THOMAS A., archbishop of Canterbury, born in London, of Norman parentage; studied at Oxford and Bologna; entered the Church; was made Lord Chancellor; had a large and splendid retinue, but on becoming archbishop cast all pomp aside and became an ascetic, and devoted himself to the vigorous discharge of the duties of his high office; declared for the independence of the Church, and refused to sign the Constitutions of Clarendon (*q.v.*). King Henry II. grew restive under his assumption of authority, and got rid of him by the hands of four knights, who, to please the king, shed his blood on the steps of the altar of Canterbury Cathedral, for which outrage the king did penance four years afterwards at his tomb. The struggle was one affecting the relative rights of Church and king, and the chief combatants in the fray were both high-minded men, each inflexible in the assertion of his claims; he was canonised in 1173, his festival being the day of his martyrdom, Dec. 29. (1118-1170).

BECKFORD, WILLIAM, author of "Vathek," son of a rich alderman of London, who bequeathed him property to the value of £100,000 per annum; kept spending his fortune on extravagances and vagaries, is alleged to have written "Vathek," an Arabian tale, when a youth of twenty-two, at a sitting of three days and two nights, a work which established his reputation as one of the first of the imaginative writers of his country, but the story of its inception is now discredited. Although he wrote two volumes

of travels in Italy, his fame rests on his "Vathek" alone (1759-1844).

BECKX, PETER JOHN, general of the Jesuits, born in Belgium (1790-1887).

BECCQUEREL, ANTOINE CÉSAR, a French physicist; served as engineer in the French army in 1808-1814, but retired in 1815, devoting himself to science, and obtained high distinction in electro-chemistry, working with Ampère, Biot, and other eminent scientists (1788-1878).

BECCQUEREL, ANTOINE HENRI, grandson of the preceding. He discovered that uranium gives off rays which affect a photographic plate, and carried out researches on magnetism and phosphorescence. His work on radioactivity won him a Nobel Prize in 1903 (1852-1908).

BED OF JUSTICE, a formal session of the Parlement of Paris, under the presidency of the king, for the compulsory registration of the royal edicts, the last session being in 1787, under Louis XVI., at Versailles, whither the whole body, now "refractory, rolled out, in wheeled vehicles, to receive the order of the king."

BEDCHAMBER, LORDS or LADIES OF, officers or ladies of the royal household whose duty it is to wait upon the sovereign—the chief of the former called Groom of the Stole, and of the latter Mistress of the Robes.

BEDDOES, THOMAS LOVELL, born at Tilton, studied first in medicine, an enthusiastic student of science; a dramatic poet, author of "Bride's Tragedy," got into trouble for his radical opinions, his principal work, "Danti's Jest-Book, or the Fool's Tragedy," highly esteemed by Barry Cornwall (1803-1840).

BEDE, or BEDA, surnamed "The Venerable," an English monk and ecclesiastical historian, born at Monkwearmouth, in the abbey of which, together with that of Jarrow, he spent his life, devoted to quiet study and learning; his writings numerous and encyclopaedic, in the shape of commentaries, biographies, and scientific and philosophical treatises; his most important work, the "Ecclesiastical History" of England, written in Latin, and translated by Alfred the Great, completed a translation of St. John's Gospel the day he died. An old monk, it is said, wrote this epitaph over his grave, *Hic sunt in fossa Bede . . . ossa*. "In this pit are the bones . . . of Bede," and then fell asleep; but when he awoke he found some invisible hand had inserted *venerabilis* in the blank which he had failed to fill up, whence Bede's epithet, it is alleged.

BEDELL, WILLIAM, bishop of Kilmore and Ardagh, born in Essex, studied at Cambridge; superintended the translation of the Old Testament into Irish; though his virtues saved him and his family for a time from outrage by the rebels in 1641, he was imprisoned at the age of 70, and, though released, died soon after (1571-1642).

BEDFORD, a midland agricultural county of England, generally level, with some flat fen-land; also the county town, on the Great Ouse, with a fine park and excellent educational institutions, famous in connection with the life of John Bunyan, where relics of him are preserved, and where a bronze statue of him by Boehm was erected to his memory by the Duke of Bedford in 1871; manufactures agricultural implements, lace, and straw plaiting; Elstow, Bunyan's birthplace, is a mile distant.

BEDFORD, JOHN, DUKE OF, brother of Henry V., protector of the kingdom and regent of France during the minority of Henry VI., whom, on the death of the French king, he proclaimed king of France, taking up arms thereafter and fighting for a time victoriously on his behalf, till the enthusiasm created by Joan of Arc turned the tide against him and hastened his death, previous to which, however, though he prevailed over the dauphin and burnt Joan at the stake, his power had gone (1389-1435).

BEDFORD LEVEL, a flat marshy district, comprising part of six counties, to the S. and W. of the Wash, about 40 m. in extent each way, caused originally by incursions of the sea and the overflowing of rivers; received its name from the Earl of Bedford, who, in the 17th century, undertook to drain it.

BED IVERE, a knight of the Round Table; the last to be with King Arthur after the latter's final battle,

and the bearer of the magic sword Excalibur to the mere; immortalised in Malory's "Morte d'Arthur" and Tennyson's poem of the same name.

BEDLAM, a lunatic asylum in Lambeth, London, so named from the priory "Bethlehem" in Bishopsgate, first appropriated to the purpose, Bedlam being a corruption of the name Bethlehem. It was founded in 1247, transferred to Moorfields in 1676, and moved to Lambeth in 1816.

BEDMAR, MARQUIS DE, cardinal and bishop of Oviedo, and a Spanish diplomatist, notorious for a part he played in a daring conspiracy in 1618 aimed at the destruction of Venice, but which, being betrayed, was defeated, for concern in which several people were executed, though the arch-delinquent got off; he is the subject of Otway's "Venice Preserved"; it was after this that he was made cardinal, and governor of the Netherlands, where he was detested and obliged to retire (1572-1655).

BEDOUINS, Arabs who lead a nomadic life in the desert and subsist by the pasture of cattle and the rearing of horses, the one element that binds them into a unity being community of language, the Arabic namely, which they all speak with great purity and without variation of dialect; they are generally of small stature, of wiry constitution, and dark complexion, and are divided into tribes, each under an independent chief.

BEE, THE, a periodical started by Goldsmith, in which some of his best essays appeared, as well as his "Citizen of the World".

BEECHAM, SIR THOMAS, British conductor and composer. Educated at Russell and Oxford, he came to the fore in 1910 through the Covent Garden opera season, and founded in 1915 the Albert Hall Promenade. Associated with the London Symphony Orchestra, the Royal Philharmonic Society, and the British Broadcasting Company, he strove to popularise opera (1879-).

BEECHER, HENRY WARD, a celebrated American preacher, born at Litchfield, Connecticut, pastor of a large Congregational church, Brooklyn, a vigorous thinker and eloquent orator, a liberal man both in theology and politics, wrote "Life Thoughts"; denied the eternity of punishment, considered a great heresy by some then, and his opinions led to his secession from the Congregational body (1813-1887).

BEECHER STOWE, HARRIET ELIZABETH, sister of the above, authoress of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Born at Litchfield, Connecticut, U.S.A., married Professor C. E. Stowe in 1832 (1812-1895).

BEECHY, REAR-ADMIRAL, born in London, son of the following; accompanied Franklin in 1818 and Parry in 1819 to the Arctic regions; commanded the *Blossom* in the third expedition of 1825-1828 to the same regions; published "Voyage of Discovery towards the North Pole", has given his name to Beechy Island in the Arctic Archipelago (1706-1856).

BEECHY, SIR WILLIAM, portrait-painter, born in Oxfordshire, among his portraits were those of Lord Nelson, John Kemble and Mrs. Siddons (1753-1830).

BEECHING, JAMES, of Great Yarmouth; from his desk, which won the Duke of Northumberland's prize of 100 guineas in 1851, was built the first self-righting lifeboat, taken as a model for the boats of the National Lifeboat Institution (1788-1859).

BEEFEATERS, yeomen of the royal guard, whose institution dates from the reign of Henry VII. and whose office it is to wait upon royalty on high occasions; the name is also given to the wardens of the Tower, though they are a separate body and of more recent origin; the name simply means (royal) dependant, a corruption of the French word *buffetier*, one who attends the sideboard.

BEEHIVE HOUSES, small stone structures, of ancient date, remains of which are found sometimes in clusters in Ireland and the W. of Scotland, with a conical roof formed of stones overlapping one another, undressed and without mortar, some of them appear to have been monks' cells.

BEEL-ZEBUB, the god of flies, protector against them, worshipped by the Phoenicians; being a heathen deity, transformed by the Jews into a chief of the devils, sometimes identified with Satan,

and sometimes his aide-de-camp, as in Milton's "Paradise Lost."

BEERBOHM, MAX, caricaturist and author. Educated at Charterhouse and Oxford, he first became prominent as a writer and later as a caricaturist. Socialists and modern art enthusiasts forming many of his subjects (1872-).

BEERBOHM TREE, SIR HERBERT, born in London, son of a grain merchant; his first appearance was as the timid curate in the "Private Secretary," and then as the spy Macari in "Called Back"; had many notable successes, mainly in Shakespearean revivals (1852-1917).

BEER-SHEBA, a village in the S. of Canaan, and the most southerly, 27 m. from Hebron; associated with Dan, in the N., to denote the limit of the land and what lies between; lies in a pastoral country abounding in wells, and is frequently mentioned in patriarchal history; means "the Well of the Oath."

BEESEING, a gauze-like film which forms on the sides of a bottle of good port.

BEEET SUGAR, a sugar, similar to cane sugar, extracted from beets. Its production was first shown to be practicable by Maschaf in 1749. About half of the world's supply of sugar is now produced from beets. The production of beet sugar on a large scale has been carried out for many years in the U.S.A., Germany, and elsewhere, and efforts have been made in recent years to stimulate the industry in Great Britain, with this end in view a Government subsidy was granted after the Great War.

BEETHOVEN, LUDWIG VON, one of the greatest musical composers, born in Bonn, of Dutch extraction; the author of symphonies and sonatas that are known over all the world; showed early a most precocious genius for music, commenced his education at five as a musician, trained at first by a companion named Pfeiffer, to whom he confessed he owed more than all his teachers, trained at length under the tuition of the most illustrious of his predecessors, Bach and Handel, revealed wonderful musical talent; quitted Bonn and settled in Vienna; attracted the attention of Mozart; at the age of 40 was attacked with deafness that became total and lasted for life; continued to compose despite his affliction, to the admiration of thousands, during his last days was a prey to melancholy; died during a thunderstorm (1770-1827).

BEETS, NICOLAS, a Dutch theologian, poet, and author of stories of Dutch life, born at Haarlem, came, as a poet, under the influence of Byronism (1814-1903).

BEFA'NA, an Indian female Santa Claus, who on Twelfth Night, as the stockings of good children with good things and those of bad with ashes.

BEGHARDS, a religious order that arose in Belgium in the 13th century, connected with the Beguines, a mystic and socialist sect.

BEGUINES, a sisterhood confined now to France and Germany, who, without taking any monastic vow, devote themselves to works of piety and benevolence.

BEGUM, the Hindustani name given in the E. Indies to a princess, mother, sister, or wife of a native ruler.

BEHM, MARTIN, a photographer and cartographer, born in Nuremberg; accompanied Diego Cam on a voyage of discovery along W. coast of Africa, constructed and left behind him a famous terrestrial globe, some would make him out to be the discoverer of America (1459-1506).

BEHAR, a province of Bengal, in the valley of the Ganges, which divides it into two; densely peopled; cradle of Buddhism.

BEHE MOTH, a large animal mentioned in Job, understood to be the hippopotamus.

BEHISTUN, a mountain in Iraq, on which there are rocks covered with cuneiform inscriptions, the principal relating to Darius Hystaspes, of date about 515 B.C., bearing on his genealogy, domains, and victories.

BEHN, AFRA, a licentious writer, born in Kent, for whom, for her free and easy ways, Charles II. took a liking; sent by him as a spy to Holland, and instrumental in discovering the intention of the Dutch to burn the shipping in the Thames. She wrote plays and novels (1640-1689).

BEHRING STRAIT, a strait about 50 m. wide between Asia and N. America, which connects the Arctic Ocean with the Pacific; discovered by the Danish navigator Vitus Behring in 1728, sent out on a voyage of discovery by Peter the Great.

BEIRA, (1) a central province of Portugal, mountainous and pastoral; gives title to the heir-apparent to the Portuguese throne; (2) a seaport town in Portuguese East Africa, connected by rail with Moshonaland.

BEKE, DR., traveller, born in London; travelled in Abyssinia and Palestine, author of "Origines Biblicæ" and researches into primeval history as shown not to be in keeping with the orthodox belief (1800-1874).

BEEKER, IMMANUEL, philologist, born in Berlin, and professor in Halle, classical textual critic; issued recensions of the Greek and Latin classics (1785-1871).

BEL AND THE DRAGON, HISTORY OF, one of the books of the Apocrypha, a spurious addition to the book of Daniel, relates how David persuaded Cyrus of the vanity of idol-worship, and is intended to show its absurdity.

BELA I., king of Hungary from 1060 to 1083; an able ruler; introduced a great many measures for the permanent benefit of the country, affecting both religion and social organisation.

BELA IV., king of Hungary, son of Andreas II., who had in 1222 been compelled to sign the Golden Bull, the *Magna Charta* of Hungarian liberty; faithfully respected the provisions of this charter, and incurred the enmity of the nobles by his strenuous efforts to subdue them to the royal power; reigned 1235-1241.

BELCH, SIR TOBY, a reckless, jolly, swaggering character in "Twelfth Night."

BELCHER, SIR EDWARD, admiral, was engaged in several exploring and surveying expeditions; sailed round the world, and took part in the operations in China (1799-1877).

BELFAST, capital and seat of the Parliament of Northern Ireland, and county town of Antrim, stands on the Lagan, at the head of Belfast Lough, 100 m. N. of Dublin; is a bright and pleasant city, with some fine streets and handsome buildings, Presbyterian, Catholic, and Methodist colleges. It is the centre of the Irish linen and cotton manufactures, the most important shipbuilding centre, and has also rope-making, whiskey, and aerated-water industries. It is the headquarters of Presbyterianism in Ireland.

BELFORT, a fortified town in dep. of Haut-Rhin, and its capital, 35 m. W. by N. of Basel, capitulated to the Germans in 1871; restored to France; its fortifications now greatly strengthened. The Citadel was by Vauban.

BELGE, Cesar's name for the tribes of the Celtic family in Gaul N. of the Seine and Marne; mistakenly rated as Germans by Cesar.

BELGIUM, a small European State bordering on the North Sea, with Holland to the N., France to the S., and Rhenish Prussia and Luxembourg on the E.; is less than a third the size of Ireland, but it is the most densely populated country on the Continent. The people are of mixed stock, comprising Flemings, of Teutonic origin; Walloons, of Celtic origin; Germans, Dutch, and French. Roman Catholicism is the predominant religion. Education is excellent; there are universities at Ghent, Liège, Brussels and Louvain. French is the language of educated circles and of the State; but the prevalence of dialects hinders the growth of a national literature. The land is low and level and fertile in the N. and W., undulating in the middle, rocky and hilly in the S. and E. The Meuse and Scheldt are the chief rivers, the basin of the latter embracing most of the country. Climate is similar to the English, with greater extremes. Rye, wheat, oats, beet and flax are the principal crops. Agriculture is the most painstaking and productive of the world. The hilly country is rich in coal, iron, zinc and lead. After mining, the chief industries are textile manufactures and making of machinery; the former at Antwerp, Ghent, Brussels and Liège; the latter at Liège, Mons and Charleroi. The trade is enormous; France, Germany, and Britain are the best customers. Exports are coal to France; farm products, eggs, &c.

to England; and raw material imported from across seas, to France and the basin of the Rhine. It is a small country of large cities. The capital is Brussels, in the centre of the kingdom, but communicating with the ocean by a ship canal. The railways, canals, and river navigation are very highly developed. The government is a limited monarchy; the king, senate, and house of representatives form the constitution. There is a conscript army of 50,000 men, but no navy. Transferred from Spain to Austria in 1713, Belgium was under French sway from 1794 till 1814, when it was united with Holland, but established its independence in 1830. Was invaded by Germany in 1914, in defiance of the guarantee of neutrality, and was the scene of the opening battles of the Great War.

BELGRADE, the capital of Jugo-Slavia, on the confluence of the Save and Danube; a fortified city in an important strategical position, and the scene of many conflicts; a commercial centre; once Turkish in appearance, now becoming more European.

BELGRA VIA, a fashionable quarter in the southern part of the West End of London.

BELLAL, properly a good-for-nothing, a child of worthlessness; an incarnation of iniquity and son of perdition, and the name in the Bible for the children of such.

BELINDA, the heroine in Pope's "Rape of the Lock"; in real life Arabella Fernor, from whose head Lord Petre cut a lock of hair.

BELISA RIUS, a general under the Emperor Justinian, born in Illyria, defeated the Persians, the Vandals, and the Ostrogoths; was falsely accused of conspiracy, but acquitted, and restored to his dignities by the emperor; another tradition, now entirely discredited, alleges that for the crimes charged against him he had his eyes put out, and was reduced to beggary (505-565).

BELIZE, British Honduras, a fertile district, and its capital; exports mahogany, rosewood, sugar and indiarubber.

BELL, ALEXANDER GRAHAM, inventor. Born in Edinburgh, he emigrated to America and became professor of physiology at Boston. He invented the telephone and photophone and devised improvements in connection with the phonograph (1847-1922).

BELL, ANDREW, noted educationist, born at St. Andrews; founder of the monitorial system of education, which he had adopted, for want of qualified assistants, when in India as superintendent of an orphanage in Madras, so that his system was called "the Madras system"; returned from India with a large fortune, added to it by lucrative preferments, and bequeathed a large portion of it, some £120,000, for the endowment of education in Scotland and the establishment of schools, such as the Madras College in his native city (1753-1832).

BELL, BESSY, and MARY GRAY, the "two bonnie lassies" of a Scottish ballad, daughters of two Perthshire gentlemen, who in 1666 built themselves a bower in a spot retired from a plague then raging; supplied with food by a lad in love with both of them, who caught the plague and gave it to them, of which they all sickened and died.

BELL, BOOK, AND CANDLE, a ceremony at one time attending the greater excommunication in the Romish Church, when after sentence was read from the "book," a "bell" was rung, and the "candle" extinguished.

BELL, SIR CHARLES, Scottish surgeon and anatomist, carried out research on the nervous system. He was the first to make clear the distinction between the motor and sensory nerves, publishing his discoveries in "The Anatomy of the Brain" and "The Nervous System" (1774-1842).

BELL, HENRY, bred a millwright, born in Linlithgowshire; the first who applied steam to navigation in Europe, demonstrating it in a small steamboat called the *Comet*, driven by a three horse-power engine (1767-1830).

BELL, HENRY GLASSFORD, born in Glasgow, a lawyer and literary man, sheriff of Lanarkshire; wrote a vindication of Mary, Queen of Scots, and some volumes of poetry (1803-1874).

BELL, JOHN, sculptor; executed the Guards'

Memorial in Waterloo Place, London, the Wellington monument at the Guildhall, and other notable works; was prominent in the establishing of the South Kensington Museum (1811-1895).

BELL, PETER, Wordsworth's simple rustic, to whom the primrose was but a yellow flower and nothing more.

BELL, ROBERT, journalist and miscellaneous writer, born at Cork; edited "British Poets, from Chaucer to Cowper," his best-known work, which he annotated, and accompanied with careful memoirs of each (1800-1867).

BELL, THOMAS, a naturalist, born at Poole; professor of Zoology in King's College, London; author of "British Quadrupeds," "British Reptiles," and "British Stalk-eyed Crustacea," and editor of "White's Natural History of Selborne" (1792-1880).

BELL ROCK, or INCHCAPE ROCK, a dangerous reef of sandstone rocks in the North Sea, 12 m. NE. of Arbroath, on which a lighthouse 120 ft. high was erected in 1807-1810; so called from a bell rung by the sway of the waves, which the abbot of Arbroath erected on it at one time as a warning to seamen; celebrated in a ballad by Southey.

BELL-THE-CAT, Archibald Douglas, 5th Earl of Angus, so called from his offer to dispose by main force of an obnoxious favourite of the king, James III.

BELLA, STEPHANO DELLA, a Florentine engraver of great merit; engraved over 1000 plates; was patronised by Richelieu in France, and the Medici in Florence (1610-1664).

BELLAMY, EDWARD, American author and socialist; wrote "Looking Backward" in 1888, a prevision of social conditions in the year 2000 (1850-1898).

BELLAMY, JACOB, a Dutch poet, born at Flushing; his poems highly esteemed by his countrymen (1757-1786).

BELLANGE, a celebrated painter of battle-pieces, born at Paris (1800-1860).

BELLARMIN, ROBERT, cardinal, born in Tuscany; a learned Jesuit, controversial theologian and in his writings, which are numerous, a valiant defender at all points of Roman Catholic dogma; the greatest champion of the Church in his time, and regarded as such by the Protestant theologians; he was at once a learned man and a doughty polemic (1542-1621).

BELLAY, JOACHIM DU, French poet; author of sonnets entitled "Regrets," full of vigour and poetry; wrote the "Antiquités de Rome," was called the Apollo of the Pléiade, the best poet and the best prose-writer among them (1524-1500).

BELLE-ISLE, a fortified island on the W. coast of France, near which Sir Edward Hawke gained a brilliant naval victory over the French, under Marshal Conflans, in 1759.

BELLEISLE, CHARLES LOUIS AUGUSTE FOUQUET, COUNT OF, marshal of France; distinguished in the war of the Spanish Succession; an ambitious man, mainly to blame for the Austrian Succession war; had grand schemes in his head, no less than the supremacy of France in Europe and the world, expounded them to Frederick the Great; concluded a fast and loose treaty with him, which, nevertheless, was binding to neither party; found himself blocked upon Prague with his forces; had to force his way out and retreat, but it was a retreat, the French boast, comparable only with the retreat of the Ten Thousand; was made War Minister after, and wrought important reforms in the army (1684-1761). See Carlyle's "Frederick" for a graphic account of him and his schemes, especially in *HK. xii. chap. ix.*

BELLENDEN, JOHN, of Moray, a Scottish writer in the 16th century; translated from the Latin, at the request of James V., Hector Boece's "History of Scotland" and the first five books of Livy, which remain the earliest extant specimens of Scottish prose, for the execution of which he was well rewarded, being made archdeacon of Moray; after the Reformation he died in exile in Italy (1508-1560).

BELLENDEN, WILLIAM, a Scottish writer, distinguished for diplomatic services to Queen Mary, and for the purity of his Latin composition; a

professor of belles-lettres in Paris University (1555-1633).

BELLEROPHON, a mythical hero, son of Glaucus and grandson of Sisyphus; having unwittingly caused the death of his brother, withdrew from his country and sought retreat with Preteus, king of Argos, who, becoming jealous of his guest, but not willing to violate the laws of hospitality, had him sent to Iobates, his son-in-law, king of Lycia, with instructions to put him to death. Iobates, in consequence, imposed upon him the task of slaying the Chimæra, persuaded that this monster would be the death of him. Bellerophon, mounted on Pegasus, the winged horse given him by Pallas, slew the monster, and on his return received the daughter of Iobates to wife.

BELLEROPHON, the ship on which Napoleon was conveyed to St. Helena.

BELLES-LETTRES, that department of literature which implies literary culture and belongs to the domain of art, whatever the subject may be or the special form; it includes poetry, the drama, fiction and criticism.

BELLEVILLE, a low suburb of Paris, included in it since 1860; the scene of one of the outrages of the Communists.

BELLARD, COMTE DE, a French general and diplomatist; fought in most of the Napoleonic wars, but served under the Bourbons on Napoleon's abdication; was serviceable to Louis Philippe in Belgium by his diplomacy (1769-1832).

BELLINI, the name of an illustrious family of Venetian painters.

BELLINI, GENTILE, the son of Jacopo Bellini, was distinguished as a portrait-painter; decorated with his brother the council-chamber of the ducal palace; his finest picture the "Preaching of St. Mark" (1421-1508).

BELLINI, GIOVANNI, brother of the preceding, produced a great many works; the subjects religious, all nobly treated; had Glorione and Tiddi for pupils; among his best works, the "Circumlocution," "Feast of the Gods," "Blood of the Redeemer," did much to promote painting in oil (1428-1516).

BELLINI, JACOPO, a painter from Florence who settled in Venice, the father and founder of the family; *d. 1470.*

BELLINI, VINCENZO, a musical composer, born at Catania, Sicily; his works operas, more distinguished for their melody than their dramatic power; the best are "Il Pirati," "La Sonnambula," "Norma," and "I Puritani" (1802-1835).

BELLMANN, the poet of Sweden, a man of true genius, called the "Astræon of Sweden," patronised by Gustavus Adolphus (1741-1795).

BELLOC, JEAN PIERRE HILAIRE, British author, with G. K. Chesterton a champion of the Catholic position. His best-known book is "The Path to Rome," and he has written several volumes of essays and novels satirising political life, of which he had four years' taste as M.P., from 1906 to 1910, as a Liberal (1870-).

BELLO'NA, the goddess of fury in war among the Romans, related by the poets to Mars as sister, wife, or daughter; inspirer of the war-spirit, and represented as armed with a bloody scourge in one hand and a torch in the other.

BELLOT, JOSEPH RENÉ, a naval officer, born in Paris, distinguished in the expedition of 1845 to Madagascar, and one of those who went in quest of Sir John Franklin; drowned while crossing the ice. Bellot Strait in the Arctic is named after him (1820-1853).

BELLOY, PIERRE LAURENT BUIRETTE DE, a French poet, born at St. Flour; author of "Le Siège de Calais" and numerous other dramatic works (1727-1775).

BELON, PIERRE, a French naturalist, one of the founders of natural history, and one of the precursors of Cuvier; wrote in different departments of natural history, the chief, "Natural History of Birds"; murdered by robbers while gathering plants in the Bois de Boulogne (1518-1564).

BEL'PIEGOR, a Moabitte deity whose rites were of an obscene character.

BELPHEBE (i.e. Beautiful Diana), a huntress in the "Fæerie Queene," the impersonation of Queen

Elizabeth, conceived of, however, as a pure, high-spirited maiden rather than a queen.

BELSHAM, THOMAS, a Unitarian divine, originally Calvinist, born at Bedford; successor to the celebrated Priestley at Hackney, London; wrote an elementary work on psychology (1750-1820).

BELSHAZZAR, the last Chaldean king of Babylon, slain, according to the Scripture account, at the capture of the city by Cyrus in 538 B.C.

BELT, GREAT and LITTLE, gateways of the Baltic: the Great between Zealand and Funen, 15 m. broad; the Little between Funen and Jutland, half as broad; both 70 m. long, the former of great depth.

BELT OF CALMS, the region in the Atlantic and Pacific, 4° or 5° latitude broad, where the trade-winds meet and neutralise each other, in which, however, torrents of rain and thunderstorms occur almost daily.

BELTANE, or BELTEIN, an ancient Celtic festival connected with the sun-worship, and supposed to have marked the beginning of summer, observed about May 1, during which time fires were kindled on the tops of hills and various ceremonies gone through. In early days human sacrifices attended the festival.

BELUCHISTAN, a desert plateau lying between Persia and India, Afghanistan and the Arabian Sea; is crossed by many mountain ranges, the Suliman, in the N., rising to 12,000 ft. Rivers in the NE. are subject to great floods. The centre and W. is a sandy desert exposed to bitter winds in winter and sandstorms in summer. Fierce extremes of temperature prevail. There are few cattle, but sheep are numerous; the camel is the draught animal. Where there is water the soil is fertile, and crops of rice, cotton, indigo, sugar, and tobacco are raised; in the higher parts wheat, maize, and pulse. Both precious and useful metals are found; petroleum wells were discovered in the N. in 1887. The population comprises Beluchis, robber nomads of Arran stock, in the E. and W., and Mongolian Brakhs in the centre. All are Mohammedan. Kelat is the capital; its position commands all the caravan routes. Quetta, in the N., is a British stronghold and health resort. The Khan of Kelat is the ruler of the country and a vassal of the Crown.

BELUS, another name for Baal (*q.v.*), or the legendary god of Assyria and Chaldean.

BELVEDERE, name given to a gallery of the Vatican at Rome, especially that containing the famous statue of Apollo, and applied to any room or gallery commanding a fine view.

BELZO NI, GIOVANNI BATTISTA, a famous traveller and explorer in Egypt, born at Padua, of poor parents; a man of great stature; figured as an athlete in Astley's Circus, London, and elsewhere, first of all in London streets; applied himself to the study of mechanics; visited Egypt as a mechanic and engineer at the instance of Mehmet Ali; commenced explorations among its antiquities, sent to the British Museum trophies of his achievements; published a narrative of his operations; opened an exhibition of his collection of antiquities in London and Paris; undertook a journey to Timbuctoo, was attacked with dysentery, and died at Gato (1778-1823).

BEM, JOSEPH, a Polish general, born in Galicia; served in the French army against Russia in 1812; took part in the insurrection of 1830; joined the Hungarians in 1848; gained several successes against Austria and Russia, but was defeated at Temesvár; turned Mussulman, and was made pasha; died at Aleppo, where he had gone to suppress an Arab insurrection (1795-1850).

BEMBA, a lake in Africa, the highest feeder of the Congo, of an oval shape, 150 m. long and over 70 m. broad, 3000 ft. above the sea-level; known also as Lake Bangweilo; discovered by Livingstone in 1868.

BEMBO, PIETRO, cardinal, an erudite man of letters and patron of literature and the arts, born at Venice; secretary to Pope Leo X.; historiographer of Venice, and librarian of St. Mark's; made cardinal by Paul III., and bishop of Bergamo; a fastidious stylist and a stickler for purity in language (1470-1547).

BEN, Gaelic for mountain, occurring elsewhere in Great Britain in the Cymric form "pen."

BEN LAWERS, a mountain in Perthshire, 3084 ft. high, on the W. of Loch Tay.

BEN LEDI, a mountain in Perthshire, 2873 ft. high, 44 m. NW. of Callander.

BEN LOMOND, a mountain in Stirlingshire, 3192 ft. high, on the E. of Loch Lomond.

BEN NEVIS, the highest mountain in Great Britain, in SW. Inverness-shire, 4406 ft. high, a sheer precipice on the NE. 1500 ft. high, and with an observatory on the summit supported by the Scottish Meteorological Society.

BEN RHYDDING, a village in the West Riding of Yorkshire, 15 m. NW. of Leeds, with a thoroughly equipped hydropathic establishment, once much resorted to.

BENARES, the most sacred city of the Hindus, and an important town in the NW. Provinces; is on the Ganges, 420 m. by rail NW. of Calcutta. It presents an amazing array of 1700 temples and mosques, with towers and domes and minarets innumerable. The bank of the river is laid with continuous flights of steps whence the pilgrims bathe; but the city itself is narrow, crooked, crowded, and dirty. Many thousand pilgrims visit it annually. It is a seat of Hindu learning; there is also a government college. The river is spanned here by a magnificent railway bridge. There is a large trade in country produce, English goods, jewellery, and gems; while its brasswork, "Benares ware," is famous.

BENBOW, JOHN, admiral, born at Shrewsbury; distinguished himself in an action with a Barbary pirate; rose rapidly to the highest rank in the navy; gained fame in an engagement with a French fleet in the W. Indies, in which he lost a leg, and at this crisis some of his captains disobeyed orders and the enemy escaped. The captains were tried by court-martial, and two of them shot; the wound he received and his vexation caused his death (1657-1721).

BENCOOLEN, a town and a Dutch residency in SW. of Sumatra; exports pepper and camphor.

BENDER, a town in Bessarabia, remarkable for the siege which Charles XII. of Sweden sustained there after his defeat at Pultowa.

BENDIGO, a town in Victoria, Australia, the centre of a large gold-mining and agricultural district; the gold-field discovered in 1851.

BENEDEK, LUDWIG VON, an Austrian general, born in Hungary; distinguished himself in the campaigns of 1848-1849; was defeated by the Prussians at Sadowa; superseded and tried, but got off; retired to Graz, where he died (1804-1881).

BENEDETTI, COUNT VINCENT, French diplomatist, born at Bastia, in Corsica; is remembered for his draft of a treaty between France and Prussia, published in 1870, and for his repudiation of all responsibility for the Franco-German war (1817-1900).

BENEDICT, the name of 15 popes: **B. I.**, from 574 to 575; **B. II.**, from 684 to 685; **B. III.**, from 855 to 858; **B. IV.**, from 900 to 907; **B. V.**, from 964 to 965; **B. VI.**, from 972 to 974; **B. VII.**, from 975 to 984; **B. VIII.**, from 1012 to 1024; extended the territory of the Church by conquest, and effected certain clerical reforms; **B. IX.**, from 1033 to 1048, a licentious man, and deposed; **B. X.**, from 1058 to 1059; **B. XI.**, from 1303 to 1304; **B. XII.**, from 1334 to 1342; **B. XIII.**, from 1724 to 1730; **B. XIV.**, from 1740 to 1758, a native of Bologna, a man of marked scholarship and ability; a patron of science and literature, who did much to purify the morals and elevate the character of the clergy and reform abuses in the Church; **B. XV.**, from 1914 to 1922.

BENEDICT BISCOPE, an Anglo-Saxon monk, born in Northumbria; made two pilgrimages to Rome; assumed the tonsure as a Benedictine monk in Provence; returned to England and founded two monasteries on the Tyne, one at Wearmouth and another at Jarrow, making them seats of learning (628-690).

BENEDICT, ST., the founder of Western monachism, born near Spoleto; left home at 14; passed three years as a hermit, in a cavern near Subiaco, to prepare himself for God's service; attracted many

to his retreat; appointed to an abbey, but left it; founded 12 monasteries of his own; though possessed of no scholarship, composed his "Regula Monachorum," which formed the rule of his order; represented in art as accompanied by a raven with sometimes a loaf in his bill, or surrounded by thorns or by howling demons (480-543). See **BENEDICTINES**.

BENEDICT, SIR JULIUS, musician and composer, native of Stuttgart; removed to London in 1835; author of, among other pieces, the "Chimes of Westminster," the "Brides of Venice," and the "Crusaders"; conducted the performance of "Elizah" in which Jenny Lind made her first appearance before a London audience, and accompanied her as pianist to America in 1850 (1804-1885).

BENEDICTINES, the order of monks founded by St. Benedict and following his rule, the cradle of which was the celebrated monastery of Monte Cassino, near Naples, an institution which reckoned among its members a large body of eminent men, who in their day rendered immense service to both literature and science, and were, in fact, the only learned class of the Middle Ages; spent their time in diligently transcribing manuscripts, and thus preserving for posterity the classic literature of Greece and Rome; the order has given 40 popes to the Church of Rome.

BENEDICTUS, part of the musical service at Mass in the Roman Catholic Church; has been introduced into the morning service of the English Church.

BENEFIT OF THE CLERGY, the system under which the clergy were immune from trial in a civil court, not finally abolished till 1779, though inoperative for a century before. In practice it was not confined to priests, and Ben Jonson was one to benefit by it.

BENEKE, FRIEDRICH EDUARD, a German philosopher and professor in Berlin of the so-called empirical school, that is, the Baconian; an opponent of the methods and systems of Kant and Hegel; confined his studies to psychology and the phenomena of consciousness; was more a British thinker than a German (1798-1854).

BENENGE LL, an imaginary Moorish author, whom Cervantes credits with the story of "Don Quixote."

BENES, EDUARD, Czechoslovakian statesman. Son of a Bohemian farmer, he became a professor at Prague. He worked in Paris during the Great War for the liberation of his country, and in 1918 became minister of foreign affairs in its first cabinet. From 1921 to 1922 he was premier, and he also represented his country on the League of Nations (1884-).

BENETIER, the vessel for holding the holy water in Roman Catholic churches.

BENEVENTO, a town 33 m. NE. of Naples, built out of and amid the ruins of an ancient one; also the province, of which Talleyrand was made prince by Napoleon.

BENEVOLENCE, the name given to a forced tax exacted from the people by certain kings of England, and which, under Charles I., became so obnoxious as to occasion the demand of the Petition of Rights (q.v.), that no tax should be levied without consent of Parliament; first enforced in 1473, declared illegal in 1689.

BENFEY, THEODOR, Orientalist, born near Göttingen, of Jewish birth; a great Sanskrit scholar, and professor of Sanskrit and Comparative Philology at his native place; author of "Lexicon of Greek Roots," "Sanskrit Grammar," &c. (1809-1881).

BENGAL, a province of India lying in the plain of the lower Ganges and the delta of the Ganges-Brahmaputra, with the Himalayas on the N. At the base of the mountains are great forests, along the seashore dense jungles. The climate is hot and humid, drier at Behar, and passing through every gradation up to the snowline. The people are engaged in agriculture, raising indigo, jute, opium, rice, tea, cotton and sugar. Coal, iron, and copper mines are worked in Burdwan. The manufactures are of cotton and jute. The population is mixed in blood and speech, but Hindus speaking Bengali predominate. Education is further advanced than elsewhere; there are five colleges affiliated to Calcutta University, and many other scholastic institu-

tions. The chief city, Calcutta, is the former capital of India; the next town in size is Patna.

BENGA'ZL, the capital of Barca, on the Gulf of Sidra, in N. Africa, a caravan terminus from Egypt with a considerable trade.

BENGEL, JOHANN ALBRECHT, a distinguished Biblical scholar and critic, born at Württemberg; best known by his "Gnomon Novi Testamenti," being an invaluable body of short notes on the New Testament; devoted himself to the critical study of the text of the Greek Testament (1687-1752).

BENIGUE'LA, a fertile Portuguese territory in W. Africa, S. of Angola, with considerable mineral wealth; has sunk in importance since the suppression of the slave-trade.

BENICIA, the former capital of California, 30 m. NE. of San Francisco; has a commodious harbour and a U.S. arsenal.

BENI-HASSAN, a village in Middle Egypt, on the right bank of the Nile, above Minieh, with remarkable catacombs that have been excavated.

BENI-ISRAEL (i.e. Sons of Israel), a remarkable people, few in number, of Jewish type and customs, in the Bombay Presidency, who have existed there quite isolated for at least 1000 years, with a language of their own, and even some literature; they do not mingle with the Jews, but they practise similar religious observances.

BENIN, a densely populated and fertile country in W. Africa, between the Niger and Dahomey, with a city and river of the name; forms part of what was once a powerful kingdom; was captured by the British in 1897; yields palm-oil, rice, maize, sugar, cotton, and tobacco.

BENI-SOU'EF, a town in Middle Egypt, on the right bank of the Nile, 70 m. above Cairo; a centre of trade, with cotton-mills and quarries of alabaster.

BENJAMIN, Jacob's youngest son, by Rachel, the head of one of the twelve tribes, who were settled in a small fertile territory between Ephraim and Judah; the tribe to which St. Paul belonged.

BENNET, ENOCH ARNOLD, British novelist and playwright. Born near Hanley, he made the Potteries the scene of a number of his books, which he started to write after studying law. "Anna of the Five Towns" was his first success. In 1902, since when his output has been prolific. Wrote the play "Milestones" in collaboration with Edward Knoblauch. For some years he lived in France, and the period obviously influenced his style (1867-).

BENNETT, JAMES GORDON, an American journalist, born at Keith, Scotland; trained for the Catholic priesthood; emigrated, a poor lad of 19, to America, got employment in a printing-office in Boston as proof-reader; started the *New York Herald* in 1835 at a low price as both proprietor and editor, an enterprise which brought him great wealth and the success he aimed at (1795-1872).

BENNETT, JAMES GORDON, son of preceding, conductor of the *Herald*; sent Stanley out to Africa, and supplied the funds. He founded the balloon race named after him in 1899 (1841-1918).

BENNETT, SIR WILLIAM STERNDAL, an English musical composer and pianist, born at Sheffield, whose musical genius recommended him to Mendelssohn and Schumann; became professor of Music in Cambridge, and conductor of the Philharmonic Concerts; was president of the Royal Academy of Music (1816-1875).

BENNETT, WILLIAM, a High-Churchman, celebrated for having provoked the decision that the doctrine of the Real Presence is a dogma not inconsistent with the creed of the Church of England (1804-1886).

BENNINGSEN, COUNT, a Russian general, born at Brunswick; entered the Russian service under Catherine II.; was commander-in-chief at Eylau, fought at Borodino, and victoriously at Leipzig; he died at Hanover, whither he had retired on failure of his health (1745-1826).

BENSON, ARTHUR CHRISTOPHER, British author. Son of Archbishop Benson (below); he was educated at Eton and Cambridge, returned to the former to teach, and later to Cambridge as a don and Master of Magdalene. He has published literary criticism, biographies, essays, novels, and poems (1862-).

- BENSON, EDWARD FREDERIC**, British novelist brother of the preceding. Educated at Marlborough and Cambridge, he achieved fame with his "Dodo" in 1893. Among his later work "The Luck of the Valls" is best known (1897-).
- BENSON, EDWARD WHITE**, Archbishop of Canterbury. After leaving Cambridge he became a master at Rugby and the headmaster of Wellington; was made Bishop of Truro in 1877, where he started the building of the present cathedral; succeeded Taft as Archbishop of Canterbury, and took a prominent part in the trial of Dr. King, Bishop of Lincoln, on charges of ritual (1829-1896).
- BENSON, SIR FRANK ROBERT**, actor-manager, educated at Winchester and Oxford; founded repertoire company bearing his name; directed many Shakespearean Festivals at Stratford-on-Avon (1858-).
- BENT, JAMES THEODORE**, African traveller and author; explored the ruins of Zimbabwe; later visited Arabia (1852-1897).
- BENTHAM, GEORGE**, botanist, born near Plymouth, nephew of Jeremy Bentham and editor of his works; an authority on the British flora. His greatest work was "Genera Plantarum," which took 20 years to write, in conjunction with Sir Joseph Hooker (q.v.) (1800-1884).
- BENTHAM, JEREMY**, a writer on jurisprudence and ethics, born in London; bred to the legal profession, but never practised it; spent his life in the study of the theory of law and government, his leading principle on both these subjects being utilitarianism, or what is called the greatest happiness principle, as the advocate of which he is chiefly remembered—a principle against which Carlyle never ceased to protest (1748-1832).
- BENTINCK, LORD GEORGE**, statesman and sportsman, a member of the Portland family; entered Parliament as a Whig, turned Conservative on the passing of the Reform Bill of 1832; served under Sir Robert Peel; assumed the leadership of the Party as a Protectionist when Sir Robert Peel became a Free-trader; was a great patron of the Turf; the memory of him owes something to the memoir of his life by Lord Beaconsfield (1802-1848).
- BENTINCK, LORD WILLIAM HENRY CAVENDISH**, Indian statesman, governor of Madras in 1806, but recalled for an error which led to the mutiny at Vellore; but was in 1827 appointed governor-general of India, which he governed wisely, abolishing many evils, such as Thuggism and Suttee, and effecting many beneficent reforms. Macaulay held office under him. He returned to England in 1836, became member for Glasgow in 1837, and died before he made any mark on home politics (1774-1859).
- BENTINCK, WILLIAM**, a distinguished statesman, first Earl of Portland, born in Holland; a favourite, friend, and adviser of William III., whom he accompanied to England, and who bestowed on him for his services great honours and large domains, which provoked ill-will against him; retired to Holland after the king died, but returned afterwards (1649-1709).
- BENTIVOGLIO**, an Italian family of princely rank, long supreme in Bologna; B., Guido, cardinal, though a disciple of Galileo, was one of the Inquisitors-General who signed his condemnation (1579-1641).
- BENTLEY, RICHARD**, scholar and philologist, born in Yorkshire; from the first devoted to ancient, especially classical, learning; rose to eminence as an authority on literary criticism, his "Dissertation upon the Epistles of Phalaris," which he proved to be a forgery, commending him to the regard and esteem of all the scholars of Europe, a work which may be said to have inaugurated a new era in literary historical criticism (1662-1742).
- BENUE**, an affluent of the Niger, 300 m. long, falling into it 230 m. up, described by Dr. Barth and explored by Dr. Baikie; it offers great facilities for the prosecution of commerce.
- BENVENUTO**, known as TISIO DA GAROFALO, Italian painter whose works are in several national galleries (1481-1559).
- BENYOWSKY, COUNT**, a Hungarian, fought with the Poles against Russia; taken prisoner; was exiled to Kamchatka; escaped with the governor's daughter; came to France; sent out to Madagascar; was elected king by the natives; fell in battle against the French (1741-1786).
- BENZ, KARL**, German engineer, built a motor-car in 1885 driven by benzine, which attained a speed of 15 m. an hour. His work formed the basis of many later improvements in internal combustion engines (1844-).
- BENZALDEHYDE**, an aromatic compound prepared from bitter almonds, to which it gives the characteristic smell. It can be prepared from benzene or toluene on the industrial scale, and is used as a flavouring essence for "almond paste."
- BENZENE**, or benzol, a hydrocarbon obtained by the destructive distillation of coal-tar, used as a substitute for turpentine and for dissolving grease; it is the basis of many compounds used in the dye industry.
- BENZINE**, gasolene, or benzoline, is obtained from petroleum and is used as motor spirit and for cleaning purposes. It is mainly composed of the paraffin hydrocarbons hexane, heptane, and octane.
- BENZOLIN**, a fragrant concrete resinous juice flowing from a styrax-tree of Sumatra, used as a cosmetic and burnt as incense.
- BENZOL**, the commercial name for benzene (q.v.).
- BENZOLE**, the name given to a motor spirit, similar to petrol, obtained from the by-products of carbonisation in gasworks and coke ovens.
- BENZOLINE**. See **BENZINE**.
- BENZYL CHLORIDE**, a liquid with an irritating smell obtained by passing chlorine through boiling toluene. It was used in the Great War in tear shells.
- BEOWULF**, an old Anglo-Saxon romance of the 7th century consisting of 8356 short alliterative lines, and the oldest extant in the language, recording the exploits of a mythical hero of the name, who wrestled Hercules-wise, at the cost of his life, with first a formidable monster and then a dragon that had to be exterminated or tamed into submission before the race to which the champion belonged could live with safety on the soil.
- BERANGER, PIERRE JEAN DE**, a celebrated French song-writer, born at Paris, of the lower section of the middle class, and the first of his countrymen who in that department rose to the high level of a true lyric poet; his first struggles with fortune were a failure, but Lucien Bonaparte took him up, and under royal patronage a career was opened up for him; in 1815 appeared as an author, and the sensation created was immense, for the songs were not mere personal effusions, but in stirring accord with, and helped to influence, the great passion of the nation at the time; was, as a Republican—which brought him into trouble with the Bourbons—a great admirer of Napoleon as an incarnation of the national spirit, and contributed not a little to the elevation of his nephew to the throne, though he declined all patronage at his hands, refusing all honours and appointments; has been compared with Burns, but he lacked both the fire and the humour of the Scottish poet. "His poetical works," says Professor Saintebeury, "consist entirely of chansons political, amatory, bacchanalian, satirical, philosophical after a fashion, and of almost every other complexion that the song can possibly take" (1780-1857).
- BERAR**, one of the central provinces of India, E. of Bombay; known as the Hyderabad Assigned Districts; transferred to Great Britain 1801; it occupies a fertile, well-watered valley, and yields large quantities of grain, and especially cotton.
- BERAT, FREDERIC**, a French poet and composer, author of a great number of popular songs (1800-1858).
- BERBER**, native language spoken in the mountainous parts of Barbary.
- BERBER**, a town in Nubia, on the Nile, occupied by the English; starting-point of caravans for the Red Sea; railways run to Suakin, Cairo and Khartoum.
- BER-BERAH**, the seaport of Somaliland, on the Gulf of Aden, under Great Britain, with an annual fair lasting several months that brings together at times as many as 30,000 people.
- BERBERS**, a race aboriginal to Barbary and N.

Africa, predominant in Algeria and Morocco, and including the Kabyles and Tuaregs of the Sahara; of a proud and unruly temper; though different from the Arab race, are of the same religion.

BERBICE, the eastern division of British Guiana; produces sugar, cocoa, tobacco, and timber.

BERBRUGGER, a French archaeologist and philologist; wrote on Algiers, its history and monuments (1801-1869).

BERCHTA, a German female bogey, the name signifying "the white lady," supposed to have dominion over enchantresses, elves, dwarfs, and held up as a terror before bad children. See **BERTHA**.

BERCY, a commune on the right bank of the Seine, outside Paris, included in it since 1860; is the great mart for wines and brandies.

BEREANS, a sect formed by John Barclay (q.v.) in 1778, who regard the Bible as the one exclusive revelation of God.

BERENGER, or **BERENGARIUS OF TOURS**, a distinguished theologian, born at Tours; held an ecclesiastical office there, and was made afterwards archdeacon of Angers; ventured to deny the doctrine of transubstantiation, for which denial he was condemned by successive councils of the Church; he was compelled more than once publicly to retract, though he so often and openly recalled his retraction that the pope, Gregory VII., notwithstanding the opposition of the orthodox, deemed it prudent at length to let him alone. After this he ceased to trouble the Church, and retired to an island on the Loire, where he gave himself up to quiet meditation and prayer (908-1088).

BERENGER I., king of Italy, grandson of Louis the Débonnaire, an able general; provoked the jealousy of the nobles, who dreaded the abridgment of their rights, which led to his assassination at their hands in 924. **B. II.**, king of Italy, grandson of the preceding, was dethroned twice by the German Emperor Otto, who sent him a prisoner to Bamberg, where he died, 966.

BERENICE, a Jewish widow, daughter of Herod Agrippa, with whom Titus was fascinated, and whom he would have taken to wife, had not the Roman populace protested, from their anti-Jewish prejudice, against it. The name was a common one among Egyptian as well as Jewish princesses, a famous Berenice being the queen of Ptolemy III., who, from a legend concerning the dedication of her hair to the war-gods, has given her name to the constellation "Coma Berenices," the seven stars near the tail of Leo.

BERESFORD, WILLIAM CARE, VISCOUNT, an English general, natural son of the first Marquis of Waterford; distinguished himself in many a military enterprise, and particularly in the Peninsular war, for which he was made a peer; he was a member of the Wellington administration, and master-general of the ordnance (1770-1854).

BERESNA, a Russian river, affluent of the Dniester, into which it falls after a course of 350 m.; it is serviceable as a water conveyance for large rafts of timber to the open sea, and is memorable for the disastrous passage of the French in their retreat from Moscow in 1812.

BEREZOV, a town in Siberia, in the government of Tobolsk; a place of banishment for political exiles.

BERG, DUCHY OF, on right bank of the Rhine, between Düsseldorf and Cologne, now part of Prussia; Murat was grand-duke of it by Napoleon's appointment when previously it had been ceded to France.

BERGAMO, a Lombard town and episcopal see, in a province of the same name, and 34 m. N.E. of Milan, with a large annual fair in August, the largest in Italy; has grindstone quarries in the neighbourhood.

BERGASSE, French juriconsult, born at Lyons; celebrated for his quarrel with Beaumarchais; author of an "Essay on Property" (1750-1832).

BERGEN, the old capital of Norway, on a fiord of the same, open to the Gulf Stream, and never frozen; the town, consisting of wooden houses, is built on a slope on which the streets reach down to the sea, and has a picturesque appearance; the trade, which is considerable, is in fish and fish products; manufactures gloves, porcelain, leather, &c.; the seat of a

bishop, and has a cathedral; is the birthplace of Ole Bull, the violinist, and Grieg, the composer.

BERGEN-OP-ZOOM, a town in N. Brabant, once a strong fortified place, and much coveted and frequently contested for by reason of its commanding situation; has a large trade in anchovies.

BERGENROTH, GUSTAV ADOLPH, historian, born in Prussia; held a State office, but was dismissed and exiled because of his sympathy with the revolutionary movement of 1848; came to England to collect materials for a history of the Tudors; examined in Simons, in Spain, under great privations, papers on the period in the public archives; made of these a collection and published it in 1862-1868, under the title of "Calendar of Letters, Despatches, &c., relating to Negotiations between England and Spain" (1818-1869).

BERGERAC, a manufacturing town in France, 60 m. E. of Bordeaux, celebrated for its wines; it was a Huguenot centre, and suffered greatly in consequence.

BERGERAC, SAVINIEN CYRANO DE, an eccentric man with comic power, a Gascon by birth; wrote a tragedy and a comedy; his best work a fiction entitled "Histoire Comique des États et Empires de la Lune et du Soleil"; a good swordsman, fought no end of duels in vindication, it is said, of his preposterously large nose, and is thereby the subject of a play by Rostand, the French dramatist (1619-1655).

BERGHAUS, HEINRICH, a geographer of note, born at Cleves; served in both the French and Prussian armies as an engineer, and was professor of mathematics at Berlin; his "Physical Atlas" is well known (1797-1884); uncle of Hermann Berghaus, an eminent cartographer (1829-1890).

BERGHEM, a celebrated landscape-painter of the Dutch school, born at Haarlem (1624-1683).

BERGMAN, TORBERN OLOF, a Swedish chemist, studied under Linnaeus, and became professor of Chemistry at Upsala; discovered oxalic acid; was the first to arrange and classify minerals on a chemical basis (1735-1784).

BERGSON, HENRI, French philosopher. Of Jewish descent, he early studied metaphysics and became professor of Philosophy at the College of France. His system regards life as the ultimate reality, and his ideas of creative evolution are reflected in the writings of Bernard Shaw (1859-).

BERI, a town in the Punjab, 40 m. NW. of Delhi; is a trading centre.

BERI-BERI, a disease common in the East due to a diet deficient in certain vitamins (q.v.). It is often due to an absence of fresh vegetables or to a diet mainly composed of rice with the husks removed.

BERKELEY, a town in Gloucestershire, famous for its cattle.

BERKELEY, GEORGE, bishop of Cloyne, born in Kilkenny; a philanthropic man, who indulged in a self-sacrificing spirit, practical schemes for the good of humanity, which failed, but the interest in whom has for long centred, and still centres, in his philosophic teaching, his own interest in which was that it contributed to clear up our idea of God and consolidate our faith in Him; it is known in philosophy as Idealism, but it must be understood that his idealism is not, as it was absurdly conceived to be, a denial of the existence of matter, but is an assertion of the doctrine that the universe, with every particular in it, as *man sees it and knows it*, is not the creation of matter but the creation of mind, and a reflex of the Eternal Reason that creates and dwells in both it and him; for as Dr. Stirling says, "the object can only be known in the subject, and therefore is subjective, and if subjective, ideal." The outer, as regards our knowledge of it, is within; such is Berkeley's fundamental philosophical principle, and it is a principle radical to the whole recent philosophy of Europe (1684-1753).

BERKSHIRE, a midland county of England, with a fertile, well-cultivated soil on a chalk bottom, in the upper valley of the Thames, one of the smallest but most beautiful counties in the country. In the E. part of it is Windsor Forest, and in the SE. Bagshot Heath. It is famous for its breed of pigs. **BERLICHINGEN, GÖTZ VON**, surnamed "The Iron

land," a brave but turbulent noble of Germany, of the 15th and 16th centuries, the story of whose life was dramatised by Goethe. "to save," as he said, "the memory of a brave man from darkness," and translated from the German by Sir Walter Scott.

BERLIN, capital of Prussia and Germany; stands on the Spree, in a flat, sandy plain, 177 m. by rail SE. of Hamburg. The old royal and imperial palaces, the great library, the university, national gallery and museums, and the arsenal are all near the centre of the city. There are schools of science, art, agriculture, and mining; technical and military academies; a cathedral and some old churches; zoological and botanical gardens. Its position between the Baltic and North Seas, the Spree, and the numerous canals and railways which converge on it, render it a most important commercial centre; its staple trade is in grain, cattle, spirits, and wool. Manufactures are extensive and very varied; the chief are woollens, machinery, bronze ware, drapery goods, and beer.

BERLIN DECREE, a decree of Napoleon of Nov. 21, 1806, declaring Britain in a state of blockade and vessels trading with it liable to capture.

BERLIOZ, HECTOR, a celebrated musical composer and critic, born near Grenoble, in the dep. of Isere, France; went to study medicine in Paris; abandoned it for music, to which he devoted his life. His best known works are the "Symphonie Fantastique," "Romeo and Juliet," and the "Damnation of Faust"; the "Symphonie," which he produced while he was yet but a student at the Conservatoire in Paris, so struck Paganini that the violinist presented him with 20,000 francs (1803-1869).

BER MONDSEY, a busy SE. suburb of London, on the S. bank of the Thames, well known for its tanneries and its civic park.

BERMOO THES, the Bermudas.

BERMU DAS, a group of 400 coral islands (20 inhabited) in mid-Atlantic, 677 m. SE. of New York; have a delightful temperate climate and are a popular health resort for Americans. They produce a fine arrowroot and export onions. They are held by Britain as a valuable naval station, and are provided with docks and fortifications. Of the population more than two-thirds are negroes, survivors of the old slave days.

BERNADOTTE, JEAN BAPTISTE JULES, a marshal of France, born at Pau; rose from the ranks, distinguished himself in the wars of the Revolution and the Empire, though between him and Napoleon there was constant distrust; adopted by Charles XIII., king of Sweden; joined the Allies as a naturalised Swede in the war against France in alliance with Russia; became king of Sweden himself under the title of Charles XIV., to the material welfare, as it proved, of his adopted country (1764-1844).

BERNARD, CLAUDE, a distinguished French physiologist, born at St. Julien, he studied at Paris; was Magendie's assistant and successor in the College of France; discovered that the function of the pancreas is the digestion of ingested fats, that of the liver the transformation into sugar of certain elements in the blood, and that there are nervous centres in the body which act independently of the great cerebro-spinal centre (1813-1878).

BERNARD, ST., abbot of Clairvaux, born at Fontaines, in Burgundy; pronounced one of the grandest figures in the church militant; studied in Paris, entered the monastery of Cîteaux, founded in 1115 a monastery at Clairvaux, in Champagne; drew around him disciples who rose to eminence as soldiers of the cross; prepared the statutes for the Knights-Templar; defeated Abelard in public debate, and procured his condemnation; founded 160 monasteries; awoke Europe to a second crusade; dealt death-blows all round to numerous heretics, and declined all honours to himself, content if he could only awaken some divine passion in other men; represented in art as accompanied by a white dog, or as contemplating an apparition of the Virgin and the Child, or as bearing the implements of Christ's passion (1090-1153). Festival, Aug. 20.

BERNARD OF MENTHON, an ecclesiastic, founder

of the monasteries of the Great and the Little St. Bernard, in the passes of the Alps (923-1008). Festival, June 15.

BERNARD OF MORLAIX, a monk of Cluny, of the 12th century; wrote a poem entitled "De Contemptu Mundi," translated by Dr. Neale, including "Jerusalem the Golden."

BERNARDIN DE SAINT-PIERRE—See ST. PIERRE.

BERNARDINE, ST., OF SIENA, born at Massa Carrara in Italy, of noble family; founder of the Observantines, a branch, and restoration on strict lines, of the Franciscan order; established 300 monasteries of the said branch; his works, written in a mystical vein, fill five folio vols. (1380-1444).

BERNAUER, AGNES, wife of Duke Albrecht of Bavaria, whom his father, displeased at the marriage, convicted of sorcery and drowned in the Danube in 1435.

BERNE, a fine Swiss town on the Aar, which almost surrounds it. In a populous canton of the same name; since 1848 the capital of the Swiss Confederation; commands a magnificent view of the Bernese Alps; a busy trading and manufacturing city. It is famous for its bear pit.

BERNERS, JOHN BOURCHIER, LORD, writer or translator of romance; was Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1516, and governor of Calais from 1520; translated Froissart's "Chronicles," and "Huon of Bordeaux" (1487-1533).

BERNERS, JULIANA, to whom is ascribed a treatise on outdoor sports, mainly hunting and fishing, published in 1486, is said to have been prioress of Sopwell nunnery, near St. Albans.

BERNESE ALPS, a chain in the Middle Alps, of which the eastern half is called the Bernese Oberland; they form the watershed between the Aar and the Rhone.

BERNHARD, Duke of Saxe-Weimar, a great German general; distinguished himself on the Protestant side in the Thirty Years' war; fought under the standard of Gustavus Adolphus; held command of the left wing at the battle of Lützen, and completed the victory after the fall of Gustavus; died at Neuburg, as alleged, without sufficient proof, by poison (1600-1639).

BERNHARDT, SARAH, a dramatic artiste, born in Paris, of Jewish descent, but baptised as a Christian; distinguished specially as a tragedienne, her most famous parts having been in "La Danie aux Camellias," "Hernani," "La Tosca," and "L'Aiglon"; displayed abilities qualifying her to shine in other departments of the profession and of art, such as painting and sculpture (1844-1923).

BERNI, FRANCESCO, an Italian poet, born in Tuscany, who excelled in the burlesque, and to whom the Italian as a literary language owes much; remodelled Bolardo's "Orlando Innamorato" in a style surpassing that of the original; gave his name to the type of poetry known as Bernesque (1497-1535).

BERNICA, an ancient British kingdom, afterwards included in Northumbria; founded by King Ida (547-559); it extended from the Tees in the south to the borders of Strathclyde in Scotland.

BERNIER, FRANÇOIS, a French physician and traveller, born at Angers; physician for 12 years to Aurumzebe, the Great Mogul; published "Travels," a work full of interest and a model of exactitude (1625-1688).

BERNIER, THE ABBE, born in Mayenne, France; one of the principal authors of the Concordat; promoted afterwards to be Bishop of Orleans (1762-1806).

BERNI NA, a mountain in the Swiss canton of Grisons, 13,290 ft. high, remarkable for its extensive glaciers.

BERNINI, GIOVANNI LORENZO, an Italian painter, sculptor, and architect, born at Naples; produced his "Apollo and Daphne" at eighteen, his masterpiece; was architect to the Pope, and designed the colonnade of St. Peter's; he died wealthy (1598-1680).

BERNOULLI, name of a Swiss family of mathematicians, born at Basel, though of Dutch origin. The most celebrated is Jean (1667-1748), professor at Basel, who discovered the exponential calculus and the method of integrating rational functions, as well as the line of swiftest descent. Jacques (1654-1705) is remembered for his applications of the

- calculus to various problems. Several other members of the family were distinguished mathematicians.
- BERNSTORFF, COUNT**, a celebrated statesman, diplomatist, and philanthropist of Denmark; called the Danish Oracle by Frederick the Great; founded an Agricultural Society and a hospital at Copenhagen, and obtained the emancipation of the serfs (1711-1772).
- BEROSUS**, a priest of the temple of Belus in Babylon, who, 3rd century B.C., translated into Greek certain records of Babylonian history, valuable fragments of which are preserved by Josephus and Eusebius; these have been collected and published by W. Richter, in Germany.
- BERRI**, an ancient province of France, forms dep. of Indre and Cher, which became crown property in 1100 under Philippe I., and a duchy in 1630, giving title to a succession of French princes.
- BERRI, DUC DE**, second son of Charles X. and father of Count de Chambord, a benevolent man; assassinated by a fanatic, Louvel, as he was leaving the Opera House (1778-1830).
- BERRI, DUCHESSE DE**, dowager of preceding, distinguished herself by her futile efforts to restore the Bourbon dynasty in the reign of Louis Philippe (1798-1890).
- BERRYER, PIERRE ANTOINE**, an eminent French barrister, born at Paris; a red-hot Legitimist, which brought him into trouble; was member of the National Assembly of 1848; inimical to the Second Empire, and openly protested against the *coup d'état* (1790-1868).
- BERSERKER**, a Norse warrior who went into battle unharnessed, whence his name (which means bare of bark or shirt of mail), and was said to have been inspired with such fury as to render him invulnerable and irresistible.
- BERT, PAUL**, a French physiologist and statesman, born at Auxerre; was professor of Physiology at Paris; took to politics after the fall of the Empire; Minister of Public Instruction under Gambetta; sent governor to Tonquin; died of fever soon after; wrote a science primer for children entitled "La Première Année d'Enseignement Scientifique" (1833-1886).
- BERTHA**, goddess in S. German mythology, of the spinning-wheel principally, and of the household as dependent on it, on behalf of which and its economical management she is often harsh to idle spinners; at her festival thrift is the rule.
- BERTHA, ST.**, a British princess, wife of Ethelbert, king of Kent; converted him to Christianity.
- BERTHE**, "au Grand Pied," (i.e. Long Foot), wife of Pepin the Short, and mother of Charlemagne, so called from her club foot.
- BERTHELIER**, a Swiss patriot, an uncompromising enemy of the Duke of Savoy in his ambition to lord it over Geneva.
- BERTHELOT, PIERRE EUGÈNE**, a French chemist, born at Paris; professor in the College of France; distinguished for his researches in organic chemistry and his attempt to produce organic compounds; the dyeing trade owes much to his discoveries in the extraction of dyes from coal-tar; he laid the foundation of thermo-chemistry (1827-1907).
- BERTHIER, ALEXANDRE**, prince of Wagram and marshal of France, born at Versailles; served with Lafayette in the American war, and rose to distinction in the Revolution; became head of Napoleon's staff, and his companion in all his expeditions; swore fealty to the Bourbons at the restoration of 1814; on Napoleon's return retired with his family to Bamberg; threw himself from a window, maddened at the sight of Russian troops marching past to the French frontier (1758-1815).
- BERTHOLET, COUNT**, a famous chemist, native of Savoy, to whom we owe the discovery of the bleaching properties of chlorine, the employment of carbon in purifying water, and many improvements in manufactures; became a senator and officer of the Legion of Honour under Napoleon; attached himself to the Bourbons on their return, and was created a peer (1748-1822).
- BERTHON, REV. EDWARD LYON**, inventor of the two-bladed marine propeller and of canvas collapsible boats for use in shipwreck (1813-1890).

BERTHOUD, a celebrated clockmaker, native of Switzerland; settled in Paris; invented a marine chronometer to determine the longitude at sea (1727-1807).

- of Paris; comprises measurements of the body, of the fingers, feet, and ears in particular.
- BERTIN, PIERRE**, introduced stenography into France, after its invention by Taylor in England (1761-1810).
- BERTIN, ROSE**, milliner to Marie Antoinette, famed for her devotion to the ill-fated queen.
- BERTINAZZI**, a celebrated actor born at Turin, long a favourite in Paris (1710-1783).
- BERTRAND and RATON**, two personages in La Fontaine's fable of the Monkey and the Cat, of whom R. cracks the nut and B. eats it.
- BERTRAND DU GUESCLIN**, *See* DU GUESCLIN.
- BERTRAND, HENRI GRATIEN, COMTE**, a French general, and faithful adherent of Napoleon, acquitted himself in all his campaigns to and from Elba, as well as in his exile at St. Helena; conducted his remains back to France in 1840 (1773-1844).
- BERTRAND DE MOLLEVILLE**, Minister of Marine under Louis XVI.; a fiery partisan of royalty, surmised the *enfant terrible* of the monarchy (1744-1818).
- BERTON, PIERRE**, French composer of operas (1726-1780). Henri, his son, composed operas; wrote a treatise on harmony (1761-1844).
- BERVILLE, CARDINAL**, born at Troyes; founder of the order of Carmelites and of the Congregation of the Oratory (1576-1620).
- BERWICK, JAMES FITZ-JAMES, DUKE OF**, a natural son of James II., a naturalised Frenchman; defended the rights of his father; was present with him at the battle of the Boyne; distinguished himself in Spain, where he gained the victory of Almanza; was made marshal of France; fell at the siege of Philippsburg; left "Memoirs" (1670-1734).
- BERWICK, NORTH**, a place on the N. shore of the Forth, in Haddingtonshire; a summer resort, especially for the golfing links.
- BERWICK-ON-TWEED**, a town on the Scottish side of the Tweed, at its mouth, reckoned since 1885 in Northumberland, though at one time treated as a separate county; of interest from its connection with the Border wars, during which it frequently changed hands, till in 1482 the English became masters of it.
- BERWICKSHIRE**, a fertile Scottish county between the Lammermoors, inclusive, and the Tweed; is divided into the Merse, a richly fertile plain in the S., the Lammermoors, hilly and pastoral, dividing the Merse from Mid and East Lothian, and Lauderdale, of hill and dale, along the banks of the Leader; Greenlaw the county town.
- BERZELIUS, JOHAN JAKOB, BARON**, a celebrated Swedish chemist, one of the creators of modern chemistry; instituted the chemical notation by symbols based on the notion of equivalents; determined the equivalents of a great number of simple bodies, such as cerium and selenium; discovered selenium, and thorium and zirconium, and shared with Davy the honour of propounding the electro-chemical theory; he ranks next to Lavoisier as a man of science in Sweden (1779-1848).
- BESANCON**, capital of the dep. of Doubs, in France; a very strong place fortified by Vauban; seat of an archbishopric; abounds in relics of Roman and mediæval times; watchmaking a staple industry, employing some 15,000 of the inhabitants; manufactures also porcelain and carpets.
- BESANT, MRS. ANNE, nee WOOD**, born in London; of Irish descent; married to an English clergyman, from whom she was legally separated; took a keen interest in social questions and secularism; drifted into theosophy, of which she became an active propagandist (1847-).
- BESANT, SIR WALTER**, a man of letters, born at Portsmouth; eminent chiefly as a novelist of a healthily realistic type; wrote a number of novels, some jointly with James Rice, of which "The Golden Butterfly," "Ready-Money Mortiboy," and "Dorothy Foster" are best known. One of his books, "All Sorts and Conditions of Men," Utopian

in character, was the cause of the People's Palace being built in the East End of London. He produced several valuable volumes on the history of London, and was the author of "French Humourists." As champion of the cause of Authors versus Publishers he founded the Society of Authors in 1884 (1836-1901).

BESSEVAL, BARON, a Swiss, commandant of Paris under Louis XVI.; a royalist stunned into a state of helpless dismay at the first outbreak of the Revolution in Paris; could do nothing in the face of it but run for his life (1722-1791).

BESIKA BAY, a bay on the Asiatic coast, near the mouth of the Dardanelles.

BESME, a Bohemian in the pay of the Duke of Guise; assassinated Coligny, and was himself killed by Berteneville, a Protestant gentleman, in 1571.

BESSARA'BLA, a province to the SW. of Russia, between the Dniester and the Pruth; a cattle-breeding province; exports cattle, wool, and tallow. In 1918 it was added to Rumania.

BESSARTON, JOHN, cardinal, native of Trebizond; contributed by his zeal in Greek literature to the fall of scholasticism and the revival of letters; tried hard to unite the Churches of the East and the West; joined the latter, and was made cardinal; too much of a Grecian to recommend himself to the popehood, to which he was twice over nearly elevated (1395-1472).

BESSEL, FRIEDRICH WILHELM, a Prussian astronomer of prominent ability, born at Minden; professor of Mathematics at Königsberg, and director of the Observatory; discovered—that was a great achievement—the parallax of the fixed star 61 Cygni; his greatest work, "Fundamenta Astronomiae," on which he spent ten years, a marvel, like all he did, of patient toil and painstaking accuracy (1784-1846).

BESSEMER, SIR HENRY, civil engineer and inventor, born at Charlton, Hert; of his many inventions the chief is the process, named after him, of converting pig-iron into steel at once by blowing a blast of air through the iron while in fusion till everything extraneous is expelled and only a definite quantity of carbon is left in combination, a process which has revolutionized the iron and steel trade all over the world, leading, as has been calculated, to the production of thirty times as much steel as before and at one-fifth of the cost per ton (1813-1898).

BESSIERES, JEAN BAPTISTE, Duke of Istria, marshal of France, born at Languedoc, of humble parentage; rose from the ranks; a friend and one of the ablest officers of Napoleon, and much esteemed by him; distinguished himself in the Italian campaign, in Egypt, and at Marengo; was shot at 10 days before the battle (1768-1818).

BESSUS, a satrap of Bactria under Darius, who assassinated his master after the battle of Arbela, but was delivered over by Alexander to Darius's brother, by whom he was put to death, 328 B.C.

BESTIARY, a name given to a class of medieval books treating of animals, viewed allegorically.

BETA PARTICLES, electrons (e⁻) emitted during certain radioactive changes. They are lighter, faster, and more penetrating than the alpha particles (α⁺); some beta particles have a velocity closely approaching that of light. See **RADIOACTIVITY**.

BETELGEUSE, a variable giant star of 1st magnitude in constellation Orion.

BETHANY, village on E. of the Mount of Olives, abode of Lazarus and his sisters; the scene of the ascension of Christ.

BETHEL (i.e. house of God), a place 11 m. N. of Jerusalem, scene of Jacob's dream, and famous in the history of the patriarchs.

BETHENCOURT, a Norman baron, in 1425 discovered and conquered the Canaries, and held them as a fief of the crown of Castile.

BETHLEHEM, a village 6 m. S. of Jerusalem, the birthplace of Jesus Christ and King David, with a convent containing the Church of the Nativity; near it is the grotto where St. Jerome translated the Bible into Latin.

BETHLEN-GABOR, prince of Transylvania, assumed the title of king of Hungary; assisted Bohemia in the Thirty Years' war (1580-1599).

BETHNAL GREEN, an eastern suburb of London, a parliamentary borough and populous district.

BETHUNE, a town in the department of Pas-de-Calais, France, which served as a railway centre for the Allies in the Great War. Twice the Germans tried unsuccessfully to capture it, in January, 1915, and April, 1918.

BETTERTON, THOMAS, born at Westminster, a tragic actor and producer, and as such an interpreter of Shakespeare on, it is believed, the traditional lines (1685-1710).

BETTING TAX, a tax on bookmakers' turnover included in Winston Churchill's budget of 1926 and abolished by him in 1929, as it failed to produce the anticipated revenue.

BETTY, W. HENRY, a boy actor, known as the Infant Rucius; answered a fortune; the House of Commons once adjourned to see him act "Hamlet" (1791-1874).

BEULE, CHARLES ERNEST, a French statesman and archaeologist; superintended excavations on the Acropolis of Athens; held office in the National Assembly under Macmahon (1826-1874).

BEUST, COUNT VON, a German statesman, born at Dresden; Minister for Foreign Affairs in Saxony; of strong conservative leanings, friendly to Austria; became Chancellor of the Austro-Hungarian empire; adopted a liberal policy; sympathized with France in the Franco-German war; resigned office in 1871; left "Memoirs" (1809-1888).

BEUTHEN, a manufacturing town in Prussian Silesia, in the centre of a mining district.

BEVERLEY, a Yorkshire manufacturing town, 8 m. NW. of Hull, with a Gothic minster, which contains the tombs of the Percys.

BEVERLEY, JOHN, a learned man, tutor to the Venerable Bede, archbishop of York, and founder of a college for secular priests at Beverley; was one of the most learned men of his time; d. 721.

BEVIS OF SOUTHAMPTON, or HAMPTON, SIR, a famous knight of English medieval romance, which was founded on an older Italian tale of chivalry; a man of gigantic stature, whose marvellous feats are recorded in "Bevis's" "Polydoron."

BEWICK, THOMAS, a distinguished wood-engraver, born in Northumberland, apprenticed to the trade in Newcastle; showed his art first in woodcuts for his "History of Quadrupeds," the success of which led to the publication of his "History of British Birds," in which he established his reputation both as a naturalist, in the truest sense, and an artist (1758-1828).

BEWICK, WILLIAM, a great wood-engraver; did a cartoon from the Elgin Marbles for Goethe (1795-1866).

BEYLE, MARIE HENRI, French critic and novelist, usually known by his pseudonym "De Stendhal" or "Stendhal"; born at Grenoble; wrote in criticism "De l'Amour," and in fiction "Le Charles de Farnes" and "Le Rouge et le Noir"; an ambitious writer and a cynic (1788-1842).

BEYBUR, a port in the Madras presidency, a railway terminus, with coal and iron in the neighbourhood.

BEYROUT, the most flourishing commercial city on the coast of Syria, and the port of Damascus, from which it is distant 55 m.; a very ancient place.

BEZA, THEODORE, a French Protestant theologian, born in Burgundy, of good birth; professor of Greek at Lausanne; deputed from Germany to intercede for the Huguenots in France, persuaded the king of Navarre to favour the Protestants; settled in Geneva, became the friend and successor of Calvin; wrote a book, "De Hereticis a Civili Magistratu Puniendis," in which he justified the burning of Servetus, and a "History of the Reformed Churches" in France (1519-1605).

BEZANTS, Byzantine gold and silver coins of varying weight and value, introduced by the Crusaders into England, where they were current till the time of Edward III.

BEZIERS, a manufacturing town in the dep. of Hérault, 49 m. SW. of Montpellier; manufactures silk fabrics and confectionery.

BHAGALPUR, a town in Bengal, on the right bank of the Ganges, 205 m. NW. of Calcutta; chief product of district indigo.

BHAGAVAD GITA (i.e. Song of Krishna), a poem

introduced into the Mahābhārata, divided into three sections, and each section into six chapters, called Upanishads; being a series of mystical lectures addressed by Krishna to his royal pupil Arjuna on the eve of a battle, from which he shrunk, as it was with his own kindred; the whole conceived from the point of view or belief, calculated to allay the scruples of Arjuna, which regards the extinction of existence as absorption in the Deity.

BEHMO, a town in Burmah, the chief centre of trade with China, conducted mainly by Chinese, and a military station, only 40 m. from the Chinese frontier.

BEARTUR, a town in a native state of the name in Rajputana, yielding wheat, maize, cotton, sugar, with quarries of building stone; 80 m. W. of Agra; carries on an industry in the manufacture of chowries.

BEARTRIHARI, Indian author of apothegms, who appears to have lived in the 11th century B.C., and to have been of royal rank.

BEHLS, an aboriginal pro-Aryan race of Central India, living in the hilly districts and still untrained to settled life; number 750,000.

BEHOD-PA, name given to the aborigines of Tibet, and applied by the Hindus to all the Tibetan peoples.

BEOPAL, a well-governed native state in Central India, under British protection, with a capital city of the same name; under a government that has been always friendly to Britain.

BEUTAN, an independent state in the Eastern Himalayas, with magnificent scenery; subsidised by Britain; has a government like that of Tibet, with religion the same, though the people are at a low stage of civilisation; the country exports horses, musk, and salt.

BEAUFRA, BIGHT OF, a large bay in the Gulf of Guinea, in W. Africa; includes several islands, and resolves into it the waters of the Calabar rivers.

BEAUFITZ, a bathing-place on the Bay of Biscay, 6 m. SW. of Bayonne; became a place of fashionable resort by the visits of the Empress Eugénie.

BEAS, one of the seven wise men of Greece, born at Priene, in Ionia; lived in the 6th century B.C.; many wise sayings are ascribed to him; was distinguished for his indifference to possessions.

BEAS BAY, a bay off the coast of China, infested with pirates.

BIBLE, THE (i.e. the Book *par excellence*, and not so much a book as a library of books), a collection of sacred writings divided into two parts, the Old Testament and the New; the Old, written in Hebrew, comprehending three groups of books, the Pentateuch, the Prophets, and the Hagiographa, bearing on the religion, the history, the institutions, and the manners of the Jews; and the New, written in Greek, comprehending the Four Gospels, the Acts of the Apostles, and the Epistles. The Old Testament was translated into Greek at Alexandria by 72 Jews, 280 B.C., and is known as the Septuagint; and the whole book, Old and New, was translated into Latin in a grotto near Bethlehem by St. Jerome, A.D. 385-404, and is known as the Vulgate, after which the two came to be regarded by the Church as of equal divine authority and as sections of one book. It may be permitted to note that the Bible is written throughout, not in a speculative or a scientific, but a spiritual interest, and that its final aim is to guide men in the way of life. The spirit in which it is composed is the spirit of conviction; its essence, both in the root of it and the fruit of it, is faith, and that primarily in a moral power above, and ultimately a moral principle within, both equally divine. The one principle of the book is that loyalty to the divine commands is the one foundation of all well-being, individual and social.

BIBLE CHRISTIANS, a sect of Methodism founded in 1815 in Devon by William O'Bryan, and merged in 1907 with the United Methodists.

BIBLE SOCIETY, THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN, founded in 1803, with George Borrow (q.v.) as one of its agents.

BIBLES WITH NICKNAMES, so called from printers' errors in the pages. The best known are the Vinegar Bible, which has "vinegar" for "vineyard," the Wicked Bible, which omits the "not" from the

Seventh Commandment, and the Breeches Bible, which applies the word to part of a woman's dress.

BIBLIA PAUPERUM (i.e. Bible of the Poor), a book consisting of some 50 leaves, with pictures of scenes in the Life of Christ, and explanatory inscriptions in Latin verse, printed, from wooden blocks, in the 15th century, before the invention of printing by movable types.

BIOESTER, a market town in Oxfordshire 12 m. N.E. of Oxford. Cattle fairs are held here, and the manufactures include beer, leather, and rope. There are remains of a 12th-century abbey.

BIOETRE, a hospital, originally a Carthusian monastery, in the S. side of Paris, with a commanding view of the Seine and the city; named after an archbishop of Winchester; since used for old soldiers, as a prison, and now for confined lunatics.

BICHAT, MARIE FRANÇOIS KAVIER, an eminent French anatomist and physiologist; physician to the Hôtel-Dieu, Paris; one of the first to resolve the structure of the human body into, as "Sartor" has it, "cellular, vascular, and muscular tissues"; his great work "Anatomie Générale appliquée à la Physiologie et à la Médecine"; died at 31 (1771-1802).

BICKERSTAFF, ISAAC, the pen-name adopted by Swift and Steele in many of their writings.

BICKERSTETH, EDWARD, English clergyman; author of several evangelical works, and one of the founders of the Evangelical Alliance (1785-1850).

BICKERTON, SIR RICHARD, admiral, served in several naval engagements, and died commander-in-chief at Plymouth (1759-1832).

BICYCLES, first used about 1800, feet being pushed against the ground to propel them. The "boneshaker" came in 1865, and the "penny-farthing" about 1880, types which were followed by the "safety bicycle" with two wheels of the same size. Pneumatic tyres and free wheels were added later.

BIDDERY WARE, ware of tin, copper, lead, and zinc, made at Bidar, in India.

BIDDING PRAYER, an exhortation to prayer in some special reference, followed by the Lord's Prayer, in which the congregation joins.

BIDDLE, JOHN, Socinian writer in the time of Charles I. and the Commonwealth; much persecuted for his belief, and was imprisoned, but released by Cromwell; regarded as the founder of English Unitarianism; author of a "Confession of Faith concerning the Holy Trinity" (1615-1662).

BIDPAL, or FILPAL, the presumed author of a collection of Hindu fables of ancient date, in extensive circulation over the East, and widely translated.

BIELLA'S COMET, discovered in 1826 by Biella, an Austrian officer, was found to have a period of 6½ years. On its appearance in January, 1846, it was found to have divided into two parts, which were farther apart when the comet was next observed in 1852. It was not visible in 1859 or 1866, but in 1872, at the time when the comet was expected (Nov. 10), an unprecedented shower of meteors fell upon the earth. Biella's comet had disintegrated and the earth had passed through the remains.

BIELEFELD, a manufacturing town in Westphalia, with a large trade in linen, and the centre of the trade.

BIRLU'KA, with its twin peaks, highest of the Altai Mountains, 11,100 ft.

BIENNE, LAKE OF, in the Swiss canton of Berne; the Aar is led into it when in flood, so as to prevent inundation below; on the shores of it are remains of lake-dwellings, and an island in it, St. Pierre, the retreat of Rousseau in 1765.

BIFROST, a bridge in the Norse mythology stretching from heaven to earth, of firm solidity and exquisite workmanship, represented in the rainbow, of which the colours are the reflections of the precious stones.

BIGELOW, ERASTUS BRIGHAM, American inventor of weaving machines, born in Massachusetts (1814-1879).

BIGELOW, POULTNEY, American author; wrote "The Borderland of Czar and Kaiser," and "White Man's Africa"; a student of German affairs (1855-).

BIG-ENDIANS, a name given to the Catholics, as Little-endians is the name given to the Protestants.

- In the imaginary kingdom of Lilliput, in Swift's "Gulliver's Travels," of which the former are regarded as heretics by the latter because they break their eggs at the big end.
- BIOGARR**, a town in Lanarkshire, birthplace of Dr. John Brown and of the Gladstone ancestry.
- BIGLOW**, imaginary author of poems in the Yankee dialect, written by James Russell Lowell.
- BIJAPUR**, city in the presidency of Bombay, once the capital of an extensive kingdom, now deserted, but with remains of its former greatness.
- BILBAO**, capital of the Basque prov. of Biscay, in Spain; a commercial city of ancient date, famous at one time for its steel, specially in Queen Elizabeth's time, when a rapier was called a "bilbo."
- BILDERDIJK, WILLEM**, Dutch poet, born at Amsterdam (1756-1831).
- BILE**, a fluid secreted from the blood by the liver to aid in digestion, the secretion of which is most active after food.
- BILLAUD-VARENNE, JEAN NICOLAS**, "a grim, resolute, unrepentant" member of the Jacobin Club; egged on the mob during the September massacres in the name of liberty; was president of the Convention; assisted at the fall of Robespierre, but could not avert his own; was deported to Ruffinham, and content to die there rather than return to France, which Bonaparte made him free to do; died at Port-au-Prince (1756-1819).
- BILLAUT, ADAM**, the carpenter poet, called "Maitre Adam," born at Nevers, and designated "Virgile au Rabot" (a carpenter's plane); d. 1662.
- BILLIARDS**, a game known in England as long ago as the 16th century (cf. "Antony and Cleopatra," Act 2, Sc. v.). It is believed to have been invented by a Spaniard, and has grown rapidly in favour since the middle of last century. J. Roberts, W. Cook, Mitchell, C. Dawson, Diggle, Stevenson, Inman, Reece, Davis, W. Smith, and Newman have been some of the leading exponents of the game in this country, to whom must be added W. Lindrum, the Australian champion.
- BILLINGS, ROBERT WILLIAM**, architect, born in London; delineator of old historical buildings; his great work "Baronial and Ecclesiastical Antiquities of Scotland," richly illustrated; was engaged in the restoration of old buildings, as well as delineating them (1813-1874).
- BILLINGSGATE**, a fish-market in London, below London Bridge; also a name given to low, coarse language indulged in there.
- BILLINGTON, ELIZABETH**, *nee* WEICHSEL, a celebrated singer, born in London, of German descent; kept up her celebrity to the last; died at Venice in 1817.
- BILNEY, THOMAS**, martyr, born in Norfolk, a priest who adopted the reformed doctrine; was twice arraigned, and released on promise not to preach, but could not refrain, and was at last burned as a heretic in 1531.
- BIMINI**, a fabulous island with a fountain possessed of the virtue of restoring youth.
- BINARY, or DOUBLE, STARS**, were first studied by Sir Wm. Herschel, 1738-1822 (q.v.). These systems consist of one star revolving about another, giving rise in some cases to a variation in the apparent brightness. Though many of the binaries reveal their double nature in a powerful telescope, others are only identified by the spectroscope or by the variation in their brightness. Data obtained from the observation of double stars enable us to calculate their masses.
- BINET**, a French litterateur, translator of Horace and Virgil (1732-1812).
- BINGEN**, a manufacturing and trading town on the left bank of the Rhine, in Grand-Duchy of Hesse Darmstadt, opposite which is the tower associated with the myth of Bishop Hatto (q.v.).
- BINGHAM, JOSEPH**, an English divine, born at Wakefield; author of "Origines Ecclesiasticæ," a laborious and learned work; lost his all in the South-Sea Scheme and died (1668-1723).
- BINTON, LAURENCE**, poet. He showed early gifts by winning the Newdigate Prize at Oxford, and then worked as an assistant in the British Museum. Besides many war poems he wrote "The Death of Adam." His line "They shall grow not old as we
- that are left grow old," is quoted on hundreds of war memorials (1869-).
- BIOCHEMISTRY**, the study of the chemical reactions involved in the changes occurring in living plants and animals.
- BIOGENESIS**, name of the theory that derives life from life, and opposed to Abiogenesis (q.v.).
- BIOLOGY**, the science of life in a purely physical reference, or of life in organised bodies generally, including that of plants, in its varied forms and through its successive stages.
- BION**, a Greek pastoral poet of 3rd century B.C., born at Smyrna; a contemporary of Theocritus; settled in Sicily; was poisoned, it is said, by a rival; little of his poetry survives.
- BIOT, JEAN BAPTISTE**, an eminent French mathematician, astronomer, and physicist, born at Paris; professor of Physics in the College of France; took part in measuring an arc of the meridian along with Arago; made observations on the polarisation of light by liquids such as turpentine and solutions of sugar and tartaric acid, and contributed numerous memoirs to scientific journals; wrote works on astronomy (1774-1862).
- BIRAGUE, RENE DE**, cardinal and chancellor of France, born at Milan; charged, especially by contemporary historians, with being the chief instigator of the St. Bartholomew Massacre (1507-1583).
- BIRCH, SAMUEL**, archaeologist and Egyptologist, born in London; keeper of Oriental antiquities in the British Museum; had an extensive knowledge of Egyptology, wrote largely, and contributed articles on that and kindred archaeological subjects (1813-1885).
- BIRCH, THOMAS**, antiquary, born in London; wrote a history of the Royal Society (1705-1766).
- BIRCH-PFEIFFER, CHARLOTTE**, actress, born in Stuttgart; acted in Berlin; wrote dramas (1800-1868).
- BIRD, EDWARD**, an English genre painter, born in Wolverhampton, settled in Bristol; among his works are the "Choristers Rehearsing," "The Field of Clary," and the "Day after the Battle," pronounced his masterpiece (1772-1819).
- BIRD, ISABELLA**. See BISHOP.
- BIRD, WILLIAM, or BYRD**, a musician in the time of Elizabeth, composed madrigals and much sacred music; "Non Nobis, Domine," is ascribed to him (1563-1623).
- BIRDWOOD, GENERAL SIR WILLIAM**, entered Army in 1883, served on the North-West Frontier in 1898 and in the Boer war. In 1915 he was in command of the forces in the Dardanelles campaign, and was appointed Commander-in-Chief in India in 1925 (1865-).
- BIREN, DUKE OF COURLAND**, son of a peasant, favourite of the Russian Empress Anne; held the reins of government even after her death; ruled with great cruelty; was banished to Siberia, but recalled, and had his honours restored to him, which six years after he relinquished in favour of his eldest son (1687-1772).
- BIRKBECK, GEORGE**, a Yorkshireman, was a zealous promoter all over the country of mechanics' institutes, and founder of the Mechanics' Institute, London, afterwards known as Birkbeck College, in association with Brougham and others interested in the diffusion of useful knowledge (1776-1841).
- BIRKENHEAD**, in Cheshire, on the Mersey, opposite Liverpool and a suburb of it; a town of rapid growth, due to the vicinity of Liverpool; has large shipbuilding yards and docks.
- BIRKENHEAD, EARL OF** (F. E. Smith), British politician. Educated at Birkenhead and Oxford, he rose rapidly at the bar, entered Parliament as Conservative for Liverpool in 1906, and won a name as "The Galloper" in support of the Ulster Unionists in 1914. He became Attorney-General in 1915, Lord Chancellor in 1919, and was Secretary for India from 1924 to 1928, when he left politics for a commercial career (1872-).
- BIRKENHEAD, SIR JOHN**, a political writer, several times imprisoned during the Commonwealth for his obtrusive royalism (1615-1679).
- BIRMINGHAM**, in the NW. of Warwickshire, 112 m. NW. of London by rail; is the chief town of the Midlands, and celebrated all over the world for its

metal ware, and as the "home of a thousand trades." All kinds of engines and machinery, fine gold, silver, copper, and brass ware, cutlery and ammunition are made here: steel pens, buttons, nails, and screws are specialties. It is a picturesque town, with many fine buildings, libraries, art gallery and museums, educational institutions, a cathedral, and a great town-hall. Of this town Burne-Jones was a native, and Priestley, George Dawson, and Dale were dissenting ministers, while it sent the Chamberlains to Parliament.

BIRNAM, a hill near Dunkeld, in Perthshire; contains part of a forest mentioned in "Macbeth."

BIRON, a madcap lord in "Love's Labour's Lost."

BIRON, BARON DE, marshal of France, born at Périgord; served bravely under Henry IV.; though a Catholic, favoured the Huguenots; narrowly escaped at the Massacre of St. Bartholomew; was killed at the siege of Ennery; carried a notebook with him everywhere, and so observant was he that it passed into a proverb, "You will find it in Biron's notebook" (1524-1592).

BIRON, DUC DE, son of the preceding; served also bravely under Henry IV.; but being a man of no principle and discontented with the reward he got for his services, intrigued with the Duke of Savoy and with Spain against Henry; was arrested and sent to the Bastille, where, after trial, he was beheaded (1592-1602).

BIRRELL, RT. HON. AUGUSTINE, British politician. Entering Parliament as a Liberal in 1889, he served as Minister of Education in Campbell-Bannerman's Government in 1905. In 1907 he became Secretary for Ireland, a post he resigned in 1916 on account of the Dublin Easter rebellion (1850-).

BISCAY, BAY OF, a bay in the Atlantic, extending from Cape Ortegal, in Spain, to Cape Finisterre, in France, and 400 m. broad, of depth varying from 20 to 200 fathoms, and, under S.W. winds particularly, one of the stormiest of seas.

BISCHOF, KARL GUSTAV, chemist, born at Nuremberg, professor at Bonn; experimented on the inflammable power of gas (1792-1870).

BISCHOFF, THEODOR LUDWIG WILHELM, distinguished biologist, born at Hanover; made a special study of embryology; was professor of Anatomy at Heidelberg, of Physiology at Glessen, and of both at Munich (1807-1882).

BISHOP, ISABELLA (BIRD), distinguished lady traveller and authoress; visited North America, Japan, China, Malaysia, and Korea; the first woman elected a member of the Royal Geographical Society; interested herself in medical missions abroad; wrote "Unbeaten Tracks in Japan," "The Englishwoman in America," &c. (1832-1904).

BISHOP, SIR HENRY ROWLEY, an English composer, born in London, composer and director of music in Covent Garden Theatre for 14 years; was for a brief space professor of Music in Edinburgh University, and eventually held a similar chair in Oxford (1786-1855).

BISHOP AUCKLAND, a town on the Wear 10 m. S.W. of Durham, and in the county of Durham. It contains the Bishop's palace, or castle, which was built in Edward I.'s reign. Chief industries, coal-mining and engineering.

BISHOP OF HIPPO, St. Augustine, as once in office there.

BISLEY, a village in Surrey, noted for the annual meeting of the National Rifle Association in the summer, when the best shots in the world compete for the King's Prize and teams from the public schools for the Ashburton Shield.

BISMARCK ARCEPELAGO, the German name for New Britain, NE. of New Guinea; under protectorate of Australia.

BISMARCK-SCHÖNEHAUSEN, EDUARD LEOPOLD, PRINCE VON, born at Schönhausen; rose in civil life by the events of 1848; took a bold stand against revolutionary ideas and measures; conceived the idea of freeing the several States of Germany from foreign control and welding them into one under the crown of Prussia. Summoned in 1862 by King William to be his political adviser, his influence was at first distrusted, but the annexation of Schleswig-Holstein by force of arms in 1863 raised him into general favour. His next feat, the

humiliation of Austria at Königgrätz in 1866, and the consequent erection of a German Confederation, with Prussia at its head, made him the idol of the nation. His treatment of Napoleon III. provoked the latter into a declaration of war, and to an advance on the part of the French against Berlin. To the surprise of nearly all Europe, the Germans proved to be a nation of soldiers, marshalled as army never was before, and beat the French ignominiously back from the Rhine. Count Bismarck had the satisfaction of seeing the power of France that still threatened, as well as that of Austria, helpless at his feet, the German empire restored under a Hohenzollern king, and himself installed as chancellor of the monarchy he had served so well. Nothing he did after this—though he reformed the coinage, codified the law, established protection, increased the army, and repressed Socialism—equalled this great feat. He ceased to be chancellor of Germany on the accession of William II., because the young king felt he would have a freer hand with a minister more likely to be under his control (1815-1898).

BISMUTH, a grey metal similar to antimony used for many alloys; its compounds are used extensively in medicine.

BISON, the name given to two species of the ox family, of which the European branch is almost extinct. The North American bison was once in danger of being exterminated, but remnants of herds were collected by the Canadian government, and these are now preserved and are multiplying in parts of the north-west. The bison is remarkable for the development of the fore part of its body, for its heavy mane and beard.

BISSA GOS, a group of some 20 volcanic islands off the coast of Senegambia, with a large negro population; yield tropical products, and belong now to Portugal.

BISSEN, HERMANN WILHELM, a Danish sculptor, born Slesvig; a pupil of Thorvaldsen; entrusted by him to finish a statue he left unfinished at his death; he produced some fine works, but his best known are his "Cupid Sharpening his Arrow" and "Atlantis Hunting" (1798-1868).

BITHUR, a town on the right bank of the Ganges, 12 m. above Cawnpore, where Nana Sahib lived and concocted the conspiracy which developed into the mutiny of 1857.

BITHYNIA, a country in the NW. of Asia Minor, anciently so called; the people of it were of Thracian origin.

BITLIS, a high-lying town in Asiatic Turkey, 62 m. W. of Van; stands in a valley 8470 ft. above the sea-level, with a population of Mohammedans and Armenians.

BITTER LAKES, two pieces of water in Egypt which form part of the Suez Canal.

BITUMEN, an inflammable mineral substance, presumably of vegetable origin, called Naphtha when liquid and light-coloured, Petroleum when less fluid and darker, Maltha when viscid, and Asphalt when solid.

BITZIUS, a Swiss author, composed stories of Swiss life under the nom de plume of Jeremias Gotthelf, fascinating from their charming simplicity and truth; he was much admired by Ruskin; was by profession a Protestant pastor, continuing to discharge his duties till his death (1797-1864).

BIZERIA, a seaport of Tunis, northernmost town in Africa, 38 m. N.W. of the capital, with an excellent harbour.

BIZET, GEORGES, an operatic composer, born at Paris; his greatest work "Carmen"; died of heart-disease shortly after its appearance (1838-1875).

BLACK, JOSEPH, a celebrated chemist, born at Bordeaux, of Scottish parents; the discoverer of what has been called latent heat, but what is really transformed energy; professor of Chemistry, first in Glasgow, then in Edinburgh, where his lectures were very popular; his discoveries in chemistry were fruitful in results and showed that carbon dioxide combines with bases to form salts (1728-1799).

BLACK, WILLIAM, novelist, born in Glasgow; started life as a journalist in connection with the *Morning Star*; wrote some 30 novels, about the West Highlands of Scotland, rich in picturesque description;

the best known, "A Daughter of Heth," "Madcap Violet," "Maclod of Dare," "The Strange Adventures of a Phaeton," and "A Princess of Thule" (1841-1898).

BLACK ART, name given to the presumed power of evoking evil spirits.

BLACK ASSEZ, a plague at Oxford in 1877, which carried off 800 victims; caught at the asseze from the prisoners under trial.

BLACK BOOK OF THE ADMIRALTY, THE, was lost at the end of the eighteenth century, but was found in 1874 at the bottom of a chest belonging to a former Redstar the Admiralty Court, and is now kept in a glass-topped table in the room of the President of that court. It contains the most ancient laws of the sea in force in this country, which were based on the Laws of Oleron in use during the Crusades, which were in turn based on the Sea Law of Rhodes. Oleron is the island at the mouth of the Charente, and the laws are said to have been promulgated by Queen Eleanor of Guienne, the mother of Richard the First, who is sometimes given the credit of introducing them into England. The book is about 9 in. high and 64 in. broad, and its leaves are of thin parchment and tough paper.

BLACK DEATH, a name given to a succession of fatal epidemics that devastated the world from China to Ireland in the 14th century, believed to be the same as the Oriental plague, though attended with peculiar symptoms; the most serious was that of 1348, which, as is reckoned, stripped England alone of one-third of its inhabitants.

BLACK FOREST, a wooded mountain chain 4000 ft. high (so called from the black pines that cover it), which runs parallel with the Rhine, and E. of it, through Württemberg and Baden, from the Swiss frontier to Karlsruhe; is remarkable for its picturesque scenery and its mineral wealth; it possesses many health resorts, as Haden-Baden and Wildbad, where are mineral springs; silver, copper, cobalt, lead, and iron are wrought in many places; the women and children of the region make articles of woodwork, such as wooden clocks, &c.

BLACK FRIARS, monks of the Dominican order; name of a district in London where they had a monastery, this having stood near the north end of the present Blackfriars Bridge over the Thames.

BLACK HOLE OF CALCUTTA, a confined apartment 20 ft. square, into which 146 English prisoners were crammed by the orders of Suraj-ud-Dowlah, Nawab of Bengal, on June 20, 1756; their sufferings were excruciating, and only 23 survived till morning.

BLACK LANDS, lands in the heart of Russia, extending between the Carpathians and the Urals, constituting one-third of the soil, and consisting of a layer of black earth or vegetable mould, of from 8 to 20 ft. in thickness, and a chief source, from its fertility, of the wealth of the country.

BLACK MONDAY, Easter Monday in 1851, remarkable for the extreme darkness that prevailed, and an intense cold, under which many died.

BLACK PRINCE, Prince of Wales, son of Edward III., so called, it is said, from the colour of his armour; distinguished himself at Crécy, gained the battle of Poitiers, but involved his country in further hostilities with France; returned to England, broken in health, to die (1380-1376).

BLACK ROD, GENTLEMAN USHER OF, an official of the House of Lords, whose badge of office is a black rod surmounted by a gold lion; summons the Commons to the House; is also Usher of the Order of the Garter.

BLACK SATURDAY, name given in Scotland to Saturday, August 4, 1621; a stormy day of great darkness, regarded as a judgment of Heaven against Acts then passed in the Scottish Parliament tending to establish Episcopacy.

BLACK SEA, or EUXINE, an inland sea, lying between Europe and Asia, twice the size of Britain, being 700 m. in greatest length and 400 m. in greatest breadth; communicates in the N. with the Sea of Azov, and in the SW., through the Bosphorus, the Sea of Marmora, and the Dardanelles, with the Mediterranean. It washes the shores of Turkey, Rumania, Bulgaria, Russia, and Asia Minor; receives the waters of the Danube, Dniester, Bug, and Don, from Europe, and the Kilik-Innak and

Sakaria from Asia—three times as much as is received by the Mediterranean. It has but one island, Adas, off the mouths of the Danube; no reefs or shoals; hence in summer navigation is very safe. In winter it is harassed by severe storms. Among the chief ports are Odessa, Kherson, Batoum, Trebizond, and Sinope; the first two are ice-bound in January and February. For three centuries the Turks excluded all other nations from its waters; but the Prussians (1774), Austrians (1784), French and English (1802) secured trading rights. Its waters are fresher than those of the ocean, and it has no noticeable tides.

BLACK WATCH, a Highland regiment, late the 42nd and 73rd of the line, so called from the dark colour of the tartan; the 42nd raised originally for the preservation of the peace in the Highlands.

BLACKBURN, a manufacturing town in Lancashire, 21 m. NW. of Manchester, a centre of the cotton industry; is the birthplace of Hargreaves, the inventor of the spinning-jenny.

BLACKHEATH, a common 7 m. SE. of London, once a favourite haunt of highwaymen, now a place of holiday resort for Londoners; for long provided one of the two old golfing-courses in England.

BLACKIE, JOHN STUART, Scottish author, born in Glasgow; he studied German; executed a metrical translation of Goethe's "Faust." Part I. filled the chair of Humanity in Aberdeen, and afterwards that of Greek in Edinburgh; was a zealous educational reformer; took an active interest in everything affecting the welfare and honour of Scotland; founded a Celtic Chair in Edinburgh University; did Æschylus and Homer's "Iliad" in verse (1809-1896).

BLACKLOCK, THOMAS, a clergyman, born in Annan, blind from early infancy; after occupying a charge for two years, set up as a teacher in Edinburgh; was influential in inducing Burns to abandon his intention to emigrate, and may be credited, therefore, with saving for his country and humanity at large one of the most gifted of his country's sons; was author of some volumes of poems (1721-1791).

BLACKMORE, RICHARD BODDRIDGE, novelist, born in Berks; bred to the bar; wrote several novels, the best known "Lorna Doone," which, though coldly received at first, became highly popular (1825-1900).

BLACKMORE, SIR RICHARD, physician, born in Wilts; the most voluminous of poetsasters, published four long worthless poems, besides essays and psalms, &c., and made himself the butt of all the wits of the period; one of the writers ridiculed in Pope's "Dunciad"; d. 1729.

BLACKPOOL, a watering-place on the coast of Lancashire, 18 m. NW. of Preston, sometimes called the "Brighton of the North."

BLACKSTONE, SIR WILLIAM, an eminent jurist and judge, born in London, the son of a silk-mercer; was fellow of Pembroke College, Oxford, and in 1746 called to the bar; became first Vinerian professor of Law at Oxford; had Jeremy Bentham for one of his pupils; author of the well-known "Commentaries on the Laws of England," an authority on the subject and a work that has appeared in many editions (1723-1780).

BLACKWATER FEVER, a disease, similar to malaria, prevalent in tropical countries.

BLACKWELL, ALEXANDER, adventurer, born in Aberdeen; studied medicine; took to printing; thrown into prison for debt; was supported by his wife; on his release went to Sweden, was patronised by the king; convicted of conspiracy, and beheaded in 1747.

BLACKWELL, ELIZABETH, a lady doctor, born in Bristol, and the first to hold a medical diploma in the United States; graduated in 1849; was admitted into the Maternity Hospital in Paris, and to St. Bartholomew's in London, and distinguished herself as a social reformer (1821-1910).

BLACKWOOD, ALGERNON, author; educated at Wellington and Edinburgh; has written many notable novels, including "John Silence," "The Lost Valley," "Pan's Garden," and several plays (1869-).

BLACKWOOD, SIR HENRY, British admiral, much trusted by Nelson; distinguished at Aboukir Bay

- and Trafalgar; was present at Nelson's death; held subsequently high naval positions (1770-1882).
- BLACKWOOD, WILLIAM**, born in Edinburgh, originator of *Blackwood's Magazine*; began as a bookseller; started *Maga*, as it was called, in 1817, his principal literary advisers being Professor Wilson and Lockhart; conducted it as editor till his death (1776-1884). John, his third son, his successor, no less distinguished in the cause of literature; publisher of Lord Lytton's and George Eliot's books (1818-1879).
- BLANVILLE, HENRI MARIE DE**, a French naturalist; devoted himself to medicine; became *Commissaire Curvier*; succeeded him as professor of Comparative Anatomy; wrote largely on natural science, and particularly on subjects connected with his appointment as a professor (1777-1850).
- BLAIR, ROBERT**, author of "The Grave," a thoughtful and cultured man, born in Edinburgh; minister of Athelstaneford, where he was succeeded by Home, the author of "Douglas." His poem has the merit of having been illustrated by William Blake (1699-1746).
- BLAKE, ROBERT**, the great English admiral and "Sea King," born at Bridgewater; successful as a soldier under the Commonwealth, before he tried seamanship; took first to sea in pursuit of Prince Rupert and the royalist fleet, which he destroyed; beat the Dutch under Van Tromp, De Ruyter, and De Witt; sailed under the great guns of Tunis into the harbour, where he fired a fleet of Turkish pirates; and finally, his greatest feat, annihilated a Spanish fleet in Santa Cruz Bay under the shadow of the Peak of Teneriffe, "one of the fiercest actions ever fought on land or water" (1598-1657).
- BLAKE, WILLIAM**, poet, painter, and engraver, born in London, where, with rare intervals, he spent his life, a mystic from his very boyhood; apprenticed to an engraver, whom he assisted with his drawings; started on original lines of his own as illustrator of books and a painter; devoted his leisure to poetry; wrote "Songs of Innocence," "Marriage of Heaven and Hell," "Gates of Paradise," and "Songs of Experience"; was an intensely religious man of deep spiritual insight, most vivid feeling and imagination; illustrated, among many notable works, Young's "Night Thoughts," Blair's "The Grave," and the Book of Job. He was a man of stainless character but eccentric habits, and had for wife Catherine Boucher, who under his tuition assisted him in his art work (1757-1827).
- BLANC, JEAN JOSEPH LOUIS**, a French Socialist, born at Madrid; started as a journalist, founded the *Revue du Progrès*, and published separately in 1840 "Organisation of Labour," which had already appeared in the *Revue*, a work which gained the favour of the working-classes; was member of the Provisional Government of 1848, and eventually of the National Assembly; threatened with impeachment, fled to England; returned to France on the fall of the Empire, and was elected to the Chamber of Deputies in 1871; wrote "History of the French Revolution"; died at Cannes (1811-1882).
- BLANC, MONT**, the highest mountain in the Alps, 15,780 ft., almost entirely within France; sends numerous glaciers down its slopes, the Mer de Glace the chief; was first ascended in 1786 by Paccard and Balmat.
- BLANCHARD, FRANÇOIS**, a celebrated French aeronaut, inventor of the parachute; he fell from his balloon and was killed at the Hague (1738-1809).
- BLANCHARD, SAMUEL LAMAN**, a prolific periodical contributor and play-writer, born at Yarmouth; a man of a singularly buoyant spirit, crushed by calamities (1804-1845).
- BLANCHET OF CASTLE**, wife of Louis VIII. of France and mother of St. Louis; regent of France during the minority of her son and during his absence on crusade; governed with great discretion and firmness; died of grief over the long absence of her son and his rumoured intention to stay in the Holy Land (1186-1252).
- BLANCHET, THE ABBÉ**, French litterateur; author of "Apologues and Tales," much esteemed (1707-1784).
- BLANDRATA, GIORGIO**, Piedmontese physician, who for his religious opinions was compelled to take refuge, first in Poland, then in Transylvania, where he sowed the seeds of Unitarianism (1618-1800).
- BLANQUI, JEROME ADOLPHE**, a celebrated French publicist and economist, born at Nîmes; a disciple of J. B. Say, and a free-trader; his principal work, "History of Political Economy in Europe" (1798-1854).
- BLANQUET, LOUIS AUGUSTE**, a brother of the preceding, a French republican of extreme views and violent procedure; would appear to have posed as a martyr; spent nearly half his life in prison (1805-1881).
- BLARNY STONE**, a stone in Castle Blarney, Cork, of difficult access, which is said to endow whoso kisses it with a fair-spoken tongue, hence the application of the word.
- BLASIUS, ST.**, bishop of Sebaste, in Armenia; the patron of wool-combers; suffered martyrdom in 316.
- BLASTING GELATINE**, a powerful explosive discovered by Nobel in 1875, consisting of gun-cotton dissolved in nitroglycerine, with which it forms a jelly-like mass.
- BLAVATSKY, NNEE**, a theosophist, born in Russia; a great authority on theosophy, the doctrines of which she professed to derive from the fountain-head in Tibet (1831-1891).
- BLUME, FRIEDRICH**, eminent German Biblical exegete and critic of the Schleiermacher school, born in Holstein; professor at Bonn; his chief work, "Commentary on the Hebrews"; others are Introductions to the Old and to the New Testaments (1793-1859).
- BLEEK, WILLIAM**, son of preceding, a philologist; accompanied Colenso to Natal; author of "Comparative Grammar of the S. African Languages" (1827-1875).
- BLEFUSCU**, an island separated from Lilliput, in Swift's "Gulliver's Travels," by a strait 400 yards wide, and inhabited by pigmies; understood to represent France.
- BLENHEIM**, a village in Bavaria, near Augsburg; famous for Marlborough's victory in 1704, and giving name to it.
- BLENHEIM PARK**, near Woodstock, Oxford, the gift, with the Woodstock estate, of the country to the Duke of Marlborough, for his military services in the Spanish Succession war; it was designed by Vanbrugh.
- BLERIOT, LOUIS**, aviator. He was the first man to fly an aeroplane over the English Channel, which he did in 1909 (1872-).
- BLESSINGTON, COUNTESS OF**, an Irish lady celebrated for her beauty and wit; figured much in intellectual circles in London; had her salon at Kensington; was on intimate terms with Byron, and published "Conversations with Byron," and several novels; being extravagant, fell into debt, and had to flee the country (1780-1849).
- BLICHER, STEEN STRENGSEN**, Danish poet and novelist of rural life (1782-1848).
- BLIGH, WILLIAM**, a naval officer; served under Cook; commanded the *Bounty* at Tahiti, when his crew mutinied under his harsh treatment and set him adrift, with 18 others, in an open boat, in which, after incredible privations, he arrived in England; was afterwards governor of N. S. Wales, but deported for his rigorous and arbitrary conduct (1754-1817).
- BLIND, KARL**, revolutionist and journalist, born at Mannheim; took part in the riots of 1848; was sentenced to prison in consequence of a pamphlet he wrote entitled "German Hunger and German Princes," but rescued by the mob; found refuge in England, where he interested himself in democratic movements, and cultivated his literary as well as his political propensities by contributing to magazines (1828-1907).
- BLIND HARRY**, a wandering Scottish minstrel of the 15th century; composed in verse "The Life of that Noble Champion of Scotland, Sir William Wallace."
- BLIND-WORM**. See **SLOW-WORM**.
- BLINKHET DUNE**, a dune near Haarlem, 197 ft. above the sea-level.
- BLOEMERT**, a family of Flemish painters and engravers in 16th and 17th centuries.

BLOEMFONTEIN, capital of the Orange Free State on the River Modder, founded in 1846. The town has a cathedral, museum, library and theatre, and is the seat of the Supreme Court of the Union. Lord Roberts captured it from the Boers in 1900.

BLOIS, capital of the dept. of Loire and Cher, France, on the Loire, 35 m. S. of Orleans; a favourite residence of Francis I. and Charles IX., and the scene of events of interest in the history of France.

BLOMFIELD, FRANCIS, a clergyman, born in Norfolk; author of "Topographical History of the County of Norfolk" (1706-1751).

BLOMFIELD, CHARLES JAMES, bishop of London, born at Bury St. Edmunds; (Greek scholar; active in the Church extension of his diocese (1785-1857).

BLOMFIELD, SIR REGINALD THEODORE, British architect. He specialised in garden design and civil architecture. Elected A.R.A. in 1905, he was made R.A. in 1914 (1856-).

BLOUNDEL, a troubadour of the 12th century; a favourite of Richard Cœur de Lion, who, it is said, discovered the place of Richard's imprisonment in Austria by singing the first part of a love-song which Richard and he had composed together, the voice of the king responding to the strain.

BLOUND, CHARLES, an acrobat and rope-dancer, born at St. Omer, France; celebrated for his feats in crossing Niagara Falls on the tight-rope and taking a woman over in a wheelbarrow (1824-1897).

BLOOD, the vital fluid of the human body. It consists of a liquid, plasma, containing microscopic corpuscles of two kinds: (1) red, containing hemoglobin, which absorb oxygen in the lungs and give it out to the various parts of the body; (2) white, in smaller numbers than red, which serve to destroy bacteria and thus defend the body from disease. The blood passes from the heart through the arteries to all parts of the body, supplying them with oxygen and nourishment; this oxygenated blood is bright red; the blood returns to the heart through the veins, removing the waste products from the various parts of the body; the blood in the veins is a bluish colour. The arteries and veins are connected by small channels called capillaries. The circulation of the blood was discovered by William Harvey in 1628.

BLOOD, THOMAS, COLONEL, an Irish desperado, noted for his daring attempts against the life of the Duke of Ormonde, and for carrying off the regalia in the Tower; unaccountably pardoned by Charles II., and received afterwards into royal favour with a pension of £500 per annum. He was afterwards charged with conspiracy, and committed to the King's Bench, and released; d. 1680.

BLOODY ASSIZES, the judicial massacres and cruel injustices perpetrated by Judge Jeffreys during circuit in 1685.

BLOODY MARY, Queen Mary (q.v.), on account of her persecution of Protestants.

BLOODY STATUTE, statute of Henry VIII. making it a crime involving the heaviest penalties to question any of the fundamental doctrines of the Romish Church.

BLOOMERS, a costume for women devised by an American, Mrs. Bloomer, and consisting of a short skirt and bodice, with loosely made trousers; although of short popularity it led to the adoption of a national feminine dress for cycling and other sports.

BLOOMFIELD, ROBERT, an English poet, born in Suffolk, by trade a shoemaker; author of the "Farmer's Boy," a highly popular production, translated into French and Italian; spent his last days in ill-health, struggling with poverty, which brought on delusion of mind (1766-1823).

BLOUNT, CHARLES, a deist, born in London; assailant of revealed religion; was involved in all the controversies of the time; died by his own hand (1654-1693).

BLOWPIPE, a contrivance by which a current of air is driven through a flame, and the flame directed upon some fusible substance to fuse or vitrify it.

BLÜCHER, GEBHARD VON, Prussian field-marshal, familiarly named "Marshal Forward", born at Rostock; served first in the Swedish army, then in the Prussian; distinguished as a leader of cavalry, and most with varying fortune; at the age of 70 com-

manded the centre of the Allied army in 1813; distinguished himself at Lützen and Leipzig; pursued the French across the Rhine; pressed forward to Paris at the time of Napoleon's abdication; defeated by Napoleon at Ligny, June 16, 1815; arrived on the field of Waterloo just as the French were preparing to make their last charge, and contributed to decide the fate of the day (1742-1819).

BLUE, one of the highest honours in sport, awarded at Oxford and Cambridge to those who play against the other University. Blues for rowing, cricket, and both codes of football are the most highly prized. Oxford is a dark blue and Cambridge a light.

BLUE BOY, THE, Thomas (Gainsborough's (q.v.) famous portrait of Master Buttol, painted in 1770.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, a range of thickly wooded mountains traversing Jamaica from E. to W., from 5000 to 7000 ft. in height; also a chain of mountains in New South Wales of two parallel ranges, with a deep chasm between, and full of gloomy ravines and beetling precipices, the highest 4100 ft.

BLUE NOSE, a nickname given to an inhabitant of Nova Scotia or New Brunswick.

BLUEBEARD, a wealthy seigneur of fable, the owner of a castle; marries a beautiful woman, and leaves her in charge of the keys of the apartments in his absence, with strict orders not to unlock any of the doors, an injunction which she fails to respect, and finds to her horror the remains of his former wives locked up in one of them; her disobedience is discovered, and she is to prepare for death, but is rescued, as she lies with her head on the block, by the timely arrival of her brothers, who at once despatch the husband to his merited doom. English version of the fairy-tale is derived from Perrault's "Contes".

BLUE-BOOKS, Parliamentary documents bound in blue paper, as the corresponding documents in France are in yellow; they have been published regularly since the beginning of the 18th century, those of a single session now forming a collection of some 60 folio volumes.

BLUE-COAT SCHOOL, a name given to Christ's Hospital, West Herts, founded by Edward VI., from the blue coats worn by the boys.

BLUE-GOWN, in Scotland a beggar, a bedesman of the king, who wore a blue gown, the gift of the king, and had his licence to beg; abolished in 1863.

BLUE-STOCKING, a female pedant or *femme savante*, a name derived from a learned coterie, formed in the 15th century, at Venice, who wore blue stockings as a badge.

BLUFF HALL or HARRY, Henry VIII. of England.

BLUM, ROBERT, a German politician, born at Cologne; tried by court-martial and shot for abetting a political movement in Vienna in 1848, a proceeding which created a widespread sensation at the time all over Europe (1807-1848).

BLUMENBACH, JOHANN FRIEDRICH, a distinguished German naturalist and ethnologist, born at Göttingen; studied at Jena; became professor at Göttingen, an office he filled for 60 years; his works gave a great impulse to scientific research in all directions; the chief were "Institutiones Physiologiae," "Manual of Natural History," "Manual of Comparative Anatomy and Physiology"; he made craniology a special study; was a great advocate for religious liberty (1752-1840).

BLUMENTHAL, JACQUES, composer, of German birth; writer of many popular songs (1829-1899).

BLUMENTHAL, LEONARD VON, field-marshal in the Prussian army; distinguished in the wars with Denmark, Austria, and France; an eminent strategist (1810-1900).

BLUNT, JOHN HENRY, D.D., born at Chelsea; wrote largely on theological and ecclesiastical subjects (1823-1884).

BLUNT, WILFRID SCRAWEN, poet; born at Petworth; in diplomatic service for some years; championed cause of Arabi Pasha in 1882; author of "The Future of Islam," &c. (1840-1922).

BLUNTSCHLI, JOHANN KASPAR, a distinguished jurist, born at Zurich; an authority in international law; a liberal conservative both in Church and State; founder and president of the Protestant Union called the *Protestantverein* (1808-1881).

BOA, the name given to a genus of constricting, non-venomous serpents found in tropical America; included with pythons and anacondas (q.v.) in the species *Pythonidae*. The largest of the boa family known measured 27 ft. in length.

BOABDIL, or **ABU-ABDALLAH**, surnamed "The Unfortunate," the last Moorish king of Granada, from 1481 to 1492; expelled from his throne by Ferdinand of Castile and Aragon; as he rode off he halted on a hill called "The Last Sight of the Moor," and wept as he looked back on the Alhambra, while his mother added to his bitterness with the cutting sarcasm, "Weep as a woman for a throne you have not been able to defend as a man"; died shortly after in Africa, recklessly throwing away his life on a field of battle.

BOADICEA, a British heroine, queen of the Iceni, who occupied Norfolk and Suffolk; roused by indignity done to her and her people by the Romans, gathered round her an army, who, with a murderous onslaught, attacked their settlements and destroyed them; but being attacked and defeated in turn by Suetonius Paulinus, the Roman governor, she, in her despair, put an end to her life by poison, A.D. 62. Cowper made her the theme of one of his poems.

BOANERGES (i.e. Sons of Thunder), applied by Christ to the sons of Zebedee for the vehemence of their zeal.

BOARD OF TRADE, THE, embracing the Department of Overseas Trade and the Mines Department, looks after national trade affairs. Nominally it is the Committee of the Council of Trade, supervised by a President and instituted in 1786.

BOAT RACE, THE, annual rowing match on the Thames in March or April between Oxford and Cambridge Universities from Putney to Mortlake. The first race was rowed in 1829 at Henley, and it became an annual fixture in 1856.

BOAZ and **JACHIN**, two pillars of brass at the entrance of Solomon's Temple, signifying respectively strength and stability.

BOB ADIL, CAPTAIN, a braggadoocio in Ben Jonson's "Every Man in his Humour."

BOBÈCHE, a French theatrical clown, under the Empire and the Restoration, son of an upholsterer of the St. Antoine faubourg, the type of the merry-andrew at country fairs.

BOCCACCIO, GIOVANNI, the celebrated Italian *vaconteur*, born near Florence; showed early a passion for literature; sent by his father to Naples to pursue a mercantile career; gave himself up to story-telling in prose and verse; fell in love with Maria, a beautiful woman, daughter of the king, styled by him Flaminetta, for whom he wrote several of his works and his greatest, the "Decameron"; early formed a lifelong friendship with Petrarch, with whom he contributed to the revival and study of classic literature; lectured on Dante in Florence; Petrarch's death deeply affected him, and he died the year after (1313-1375).

BOCCHERINI, LUIGI, a celebrated Italian musical composer, born at Lucca; was associated with Manfredi, the violinist; his works were numerous; appears to have lived in poverty and obscurity (1743-1805).

BOCHART, SAMUEL, a Protestant divine, born at Rouen; pastor at Caen; a geographer and an Orientalist; wrote a treatise on sacred geography; celebrated for a nine-days' discussion with the Jesuit Verin (1599-1667).

BODE, JOHANN ELBERT, an astronomer, born at Hamburg; was professor of Astronomy and director of Observatory at Berlin; produced a number of astronomical works, one of his best, "An Introduction to the Knowledge of the Starry Heavens"; gave name to the law of the planetary distances, called Bode's Law, although it was observed by Kepler long before his day (1747-1826).

BODEL, a celebrated troubadour of the 13th century, born at Arras.

BODENSEE, another name for the Lake of Constance, well called the *filter of the Rhine*.

BODIN, JEAN, a publicist and diplomatist, born at Angers; author of "The Republic," in six books, published at first in French and then in Latin, which summed up all the political philosophy of his time and contributed to prepare the way for

subsequent speculations; was the precursor of Hobbes and Montesquieu (1530-1596).

BODLEIAN LIBRARY, the university library of Oxford, founded, or rather restored, by Sir Thomas Bodley in 1598; enlarged from time to time by bequests, often munificent. A copy of every book published in the United Kingdom has to be sent there.

BODLEY, SIR THOMAS, born at Exeter; employed on embassies by Elizabeth on the Continent, where he collected a number of valuable books; bequeathed them and his fortune to the university library of Oxford, named after him (1545-1613).

BODMER, JOHANN JACOB, a distinguished Swiss critic, born near Zurich; the first, by study of the masters in literature of Greece and Rome, France, England, and Italy, to wake up Germany to a sense of its poverty in that line, and thus aided, along with others, in the inauguration of a new era, which he did more by his republication of the Minnesingers and part of the "Nibelungen Lied" than by his advocacy (1698-1783).

BODMIN, the county town of Cornwall, superseded Truro as capital; an important agricultural centre; has large annual fairs for cattle, horses, and sheep.

BODONI, an Italian printer; settled at Parma, where his press was set up in the ducal palace, whence issued magnificent editions of the classics, Horace, Virgil, Tacitus, Tasso, and, last of all, Homer. He was often tempted to Rome, but he refused to quit Parma and the patronage of the ducal house there (1740-1813).

BÖDTCHER, LUDWIG, a Danish lyric poet, born at Copenhagen; lived chiefly in Italy (1793-1874).

BOECE, HECTOR, known also as **BOETHIUS**, a humanist and Scottish historian, born at Dundee; professor of Philosophy at Paris; friend of Erasmus; was principal of university at Aberdeen; wrote "History of Bishops of Morlaich and Aberdeen," and "History of Scotland" in excellent Latin (1465-1536).

BOECKH, PHILIP AUGUST, classical antiquary, born at Karlsruhe; professor of Ancient Literature in Berlin; a classic of the first rank, and a contributor on a large scale to all departments of Greek classical learning; was an eminently erudite man, and an authority in different departments of learning (1785-1867).

BOEHM, SIR JOSEPH EDGAR, sculptor, born in Vienna, of Hungarian parentage, settled in England; executed a colossal statue of Queen Victoria at Windsor, a seated statue of Carlyle, and a statue of Bunyan at Bedford; patronised by the Queen and royal family; buried in St. Paul's by the Queen's desire (1834-1890).

BOEHME, JACOB, celebrated German mystic, born at Görlitz; of an imaginatively meditative turn from boyhood as a neat-herd, and afterwards in his stall as a shoemaker; spent his whole life in meditation on divine things; saw in the Bible a revelation of these as in no other book; seemed to have eyes given him to see visions of these things himself, for which he felt he had no organ to express, and which he conveyed to others in mystical, apocalyptic speech; a thinker very fascinating to all minds of the near class. His philosophy would seem to have anticipated the secret of Hegel, who acknowledges him as one of the fathers of German philosophy. He left writings which embody a scheme of mystical theology, setting forth the trinity in unity of the Hegelian system, that is, viewing the divine as it is in itself, as it comes out in nature, and as it returns to itself in the human soul (1575-1624).

BOEHMER, a German historian, born at Frankfurt; author of works on the Carolingian period of history (1795-1863).

BOEOTIA, a country of ancient Greece, N. of the Gulf of Corinth; the natives, though brave, were mere tillers of the soil under a heavy atmosphere, innocent of culture, and regarded as bores and dullards by the educated classes of Greece, and particularly of Athens, although Hesiod, Pindar, and Plutarch were natives of Boeotia.

BOER WAR, THE, started in October, 1899, when the Boers invaded Natal, and was ended by the treaty of Pretoria in May, 1902. Britain suffered heavily in the opening six months of the war, but with the

appointment of Lord Roberts as Commander-in-Chief, with Lord Kitchener as chief of staff, the tide turned. Kimberley was relieved in February, 1900, and Ladysmith and Mafeking were other successes leading to the surrender of the Boer leaders.

BOERHAAVE, HERMANN, a great physician, born near Leyden, and son of a pastor; ultimately professor of Medicine and Botany there, as well as of Chemistry, chairs of which he filled and adorned with the greatest distinction; his reputation spread over Europe, and even as far as China; his system was adopted by the profession, and patients from far and wide came to consult him—among others, Pope Benedict VIII. and Peter the Great; his character was as noble as his abilities were great; his principal works were "Institutiones Medicæ," "Aphorismi de Cognoscendis et Curandis Morbis," "Libellus de Materia Medica," and "Institutiones Chemicæ" (1668-1738).

BOERS (i.e. peasants engaged in tillage), Dutch colonists of an independent republican temper, who in the 17th century squatted in S. Africa; gave themselves to agriculture and cattle-rearing; settled at length in the Transvaal in a self-governed community by themselves.

BOETHIUS, ANICIUS MANLIUS SEVERINUS, a Roman statesman, born at Rome, of Consular rank, a profoundly learned man, held the highest offices, Consul among others, under Theodoric the Goth; his integrity and opposition to injustice procured him enemies, who accused him of treason; he was cast into prison, and finally put to death; wrote in prison his "De Consolatione Philosophiæ." In five parts, employing verse and prose alternately, which King Alfred translated into Anglo-Saxon; he was canonised as a martyr, and his influence was great during the Middle Ages (470-524).

BOGATZKY, KARL HEINRICH VON, religious writer; wrote hymns and an autobiography; is best known as the author of the "Golden Treasury" (1690-1744).

BOGDANOVITCH, a Russian poet, called by his countrymen the Russian Anacreon; his best-known poem "Psyche" (1743-1803).

BOGERMAN, JOHANN, Dutch divine, translated the Bible into Dutch, and was President of the Synod of Dort (1676-1683).

BOGOTA, capital of the State of Colombia, situated on a remarkable, almost mountain-encircled, plateau, on the river Bogotá, 85 m. S.E. of its port, Honda, the highest navigable point of the Magdalena; is 8600 ft. above sea-level, and has a spring-like climate. It is regularly built, with innumerable churches, a mint, university, library, and observatory, and several schools. Though the country is fertile and the mountains rich in coal, iron, salt, and precious metals, its situation and the want of a railway hinder trade.

BOGUE, DAVID, born in Berwickshire, a Congregational minister; one of the founders of the London Foreign Missionary, the Foreign Bible, and the Religious Tract Societies (1750-1825).

BOHEMIA, the chief province of Czechoslovakia, two-thirds the size of Scotland; is encircled by mountains, and drained by the upper Elbe and its tributaries. The Kráskoříz separate it from Saxony; the Riesengebirge, from Prussia; the Böhmerwald, from Bavaria; and the Moravian Mountains, from Moravia. The mineral wealth is varied and great, including coal, the most useful metals, silver, sulphur, and porcelain clay. The climate is mild in the valleys, the soil fertile; flax and hops the chief products; forests are extensive. Dyeing, calico-printing, linen and woollen manufactures, are the chief industries. The glassware is widely celebrated; there are ironworks and sugar-refineries. The transit trade is very valuable. The people are mostly Czechs, of the Slavonic race, Roman Catholics in religion; there is a large and influential German minority. There is a university at Prague, the capital. In the 16th century the crown was united with the Austrian, but in 1608 religious questions led to the election of the Protestant Frederick V. This was followed by the Thirty Years' war, the extermination of the Protestants, and the restoration of the Austrian House. In 1918 the independence of Czechoslovakia was proclaimed.

BOHEMIAN, name given to one who lives by his wits and shuns conventionality.

BOHEMIAN BROTHERS, a fraternity of an extreme sect of the Hussites, organised as United Brethren in 1455; broken up in the Thirty Years' war, met in secret, and were invited, under the name of Moravians or Herrnhuters, by Count Zinzendorf to settle on his estate in Silesia.

BOHEMOND, first prince of Antioch, son of Robert Guiscard; set out on the first crusade; besieged and took Antioch; was besieged in turn by the Saracens, and imprisoned for two years; liberated, he collected troops and recaptured the city (1056-1111).

BOHLEN, PETER VON, a German Orientalist, professor at Königsberg (1796-1840).

BOHN, HENRY GEORGE, an enterprising publisher and learned bibliographer; issued a series of works identified with his name (1796-1884).

BOHR, NIELS HENRIK DAVID, professor of Physics at Copenhagen, a distinguished mathematical physicist. His greatest work has been in connection with the application of the quantum theory (q.v.) to the structure of the atom (q.v.). His work is based upon the planetary conception of the atom put forward by Rutherford (1885-).

BÖHTLINGK, OTTO, Sanskrit scholar, a German, born in St. Petersburg; author, among other works, of a Sanskrit dictionary in 7 vols. (1815-1904).

BOIARDO, MATTEO MARIA, Count of Scandiano, surnamed the "Flower of Chivalry"; an Italian poet, courtier, diplomatist, and statesman; author of "Orlando innamorato" (1456), the model of Ariosto's "Orlando Furioso," which eclipsed it (1434-1494).

BOIELDIEU, ADRIEN FRANÇOIS, a distinguished French musical composer of light operas; author of the "Café de Bagdad," "Télémaque," and "La Dame Blanche," reckoned his masterpiece; called the French Mozart (1775-1834).

BOIGNE, COUNT DE, a French soldier of fortune, born at Chambéry; served under France, Russia, East India Company, and the prince of the Maharratta, to whom he rendered signal service; amassed wealth, which he dealt out generously and for the benefit of his country (1751-1830).

BOIL, an ancient people of Gaul, occupying territory between the Allier and the Loire, from whose name Bohemia is derived.

BOILEAU, NICOLAS (surnamed Despréaux, to distinguish him from his brother), poet and critic, born in Paris; brought up to the law, but devoted to letters, associating himself with La Fontaine, Racine, and Molière; author of "satires" and "Epistles," "L'Art Poétique," "Le Lutrin," &c., in which he attacked and employed his wit against the bad taste of his time; did much to reform French poetry, as Pascal did to reform the prose, and was for long the law-giver of Parnassus; was an imitator of Pope, but especially of Horace (1636-1711).

BOISSARD, a French fabulist of remarkable fecundity (1743-1831).

BOIS-BRÛLÉS, the French name for the half-breeds of North America who are of Canadian-French and Indian ancestry.

BOISGODEY, FORTUNE DE, French author of sensational fiction (1824-1891).

BOIS-GUILLEBERT, a French economist, cousin of Vauban; advocate of free trade; d. 1714.

BOIS-LE-DUC, capital of North Brabant, 45 m. S.E. of Amsterdam, and with a fine cathedral; seat of an archbishop.

BOISMONT, THE ABBÉ, one of the best French pulpits orators of the 18th century (1715-1786).

BOISROBERT, THE ABBÉ, a French poet, one of the first members of the French Academy; patronised by Richelieu (1592-1662).

BOISSONADE, JEAN FRANÇOIS, a French Greek scholar; for a time carried away by the revolutionary movement, but abandoned politics for letters (1774-1857).

BOISSIERE, a French lexicographer (1806-1885).

BOISSY D'ANGLAS, COUNT, a member and president of the Convention in Paris, noted for his firmness and coolness during the frenzy of the Revolution; became a senator and commander of the Legion of

Honour under Napoleon; was made a peer by Louis XVIII. (1786-1836).

BOITO, ARRIGO, Italian composer and librettist; born at Padua; produced "Mastotefe" and other operas; wrote librettos for works of Verdi and other composers (1842-1918).

BOIKHA'RA, a Mohammedan State in Central Asia, N. of Afghanistan, attached to Soviet Russia. The surface is arid, and cultivation possible only near the rivers—the Oxus, Zarafshan, and Karshi. In the sands of the Oxus, gold and salt are found. Rice, cotton, and cereals are grown; silk, cotton-thread, jewellery, cutlery, and firearms are manufactured. The people are of Turkish and Persian origin. The capital, Bokhara, is on the plain of the Zarafshan, a walled, mud-built city, 8 or 9 m. in circumference, with numerous colleges and mosques, the centre of learning and religious life in Central Asia. It has important trade and large slave markets.

BOLAN' PASS, a high-lying, deep, narrow gorge, with a torrent running through it, extending between Quetta (Beluchistan) and Kandahar (Afghanistan), sloping upwards at an inclination of 90 ft. a mile; is traversed by a military road.

BOLESŁAUS, the name of several dukes of Poland, of whom the most famous is Boleslaus I. the Great, who ruled from 992 to 1025.

BOLEYN, ANNE, or **BULEYN**, second wife of Henry VIII. and mother of Queen Elizabeth; daughter of Sir Thomas Bullen (afterwards Earl of Wiltshire); after a three years' residence at the French Court became maid of honour to Queen Katherine; attracted the admiration of Henry; was married to him, and became queen; charged with adultery and conspiracy, was found guilty and beheaded; was of the Reformed faith; her marriage with Henry had important bearings on the English Reformation (1507-1538).

BOLINGBROKE, HENRY ST. JOHN, VISCOUNT, English statesman, orator, and political writer; born at Battersea; Prime Minister of Queen Anne in the Tory interest, after her dismissal of the Whigs; on the accession of George I. fled to France and joined the Pretender; was impeached and attainted; returned in 1723 to his estates, but denied a seat in the House of Lords, an indignity which he resented by working the overthrow of Walpole; was the friend of Pope and Swift, and the author of "Letters" bearing upon politics and literature. "Bolingbroke," says Prof. Saintsbury, "is a rhetorician pure and simple, but the subjects of his rhetoric were not the great and perennial subjects, but puny ephemeral forms of them—the partisan and personal politics of his day, the singularly shallow form of infidelity called Deism and the like; and his time deprived him of many, if not most, of the rhetorician's most telling weapons. The 'Letter to Windham,' a sort of apologia, and the 'Ideal of a Patriot King,' exhibit him at his best." It was he who suggested to Pope his "Essay on Man" (1678-1751).

BOLIVAR, SIMON, surnamed the Liberator, general and statesman, born at Caracas; a man of good birth and liberal education; seized with the passion for freedom during a visit to Madrid and Paris, devoted himself to the cause of S. American independence; freed from the yoke of Spain Venezuela and New Grenada, which, in 1810, he erected into a republic under the name of Colombia; achieved in 1824 the same for Upper Peru, henceforth called Bolivia, after his name; accused of aspiring to the Dictatorship, he abdicated, and was preparing to leave the country when he died of fever, with the sage reflection on his lips, "The presence of a soldier, however disinterested he may be, is always dangerous in a State that is new to freedom"; he has been called the Washington of S. America (1788-1830).

BOLIVIA, an inland republic of S. America, occupying lofty tablelands E. of the Andes, and surrounded by Peru, Brazil, Paraguay, Argentina, and Chile. The S. is chiefly desert; in the N. are Lake Titicaca and many well-watered valleys. The very varied heights afford all kinds of vegetation, from wheat and maize to tropical fruits. In the lower plains coffee, tobacco, cotton, and cinchona are cultivated.

The most important industry is mining: gold, silver, copper, and tin. Trade is hampered by want of navigable rivers, but helped by railways from Chile, Peru, and Argentina. Silver is the chief export; manufactured goods are imported. The country has been independent since 1825; it lost its sea provinces in the war with Chili, 1879-1883. The capital is Sucre, but La Paz and Cochabamba are larger towns.

BOLLAND, JOHN, a Jesuit of Antwerp, born in Holgium; compiled five vols. of the Lives of the Saints called "Acta Sanctorum," which was continued by others, called after him "Bollandists" (1566-1658).

BOLOGNA, an ancient walled city of Italy, on a fertile plain, at the foot of the Lower Apennines, 82 m. N. of Florence; has many fine buildings, a university, one of the oldest in Europe, schools of music and art, libraries, and art collections. There are some silk and other industries, and considerable trade.

BOLOGNA, JOHN OF, one of the most celebrated sculptors of art in his time, born at Douai, settled at Florence (1524-1608).

BOLOMETER, an instrument designed by Prof. Langley of Washington in 1881 for the study of the distribution of heat in the solar spectrum. It is extremely sensitive to very feeble heat rays, its action depending upon the change of resistance of a thin strip of metal with varying temperature.

BOLSHETAGH, a high tableland in Central Asia, stretching from the Hindu Kush mountains northwards to the Tian Shan.

BOLSE'NA, a small town in Italy, on the E. shore of Lake Bolsena.

BOLSENA, a lake in Italy with clear water in a hollow crater of a volcano, and abounding with fish, but with an unwholesome atmosphere.

BOLSHEVISM, an extreme form of communism and violently opposed to capitalism, religion, and indeed civilization as generally understood. Under Lenin and Trotsky its adherents took control of Russia in 1918.

BOLTON, manufacturing town of Lancashire, a centre of the cotton industry, with iron-works, bleaching and chemical works.

BOLTON ABBEY, an old abbey in Yorkshire, 6 m. E. of Skipton; was founded in 1151 by the Augustinian canons.

BOMA, a station on the Lower Congo; once a great slave mart.

BOMARSUND, a fortress of the island of Aland occupied by Russia, destroyed by the Anglo-French fleet in 1864; the Russians bound by the Treaty of Paris not to restore it.

BOMBA, nickname of Ferdinand II., late king of the Two Sicilies, given him, it is alleged, from his calling upon his soldiers to bombard his people during an insurrection.

BOMBASTES FURIOSO, an opera by William Barnes Rhodes in ridicule of the bombastic style of certain tragedies in vogue (1810).

BOMBAY, the western Presidency of India, embraces 28 British districts and 19 feudatory states. N. of the Nerbudda River the country is flat and fertile; S. of it are mountain ranges and tablelands. In the fertile N. cotton, opium, and wheat are the staple products. In the S., salt, iron, and gold are mined; but coal is wanting. The climate is hot and moist on the coast and in the plains, but pleasant on the plateaus. Cotton manufacture has developed extensively, and cotton cloths, with sugar, tea, wool, and drugs are exported. Machinery, oil, coal, and liquors are imported. Bombay, the chief city, stands on an island, connected with the coast by a causeway, and has a magnificent harbour and noble docks. It is rapidly surpassing Calcutta in trade, and is one of the greatest of seaports; its position promises to make it the most important commercial centre in the East, as it already is in the cotton trade of the world. It swarms with people of every clime, and its merchandize is mainly in the hands of the Parsees, the descendants of the ancient fire-worshippers. It is the most English town in India. It came to England from Portugal as dowry with Catherine of Braganza, wife of Charles II., who leased it to the East India Company for £10 a year. Its prosperity began when the civil war in America afforded it an opening for its cotton.

BONA, a seaport in Algeria, in the province of Constantine, on a bay of the Mediterranean, with an excellent harbour and a growing trade; is much improved since its occupation by the French in 1832. Near it are the ruins of Hippo Regius, the episcopal city of Augustine.

BONA, an ascetic writer, surnamed the Fénelon of Italy, one of the feulliant order of monks (1609-1674).

BONA DEA (the good goddess), a Roman goddess of fertility, worshipped by women; her priestesses vestals and her worship by rites from which men were excluded. Her symbol was a serpent, but the name under which she was worshipped is not known.

BONALD, VICOMTE DE, a French publicist, a violent royalist and ultramontanist; looked upon the Catholic religion and the royal authority as fundamental to the stability of the social fabric, and was opposed to the law of divorce, which led to its alteration. He denied that language was innate, but revealed, and that causation was inherent in matter (1753-1840).

BONAPARTE, name of a celebrated family of Italian origin settled in Corsica; the principal members of it were: **Charles Marie**, born at Ajaccio, 1744; died at Montpellier, 1785; married, 1767, **Marie-Louise Ramolino**, born at Ajaccio, 1750; died at Rome, 1830; of this union were born eight children: **Joseph**, became king of Naples, 1806; king of Spain from 1808 to 1813; retired to United States after Waterloo; returned to Europe, and died at Florence, 1844. **Napoleon I. (c.n.)**, **Lucien**, b. 1775; became president of the Council of the Five Hundred, and prince of Canino; died in Viterbo, 1840. **Marie-Anne-Elisa**, b. 1777; married Felix Bacciochi, who became prince of Lucca; died at Trieste, 1826. **Louis**, b. 1778; married Hortense de Beauharnais; father of Napoleon III.; king of Holland (from 1806 to 1810); died at Leghorn, 1840. **Marie Pauline**, b. 1780; married General Leclerc, 1801; afterwards, in 1803, Prince Camille Borghese; became Duchess of Guastalla; died at Florence, 1825. **Caroline-Marie**, b. 1782; married Murat in 1800; became Grand-duchess of Berg and Cleves, then queen of Naples; died at Florence, 1839. **Jerome**, b. 1784, king of Westphalia (from 1807 to 1813); marshal of France in 1850; married, by second marriage, Princess Catherine of Wurtemberg; died in 1860; his daughter, the Princess Mathilde, b. 1820, and his son, Prince Napoleon, called Jerome, b. 1822, married Princess Clothilde, daughter of Victor Emmanuel, of which marriage was born Prince Victor Napoleon in 1862.

BONAR, HORATIUS, a clergyman of the Free Church of Scotland, and a celebrated hymn writer, born at Edinburgh (1808-1849).

BONAR LAW. See LAW.

BONAVENTURA, ST., cardinal, surnamed "the Seraphic Doctor," his real name John Fidenza, born in Tuscany; entered the Franciscan Order; was chosen general of the Order and papal legate at the Council of Lyons in 1274, during the session of which he died; was a mystic in theology; ascribed knowledge of the truth to union with God, such as existed between man and his Maker prior to the Fall, a state which could be recovered only by a life of purity and prayer; his writings were admired by Luther. He was canonised by Pope Sixtus IV. in 1482 (1221-1274).

BONCHAMP, CHARLES, MARQUIS DE, French general, born in Anjou, served in the American war; became one of the chiefs of the Vendean army; fell at the battle of Cholet, and when dying released over the blood already shed; ordered the release of 5000 prisoners which his party, in their revenge, was about to massacre (1746-1793).

BOND, WILLIAM, a distinguished American astronomer, who with his son, **George Phillips**, discovered the eighth satellite of Saturn (1789-1859).

BONDFIELD, RT. HON. MARGARET GRACE, British politician. After years in trade union work she became chairman of the Trades Union Congress in 1923, and in 1924 was the first woman to take a Government post, as Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour. In 1929 she became Minister of Labour, and the first woman to join a Cabinet.

BONDU, a country of Senecambia, a dependency of France; yields maize, cotton, fruits.

BONE, HENRY, a celebrated enamel painter, especially in miniature on ivory; born at Truro (1755-1834).

BONER, ULRICH, a German fabulist and Dominican monk of the 14th century, author of "Der Edelstein" (The Jewel), a book of fables.

BONHEUR, ROSA, a celebrated French animal painter, born at Bordeaux; brought up in poverty from ill-fortune; taught by her father; exhibited when she was 19; her best-known works are the "Horse Fair," the "Hay Harvest in Auvergne," and "Houpling with Oxen," considered her masterpiece; through the Empress Eugénie she received the Cross of the Legion of Honour; during the siege of Paris her studio was spared by order of the Crown Prince (1822-1899).

BONHOMME, JACQUES, a name of contempt given by the nobility of France to the peasants in the 14th century.

BONIFACE, the name of nine Popes. **B. I.**, pope from 418 to 422, assumed the title of First Bishop of Christendom; **B. II.**, pope from 530 to 532; **B. III.**, pope for 10 months, from 607 to 608; **B. IV.**, pope from 608 to 614; **B. V.**, pope from 617 to 625; **B. VI.**, pope in 896; **B. VII.**, pope from 974 to 985; **B. VIII.**, pope from 1294 to 1303, a strenuous assertor of the papal supremacy over all princes, and a cause of much turmoil in Europe, provoked a war with Philip the Fair of France, who arrested him at Anagni, and though liberated by the citizens died on his way to Rome; **B. IX.**, pope from 1389 to 1405, the first pope to wear the Triple Crown.

BONIFACE, ST., the Apostle of Germany, born in Devonshire, his real name Winfrid; consecrated Peppin le Bref; was made Primate of Germany; was, with 53 companions, massacred by the barbarians of Friesland, whom he sought to convert (640-755).

BONIN, a group of rocky volcanic islands SE. of Japan and since 1876 subject to that power; for over a hundred years used as a penal settlement by the Japanese.

BONINGTON, RICHARD, an eminent English landscape painter of exceptional precocity, born near Nottingham; painted the "Ducal Palace" and "Grand Canal" at Venice, his masterpieces (1801-1828).

BONIVARD, FRANÇOIS DE, a Genevese patriot and historian, twice imprisoned by Charles III., a Duke of Savoy, for his sympathy with the struggles of the Genevese against his tyranny, the second time for six years in the Castle of Chillon; immortalised by Lord Byron in his "Prisoner of Chillon"; he was released at the Reformation, and adopted Protestantism (1493-1570).

BONN, a Prussian town on the Rhine, SE. of Cologne, an old Roman station, with a famous university; the birthplace of Beethoven, with a monument to his memory; it is a stronghold of the old Catholics.

BONNAT, JOSEPH LEON, a French painter, born at Bayonne; imitated for a time the religious paintings of the old masters, but later he followed a style of his own; "Christ at the Cross" in the Palais de Justice, Paris, is his work (1833-1922).

BONNER, EDMUND, bishop of London, born at Worcester; was chaplain to Wolsey; sided with Henry VIII. against the Pope; fell into disgrace under Edward VI.; was restored by Mary, whom he served in her anti-Protestant zeal; affected to welcome Elizabeth to the throne; was again deposed and imprisoned for refusing to take the oath of supremacy under Elizabeth; died in the Marshalsea Prison; he does not deserve all the odium that has been heaped on his memory; he was faithful as a bishop, consistent in his conduct, and bore the indignities done him with manly fortitude (1495-1569).

BONNET, CHARLES DE, Swiss naturalist and philosopher, born at Geneva; his studies as a naturalist gave a materialistic cast to his philosophy; though he did not deny the existence of mind, still less that of its sovereign Author, he gave to material impressions a dominant influence in determining its manifestations (1720-1793).

BONNET-PIECE, a gold coin of James V. of Scotland,

so called from the king being represented on it as wearing a bonnet instead of a crown.

BONNEY, REV. THOMAS GEORGE, geologist; professor of Geology at University College, London, he carried out a detailed study of rock formations in the Alps and in many parts of England, Scotland, and Wales; wrote many books on geology, geography, and theology (1833-1923).

BONNIE DUNDEE, Graham of Claverhouse, Viscount Dundee.

BONNY, ANN, one of two women who, in disguise, served on board pirate ships in the 18th century, the other woman being Mary Read. Both were pardoned.

BONPLAND, AIME, a French botanist and traveller, born at Rochelle; companion of Alexander von Humboldt in his S. American scientific explorations; brought home a large collection of plants, thousands of species of them new to Europe; went out again to America, was arrested by Dr. Francia in Paraguay as a spy, kept prisoner there for about nine years; was released, and settled in the prov. of Corrientes, where he died; wrote several works bearing on plants (1773-1858).

BONSTETTEN, CHARLES VICTOR VON, a Swiss publicist and judge, born at Bern; wrote on anthropology, psychology, &c. (1745-1832).

BONTemps, ROGER, a French personification of a state of leisure and freedom from care.

BONZE, a Buddhist priest in China, Japan, Burmah, &c.

BOOMERANG, a missile of hard curved wood used by the Australian aborigines, usually between 2 and 3 ft. long and 3 ins. wide; a deadly weapon, so constructed that, though thrown forward, it takes a whirling course, and when it misses the mark returns with a swoop and falls in the rear of the thrower.

BOONE, DANIEL, American backwoodsman, pioneer and explorer; did much to open Kentucky to settlement; the hero of many fights and adventures with Red Indians (1735-1820).

BOOTES (the ox-driver or waggoner), a son of Ceres; inventor of the plough in the Greek mythology; translated along with his ox to become a constellation in the northern sky, the brightest star in which is Arcturus.

BOOTH, BARTON, English actor, acted Shakespearean characters and in Addison's "Cato" (1681-1730).

BOOTH, BRAMWELL, general of the Salvation Army. He succeeded his father after 32 years as chief of staff. In 1928 he was taken ill, and the High Council removed him from office despite strenuous opposition on the part of the Booth family. He died a few months later (1856-1929).

BOOTH, EDWIN THOMAS, greatest of American tragedians, famous for Shakespearean impersonations; appeared with success in England (1833-1893).

BOOTH, JOHN WILKES, actor, brother of above; served with the Southern forces in the American Civil War and, after their defeat, assassinated Lincoln; he was shot by his captors (1839-1865).

BOOTH, WILLIAM, founder and general of the Salvation Army, born in Nottingham; published "In Darkest England"; a man of singular self-devotion to the religious and social welfare of the race (1829-1912).

BOOTHIA, a peninsula of British N. America, W. of the Gulf of Boothia, in which the N. magnetic pole of the earth is situated; discovered by Sir James Clark Ross in 1829.

BOOTON, an island in the Malay Archipelago, SE. of Celebes; subject to the Dutch.

BOFF, FRANZ, a celebrated German philologist and Sanskrit scholar, born at Mayence; was professor of Oriental Literature and General Philology at Berlin; his greatest work, "A Comparative Grammar of Sanskrit, Zend, Greek, Latin, Lithuanian, Old Slav, Gothic, and German"; translated portions of the "Mahabharata" *q.v.* (1791-1867).

BORA, KATHARINA VON, the wife of Luther, born in Meissen, originally a nun, who, with eight others, was at Luther's instance released from her convent; proved "a pious and faithful wife" to Luther, as he says of her, and became the mother of six children, three sons and three daughters (1499-1552).

BORAX, the borate of soda, found in the mineral colemanite. It is used for enamels, glasses, &c., for softening hard water, and as an antiseptic.

BORDA, JEAN CHARLES DE, a French mathematician and physicist, born at Dax, in the dep. of Landes, served in both army and navy; one of those employed in measuring an arc of the meridian to establish the metric system in France (1733-1799).

BORDEAUX, a great industrial and commercial city, the chief seat of the wine trade in France, and the third seaport on the Gironde; cap. of the dep. of Gironde; the birthplace of Rosa Bonheur, and Richard III., his father, the Black Prince, having had his seat here as governor of Aquitaine. There are sugar-refineries, potteries, foundries, glass and chemical works. The cod-fishing industry has its base here. A cathedral dates from the 11th century. There are schools of science, art, theology, medicine, and navigation, a library, museum, and rich picture-gallery. It became the seat of the French Government in 1914 when the fall of Paris seemed imminent.

BORDEN, RT. HON. SIR ROBERT LAIRD, Canadian statesman. Succeeding to the leadership of the Conservative Party in 1896, after a distinguished legal career, he became Prime Minister in 1911, and held the post till 1920, frequently visiting London during the war to co-operate with the British Cabinet (1854-).

BORDERS, THE, the shifting boundary between Scotland and England before the Union, a centre of endless fighting and marauding on the opposite sides for centuries.

BORDONE, an Italian painter, born at Treviso, a pupil of Titian and Giorgione; his most celebrated picture, "The Gondoller presenting the Ring of St. Mark to the Doge" (1500-1570).

BORE, a watery ridge rushing violently up an estuary, due to a strong tidal wave travelling up a gradually narrowing channel. Bores are common in the estuary of the Ganges and other Asiatic rivers, in those of Brazil, and at the mouth of the Severn, in England.

BOREAS, the god of the north wind, and son of the Titan Astræus and of Aurora.

BORGHESE, name of a family of high position and great wealth in Rome; Camillo, having become Pope in 1605 under the title of Paul V.; and Prince Borghese having married Pauline Bonaparte, sister of Napoleon, who separated himself from her on the fall of her brother (1775-1832); the palace of the family one of the finest in Rome, with a rich collection of paintings.

BORGHESE, COUNT, an Italian savant skilled in numismatics (1761-1860).

BORGIA, CÉSAR, fourth son of Pope Alexander VI.; was made cardinal at the age of 17, an honour he relinquished to become a soldier, in which capacity it is alleged he gave himself up to deeds of inhumanity, which have made his name a synonym for every action that is most crafty, revolting, and cruel; a portrait of him by Raphael, in the Borghese gallery, is a masterpiece. Notwithstanding the execration in which his memory is held, he is reputed to have been just as a ruler in his own domain, and a patron of art and literature (1475-1507).

BORGIA, FRANCESCO, third general of the Order of the Jesuits, a post he filled with great zeal as well as prudent management; was beatified by Urban VIII., and canonised by Clement IX., 1671 (1510-1572).

BORGIA, LUCRETIA, sister of César Borgia, born at Rome; her father annulled her first marriage, and gave her to a nephew of the king of Naples, who was murdered by her brother's assassins, when she married the Duke of Ferrara; was celebrated for her beauty and her patronage of letters, though she has been accused of enormities as well as her brother (1480-1519).

BORGU, fertile and densely-peopled state in Africa, traversed by the Niger, a British vassal state, in one of the chief towns of which Mungo Park lost his life.

BORIS III., Czar of Bulgaria, son of Ferdinand; succeeded his father on his abdication in October, 1918 (1894-).

BORN, BERTRAND DE, one of the most celebrated

troubadours of the 12th century, born in Perigord, aggravated the quarrel between Henry II. of England and his sons; is placed by Dante in the "Inferno."

BORNE, LUDWIG, a political writer, born at Frankfurt, of Jewish parentage, but later became a Christian; disgusted with the state of things in Germany, went to Paris after the Revolution there of 1830; was disappointed with the result, and turned Radical; he and Heine were at deadly feud (1788-1887).

BORNEO, an island in the Malay Archipelago, the third largest on the globe, Greenland and New Guinea being larger; its length 800 m., and its breadth 700, covered with mountains in the interior, Kinabalu the highest (19,000 ft.); has no volcanoes; bordered all round with wide plains and low, marshy ground; rich in vegetation and in minerals, in gold and precious stones; its forests abound with valuable timber, teak, ebony, &c.; all tropical crops and spices are cultivated; the population is Dyak, Malay, and Chinese; possessed in great part by the Dutch, and in the north part by the British.

BORNHOLM, an island belonging to Denmark, in the Baltic; has no good harbour; agriculture, cattle-breeding, and fishing the occupation of the inhabitants.

BORNU, a Mohammedan State in the Central Sudan, lying partly in Nigeria, W. and S. of Lake Chad; famed for a breed of horses; population mostly negroes; the ruling race of Arab descent, called Shuwas; climate hot and unhealthy in the low ground, but temperate in the high.

BORO BUDOR, the ruin of a magnificent Buddhist temple in Java, ornamented with figures of Buddha and scenes in his life, with representations of battles, processions, chariot races, &c.

BORODINO, a village 70 m. W. of Moscow; the scene of a bloody battle between Napoleon and the Russians, Sept. 7, 1812.

BORORO, an important native Brazilian nation between Cuyaba and Goyas, noted for the height of its people.

BOROUGH, in Scotland **BURGH**, is in its modern sense primarily a town that sends a representative to Parliament; but it is further an area of local government, under a mayor and corporation, exercising police, sanitary, and sometimes educational supervision, and deriving its income from rates levied on property within its bounds, and in Scotland sometimes from "common good" and petty customs. Its charter may be held from the Crown or granted by Parliament.

BOROWLASKI, COUNT, a Polish dwarf, of perfect symmetry, though only three feet in height; attained the age of 98 (1739-1837).

BORROME'AN ISLANDS, four islands in Lake Maggiore, Italy, of which three were converted into gardens by Count Borromeo in 1671, on one of which, Isola Bella, stands a palace of the Borromeos, enriched with fine paintings and other works of art.

BORROME'O, ST. CARLO, cardinal and archbishop of Milan, a prominent member of the Council of Trent, who contributed to the Tridentine Catechism; conspicuous by his self-sacrificing offices during a plague in the city of which he was the archbishop; canonised by Pope Paul V. in 1610 (1538-1584).

BORROMEO, FREDERIGO, COUNT, nephew and successor of the preceding, of equal station in the Church, and similar character (1564-1631).

BORROW, GEORGE HENRY, traveller and philologist, born in Norfolk; showed early a passion for adventure and a facility in languages; was appointed agent for the Bible Society in Russia and Spain; in his fondness for open-air life, associated much with the gipsies; wrote an account of those in Spain, and a famous book, entitled "The Bible in Spain"; also "The Romany Rye" and "Lazarillo"; his masterpiece (a gipsy designation applied to him, meaning "word-master," which he was), which is chiefly autobiography (1803-1881).

BORROWDALE, a valley in the Lake District, W. Cumberland, celebrated for its beautiful scenery.

BORTHWICK CASTLE, a ruined peel tower, 13 m. S.E. of Edinburgh, where Queen Mary and Bothwell spent four days together in June, 1567.

BORY DE SAINT-VINCENT, JEAN BAPTISTE, a

French traveller and naturalist; explored Réunion and St. Helena (1780-1846).

BOSBOOM, JAN, Dutch painter who specialised in local landscapes and church interiors (1817-1891).

BOSCAWEN, SIR EDWARD, a British admiral, known from his fearlessness as "Old Dreadnought"; distinguished himself in engagements at Puerto Bello, Cartagena, Cape Finisterre, and the Bay of Lagos, where, after a "sea hunt" of 24 hours, he wrecked a fine French fleet, eager to elude his grasp (1711-1763).

BOSCOVICH, ROGER JOSEPH, an Italian mathematician and astronomer, born at Ragusa; entered the Order of the Jesuits; was professor in Pavia, and afterwards at Milan; discovered the equator of the sun and the period of its rotation; advocated the molecular theory of physics, with which his name is associated; died insane (1711-1787).

BOSE, SIR JAGADIS CHANDRA, Indian botanist, devoted himself to the study of the nervous system in plants and obtained many remarkable results (1858-).

BOSIO, BARON, a celebrated Italian sculptor; patronised in France (1769-1846).

BOSNA-SERAI, old name of Seraljevo.

BOSNIA, a province in NW. of the Balkan Peninsula, part of Jugo-Slavia; the inhabitants of Serbian extraction.

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, since 1919 part of Jugo-Slavia, lying at the NW. of the Balkans and adjoining Croatia and Slavonia on the N. In 1908 the district was annexed by Austria-Hungary.

BOS'PHORUS (Ox-ford), a channel 17 m. long and from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 m. broad, and about 30 fathoms deep, strongly defended by forts, extending from the Sea of Marmora to the Black Sea. It derives its name from the channel which, according to the Greek myth, Zeus, in the form of an ox, crossed into Europe, with Europa on his back.

BOSQUET, PIERRE FRANÇOIS JOSEPH, a marshal of France, distinguished in Algiers and the Crimea; was wounded at the storming of the Malakoff (1810-1861).

BOS'SUET, JACQUES BÉNIGNE, bishop of Meaux, born at Dijon, surnamed the "Eagle of Meaux"; one of the greatest of French pulpit orators, and one of the ablest defenders of the doctrines of the Catholic Church; the great aim of his life the conversion of Protestants back to the Catholic faith; took a leading part in establishing the rights of the Gallican clergy, or rather of the Crown, as against the claims of the Pope; proved himself more a time-server than a bold, outspoken champion of the truth; conceived a violent dislike to Madame Guyon, and to Fénelon for his defence of her and her Quietist; and he is not clear of the guilt of the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes; wrote largely; his "Discourse on Universal History" is on approved lines, and the first attempt at a philosophy of history; his Funeral Orations are monuments of the most sublime eloquence; while his "Politique founded on Holy Scripture" is a defence of the divine right of kings (1627-1704).

BOSTON, a Lincolnshire seaport, on the Witham, 30 m. S.E. of Lincoln; exports coal, machinery, corn, and wool, and imports timber and general goods. There is a large cattle and sheep market, also canvas and sailcloth works. For the martyrologist, was a native. It has a spacious church, which is a conspicuous landmark and beacon at sea.

BOSTON, on Massachusetts Bay, is the capital of Massachusetts and the chief city of New England. With an excellent harbour and eight converging railways it is an emporium of trade, and very wealthy. Sugar, wool, hides, and chemicals are imported; farm produce, cattle, cotton, and tobacco exported; boot- and shoe-making is one of many varied industries. The many educational institutions and its interest in literature and art have won for it the title of American Athens. Among famous natives were Franklin, Poe, and Emerson; while most American men of letters have been associated with it. The Boston riots of 1770 and 1773 were the heralds of the revolution, and the first battle was fought at Bunker Hill, not far off, now included in it. **BOSTON, THOMAS**, a Scottish divine, born at Duns, educated at Edinburgh, became minister of Ettrick;

- author of the "Fourfold State," a popular exposition of Calvinism, and "The Crook in the Lot," both at one time much read and studied by the pious Presbyterian burghers and peasantry of Scotland; the former an account of the state of man, first in innocence, second as fallen, third as redeemed, and fourth as in glory. He was a shrewd man and a quaint writer; exercised a great influence on the religious views of the most pious-minded of his countrymen (1676-1782).
- BOSTON TEA-PARTY**, the insurgent American colonists who, disguised as Indians, boarded, on Dec. 16, 1773, three English ships laden with tea, and hurled several hundred chests of it into Boston harbour, "making it black with unexpected tea."
- BOSWELL, JAMES**, the biographer of Johnson, born in Edinburgh, showed early a penchant for writing and an admiration for literary men; fell in with Johnson on a visit to London in 1763, and conceived for him the most devoted regard; made a tour with him to the Hebrides in 1773, the "Journal" of which he afterwards published; settled in London, and was called to the English bar; succeeded, in 1782, to his father's estate, Auchinleck, in Ayrshire, with an income of £1600 a year. Johnson dying in 1784, Boswell's "Life" of him appeared five years after, a work unique in biography, and such as no man could have written who was not a hero-worshipper to the backbone. He succumbed in the end to intemperate habits, aggravated by the death of his wife (1740-1796).
- BOSWELL, SIR ALEXANDER**, son and heir of the preceding, an antiquary; mortally wounded in a duel with James Stuart of Dunearn, who had impugned his character, for which the latter was tried, but acquitted (1775-1822).
- BOSWORTH**, a town in Leicestershire, near which Richard III. lost both crown and life in 1485, an event which terminated the Wars of the Roses and led to the accession of the Tudor dynasty to the throne of England in the person of Henry VII.
- BOSWORTH, JOSEPH**, an Anglo-Saxon scholar, born in Derbyshire; became professor of Anglo-Saxon at Oxford; was the author of an Anglo-Saxon Grammar and Dictionary (1789-1876).
- BOTANY BAY**, an inlet in New South Wales, 6 m. S. of Sydney; discovered by Captain Cook in 1770; so called, by Sir Joseph Banks, from the variety and beauty of its flora; convict settlement at Sydney, known by the name, abolished in 1840.
- BOTH, JOHN AND ANDREW**, Flemish painters of the 17th century, the former a landscape and the latter a figure painter; worked frequently on the same canvas.
- BOTHA, GENERAL LOUIS**, South African statesman. One of the leading Boer generals in the South African war; he became first Prime Minister of the Transvaal in 1907 and of the Union in 1910. He took up his military career again in 1914 and led the South Africans against the German colonies, besides stamping out a rebellion fomented by Germany. He attended the 1919 Peace Conference (1863-1919).
- BOTHNIA**, a prov. of Sweden, divided into E. and W. by a gulf of the name.
- BOTHWELL, a village in Lanarkshire, on the Clyde, 8 m. SE. of Glasgow; scene of a battle between Monmouth and the Covenanters in 1679.**
- BOTHWELL, JAMES HEPBURN, EARL OF**, one of the envoys sent in 1560 to convey Mary, Queen of Scots, from France home; was made Privy Counsellor the year after; had to flee to France for an act of conspiracy; was recalled by Mary on her marriage with Darnley; was a great favourite with the queen; was believed to have murdered Darnley, though when tried was acquitted; carried off Mary to Dunbar Castle; was pardoned and made Duke of Orkney, and married to her at Holyrood; parted with her at Carberry Hill; fled to Norway, and was kept captive there at Malmoe; after ten years of misery he died, insane, as is believed (1525-1577).
- BOTOGUDOS**, a wandering wild tribe in the forests of Brasil, near the coast; a very low type of men, and at a very low stage of civilization; are demon-worshippers, and are said to have no numerals beyond one.
- BO-TREE**, a species of Ficus, also known as the Pipal tree, sacred to the Buddhists as the tree under which Buddha sat when the light of life first dawned on him. See **BUDDHA**.
- BOTTA, CARLO GIUSEPPE**, an Italian political historian, born in Piedmont; his most important work is his "History of Italy from 1789 to 1814"; was the author of some poems (1766-1887).
- BOTTA, PAUL EMILE**, Assyriologist, born at Turin, son of the preceding; when consul at Mosul, in 1843, discovered the ruins of Nineveh; made further explorations, published in the "Memoire de l'Academie des Inscriptions et Belles-Lettres" and "Monuments de Ninive" (1803-1870).
- BOTTICELLI, SANDRO, or ALESSANDRO**, a celebrated painter of the Florentine school; began as a goldsmith's apprentice; a pupil of Fra Lippo Lippi; the best-known examples of his art are on religious subjects, though he was no less fascinated with classical-mythological conceptions; is distinguished for his attention to details and for delicacy, particularly in the drawing of flowers (1447-1510).
- BOTTIGER, KARL AUGUST**, German archaeologist, was a voluminous writer on antiquities, especially classical (1760-1838).
- BOTTOM**, a weaver in the interlude in "A Midsummer Night's Dream," with whom, with his ass's head, Titania falls in love under the influence of a love-potion.
- BOTZARIS, or BOZZARIS, MARCOS**, one of the heroes of the war of Greek Independence, known as the Leonidas of Greece (c. 1749-1823).
- BOUCHARDON**, a celebrated French sculptor (1698-1770).
- BOUCHER, DE PERTHES**, French archaeologist, a pioneer in the study of prehistoric man; devoted himself to the elucidation of the remains of palaeolithic man in the valley of the Somme (1748-1868).
- BOUCHER, FRANCOIS**, a French painter of the Louis XV. period, born at Paris (1703-1770).
- BOUCICAULT, DION**, a dramatic writer, author of popular Irish pieces, as "The Colleen Bawn" and "The Shaughraun" (1822-1890).
- BOUCICAULT, MARSHAL DE**, one of the bravest and noblest of French soldiers, born at Tours; distinguished in several famous battles; was taken captive by the English at Agincourt; died in England (1364-1421).
- BOUDIN, EUGENE**, French painter. Son of a Honfleur sea captain, he early took to art, being especially good at sky scenes. He was a friend of Corot, and made Normandy the subject of most of his painting (1825-1898).
- BOUFFLERS, CHEVALIER DE**, field-marshal of France, courtier and author (1737-1815).
- BOUFFLERS, MARQUE DE**, marshal of France, distinguished for his defence of Namur (1695) and of Lille (1708), and his masterly retreat from Malplaquet (1646-1711).
- BOUGAINVILLE, LOUIS ANTOINE DE**, a French navigator, born in Paris; voyaged round the world, which occupied him two years and a half; his "Travels" had a remarkably stimulating effect on the imaginations of the "philosophes," as described by him in "Un Voyage autour du Monde" (1729-1811).
- BOUGH, SAMUEL**, landscape painter, born at Carlisle, and settled in Edinburgh for 20 years (1822-1878).
- BOUGUER, PIERRE**, French physicist, born in Brittany; wrote on optics and the figure of the earth (1698-1758).
- BOUGUEREAU, ADOLPHE**, a distinguished French painter, born at Rochelle; his subjects both classical and religious, as well as portraits (1825-1905).
- BOUHOURS, DOMINIQUE**, French litterateur, born at Paris (1623-1702).
- BOUILLE, MARQUIS DE**, a French general, born in Auvergne, distinguished in the Seven Years' war, in the West Indies and during the Revolution; favoured the flight of Louis XVI.; did his utmost for royalty, failed, and quitted France; died in London, and left "Memoirs of the French Revolution" (1739-1800).
- BOUILLON**, district in Belgium, originally a German duchy; belonged to Godfrey, the crusader, who pledged it to raise funds for the crusade.

- BOUILLY, JEAN NICOLAS**, a French dramatist, born near Tours, nicknamed, from his sentimentality "poète lacrymal" (1763-1842).
- BOULAINVILLIERS, HENRI, COUNT DE**, a French historian, author of a "History of Mohammed" (1658-1722).
- BOULAK**, the port of Cairo, on the Nile.
- BOULANGER, JEAN MARIE**, a French general, born at Rennes; of note for the political intrigues in which he was involved during the last years of his life, and the dangerous popular enthusiasm which he excited; accused of peculation; fed the country, and committed suicide at Brussels (1837-1891).
- BOULAY DE LA MEURTHE, ANTOINE, COUNT**, a French statesman, distinguished as an orator; took part in the redaction of the Civil Code; was a faithful adherent of Napoleon (1761-1840). Henri, a son, Vice-President of the Republic from 1849 to 1851 (1797-1858).
- BOULDER**, a large mass or block of rock found in localities often far removed from the place of its formation, and transported thither on the ice of the Glacial Age.
- BOULDER CLAY**, the clayey material containing rocks and stones, which forms the deposits of the Pleistocene Age (q.v.). It was formed as a result of glacial action during the Ice Ages (q.v.).
- BOULEVARD**, the rampart of a fortified city converted into a promenade flanked by rows of trees, and a feature of Paris in particular, though the boulevard is not always on the line of a rampart.
- BOULOGNE, BOIS DE**, a promenade between Paris and St. Cloud, much frequented by people of fashion, and a favourite place of recreation. It rivals that of the Champs Elysées.
- BOULOGNE-SUR-MER**, a fortified seaport in France, on the English Channel, in the dep. of Pas-de-Calais, 27 m. SW. of Calais, one of the principal ports for debarkation from England; where Napoleon collected in 1803 a flotilla to invade England; is connected by steamer with Folkestone, and a favourite watering-place; the chief station of the North Sea fisheries; in the centre of an important coasting trade. It was used as a port of landing for part of the British Expeditionary Force (q.v.), and by British troops throughout the Great War.
- BOULOGNE-SUR-SEINE**, a town on the right bank of the Seine, 5 m. SW. of Paris, from which it is separated by the Bois-de-Boulogne.
- BOULTON, MATTHEW**, an eminent engineer, born in Birmingham; entered into partnership with James Watt, and established with him a manufactory of steam-engines at Soho, on a barren heath near his native place; contributed to the improvement of the coinage (1728-1809).
- BOUNTY, MUTINY OF THE**, a mutiny which took place on the ship *Bounty*, on April 28, 1789, bound from Otaheite to the West Indies, on the part of 25 of the crew, who returned to Otaheite after setting the captain (Bligh) adrift with others in an open boat. Bligh (q.v.) reached England after a time, his report leading to the seizure at length of certain of the offenders and the execution of others. Those who escaped founded a colony on Pitcairn Island.
- BOURBAKI, CHARLES DENIS SAUTER**, a French general, born at Pau, served in the Crimean war and in Italy, suffered disastrously in the Franco-German war, and attempted suicide; served for a time under Gambetta, afterwards retired (1816-1897).
- BOURBON**, a family of French origin, hailing from Bourbonnais, members of which occupied for generations the thrones of France, Naples, and Spain, and who severally ruled their territories under a more or less overweening sense of their rights as born to reign. Two branches, both of which trace back to Henry IV., held sway in France, one beginning with Louis XIV., eldest son of Louis XIII., and the other, called the Orleans, with Philip of Orleans, second son of Louis XIII., the former ending with Charles X. and his family, and the latter ending with Louis Philippe and his line. The branches of the family ruling in Spain and Naples began with Philip VI., grandson of Louis XIV., the former branch still on the throne, the latter ending with Francis II. in 1860.
- BOURBON, CHARLES DE**, styled the Constable de Bourbon, acquired immense wealth by the death of an elder brother and by his marriage, and lived in royal state; was for his daring in the field named Constable of France by Francis I.; offended at some, perhaps imaginary, injustice Francis did him, he clandestinely entered the service of the Emperor Charles V., defeated the French at Pavia, and took Francis captive; parted from Charles, laid siege to Rome, and fell in the assault, mortally wounded. It is said, by Benvenuto Cellini (1490-1527).
- BOURBONNAIS**, ancient province in the centre of France, being the duchy of Bourbon; united to the crown in 1531; cap. Moulins.
- BOURDALOUE, LOUIS**, a French Jesuit, born at Bourges, called the "king of preachers, and preacher of kings"; one of the most eloquent pulpit orators of France; did not suffer by comparison with Bossuet, his contemporary, though junior. His sermons are ethical in their matter from a Christian standpoint, carefully reasoned, and free from ornament, but fearless and uncompromising (1632-1704).
- BOURDON, SEBASTIAN**, a French painter, born at Montpellier; his *chef-d'œuvre* "The Crucifixion of St. Peter," executed for the church of Notre Dame (1616-1681).
- BOURDON DE L'OISE**, a French revolutionist, member of the Convention; banished to Guiana, where he died in 1797.
- BOURGOIS, SIR FRANCIS**, painter to George III.; left his collection to Dulwich College, and £10,000 to build a gallery for them (1756-1811).
- BOURGOISIE**, the name given in France to the middle class, professional people, and merchants, as distinguished from the nobles and the peasants, but applied by the Socialists to the capitalists as distinct from the workers.
- BOURGES**, a French town in the dep. of Cher; birth-place of Louis XI. and Bourdaloue.
- BOURGET, PAUL**, an eminent French novelist and essayist, born at Amiens; a subtle analyst of character, with a clear and elegant style, on which he bestows great pains; his novels are what he calls "psychological," and distinct from the romanticist and naturalistic (1852-).
- BOURIGNON, ANTOINETTE**, a Flemish visionary and fanatic; resolved religion into emotion; brought herself into trouble by the wild fancies she promulgated, to the derangement of others as well as herself (1615-1680).
- BOURMONT, LOUIS AUGUSTE VICTOR, COMTE DE**, a French marshal; at the Revolution joined the Bourbons on the frontiers; served the royal cause in La Vendée; held high commands under Napoleon; commanded under Ney on Napoleon's return from Elba, deserted on the eve of Waterloo to Louis XVIII.; gave evidence against Ney to his execution; commanded the expedition against Algiers; refused allegiance to Louis Philippe on his accession, and was dismissed the service (1773-1846).
- BOURNE, HUGH**, founder of the Primitive Methodists, and a zealous propagator of their principles; he was a carpenter, and appears to have wrought at his trade while prosecuting his mission, which he did extensively both in Britain and America (1772-1852).
- BOURNEMOUTH**, a town in Hants, on Poole Bay, 37 m. SW. of Southampton, with a fine sandy beach; a great health resort; is of recent, and has been of rapid, growth.
- BOURRIENNE, LOUIS ANTOINE FAUVELET**, secretary of Napoleon, and a school friend, born at Sens; held the post for five years, but dismissed for being implicated in disgraceful money transactions; joined the Bourbons at the Restoration; the Revolution of 1830 and the loss of his fortune affected his mind, and he died a lunatic at Caen; wrote "Mémoires" disparaging to Napoleon (1769-1834).
- BOUSSA**, a town in North Nigeria, where Mungo Park, the explorer, in 1806, lost his life as he was going up the Niger.
- BOUSTROPHE DON**, an ancient mode of writing from right to left, and then from left to right as in ploughing a field.
- BOUTERWEK, FRIEDRICH**, a German philosopher

- and professor of Philosophy at Göttingen; a disciple of Kant, then of Jacobi, and expounder of their doctrines; wrote "History of Poetry and Eloquence among the Modern Races" (1766-1829).
- BOWDICH, THOMAS EDWARD**, an English traveller, born at Bristol; sent on a mission to Guinea, and penetrated as far as Coomassie; wrote an interesting account of it in his "Mission to Ashanti" (1791-1824).
- BOWDITCH, NATHANIEL**, American mathematician, born at Salem, Massachusetts; a practical scientist; published "Practical Navigation," translated the "Mécanique Céleste" of Laplace, accompanied with an elaborate commentary (1773-1838).
- BOWLER, THOMAS**, an English physician; edited expurgated editions of Shakespeare and Gibbon in the interest of moral purity; added in consequence a new term to the English language, Bowdlerism (1754-1825).
- BOWDOIN, JAMES**, an American statesman, born in Boston, of French extraction; a zealous advocate of American independence; author of "Discourse on the Constitution of the United States" (1727-1790).
- BOWEN, RICHARD**, a gallant British naval commander, distinguished himself in several engagements, and by his capture of the enemy's ships; killed by a musket-shot at the storming of Santa Cruz, at the moment when Nelson was wounded (1761-1797).
- BOWER, WALTER**, abbot of Incheolm, Scottish chronicler; continued Fordun's History from 1153 down to the death of James I., in 1437 (1385-1449).
- BOWLES, WILLIAM LISLE**, a poet, born in Northamptonshire; his sonnets, by their "linking," as Professor Saintsbury has it, "of nature's aspect to human feeling," were much admired by Coleridge, and their appearance is believed to have inaugurated a new era in English poetry, as developed in the Lake School (1762-1850).
- BOWLING, TOM**, a typical British sailor in "Roderick Random."
- BOWLS**, a popular British summer game, dates back to the 13th century. Henry VIII. was an exponent, and Francis Drake played at it just before the arrival of the Armada. The present rules were drawn up in the last century, and international games are now played.
- BOWRING, SIR JOHN**, linguist and political writer, born at Exeter; friend and disciple of Bentham as well as editor of his works; first editor of *Westminster Review*; at the instance of the English Government visited the Continental States to report on their commercial relations; became governor of Hong-Kong; ordered the bombardment of Canton, which caused dissatisfaction at home (1792-1872).
- BOWYER, WILLIAM**, printer and scholar, born in London; wrote on the origin of printing, and published an edition of the Greek New Testament with notes (1699-1777).
- "**BOX AND COX**," a farce by J. M. Morton, remarkable for a successful run which is said to have brought the author £7000. It was adapted as a comic opera by Gilbert and Sullivan.
- BOXER RISING, THE**, an outburst of fanatical nationalist feeling in China, which broke out in riots in 1900. The Empress was largely in sympathy with the rioters, who besieged the legations in Peking, and attacked Europeans, especially missionaries. European troops and naval forces were sent out to end the trouble.
- BOY BISHOP**, a boy chosen on December 6, St. Nicholas' Day, generally out of the choir, to act as bishop and do all his episcopal duties, except celebrate mass. For the term of his office, which varied, he was treated as bishop, and if he died during his tenure of it was buried with episcopal honours. The term of office was limited in 1279 to 24 hours, and the custom of the election abolished in Elizabeth's reign.
- BOY SCOUTS**, an international organisation founded by Lord (then Sir Robert) Baden-Powell in 1908. Its motto is "Be Prepared," and it inculcates principles of citizenship, with instruction in sport, first aid, &c., for which badges are awarded. The movement spread to all parts of the world, and at the coming of age Jamboree at Birkenhead in 1929 50,000 Scouts from all nations attended.
- BOYARS**, the old nobility of Russia, whose undue influence in the State was broken by Peter the Great; also the lauded aristocracy of Rumania.
- BOYCE, WILLIAM**, composer, chiefly of church music, born in London; published a collection of the "Cathedral Music of the Old English Masters"; composed "Hearts of Oak," a naval song sung by ships' crews at one time before going into action (1710-1779).
- BOYDOTT, CAPTAIN**, an Irish landlord's agent in Connaught, with whom the population of the district in 1880 refused to have any dealings on account of disagreements with the tenantry. Hence the term to "boycott."
- BOYD, ANDREW KENNEDY HUTCHISON**, a Scottish clergyman and writer; bred for the bar, but entered the Church; known to fame as A.K.H.B.; author of "Recreations of a Country Parson," which was widely read, and of Reminiscences of his life; died at Bournemouth by mischance of swallowing a lotion instead of a sleeping-draught (1825-1890).
- BOYD, ZACHARY**, a Scottish divine; regent of a Protestant college at Samur, in France; returned to Scotland in consequence of the persecution of the Huguenots; became minister of Haddingburgh, thence, and rector of the University; preached before Cromwell after the battle of Dunbar; author of the "Last Battell of the Soule in Death" and "Zion's Flowers," being mainly metrical versions of Scripture, called "Boyd's Bible" (1685-1653).
- BOYDELL, JOHN**, an English engraver and print-seller, famous for his "Shakespeare Gallery," with 96 plates in illustration of Shakespeare, and the encouragement he gave to native artists, he issued also Hume's "History of England," with 196 plates in illustration (1719-1804).
- BOYER, BARON**, French anatomist and surgeon; attendant on Napoleon, afterwards professor in the University of Paris; wrote works on anatomy and surgical diseases, which continued for long text-books on those subjects; was a man of very conservative opinions (1757-1833).
- BOYER, JEAN PIERRE**, president of Hayti, born at Port-au-Prince of a negro and a Creole father; secured the independence of the country; held the presidency for 25 years from 1818, but, suspected of consulting his own advantage more than that of the country, was driven from power by a revolution in 1843; retired to Paris, where he spent the rest of his life and died (1776-1850).
- BOYLE, CHARLES**, fourth Earl of Orrery, distinguished for the connection of his name with the Bentley controversy, and for its association with an astronomical contrivance by one Graham to illustrate the planetary system (1676-1731).
- BOYLE, RICHARD**, first and great Earl of Cork, distinguished among Irish patriots and landlords for what he did to improve his estates and develop manufactures and the mechanical arts in Ireland, also for the honours conferred upon him for his patriotism; when Cromwell saw how his estates were managed he remarked that had there been one like him in every province in Ireland rebellion would have been impossible (1566-1643).
- BOYLE, THE HON. ROBERT**, a distinguished natural philosopher, born at Lismore, of the Orrery family; devoted his life to science and contributed greatly to it, especially chemistry and pneumatics; was one of the originators of the Royal Society; showed that an acid combines with a base to form a salt; enunciated Boyle's law (q.v.); was the first to prepare methyl alcohol. His greatest work was "The Sceptical Chymist" (1626-1691).
- BOYLE LECTURES**, the lectureship founded by the Hon. Robert Boyle in 1691, and held for a tenure of three years, the endowment being £50 per annum; the lecturer must deliver eight lectures in defence of Christianity, and some of the most eminent men have held the post.
- BOYLE'S LAW**, that the volume of a given mass of gas varies inversely as the pressure, if the temperature remains constant.
- BOYNE**, a river in Ireland, which flows through Meath

into the Irish Sea; gives name to the battle in which William III. defeated the forces of James II. on July 1, 1690.

BOYS' BRIGADE, THE, an organisation founded in 1883 in Glasgow by Sir William Smith, aiming at the development of character and discipline on a religious basis.

BOZ, a *nom de plume* under which Dickens wrote at first, being his nickname when a boy for a little brother.

BRABANCONNE, LA, Belgium's national anthem, written at the time of the revolution, 1830; music by Van Campenhout.

BRABANT, in medieval times was an important prov. of the Low Countries, inhabitants Dutch, cap. Breda; is now divided between Holland and Belgium. It comprises three provs., the N. or Dutch Brabant; Antwerp, a Belgian prov., inhabitants Flemings, cap. Antwerp; and S. Brabant, also Belgian, inhabitants Walloons, cap. Brussels; the whole mostly a plain.

BRACHIOPODES, a group of bivalves abundant as fossils, especially in the Lower Paleozoic rocks. There are comparatively few living species, the best known being *Lingula*.

BRACHYCEPHALIC, the name given to skulls which are less than 1½ times as long as broad. This type of skull (roundhead) is found in the Alpine type of Europeans and distinguishes them from both the Nordic and Mediterranean peoples; a certain proportion of brachycephalic skulls is found among the populations of most of the countries of Central Europe. The roundheaded peoples appear to have been invaders from Central Asia after the Nordic and Mediterranean stocks were settled in Europe.

BRACTON, HENRY DE, an English "justice itinerant," a writer on English law of the 13th century; author of "De Legibus et Consuetudinibus Anglie," a "Treatise on the Laws and Customs of England," and the first attempt of the kind; d. 1268.

BRADAMANTE, sister to Rinaldo, and one of the heroines in "Orlando Furioso"; had a lance which unhorsed every one it touched.

BRADDOCK, EDWARD, British general, born in Perthshire; entered the Coldstream Guards, and became major-general in 1764; commanded a body of troops against the French in America; fell in an attempt to invest Fort Duquesne, and lost nearly all his men (1765-1766).

BRADFORD, a Yorkshire manufacturing town, on a tributary of the Aire, 9 m. W. of Leeds; it is the chief seat of worsted spinning and weaving in England, and has an important wool market; coal and iron mines are at hand, and ironworks and machinery-making are its other industries.

BRADLAUGH, CHARLES, a social reformer on secularist lines, born in London; had a chequered career; had for associate in the advocacy of his views Mrs. Annie Besant; elected M.P. for Northampton three over, but not allowed to sit till he took the oath, which he did in 1886; died respected by all parties in the House of Commons; wrote the "Impeachment of the House of Brunswick" (1888-1891).

BRADLEY, JAMES, astronomer, born in Gloucestershire; professor of Astronomy at Oxford, and astronomer-royal at Greenwich; discovered the aberration of light and the nutation of the earth's axis; made 50,000 astronomical observations (1693-1762).

BRADSHAW, GEORGE, an engraver of maps in Manchester; published maps illustrative of certain canal systems, and did the same service for railways, which developed into the well-known "Railway Guide" (1801-1853).

BRADSHAW, JOHN, president of the High Court of Justice for trial of Charles I., born at Stockport; bred for the bar; a friend of Milton; a thorough republican and opposed to the Protectorate; became president of the Council on Cromwell's death; was buried in Westminster; his body was exhumed and hung in chains at the Restoration (1602-1659).

BRADWARDINE, THOMAS, archbishop of Canterbury, surnamed "Doctor Profundus" from his treatise "De Causa Dei" against Pelagianism; chaplain to Edward III.; was present at Crécy

and at the taking of Calais; died of the black death shortly after his consecration (1290-1348).

BRADWARDINE, the name of a baron and his daughter, the heroine of "Waverley."

BRAMMAR, a Scottish Highland district SW. of Aberdeenshire; much frequented by tourists, and resorted to for summer country quarters. It is famous for its annual Highland games.

BRAGA, a city, 34 m. NE. of Oporto, Portugal; the residence of the Primate; the capital of Minho.

BRAGANZA, capital of Trás-os-Montes, in Portugal; gives name to the royal dynasty of Portugal, called the House of Braganza, the eighth duke of Braganza having ascended the throne in 1640, on the liberation of Portugal from the yoke of Spain.

BRAGG, SIR WILLIAM HENRY, physicist, professor at Adelaide, Leeds, and London. He carried out research on radioactivity and X-rays, his greatest work being in connection with crystal structure, which he investigated by means of X-rays. In 1923 he was appointed Director of the Royal Institution (1867-).

BRAGG, WILLIAM LAWRENCE, son of the preceding, professor of Physics at Manchester University, 1919. He was associated with his father in researches on X-rays and crystal structure (1890-).

BRAGI, the Norse god of poetry and eloquence, son of Odin and Frigg; represented as an old man with a long flowing beard and unwrinkled brow, with a mild expression of face; received in Valhalla the heroes who fell in battle.

BRAGG, TOM, a celebrated tenor singer, known all over Europe, was particularly effective in rendering the national songs; born in London, of Jewish parents; composed operas, which, however, were only dramas interspersed with songs. Scott described him as "a beast of an actor, but an angel of a singer" (1774-1856).

BRAHE, TYCHO, a Swedish astronomer, of noble birth; spent his life in the study of the stars; discovered a new star in Cassiopeia; had an observatory provided for him on an island in the Sound by the king, where he made observations for 20 years; he was, on the king's death, compelled to retire under persecution at the hand of the nobles; accepted an invitation of the Kaiser Rudolf II. to Prague, where he continued his work and had Kepler for assistant and pupil (1546-1601).

BRAHMA, in the Hindu religion and philosophy at one time the formless spirit of the Universe, from which all beings issue and into which they all merge, and as such is not an object of worship, but a subject of meditation; and at another the creator of all things, of which Vishnu (q.v.) is the preserver and Shiva (q.v.) the destroyer, killing that he may make alive. See **TRIMURTI**.

BRAHMAN, or **BRAHMIN**, one of the sacred caste of the Hindus that boasts of direct descent from, or immediate relationship with, Brahma; its members are custodians and mediators of religion, and therefore of high-priestly rank.

BRAHMANAS, treatises on the ceremonial system of Brahmanism, with prescriptions bearing upon ritual, and abounding in legends and speculations.

BRAHMAPUTRA (i.e. son of Brahma), a river which rises in Tibet, circles round the E. of the Himalayas, and, after a course of some 1800 m., joins the Ganges, called the Rampo in Tibet, the Dihong in Assam, and the Brahmaputra in British India; it has numerous tributaries, brings down twice as much mud as the Ganges, and in the lower part of its course overflows the land, particularly Assam, like an inland sea.

BRAHMINISM, the creed and ritual of the Brahmans, or that social, political, and religious organisation which developed among the Aryans in the valley of the Ganges under the influence of the Brahmans. According to the religious conception of this class, Brahma, or the universal spirit, takes form or incarnates himself successively as Brahma, Vishnu, and Shiva, which triple incarnation constitutes a trimurti or trinity. In this way Brahma, the first incarnation of the universal spirit, had four sons, from whom issued the four castes of India—Brahmans, Kshatriyas, Vaisyas, and Sudras—all the rest being outcasts or pariahs. See **CASTE**.

BRAHMO-SOMAJ (i.e. church of God), a

from traditional Hinduism, originated in 1880 by Rajaram Mohun Roy, and developed by Debendra Nath Tagore and Keshub Chandra Sen; founded on theistic, or rather monotheistic, i.e. unitarian principles, and the rational ideas and philosophy of Europe, as well as a profession of a sense of the brotherhood of man no less than the unity of God.

BRAHMS, JOHANNES, a distinguished composer, born at Hamburg; of great promise from a boy; settled in Vienna; famous as a performer as well as a composer (1833-1897).

BRAIDWOOD, JAMES, born in Edinburgh; director of the London fire brigade; distinguished for his heroism on the occasion of great fires both in Edinburgh and London (1790-1861).

BRAILLE, LOUIS, a blind Frenchman, invented printing in relief for the blind (1800-1862).

BRainerd, DAVID, American missionary to the Red Indians, born in Connecticut; his life was written by Jonathan Edwards, in whose house he died (1718-1747).

BRAMAH, JOSEPH, an engineer, born in Barnsley, Yorkshire; author of many mechanical inventions, 18 of which were patented, among others the hydraulic press and the lock, named after him (1748-1814).

BRAMANTE, DONATO, architect; laid the foundation of St. Peter's at Rome, which he did not live to complete (1444-1514).

BRAMHALL, JOHN, archbishop of Armagh, born in Yorkshire, a high-handed Churchman and initiator of Laud; was foolishly enough once to engage, nowise to his credit, in public debate with such a dialectician as Thomas Hobbes on the questions of necessity and free-will (1594-1663).

BRAMPTON, LORD (Sir Henry Hawkins), British judge. As counsel he took part in the Tichborne trial among others, and was made a judge in 1876. He retired in 1898 and was raised to the peerage (1817-1907).

BRAMWELL, SIR FREDERICK, civil engineer, president of the British Association in 1886, and previously of the Association of Engineers (1818-1903).

BRAND, JOHN, antiquary, born in Durham, wrote a "Popular Antiquities" (1744-1806).

BRANDAN, ST., ISLAND OF, an island reported by St. Brendan as lying W. of the Canary Islands; it figured on charts as late as 1755, and voyages of discovery were undertaken in quest of it as recently as the beginning of the 18th century, up to which time it was believed to exist.

BRANDENBURG, in the great northern plain of Germany, is a central Prussian province, and the nucleus of the Prussian kingdom; most of it a sandy plain, with fertile districts and woodlands here and there.

BRANDENBURG, THE HOUSE OF, an illustrious German family dating from the 10th century, from which descended the kings of Prussia.

BRANDT, a Swedish chemist; chanced on the discovery of phosphorus while in quest of a solvent to transmute metals, such as silver, into gold (1694-1768).

BRANDT, SEBASTIAN, a satirical writer, born at Strassburg; author of the "Narrenschiff" or "Ship of Fools," of which there have been many translations and not a few imitations (1468-1521).

BRANDY NAN, a nickname for Queen Anne, from her fondness for brandy.

BRANDYWINE CREEK, a small river in Delaware; scene of a victory of the British over the Americans in 1777.

BRANGWYN, FRANK, British artist. Born in Bruges, of Welsh extraction, he early became familiar with Flemish tapestry, a study that brought him in contact with William Morris (q.v.). At 16 he went to sea and added shipping to his studies. Has done much decorative work for public buildings (1867-).

BRANT, JOSEPH, Indian chief of the Mohawks, who sided with the British in the American war; a brave and good man (1742-1807).

BRANTÔME, PIERRE DE BOURDEUILLES, a French chronicler, contemporary of Montaigne, born in Perigord; led the life of a knight-errant, and wrote Memoirs remarkable for the free-and-easy, faithful,

and vivid delineations of the characters of the most celebrated of his contemporaries (1540-1614).

BRASIDAS, a Spartan general, distinguished in the Peloponnesian war; his most celebrated action, the defeat at the expense of his life, in 423 B.C., of the flower of the Athenian army at Amphipolis, with a small body of helots and mercenaries.

BRASS, an alloy of copper and zinc in the proportion of two to one.

BRASS, SAMSON, a knavish attorney in Dickens' "Old Curiosity Shop"; affected feeling for his clients, whom he fleeced.

BRASSES, sepulchral tablets of a mixed metal, called latten, inlaid in a slab of stone, and insculptured with figures and inscriptions of a monumental character; the oldest in England is at Stoke d'Abernon, in Surrey.

BRASSEY, THOMAS, a great railway contractor, born in Cheshire; contracted for the construction of railways in all parts of the world (1805-1870).

BRAUN, AUGUSTE EMIL, German archaeologist, born at Gotha; works numerous and of value (1809-1886).

BRAXY, an inflammatory disease in sheep, due to a change in food from succulent to dry; and the name given to the mutton of sheep affected with it.

BRAY, a Berkshire village, famous for Simon Ayrton, its vicar from 1540 to 1588, who, to retain his living, never scrupled to change his principles; the well-known song makes him live during the five reigns from Charles II. to George I.

BRAZEN AGE, in the Greek mythology the age of violence, that succeeded the weak Silver Age. See AGES.

BRAZIL, the largest South American State, almost equal to Europe, occupies the eastern angle of the continent, and comprises the Amazon basin, the tablelands of Matto Grosso, the upper basin of the Paraguay, and the maritime highlands, with the valleys of the Parana and San Francisco. Great stretches of the interior are uninhabitable swamp and forest lands; forests tenanted by an endless variety of brilliantly plumed birds, and insects; the coasts are often humid and unhealthy, but the upper levels have a fine climate. Almost the country is within the tropics. The population at the seaports is mostly white; inland it is negro, mulatto, and Indian. Vegetable products are indescribably rich and varied; timber of all kinds, rubber, cotton, and fruit are exported; coffee and sugar are the chief crops. The vast mineral wealth includes diamonds, gold, mercury, and copper. Most of the trade is with Britain and America. The language is Portuguese; the religion, Roman Catholic; education is very backward and government unsettled. Discovered in 1500, and annexed by Portugal; the Portuguese king, expelled by the French in 1808, fled to his colony, which was made a kingdom 1815, and an empire in 1822. The emperor, Pedro II., was driven out in 1889, and a republic established on the federal system, which has been harassed since by desultory civil war. The capital is Rio de Janeiro; Bahia and Pernambuco, the other seaports.

BRAZIL-WOOD, a wood found in Brazil, of great value for dyeing red, the colouring principle being named Brazilin.

BRAZZA, an island in the Adriatic; is richly wooded; noted for its wines; yields marble.

BRAZZA, PIERRE SAVORGNAU DE, explorer, born in Rome; acquired land N. of the Congo for France, and obtained a governorship (1852-1906).

BREDEFTREE, a South Sea island tree producing fruit which, when roasted, is used as bread.

BREAKESPARE, NICHOLAS, the only Englishman to become Pope; was elected as Adrian IV.; born at Langley, Hert., entered monastic life in France, created cardinal in 1146, Pope in 1154 (1100-1159).

BREAI, MICHEL, a French philologist, born at Landau; translator into French of Bopp's "Comparative Grammar" (1832-1915).

BRECCIA, a rock composed of angular fragments cemented together, which are not water-worn, but probably the debris from surrounding rocks which has fallen into water and been consolidated.

BRECHE-DE-ROLAND, a gorge in the dep. of the Hautes-Pyrénées, which, according to tradition, Charlemagne's paladin of the name of Roland cleft

with one stroke of his sword when he was beset by the Gascons.

BRECHIN, a town in Flintshire, W. of Montrose, on the S. Eak, with a cathedral and an old round tower near it, 86 ft. high.

BREDA, fortified town, the capital of N. Brabant; a place of historical interest; Charles II. resided here for a time during his exile, and issued hence his declaration prior to his restoration.

BREHON LAWS, a body of judge-created laws that for long formed the common law of Ireland, existing from prehistoric times till Cromwell's conquest. The origin of the code is unknown, and whether it was at first traditional, but there is reason to believe that the Brehons, or judges, were connected with the ancient priesthood, the Druids; many manuscript redactions of portions exist still.

BREMEN, the chief seaport of Germany, after Hamburg; is on the Weser, 50 m. from its mouth, and is a free city, with a territory less than Rutlandshire. Its export and import trade is very varied; half the total of emigrants sail from its docks; it is the headquarters of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company. Textiles, tobacco, and paper industries add to its prosperity; it was one of the principal cities of the Hanseatic League.

BREMER, FREDERIK, a highly popular Swedish novelist, born in Finland; "The Neighbours," "The President's Daughter," and "Strife and Peace," are perhaps his best stories; has been called the Jane Austen of Sweden (1801-1865).

BREMER, SIR JAMES, rear-admiral; distinguished in the Burmese and Chinese wars (1786-1850).

BREMERHAVEN, the port of Bremen, on the estuary of the Weser, founded for the accommodation of large vessels in 1830, with a large hospice for emigrants.

BRENDAN, ST., an Irish saint, born at Tralee, celebrated for his voyages in quest of "a land beyond human ken" and his discovery of "a paradise amid the waves of the sea"; founded a monastery at Clonfert; died in 577, in his ninety-fourth year.

BRENNER PASS, pass in the central Tyrolean Alps, 6853 ft. high, between Innsbruck and Bolzano, crossed by a railway, which facilitates trade between Venice, Germany, and Austria.

BRENNUS, a Gallic chief, who, 300 B.C., after taking and pillaging Rome, invested the Capitol for so long that the Romans offered him a thousand pounds' weight of gold to retire; as the gold was being weighed out he threw his sword and helmet into the opposite scale, adding *Vae victis*, "Woe to the conquered," an insolence which so roused Camillus that he turned his back and offered battle to him and to his army, and totally routed the whole host.

BRENTA, an Italian river; rises in the Tyrol, waters Bassano, and debouches near Venice.

BRENTANO, CLEMENS, poet of the romanticist school, born at Frankfurt-on-the-Main, brother of Goethe's Bettina von Arnim; was a roving genius (1778-1842).

BRENTFORD, market-town in Middlesex, on the Brent, 10 m. W. of London, that figures in history and literature.

BRENTFORD, 1ST BARON (Sir William Joynton-Hicks), British politician. By profession a solicitor, he entered Parliament in 1908, became Parliamentary Secretary for the Department of Overseas Trade in 1922 under Bonar Law, and in 1923 Postmaster-General. He was Home Secretary in Baldwin's 1924 Government, a post he held till 1929, in which year he was raised to the peerage. An ardent Low Churchman, he was largely responsible for the House of Commons' rejection of the new Prayer Book of 1927 (1865-).

BRENZ, JOHANN, the reformer of Württemberg, and one of the authors of the Württemberg Confession, as well as a catechism extensively used (1499-1570).

BRESCIA, a city of Lombardy, on the Mella and Garza, 50 m. E. of Milan; has two cathedrals, an art gallery and library, a Roman temple excavated in 1822 and now a classical museum; its manufactures are woollens, silks, leather, and wine.

BRESLAU, the capital of Silesia, and second city in Prussia; an important commercial and manufacturing centre, with a first-class fortress; is on the Oder, 150 m. by rail S.E. of Frankfurt; it

stands in the centre of the Baltic, North Sea, and Danube trade, and has a large woollen industry and grain market; there are a cathedral, university, and library.

BRESSAY, one of the Shetland Isles, near Lerwick, with one of the best natural harbours in the world.

BREST, a strongly-fortified naval station in the extreme N.W. of France; one of the chief naval stations in France, with a magnificent harbour, and one of the safest, first made a marine arsenal by Richelieu; has large shipbuilding yards and arsenal; its industries are chiefly related to naval equipment, with leather, waxcloth, and paper manufactures.

BREST-LITOVSK, TREATY OF, an agreement between Russia and Germany signed in March, 1918, ending the War after a preliminary armistice the previous December.

BRETON, JULES ADOLPHE, a French genre and landscape painter, born at Courrières, in Pas-de-Calais (1827-1906).

BRETON DE LOS HERREROS, MANUEL, Spanish poet and dramatist; wrote comedies and satires in an easy, flowing style (1798-1873).

BRETEUIL, BARON DE, an ex-secretary of Louis XVI. (1733-1807).

BRETHREN OF THE COMMON LIFE, a Dutch branch of the "Friends of God," founded at Deventer about 1375 by Geert Groote (1340-1384) and Florentinus Radewijm (1350-1400). Thomas à Kempis and Erasmus were members.

BRETSCHNEIDER, HENRY GOTTFRIED VON, a German satirical writer, born at Gera; led a Bohemian life; served in the army; held political posts; composed, besides satirical writings, "Almanach der Heiligen auf das Jahr, 1788," "Walters Leben und Sitten," and the comic epic, "Graf Esau" (1739-1810).

BRETSCHNEIDER, KARL GOTTLIEB, a German rationalistic theologian; much regarded for his sound judgment in critical matters; his theological writings are of permanent value; his chief works, "Handbuch der Dogmatik," and an edition of Melancthon's works (1778-1848).

BRETWALDA, a title apparently of some kind of acknowledged supremacy among the Anglo-Saxon kings, and bestowed upon a leader in war.

BREUGHEL, a family of Dutch painters, a father and two sons, the father, Peter, called "Old" B. (1510-1570); a son, John, "Velvet" B., either from his dress or from the vivid freshness of his colours (1560-1625); and the other, Peter, "Hellish" B., from his fondness for horrible subjects (1559-1637).

BREVIARY, a book containing the daily services in the Roman Catholic Church and corresponding to the English Prayer Book; differs from the "Missal," which gives the services connected with the celebration of the Eucharist, and the "Pontifical," which gives those for special occasions.

BREWER, JOHN SHEPHERD, historian, professor of English Literature in King's College, London; author of "Calendar of Letters and Papers of Henry VIII.'s Reign," his work the sole authority on Henry's early reign (1810-1879).

BREWSTER, SIR DAVID, an eminent Scottish natural philosopher, born at Jedburgh; edited the "Edinburgh Encyclopedia," in the pages of which Carlyle served his apprenticeship; specially distinguished for his discoveries in connection with the polarisation of light, his studies in optics, and for his optical inventions, such as the kaleidoscope and the stereoscope; connected with most scientific associations of his time; wrote largely on scientific and other subjects, e.g. a Life of Newton, as well as Lives of Euler, Kepler, and others of the class; Principal of the United Colleges of St. Andrews, and afterwards of Edinburgh (1781-1868).

BREWSTER, WILLIAM, leader of the Pilgrim Fathers in the Mayflower, who conveyed them to Plymouth, Massachusetts, in 1620; had been a clergyman of the Church of England.

BRIAN BORUOHME, an Irish chief, who early in the 10th century established his rule over a great part of Ireland, and made great efforts for the civilisation of the country; died defeating the Danes at Clontarf, being, it is said, the twenty-fifth battle in which he defeated them.

BRIANÇON, the highest town in France, 4300 ft. above sea-level, 42 m. SE. from Grenoble, with a trade in cutlery.

BRIAND, ARISTIDE, French statesman. He first became Prime Minister in 1915 for two years, and took the helm several times subsequently. Throughout the post-war years he was prominent in the Peace Conferences and served for several years as Foreign Minister (1862-).

BRIAREUS, a Uranid with 50 heads and 100 arms, son of Ouranos and Gaia, i.e. Heaven and Earth, whom Poseidon cast into the sea and buried under Etna, but whom Zeus delivered to aid him against the Titans; according to another account, one of the Giants (g.v.).

BRICE, ST., bishop of Tours in the beginning of the 5th century, and disciple of St. Martin. Festival, Nov. 13.

BRICE'S, ST., a day in 1002 on which a desperate attempt was made to massacre all the Danes in England and stamp them wholly out, an attempt which was avenged by the Danish king, Sweyn.

BRIDE OF THE SEA, Venice, so called from a ceremony in which her espousals were celebrated by the Doge casting a ring into the Adriatic.

BRIDWELL, a house of correction in Blackfriars, London, so called from St. Bridget's well, near it, demolished in 1863.

BRIDGE OF ALLAN, a village on Allan water, 3 m. N. of Stirling, with a mild climate and mineral waters.

BRIDGE OF SIGHS, a covered way in Venice leading from the Ducal Palace to the State prison, over which culprits under capital sentence were transported to their doom, whence the name.

BRIDGEPORT, a thriving manufacturing town and seaport of Connecticut, U.S., 58 m. NE. from New York.

BRIDGES, ROBERT, British poet. He became a doctor on leaving Oxford, retiring in 1882 to devote his time to poetry; produced numerous volumes of verse, including lyric and narrative poems, sonnets, &c., and essays; was appointed Poet Laureate in 1913 (1844-1930).

BRIDGET, ST., an Irish saint, born at Dundalk; entered a monastery at 14; founded monasteries; takes rank in Ireland with St. Patrick and St. Columba. Festival, Feb. 1 (453-523). Also the name of a Swedish saint in the 14th century; founded a new Order, and 72 monasteries of the Order.

BRIDGETON, a manufacturing town in New Jersey, 38 m. S. of Philadelphia.

BRIDGETOWN, capital of Barbadoes, seat of the government, the bishop, a college, &c.; it has suffered frequently from hurricane and fever.

BRIDGEWATER, FRANCIS EGERTON, 3RD DUKE OF, celebrated for his self-sacrificing devotion to the improvement and extension of canal navigation in England, embarking in it all his wealth, in which he was aided by the skill of Brindley; he did not take part in politics, though he was a supporter of Pitt; died unmarried (1736-1803).

BRIDGEWATER, FRANCIS HENRY EGERTON, 5TH EARL OF, educated for the Church, bequeathed £8000 for the best work on natural theology, which his trustees expended in the production of eight works by different eminent men, called "Bridge-water Treatises," all to be found in Bohn's Scientific Library (1756-1829).

BRIDGMAN, LAURA, a deaf, dumb, and blind child, born in New Hampshire, U.S.; noted for the surprising development of intellectual faculty notwithstanding these drawbacks; Dickens gives an account of her in his "American Notes" (1829-1889).

BRIDGWATER, a seaport town in Somersetshire, 29 m. SW. of Bristol.

BRIDLEGOOSE, JUDGE, a judge in Rabelais' "Pantagruel," who decided cases by the throw of dice.

BRIDLINGTON, a watering-place in Yorkshire, 6 m. SW. of Flamborough Head, with a chalybeate spring.

BRIDPORT, VISCOUNT, a British admiral, distinguished in several engagements (1727-1814).

BRIEG, a thriving commercial town in Prussian Silesia, 25 m. SE. of Breslau.

BRIENNE, JEAN DE, descendant of an old French

family; elected king of Jerusalem, then emperor of Constantinople (1148-1237).

BRIENZ, LAKE OF, lake in the Swiss canton of Bern, 8 m. long, 2 m. broad, over 800 ft. above sea-level, and of great depth in certain parts, abounding in fish. Town of B., a favourite resort for tourists.

BRIEU, ST., a seaport and an episcopal city in the dep. of Côtes-du-Nord, France.

BRIGHTONES, a powerful British tribe that occupied the country between the Humber and the Roman Wall.

BRIGHT, HENRY, a distinguished English mathematician; first Savilian professor at Oxford; made an important improvement on the system of logarithms, which was accepted by Napier, the inventor, and is the system now in use (1581-1630).

BRIGHAM YOUNG, the chief of the Mormons (1810-1877).

BRIGHT, SIR CHARLES TILSTON, engineer and electrician, a pioneer in telegraphy. He laid a cable across the Irish Sea in 1853, the first cable across the Atlantic from Ireland to Newfoundland in 1858, and the first cable to India, as well as inventing a number of improvements for land telegraphy (1832-1888).

BRIGHT, JAMES FRANCK, historian, Master of University College, Oxford; author of "English History for the Use of Public Schools," a book of superior literary merit (1832-1920).

BRIGHT, JOHN, English statesman, son of a Lancashire cotton millener, born near Rochdale; of Quaker birth and profession; engaged in manufacture; took an early interest in political reform; he joined the Anti-Corn-Law League on its formation in 1839, and soon was associated with Cobden in its great agitation; entering Parliament in 1843, he was a strong opponent of protection, the game laws, and later of the Crimean war; he advocated financial reform and the reform of Indian administration; and on the outbreak of the American Civil War supported the North, though his business interests suffered severely; he was closely associated with the 1867 Reform Act, Irish Church Disestablishment, 1869, and the 1870 Irish Land Act; his Ministerial career began in 1868, but was interrupted by illness; in 1873, and again in 1881, he was Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster; he succeeded from Gladstone's Government on the Egyptian policy in 1882, and strenuously opposed Home Rule in 1886; in 1880 he was Lord Rector of Glasgow University; he was a man of lofty and unblemished character, an animated and eloquent orator (1811-1889).

BRIGHTON, a much-frequented watering-place in Sussex, 50 m. S. of London, of which it is virtually a suburb; a place of fashionable resort ever since George IV. took a fancy to it; a fine parade extends along the whole length of the sea front; has many handsome buildings, an aquarium, a museum, schools of science and art, public library, and public gallery; the principal building is the Pavilion or Marine Palace, originally built for George IV. Also the name of a suburb of Melbourne.

BRIGHT'S DISEASE, a disease of the kidneys, due to several diseased conditions of the organ, so called from Dr. Richard Bright, who first investigated its nature.

BRIIL BROTHERS, MATTHEW AND PAUL, landscape painters, born at Antwerp; employed in the 16th century by successive Popes to decorate the Vatican at Rome; of them Paul, the younger, was the greater artist; his best pictures are in Rome.

BRILLAT-SAVARIN, ANTHELME, a French gastronomist, author of "Physiologie du Gout," a book full of wit and learning, published posthumously; was professionally a lawyer and some time a judge (1755-1825).

BRINDISI, a seaport of Southern Italy, on the Adriatic coast; has risen in importance since the opening of the Overland Route as a point of departure for the East; it is 60 hours by rail from London, and three days by steam from Alexandria; it was the port of embarkation for Greece in ancient times, and for Palestine in mediæval.

BRINDLEY, JAMES, a mechanician and engineer, born in Derbyshire; bred a millwright; devoted his skill and genius to the construction of canals, under the patronage of the Duke of Bridgewater,

as the greatest service he could render to his country (1716-1772).

BRINVILLIERS, MARQUISE DE, notorious for her gallantries and for poisoning her father, brother, and two sisters for the sake of their property; was tortured and beheaded; the poison she used appears to have been the Tofana poison, an art which one of her paramours taught her (1630-1676). See **AQUA TOFANA**.

BRISBANE, capital of Queensland, on the Brisbane River, 25 m. from the sea, 500 m. N. of Sydney, is the chief trading centre and seaport of the Colony; it has steam communication with Australian ports and London, and railway communication with Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide; prosperity began when the colony was opened to free settlement in 1842; it was dislocated from New South Wales and the city incorporated in 1859.

BRISBANE, ADMIRAL SIR CHARLES, a naval officer of distinction under Lords Hood and Nelson; captured in 1796 Dutch warships, including three ships of the line, in Saldanha Bay, and in 1807 the island of Curacao; was made governor of St. Vincent (1769-1829).

BRISBANE, SIR JAMES, naval officer, brother of the preceding, served under Lord Howe and under Nelson at Copenhagen (1774-1836).

BRISBANE, SIR THOMAS MAKDOUGALL, British general, a man of science and an astronomer, born near Larn, Ayrshire; saw service as a soldier; was appointed governor of New South Wales, to the profit of the colony; gave name to the capital of Queensland; catalogued over 7000 stars; succeeded Scott as president of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, and was president of the British Association in 1834 (1773-1860).

BRISTEIS, a young virgin priestess, who fell to the lot of Achilles among the spoil of a victory, but whom Agamemnon carried off from him, whereupon he retired to his tent and sullenly refused to take any further part in the war, to its prolongation, in consequence, as Homer relates, for ten long years; the theme of the "Iliad" and being the "wrath of Achilles" on this account, and what it led to.

BRISBAC, the name of a noble family which supplied several marshals to France.

BRISON, HENRI, French publicist and journalist; after holding presidential posts in the Chamber became premier in 1885, but resigned after a few months; formed a Radical administration in 1898, which was short-lived (1835-1912).

BRISSET DE WARVILLE, JEAN PIERRE, a French revolutionary, born at Chartres, son of a pastry-cook; bred to the bar, took to letters; became an outspoken disciple of Rousseau; spent some time in the Bastille; liberated, he went to America; returned on the outbreak of the Revolution, sat in the National Assembly, joined the Girondists; became one of the leaders, or rather of a party of his own, named after him Brissotins, midway between the Jacobins and Girondists; fell under suspicion like the rest of the party, was arrested, tried, and guillotined (1754-1793).

BRISTOL, on the Avon, 6 m. from its mouth, and 118 m. W. of London, is the largest town in Gloucestershire, the seventh in England, and a great seaport, with Irish, W. Indian, and S. American trade; it manufactures tobacco, boots and shoes; it has a cathedral, two colleges, a library, and many educational institutions; by a charter of Edward III. it forms a county in itself.

BRISTOL CHANNEL, an inlet in SW. of England, between S. Wales and Devon and Cornwall, 8 m. in length, from 5 to 43 in breadth, and with a depth of from 5 to 40 fathoms; is subject to very high tides, and as such dangerous to shipping; numerous rivers flow into it.

BRITANNIA, a name for Britain as old as the days of Cæsar, when the island was inhabited by Celts, as Gaul also was.

BRITANNIA TUBULAR BRIDGE, a railway bridge spanning the Menai Strait, designed by Robert Stephenson, and completed in 1850; consists of hollow tubes of wrought-iron plates riveted together, and took five years to erect.

BRITANNICUS, the son of Claudius and Messalina, poisoned by Nero.

BRITISH ASSOCIATION, an association, of Sir David Brewster's suggestion, founded in 1831 of men of all departments of science for the encouragement of scientific research and the diffusion of scientific knowledge, which holds its meetings annually under the presidency of some distinguished scientist, now in this, now in that, selected central city of the country, and sometimes in the Dominions. It is divided into twelve sections—mathematics and physics, chemistry, geology, geography, anthropology, zoology, physiology, mechanics, agriculture, botany, education, economics and statistics.

BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION, a semi-public body set up in 1927 to control broadcasting throughout the country and to supersede the British Broadcasting Co. which had been started in 1922.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, a western fertile prov. of British America, extending between the Rocky Mountains and the Pacific, and from the United States on the S. to Alaska on the N., being 800 m. long and four times the size of Great Britain; rich in timber and minerals; rain is abundant, and cereals do well.

BRITISH EMPIRE, THE, covers about a fifth of the globe and includes a quarter of its inhabitants. It consists primarily of the United Kingdom, India, Canada, Newfoundland, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, parts of Central Africa, and British Guiana.

BRITISH EMPIRE, ORDER OF THE, an order with civil and military divisions instituted in 1917; it has five classes: G.B.E., K.B.E., C.B.E., O.B.E., and M.B.E., of which the first two rank as knight-hoods.

BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, landed in France on August 16, 1914, under the command of Sir John French, the first British troops to take part in the Great War.

BRITISH GAZETTE, THE, was published for the duration of the General Strike of May, 1926 (q.v.), by the Government, with Winston Churchill as editor.

BRITISH ISRAELITES, a sect who hold that the British are descendants of some of the lost tribes of Israel. See **JEWS**.

BRITISH LEGION, an organisation of ex-servicemen started in 1920 by Earl Haig (q.v.), who remained its president until his death.

BRITISH MUSEUM, a national institution in London for the collection of MSS., books, prints and drawings, antiquities, and objects of natural history, ethnology, &c.; founded as far back as 1700, though not opened, in Montagu House, till 1759; a public lottery helped to raise the necessary funds.

BRITOMART, a lady knight in the "Faerie Queene," representing chastity with a resistless magic spear.

BRITTANY, an old French prov., land of the Bretons, comprising the peninsula opposite Devon and Cornwall, stretching westward between the Bays of Cancale and Biscay; was in former times a duchy; a third of its inhabitants still retain their Breton language.

BRITTON, JOHN, topographer and antiquary, born in Wiltshire in humble position; author of "Beauties of Wiltshire," an instalment of a work embracing all the counties of England and Wales; his principal works, and works of value, are "Antiquities of Great Britain" and "Cathedral Antiquities of England," the latter in 14 volumes; his "Antiquities in Normandy" did much to create an interest in antiquarian subjects (1771-1857).

BRITXTON, a southern suburb of London, on the Surrey side, noted for its remand prison.

BROAD ARROW, a stamp like an arrow-head to indicate Government property, and used on convicts' dress; originally a royal mark on stores under the authority of the Earl of Romney, a master-general of ordnance (1693-1702).

BROAD BOTTOM MINISTRY, a coalition of great weight under Pelham, from Nov., 1744, to Mar., 1755, so called from the powerful parties represented in it.

BROAD CHURCH, that section of the Church of England which inclines to liberal opinions in theology, and is opposed to the narrowing of either spirit or form by Anglo-Catholics or Evangelicals.

BROADCASTING, See **BRITISH BROADCASTING** and **WIRELESS**.

BROADS, THE NORFOLK, are a series of inland lakes in the E. of that county, which look like expansions of the rivers; they are favourite holiday resorts on account of the expanse of fine scenery, abundant vegetation, keen air, fishing, and boating attractions. **BROB DINGHAG**, an imaginary country in "Gulliver's Travels," inhabited by giants, each as tall "as an ordinary spire-steeple"; properly a native of the country, in comparison with whom Gulliver was a pigmy, not half so big as a round little worm plucked from the lazy finger of a maid.

BROCA, PAUL, an eminent French surgeon, anthropologist, and one of the chief French evolutionists; held a succession of important appointments, and was the author of a number of medical works (1824-1890).

BROCHS, dry-stone circular towers, called also Picts' towers and Duns, with thick Cyclopean walls, a single doorway, and open to the sky, found on the edge of straths or lochs in the N. and W. of Scotland.

BROCK, SIR THOMAS, sculptor, born at Worcester; executed many notable monuments, including Lord Canning statue at Calcutta, statues of Sir Richard Owen and the Black Prince (at Leeds), and part of the National Memorial to Queen Victoria (1847-1922).

BROCKEN, or **BLOCKSBURG**, the highest peak (3740 ft.) of the Harz Mts. in Germany, cultivated to the summit; famous for a "Spectre" so called, long an object of superstition, but which is only the beholder's shadow projected through, and magnified by, the mists.

BROCKHAUS, FRIEDRICH ARNOLD, a German publisher, born at Dortmund; a man of scholarly parts; began business in Amsterdam, but settled in Leipzig; publisher of the famous "Conversations Lexikon," and a great many other important works (1772-1823).

BROCOLLIANDO, a forest in Brittany famous in Arthurian legend.

BRODIE, SIR BENJAMIN, surgeon, born in Wiltshire; for 30 years surgeon in St. George's Hospital; was medical adviser to three sovereigns; president of the Royal Society (1783-1862).

BRODIE, WILLIAM, a Scottish sculptor, born in Banff; did numerous busts and statues (1816-1881).

BROGLIE, ALBERT, son of the following, a Conservative politician and litterateur, author of "The Church and the Roman Empire in the 4th century." He was Premier of France in 1873 and 1877 (1821-1901).

BROGLIE, CHARLES VICTOR, DUC DE, a French statesman, born at Paris; a Liberal politician; was of the party of Guizot and Royer-Collard; held office under Louis Philippe; negotiated a treaty with England for the abolition of slavery; was an Orleanist, and an enemy of the Second Empire; retired after the *coup d'état* (1785-1870).

BROGLIE, VICTOR FRANÇOIS, DUC DE, marshal of France, distinguished in the Seven Years' war, being "a firm disciplinarian"; was summoned by royalty to the rescue as "war god" at the outbreak of the Revolution; could not persuade his troops to fire on the rioters; had to "mount and ride"; took command of the Emigrants in 1792, and died at Munster (1718-1804).

BROKE, SIR PHILIP BOWEN VERE, rear-admiral, born at Ipswich, celebrated for the action between his ship *Shannon*, 38 guns, and the American ship *Chesapeake*, 49 guns, in June, 1813, in which he boarded the latter and ran up the British flag; one of the most brilliant naval actions on record, and likely to be long remembered in the naval annals of the country (1776-1841).

BROMBERG, a busy town on the Brabe, in Posen, Poland. Being a frontier town, it suffered much in times of war.

BROME, ALEXANDER, a cavalier, writer of songs and lampoons instinct with wit, whim, and spirit; of his songs some are amatory, some festive, and some political (1626-1666).

BROME, RICHARD, an English comic playwright, contemporary with Ben Jonson, and a rival; originally his servant; his plays are numerous, and were characterised by his enemies as the sweepings of Jonson's study; *d.* 1652.

BROMINE, a liquid element of a dark colour and a disagreeable smell, extracted from bittern, a liquid which remains after the separation of salt.

BROMLEY, a suburb in Kent, 10 m. S.E. of London, where the bishops of Rochester had their palace.

BROMPTON, S.W. district of London, in Kensington, now called St. Kensington; a once rustic locality, which became a fashionable district, with several public buildings and the Oratory.

BRONSTED, PETER OLAF, a Danish archaeologist; author of "Travels and Researches in Greece," where by excavations he made important discoveries; his great work "Travels and Archaeological Researches in Greece" (1780-1842).

BROWNIAET, ADOLPHE, French botanist, son of the succeeding, the first to discover and explain the function of the pollen in plants (1801-1876).

BROWNIAET, ALEXANDER, a French chemist and zoologist, collaborator with Cuvier, born at Paris; director of the porcelain works at Sevres; revived painting on glass; introduced a new classification of reptiles; author of treatises on mineralogy and the ceramic arts (1770-1847).

BRONTE, a town in Sicily, on the western slope of Etna, which gave title of duke to Nelson.

BRONTE, the name of three sisters, Charlotte, Emily, and Anne, daughters of a Yorkshire clergyman of Irish extraction: Charlotte, born at Thornton, Yorkshire; removed with her father, at the age of four, to Haworth, a moorland parish, in the same county, where she lived most of her days; spent two years at Brussels as a pupil-teacher; on her return, in conjunction with her sisters, prepared and published a volume of poems under the pseudonyms respectively of "Currier, Ellis, and Acton Bell," which proved a failure. Nothing daunted, she set to novel writing, and her success was instant; first, "Jane Eyre," then "Shirley," and then "Villette," appeared, and her fame was established. In 1854 she married her father's curate, Mr. Nicholls, but her constitution gave way, and she died (1816-1855). Emily (Ellis), two years younger, poet rather than novelist; wrote "Wuthering Heights," a remarkable production, showing still greater genius, which she did not live to develop. Anne (Acton), four years younger, also wrote two novels, but very ephemeral productions.

BRONX SAURUS, a large dinosaur, remains of which have been found in the American Mesozoic strata. It had a length of 80 ft., weighed over 30 tons, and lived in swampy places, being herbivorous, unlike some other species of dinosaur.

BRONZE, an alloy of copper, tin, and zinc in varying proportions. The metal used for British coins contains 96 per cent. copper, 4 per cent. tin, and 1 per cent. zinc.

BRONZE AGE, the age in the history of a race intermediate between the Stone Age and the Iron, and in some cases overlapping these two, when weapons and tools were made of bronze.

BRONZINO, a Florentine painter, painted both in oil and fresco; a great admirer of Michael Angelo; his most famous picture, "Descent of Christ into Hell" (1502-1572).

BROOK FARM, an abortive literary community organized on Fourier's principles, 8 m. from Boston, U.S., by George Ripley in 1840; Nathaniel Hawthorne was one of the community, and wrote an account of it.

BROOKE, HENRY, Irish dramatist and novelist, born in Co. Cavan; author of the "Pool of Quality," a book commended by John Wesley and much lauded by Charles Kingsley, and the only one of his works that survives; wrote, among other things, a poem called "Universal Beauty," and a play called "Gustavus Vasa" (1708-1783).

BROOKE, SIR JAMES, rajah of Sarawak, born at Benares, educated in England; entered the Indian army; was wounded in the Burmese war, returned in consequence to England; conceived the idea of suppressing piracy and establishing civilization in the Indian Archipelago; sailed in a well-manned and well-equipped yacht from the Thames with that object; arrived at Sarawak, in Borneo; assisted the Sultan in suppressing an insurrection, and was made rajah, the former rajah being deposed in his favour; brought the province under good laws, swept the seas of pirates, for which he was rewarded by the English government; was appointed governor of Labuan; finally returned to England and died.

- being succeeded in Sarawak by a nephew (1803-1868).
- BROOKE, RUPERT**, British poet. Educated at Rugby and Cambridge, he lived near Granchester. In 1914 he joined the navy and died of fever in hospital at Seyos in April, 1915. His Collected Poems, containing the well-known war sonnets, South Sea poems, and earlier work, all displaying the promise of his great gifts, were issued in 1925 (1887-1915).
- BROOKE, STOPFORD**, preacher and writer, born in Donegal; after other clerical appointments became incumbent of Bedford Chapel, Bloomsbury, and Queen's chapel; from conscientious motives seceded from the Church, but continued to preach in Bloomsbury; wrote the "Life of Robertson of Brighton," a "Primer of English Literature," "History of English Poetry," "Theology in the English Poets," and "Life of Milton," all works in evidence of critical ability of a high order (1832-1916).
- BROOKLYN**, a suburb of New York, on Long Island, though ranking as a city, and the fourth in the Union; separated from New York by the East River, a mile broad, and connected with it by a magnificent suspension bridge, the largest in the world, as well as by some 12 lines of ferry boats piled by steam; it is now incorporated in Greater New York; has 10 m. of water front, extensive docks and warehouses, and does an enormous shipping trade; manufactures include glass, clothing, chemicals, metallic wares, and tobacco; there is a naval yard, dock, and storehouse; the city is really a part of New York; has many fine buildings, parks, and pleasure grounds.
- BROOKS, CHARLES WILLIAM SHIRLEY**, novelist and journalist, born in London; was on the staff of the *Morning Chronicle*; sent to Russia to inquire into and report on the condition of the peasantry and labouring classes there, as well as in Syria and Egypt; his report published in his *Russians of the South*; formed a connection with *Punch* in 1851, writing the "Lemon of Parliament," and succeeded Mark Lemon as editor in 1870; he was the author of several works (1816-1874).
- BROSSES, CHARLES DE**, a French archaeologist, born at Dijon; wrote among other subjects on the manners and customs of primitive and prehistoric man (1709-1777).
- BROSSETTE**, a French littérateur, born at Lyons; friend of Boileau, and his editor and commentator (1671-1743).
- BROTHERS, RICHARD**, born in Newfoundland, a mystic and "prophet"; he was one of the founders of the belief that the English people represent the ten lost tribes of Israel (1757-1824).
- BROUGHAM, HENRY, LORD BROUGHAM AND VAUX**, born in Edinburgh, and educated at the High School and University of that city; was admitted to the Scottish bar in 1800; excluded from promotion in Scotland by his liberal principles, he joined the English bar in 1808, speedily acquired a reputation as a lawyer for the defence in Crown libel actions, and, by his eloquence in the cause of Queen Caroline, 1820, won universal popular favour; entering Parliament in 1810, he associated with the Whig opposition, threw himself into the agitation for the abolition of slavery, the cause of education, and law reform; became Lord Chancellor in 1830, but four years afterwards his political career closed; he was a supporter of many popular institutions; a man of versatile ability and untiring energy; together with Horner, Jeffrey, and Sidney Smith, one of the founders of the *Edinburgh Review*, also of London University, and the Society for the Diffusion of Useful Knowledge; a writer on scientific, historical, political, and philosophical themes, but his violence and eccentricity hurt his influence; spent his last days at Cannes, where he died. A type of closed carriage is named after him (1778-1868).
- BROUGHAM, LORD**. See **HOBHOUSE**.
- BROUGHAM, BEODA**, novelist, her best work "Not Wisely but Too Well"; wrote also "Cometh up as a Flower," "Red as a Rose is She" (1840-1893).
- BROUGHAM, WILLIAM ROBERT**, an English sea-
- man, companion of Vancouver; discovered a portion of Oceania (1763-1822).
- BROUGHTY FERRY**, a watering-place, with villas, near Dundee, and a favourite place of residence of Dundee merchants.
- BROUSSA**, a city in the extreme NW. of Turkey, at the foot of Mt. Olympus, 12 m. from the Sea of Marmora; the capital of the Turkish empire till the taking of Constantinople in 1453; abounds in mosques, and is celebrated for its baths.
- BROUSSAIS, JOSEPH VICTOR**, a French materialist, founder of the "physiological school" of medicine; resolved life into excitation, and disease into too much or too little (1772-1838).
- BROUSSEAU**, a member of the Parlement de Paris, whose arrest, in 1648, was the cause of, or pretext for, the organisation of the Fronde.
- BROUSSON**, a French Huguenot who returned to France after the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes, and was broken on the wheel, 1698.
- BROUWER, ADRIAEN**, a Dutch painter, mostly of low, vulgar life, which, as familiar with it, he depicted with great spirit (1605-1638).
- BROWN, AMY**, the first wife of the Duc de Berri, born in England, died in France; the Pope, in 1816, annulled her marriage, but declared her two daughters legitimate (1783-1876).
- BROWN, SIR ARTHUR WHITTEN**, British aviator. With Sir John Alcock (q.v.) he first flew across the Atlantic in an aeroplane from Newfoundland to Ireland in June, 1919 (1886-).
- BROWN, CHARLES BROCKDEN**, an American novelist, born in Philadelphia, of Quaker connection; his best-known works are "Wieland," and "Edgar Huntly" (1771-1810).
- BROWN, FORD MADOX**, an English painter, born at Calais; his subjects nearly all of a historical character, one of which is "Chaucer reciting his Poetry at the Court of Edward III."; anticipated Pre-Raphaelitism (1821-1893).
- BROWN, SIR GEORGE**, British general, born near Elgin, distinguished both in the Peninsular and in the Crimean War; was severely wounded at Inkerman, when in command of the Light Division (1790-1868).
- BROWN, HENRY KIRKE**, an American sculptor, did a number of statues, a colossal one of Washington in New York among them (1814-1886).
- BROWN, JOHN**, American slavery abolitionist; settled in Kansas, and resolutely opposed the project of making it a slave state; in the interest of emancipation, with six others, seized on the State armory at Harper's Ferry in hope of a rising, entrenched himself armed in it, was surrounded, seized, tried, and hanged. It was of him that the song "John Brown's Body" was written, which served the Union forces as a marching song in the Civil War (1800-1859).
- BROWN, JOHN**, of Haddington, a self-educated Scottish divine, born at Carnow, near Abernethy, Perthshire, son of a poor weaver, left an orphan at 11; became a minister of a Dissenting church in Haddington; a man of considerable learning, and deep piety; author of "Dictionary of the Bible," and "Self-interpreting Bible" (1722-1787).
- BROWN, JOHN, M.D.**, great-grandson of the preceding, born at Biggar, educated in Edinburgh High School and at Edinburgh University; was a pupil of James Syme, the eminent surgeon, and commenced quiet practice in Edinburgh; author of "Horse Subjection," "Rab and his Friends," "Pet Marjorie," "John Leech," and other works (1810-1882).
- BROWN, JOHN, M.D.**, founder of the Brunonian system of medicine, born at Bunkie, Berwickshire; reduced diseases into two classes, those resulting from redundancy of excitation, and those due to deficiency of excitation; author of "Elements of Medicine" and "Observations on the Old and New Systems of Physic" (1735-1788). See **BROUSSAIS**.
- BROWN, MOUNT** (16,000 ft.), the highest of the Rocky Mts. in N. America.
- BROWN, RAWDON**, historical scholar, spent his life at Venice in the study of Italian history, especially in its relation to English history, which he prosecuted with unwearied industry; his great work, result of 20 years' hard labour, "Calendar of State Papers and Manuscripts relating to English Affairs existing in the Archives of Venice and Northern

Italy," left unfinished at his death; died at Venice, where he spent a great part of his life, and where Beakin found him and conceived a warm friendship for him (1800-1833).

BROWN, ROBERT, a distinguished botanist, born at Montrose, son of an Episcopal clergyman; accompanied an expedition to survey the coast of Australia in 1801, returned after four years' exploration, with 4000 plants, mostly new to science, which he classified and described in his "Prodromus Florae Novae Hollandiae"; became librarian to, and finally president of, the Linnean Society; styled by Humboldt *botanicorum facile princeps*; he was a man of most minute and accurate observation, and of a wide range of knowledge, much of which died with him, out of the fear of committing himself to mistakes (1778-1858).

BROWN, SAMUEL, M.D., chemist, born in Haddington, grandson of John Brown of Haddington, whose life was devoted, with the zeal of a medieval alchemist, to a reconstruction of the science of alchemy, which he did not live to see realised; a man of genius, a brilliant conversationalist, and an associate of the more intellectual men of his time among the number De Quincy, Carlyle, and Emerson; wrote "Lay Sermons on the Theory of Christianity," "Lectures on the Atomic Theory," and two volumes of "Essays, Scientific and Literary" (1817-1856).

BROWN, THOMAS, Scottish psychologist, born in Kirkcubrightshire, bred to medicine; professor of Moral Philosophy in the University of Edinburgh, colleague and successor to Dugald Stewart; his lectures, all improvised on the spur of the moment, were published posthumously; "Lectures on the Philosophy of the Human Mind" established a sixth sense, which he called the "muscular." He was a man of precocious talent, and a devoted student, to the injury of his health and the shortening of his life; he was obliged from ill-health to resign his professorship after 10 years (1778-1820).

BROWN WILLY, the highest peak (1368 ft.) in Cornwall.

BROWNE, CHARLES FARRAR, a humorist and satirist, known by the pseudonym of "Artemus Ward," born in Maine, U.S.; his first literary effort was as "showman" to an imaginary travelling menagerie; travelled over America lecturing, carrying with him a whimsical panorama as affording texts for his numerous jokes, which he brought with him to London, and exhibited with the same accompaniment with unbounded success; he spent some time among the Mormons, and wrote humorous accounts of that community (1834-1867).

BROWNE, HABLOT KNIGHT, artist, born in London; illustrated Dickens' works, "Pickwick" to begin with, under the pseudonym of "Phiz," as well as the works of Lever, Alenworth, Fielding, and Smollett, and the Abbotsford edition of Scott; he was skilful as an etcher and an architectural draughtsman (1815-1882).

BROWNE, ROBERT, founder of the Brownists, born in Rutland; the first seceder from the Church of England, and the first to found a Church of his own, Congregational in principles, which he did at Norwich, though his project of secession proved a failure, and he returned to the English Church; died in jail at Northampton, where he was imprisoned for assaulting a constable; he may be accounted the father of the Congregational body in England (1550-1633).

BROWNE, SIR THOMAS, physician and religious thinker, born in London; resided at Norwich for nearly half a century, and died there; was knighted by Charles II.; "was," Professor Saintsbury says, "the greatest prose writer perhaps, when all things are taken together, in the whole range of English"; his principal works "Religio Medici," "Inquiries into Vulgar Errors," and "Hydrophobia, or Urn-Burial, a Discourse of the Sepulchral Urns found in Norfolk" (1605-1682).

BROWNE, WILLIAM, English pastoral poet, born at Tavistock; author of "Britannia's Pastorals" and "The Shepherd's Pipe," a collection of eclogues, and "The Inner Temple and Masque," or the story of Ulysses and Circe, with some exquisitely beautiful opening verses, "Steer hither, steer," among

them; was an imitator of Spenser, and a parallel has been instituted between him and Keats (1590-1645).

BROWNIAN MOVEMENT, the motion observed in the particles of a colloidal solution when seen under a microscope; the motion is due to molecular vibrations. The phenomenon was first observed by Robert Brown, a botanist, in 1827.

BROWNE, a good-natured household elf, believed in Scotland to render obliging services to good housewives, his presence being an evidence that the internal economies were approved of; as he favoured good husbandry, and was partial to houses where it was observed. The name has been adopted by the junior section of the Girl Guides, once called Rosebuds.

BROWNING, ELIZABETH BARRETT, née BARRETT, poetess, born at Carlton Hall, Durham; a woman of great natural abilities, which developed early; suffered from injury to her spine; went to Torquay for her health; witnessed the death by drowning of a brother, that gave her a shock the effect of which never left her; published in 1838 "The Seraphim" and in 1844 "The Cry of the Children"; married Robert Browning in 1846, who immediately took her abroad, settling in Florence; wrote in 1850 "Sonnets from the Portuguese," in 1851 "Casa Guidi Windows," and in 1856 "Aurora Leigh," "a novel in verse," and in 1880 "Poems before Congress"; ranks high, if not highest, among the poetesses of England; she took an interest all through life in public affairs; her work is marked by musical diction, sensibility, knowledge, and imagination, which no poetess has rivalled (1806-1881).

BROWNING, OSCAR, eminent Cambridge man of letters, took an active part in University life and was principal of the Cambridge Training College from 1891 to 1900; wrote extensively on literature, education, and history. He spent the latter part of his life abroad (1837-1923).

BROWNING, ROBERT, poet, one of the two greatest in the Victorian era, born in Camberwell; early given to writing verses; prepared himself for his literary career by reading through Johnson's Dictionary; his first poem "Pauline," published in 1833, which was followed by "Paracelsus" in 1835, "Sordello" in 1840; after a time, in which he was not idle, published, with some of his "Dramatic Romances and Lyrics" in 1855 his "Men and Women," and in 1898 "The Ring and the Book" (i.e.), his longest poem, and more analytic than poetic; this was succeeded by a succession of others, finishing up with "Asolando," which appeared the day he died at Venice; was a poet of great subtlety, deep insight, creative power, and strong faith, of a genius and learning which there are few able to compass the length and breadth of; lies buried in Westminster Abbey; of Browning it has been said by an eminent writer, "Timor mortis non contrahatur, the fear of death did not trouble him." In the browner shades of age as well as in the spring of youth he sang, not like most poets Love and Death, but Love and Life. James Lee, "Rabbi Ben Ezra," and "Prophet" are among the greatest poems of the century. His creed was an optimism of the brightest, and his restful faith "It is all right with the world" (1812-1889).

BROWN-SÉQUARD, CHARLES EDWARD, physiologist, born in Mauritius, of American parentage; studied in Paris; practised in New York, and became a professor in the Collège de France; made a special study of the nervous system and nervous diseases, and published works on the subject. He was the first to show that organs can supply to blood secretions which affect other parts of the body. See **HORMONES** (1817-1894).

BRUANT, a French architect, born in Paris; architect of the Invalides and the Hôpitalière; d. 1697.

BRUAT, a French admiral, commanded the French fleet at the Crimea (1796-1885).

BRUCE, a family illustrious in Scottish history, descended from a Norman knight, Robert de Brul, who came over with the Conqueror, and who acquired lands first in Northumberland and then in Annandale, **BRUCE, JAMES**, traveller, called the "Abyssinian,"

born at Kinnaird House, Stirlingshire; set out from Cairo in 1768 in quest of the source of the Nile; believed he had discovered it, though his quest took him to the head waters of the Blue Nile; stayed two years in Abyssinia, and returned home by way of France, elated with his success; felt hurt that no honour was conferred on him, and for relief from the chagrin wrote an account of his travels in five quarto vols., the general accuracy of which, as far as it goes, has been attested by subsequent explorers (1780-1784).

BRUCE, MICHAEL, a Scottish poet, born near Lochleven, in poor circumstances, in the parish of Portmouck; studied for the Church; died of consumption; his poems singularly plaintive and pathetic; his title to the authorship of the "Ode to the Cuckoo" has been matter of contention, while his Scottish Paraphrases have been ascribed to John Logan (q.v.) (1746-1767).

BRUCE, ROBERT, rival with John Balliol for the crown of Scotland on the death of Margaret, the Maiden of Norway, against whose claim Edward I. decided in favour of Balliol (1210-1295).

BRUCE, ROBERT, son of the preceding, earl of Carrick, through Marjory his wife; served under Edward at the battle of Dunbar; sued for the Scottish crown in vain (1269-1304).

BRUCE, ROBERT, king of Scotland, son of the preceding, did homage for a time to Edward, but joined the national party and became one of a regency of four, with Comyn for rival; stabbed Comyn in a quarrel at Dumfries, 1306, and was that same year crowned king at Scone; was defeated by an army sent against him, and obliged to flee to Rathlin, Ireland; returned and landed in Carrick; cleared the English out of all the fortresses except Stirling, and on June 24, 1314, defeated the English under Edward II. at Bannockburn, after which, in 1328, the independence of Scotland was acknowledged, as well as Bruce's right to the crown; suffering from leprosy, spent his last two years at Cardross Castle, on the Clyde, where he died in the thirty-third year of his reign (1274-1329).

BRUCE, STANLEY, Australian statesman. Educated at Cambridge, where he won a rowing Blue in 1904; he returned to Europe during the Great War to serve with the forces, and won the M.C. In 1923 he became Nationalist Prime Minister of Australia, and was defeated in Sept., 1929 (1884-).

BRUCINE, an alkaloid, allied in action to strychnine, though much weaker, being only a twenty-fifth of the strength.

BRUCKENAU, small town in Bavaria, 17 m. NW. of Kissingen, with mineral springs good for nervous and skin diseases.

BRUCKER, JOHANN JACOB, historian of philosophy, born at Augsburg, and a pastor there; author of "Historia Critica Philosophiae" (1696-1770).

BRUEYS, DAVID AUGUSTIN DE, French dramatist, born at Aix, an abbé converted by Bossuet, and actively engaged in propagating the faith; managed to be joint editor with Palaprat in the production of plays (1640-1723).

BRUGES, cap. of W. Flanders, in Belgium, intersected by canals crossed by some 50 bridges, whence its name "Bridges"; one of these canals connects it with Ostend, another with Zeebrugge; many of them are now, however, as well as some of the streets, little disturbed by traffic, and in a decayed condition; has a number of fine churches, one specially noteworthy, the church of Notre Dame; it has several manufactures, textile and chemical, as well as distilleries, sugar-refineries, and shipbuilding yards. It was used by the Germans during the Great War as a submarine base, the North Sea being reached by way of the canal to Zeebrugge; to block the route the British raided Zeebrugge Mole on April 23, 1918.

BRUGSCH, HEINRICH KARI, a German Egyptologist, born at Berlin; was associated with Mariette in his excavations at Memphis; became director of the School of Egyptology at Cairo; his works on the subject are numerous and of great value (1827-1894).

BRÜHL, HEINRICH, COUNT VON, minister of Augustus III., king of Poland, an unprincipled man, who encouraged his master, and indulged himself,

in silly foppery and wasteful extravagance, so that when the Seven Years' war broke out he and the king had to flee from Dresden and seek refuge in Warsaw (1700-1764).

BRUIN, the bear personified in the German epic of "Reynard the Fox."

BRUMAIRE, the 18th (i.e. November 9, 1799, the foggy month), the day when Napoleon, on his return from Egypt, overthrew the Directory and established himself in power.

BRUMMEL, see BEAU BRUMMELL.

BRUNANBURGH, the scene of a great and decisive battle (937) between Athelstan, King of Wessex, and a united force of Danes, Scots, and Northern Celts; the site doubtful, variously placed in Scotland, Northumberland, and Yorkshire; the victory commemorated in the *Anglo-Saxon Chronicle*.

BRUNCE, RICHARD FRANÇOIS, an able French Hellenist, classical scholar, and critic, born at Strassburg; edited several classical works, played a perilous part in the French Revolution; was imprisoned, and, on his release, had to sell his library in order to live (1728-1803).

BRUNE, GUILLAUME MARIE, French marshal, saw service in the Vendean war and in Italy, distinguished himself under Napoleon in Italy and Holland; submitted to Bourbons in 1814; joined Napoleon on his return from Elba; was appointed to a post of command in the S. of France, but had to surrender after Waterloo, and was attacked by a mob of Royalists at Avignon as he was setting out for Paris, and brutally murdered, his body being thrown into the Rhône (1768-1815).

BRUNEL, ISAMBARD KINGDOM, son of the following, assisted his father in his engineering operations, in particular the Thames tunnel; was engineer of the Great Western Railway; designed the *Great Western* steamship, the first to cross the Atlantic; was the first to apply the screw propeller to steam navigation; designed with Scott Russell the *Great Eastern*; constructed bridges and naval docks (1806-1869).

BRUNEL, SIR MARC ISAMBARD, engineer, born in Rouen, entered the French navy, emigrated to the United States; was chief engineer of New York; settled in England, and invented many mechanical tools; constructed the Thames tunnel, begun in 1825 and finished in 1843 (1789-1849).

BRUNELLESCHI, FILIPPO, Italian architect, born in Florence, bred a goldsmith, studied at Rome; returned to his native city, built the Duomo of the Cathedral, the Pitti Palace, and the churches of San Lorenzo and Spirito Santo (1377-1446).

BRUNETIERE, FERDINAND, French critic, editor of the *Revue des Deux Mondes*; a very sound and sensible critic; his chief work, begun in the form of lectures in 1890, entitled "L'Évolution des genres de l'Histoire de la Littérature Française" (1849-1906).

BRUNETTO-LATINI, an Italian writer, who played an important part among the Guelphs, and was obliged to flee to Paris, where he had Dante for a pupil (1220-1294).

BRUNHILDA, a masculine queen in the "Nibelungen Lied" who offered to marry the man that could beat her in feats of strength, was deceived by Siegfried into marrying Gunther, and meditated the death of Siegfried, who had married her rival Kriemhilda, which she accomplished by the hand of Hagen. Also a queen of Austrasia, who, about the 7th century, had a lifelong quarrel with Fredegunde, queen of Neustria, the other division of the Frankish world, which at her death she seized possession of for a time, but was overthrown by Clothaire II., Fredegunde's son, and dragged to death at the heels of an infuriated wild horse.

BRUNI, LEONARDO, Italian humanist and historian, born at Arezzo, hence called Arezzo; was papal secretary; settled in Florence, and wrote a history of it; did much by his translations of Greek authors to promote the study of Greek (1369-1444).

BRUNN, an ancient city, capital of Moravia, Czechoslovakia, beautifully situated, 93 m. N. of Vienna, with large manufactures; woollens the staple industry of the country; about one-half of the population Czechs.

BRUNNOW, COUNT VON, a Russian diplomatist, born

at Dresden; represented Russia in several conferences, and was twice ambassador at the English Court (1797-1875).

BRUNO, GIORDANO, a bold and fervid original thinker, born at Nola, in Italy; a Dominican monk, quitted his monastery, being accused of heterodoxy and obliged to flee; attached himself to Calvin for a time, went for some freedom to Paris, attacked the scholastic philosophy, had to leave France as well; spent two years in England in friendship with Sir Philip Sidney, propagated his views in Germany and Italy, was arrested by the Inquisition, and after seven years spent in prison was burned as a heretic; he was a pantheist, and regarded God as the living omnipresent soul of the universe, and Nature as the living garment of God, as the Earth-Spirit does in Goethe's "Faust" (1550-1600).

BRUNO, ST., born at Cologne, retired to a lonely spot near Grenoble with six others, where each lived in cells apart, and they met only on Sundays; founder of the Carthusian Order of Monks, the first house of which was established in the desert of Chartreuse (1080-1101). Festival, Oct. 6.

BRUNO THE GREAT, third son of Henry the Fowler; archbishop of Cologne, chancellor of the Empire, a great lover of learning, and promoter of it among the clergy, who he thought should, before all, represent and encourage it (925-965).

BRUNOIAN SYSTEM, a system which regards and treats diseases as due to defective or excessive excitation, as sthenic or asthenic. See **BROWN, JOHN**.

BRUNSWICK, a N. German duchy, made up of eight detached parts, mostly in the upper basin of the Weser; is mountainous, and contains part of the Harz Mts.; climate and crops are those of N. Germany generally. Brunswick, the capital, a busy commercial town, once a member of the Hanseatic League, which fell into comparative decay after the dwindling of the League; on the Oker, 140 m. S.W. of Berlin; an irregularly built city, it has a cathedral, and manufactures textiles, leather, and sewing-machines.

BRUNSWICK, CHARLES WILLIAM, DUKE OF, Prussian general, commanded the Prussian and Austrian forces levied to put down the French Revolution; enlisted a violent, blustering manifesto, but a Revolutionary army under Dumouriez and Kellermann met him at Valmy, and compelled him to retreat in 1792; was beaten by Davout at Auerstadt, and mortally wounded (1735-1806).

BRUNSWICK, FREDERICK WILLIAM, DUKE OF, brother of Queen Caroline; raised troops against France, which, being embarked for England, took part in the Peninsular war; fell fighting at Ligny two days before the battle of Waterloo (1771-1815).

BRUSSELS, on the Senne, 27 m. S. of Antwerp, is the capital of Belgium, in the heart of the country. The old town is narrow and crooked, but picturesque, and is dominated by the Palace of Justice; the town-hall is a magnificent building. The new town is well built, and one of the finest in Europe. There are many parks, boulevards, and squares; a cathedral, art gallery, museum and library, university, and art schools. It is Paris in miniature. The manufactures include linen, ribbons, and paper; a ship-canal and numerous railways foster commerce. German troops captured the city on August 20, 1914, and King Albert returned in November, 1918.

BRUSILOFF, ALEKSEI, Russian general. He commanded an army corps in Galicia at the outbreak of the Great War, being transferred to the SW. front in 1915. In 1917 he held the supreme command for a short time after the revolution (1856-).

BRUTUS, LUCIUS JUNIUS, the founder of Republican Rome, in the 6th century B.C.; affected idiosyncrasy (whence his name, meaning stupid); it saved his life when Tarquin the Proud put his brother to death; but when Tarquin's son committed an outrage on Lucretia, he threw off his disguise, headed a revolt, and expelled the tyrant; was elected one of the two first Consuls of Rome; sentenced his two sons to death for conspiring to restore the monarchy; fell repelling an attempt to restore the Tarquins in a hand-to-hand combat with Aruns, one of the sons of the banished king.

BRUTUS, MARCUS JUNIUS, a descendant of the preceding, and son of Cato Uticensis's sister; much beloved by Caesar and Caesar's friend, but persuaded by Caesar and others to believe that Caesar aimed at the overthrow of the republic; joined the conspirators, and was recognized by Caesar among the factionists as party to his death; forced to flee from Rome after the event, was defeated at Philippi by Antony and Augustus, but escaped capture by falling on a sword held out to him by one of his friends, exclaiming as he did so, "O Virtue, thou art but a name!" (85-42 B.C.).

BRUYERE, JEAN DE LA, a French writer, author of "Caractères de Théophraste," a satire on various characters and manners of his time; was attached to the household of the Prince de Condé (1644-1698).

BRYAN, WILLIAM JENNINGS, American statesman, born in Salem, Illinois; bred to the bar and practised at it; entered Congress in 1890 as an extreme Free Silver man; lost his seat from his uncompromising views on that question; was twice nominated for the Presidency in opposition to McKinley, but defeated (1860-1920).

BRYANT, WILLIAM CULLEN, American poet; his poems were popular in America, the chief, "The Age," published in 1821; was 50 years editor of the *New York Evening Post*; wrote short poems all through his life, some of the later his best, particularly "Thanatopsis" (1794-1878).

BRYCE, JAMES, 1ST VISCOUNT, historian and politician, born at Belfast; Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford; bred to the bar; for a time professor of Civil Law at Oxford; entered Parliament in 1880; was member of Gladstone's last cabinet; from 1907 to 1913 he was ambassador in America. His chief literary production, "The Holy Roman Empire," a work of high literary merit (1858-1922).

BRYDGES, SIR SAMUEL EGBERTON, English antiquary, born at Wootton House, in Kent; called to the bar, but devoted to literature; was M.P. for Maidstone for six years; lived afterwards at Geneva, where he died; wrote novels and poems, and edited old English writings of interest (1762-1837).

BUBASTIS, an Egyptian goddess, the Egyptian Diana, the wife of Ptah; also a city in Lower Egypt, on the eastern branch of the Nile.

BUBONIC PLAGUE, a disease carried exclusively by the rat flea. It was this plague which killed 25 million people in Europe in the Black Death of the 14th century. During the first decade of the present century nearly a million people died annually from this disease, but it has decreased since.

BUCANEEERS, an association, chiefly English and French, of piratical adventurers in the 16th and 17th centuries, with their headquarters in the Caribbean Sea, organized to plunder the ships of the Spaniards in resentment of the exclusive right the latter claimed to the wealth of the M. American continent, which they were carrying home across the sea. Their name was taken from the "buccon" or dried meat, which they prepared on their island fires in the Indies.

BUCOLEUGH, a glen 18 m. S.W. of Selkirk, with a stronghold of the Scott family, giving the head the title of earl or duke.

BUCER TAUR, the state galley, worked by oars and manned by 168 rowers, in which the Doge of Venice used to sail on the occasion of the annual ceremony of wedding anew the Adriatic Sea by sinking a ring in it, the ceremony marking Venice's rule over the seas.

BUCEPH'ALUS (i.e. ox-head), the horse which Alexander the Great, while yet a youth, broke in when no one else could, and on which he rode through all his campaigns; it died in India from a wound. The town, Bucephala, on the Hydaspes, N. India, was built near its grave.

BUCER, MARTIN, a German Reformer, born at Strasburg; originally a Dominican, adopted the Reformed faith, ministered as pastor and professor in his native place; differed in certain matters from both Luther and Zwingli, while he tried to reconcile them; invited by Cranmer to England, he accepted the invitation, and became professor of Divinity at Cambridge, where he died, but his bones were exhumed and burned a few years later (1491-1551).

BUCH, LEOPOLD VON, a German geologist, a pupil of Werner and fellow-student of Alexander von Humboldt, who esteemed him highly; adopted the volcanic theory of the earth; wrote many scientific memoirs (1774-1853).

BUCHAN, a district in the N.E. of Aberdeenshire, between the rivers Deveron and Ythan; abounds in magnificent rock scenery. The Comyns were earls of it till they forfeited the title in 1309.

BUCHAN, ALEXANDER, the son of a Scots weaver, who started life as a schoolmaster, and later gave up his time to the study of the weather. He discovered the "Buchan's Cold Periods," six in number, which occur in February, April, May, June, August, and November; secretary of the Scottish Meteorological Society and connected with the Meteorological Office in London (1829-1907).

BUCHAN, JOHN, novelist, of Scottish birth, he went in for law, served in France in the Great War, and became a Conservative M.P. in 1927. "Prester John," published in 1910, was his first novel to catch attention, and "Greenmantle," probably his most popular, has been followed by several romances (1875-).

BUCHANAN, CLAUDIUS, born at Cambuslang, near Glasgow; chaplain in Barrackpore under the East India Company; vice-provost of the College at Fort William, Calcutta; one of the first to awaken an interest in India as a missionary field; wrote "Christian Researches in Asia" (1766-1816).

BUCHANAN, GEORGE, a most distinguished scholar and humanist, born at Killearn, Strirlingshire; educated at St. Andrews and Paris; professor for three years in the College at St. Barbe; returned to Scotland, became tutor to James V.'s illegitimate sons; imprisoned by Cardinal Beaton for satires against the monks, escaped to France; driven from one place to another, imprisoned in a monastery in Portugal at the instance of the Inquisition, where he commenced his celebrated Latin version of the Psalms; came back to Scotland, was appointed in 1562 tutor to Queen Mary, in 1566 principal of St. Leonard's College in St. Andrews, in 1567 moderator of the General Assembly, in 1570 tutor to James VI., and had several offices of State conferred on him; wrote a "History of Scotland," and his book "De Jure Regni," against the tyranny of peoples by kings; died in Edinburgh without enough to bury him; was buried at the public expense in Greyfriars' churchyard; when dying, it is said he asked his housekeeper to examine his money-box and see if there was enough to bury him, and when he found there was not, he ordered her to distribute what there was among his poor neighbours, and left it to the city to bury him or not as they saw good (1506-1582).

BUCHANAN, JAMES, statesman of the United States, was ambassador in London in 1853, made President in 1856, the fifteenth in order, at the time when the troubles between the North and South came to a head, favoured the South after Lincoln's election in 1860 to the Presidency retired into private life (1791-1868).

BUCHANAN, ROBERT, a writer in prose and verse, born in Warwickshire, educated at Glasgow University; his first work, "Undertones," a volume of verse published 1860; wrote "The Wandering Jew," which attacks the Christian religion, and a number of novels, of which "God and the Man" and "The Shadow of the Sword" are the best; also some plays (1841-1901).

BUCHANITES, a fanatical sect who appeared in the W. of Scotland in 1783, named after a Mrs. Buchan, who claimed to be the woman mentioned in Rev. xii.

BUCHAREST, capital of Rumania, picturesquely situated on the Danubius, a tributary of the Danube, in a fertile plain, 180 m. from the Black Sea; there is a Catholic cathedral and a university; it is the emporium of trade between the Balkans and Austria; textiles, grain, hides, metal, and coal are the chief articles in its markets.

BUCHÉZ, JOSEPH, a French historian, politician, and Socialist; joined the St. Simonian Society, became a Christian Socialist, and a collaborator in an important historical work, the "Parliamentary History of the French Revolution"; figured in political life after the Revolution of 1848, but

retired to private life after the establishment of the Empire (1796-1865).

BÜCHNER, LUDWIG, physician and materialist, born at Darmstadt; lectured at Tübingen University; wrote a book entitled "Kraft und Stoff," i.e. Force and Matter, and had to retire into private practice as a physician on account of the materialistic philosophy, which he insisted on teaching (1824-1899).

BUCHON, a learned Frenchman; wrote chronologies of French history (1781-1846).

BUCKINGHAM, GEORGE VILLIERS, DUKE OF, favourite of James I. and Charles I., born in Leicestershire; rose under favour of the former to the highest offices and dignities of the State; provoked by his conduct wars with Spain and France; fell into disfavour with the people; was assassinated at Portsmouth by Lieutenant Felton, on the eve of his embarking for Rochelle (1602-1628).

BUCKINGHAM, GEORGE VILLIERS, DUKE OF, son of the preceding; served under Charles I. in the Civil War, was at the battle of Worcester; became minister of Charles II.; a profligate courtier and an unprincipled man (1627-1688).

BUCKINGHAM, JAMES BILK, traveller and journalist, born in Falmouth; conducted a Journal in Calcutta, and gave offence to the East India Company by his outspokenness; had to return to England, where his cause was warmly taken up; by his writings and speeches paved the way for the abolition of the Company's charter (1786-1855).

BUCKINGHAM PALACE, the London residence of the King, built in 1703, and considerably enlarged since, a new front being erected in 1913.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE CONFERENCE, was held in July, 1914, at the instance of King George, to see whether some way could be found to meet Ulster's objections to the Asquith Home Rule Bill (q.v.). The conference broke down after three days.

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE, English S. midland county, lying E. of Oxford, W. of Bedford and Hertford, is full of beautiful and varied scenery, hill, dale, wood, and water. The Thames forms the southern boundary, the Ouse flows through the N., and the Thame through the centre. The Chiltern Hills cross the county. Agriculture is the prevailing industry; dairy produce, cattle and poultry feeding, and sheep rearing the sources of wealth. The county town is Buckingham, on the Ouse, 60 m. N.W. of London.

BUCKLAND, FRANCIS (FRANK), naturalist, son of the succeeding, bred to medicine; devoted to the study of animal life; was inspector of salmon fisheries; wrote "Curiosities of Natural History," "Familiar History of British Fishes," &c.; contributed largely to journals such as the *Field*, and edited *Land and Water*, which he started in 1806 (1829-1880).

BUCKLAND, WILLIAM, a distinguished geologist, born at Fiverton; had a predilection from boyhood for natural science; awoke in Oxford University an interest in it by his lectures on mineralogy and geology; his pen was unceasingly occupied with geological subjects, and he was president of the British Association in 1832; exerted himself to reconcile the teachings of science with the accounts in Genesis; was made Dean of Westminster by Sir Robert Peel; his intellect gave way in 1850, and he remained in mental weakness till his death (1784-1856).

BUCKSTONE, JOHN BALDWIN, an able comic actor and popular dramatist, born in London; for a long period the lessee of the Haymarket Theatre, London (1802-1879).

BUDA-PESTH, a twin city, the capital of Hungary, on the Danube; Buda (Ger. Ofen) on the right bank and Pesth on the left, the two cities being connected by a suspension bridge, the former standing on a rocky elevation and the latter on level ground; a great commercial centre.

BUDAPEST, an ancient town in Lower Egypt, where festivals in honour of Bacchus used to be held every year.

BUDDHA, GAUTAMA, or SAKYA-MUNI, the founder of Buddhism about the 5th century B.C., born a Hindu, of an intensely contemplative nature, the son of a king, who did everything in his power to tempt him from a religious life, from which, however,

in his contemplation of the vanity of existence, nothing could detain him; retired into solitude at the age of 30, as *Sakya-muni*, i.e. solitary of the *Sakyas*, his tribe; consulted religious books, could get no good out of them, till, by-and-by, he abstracted himself more and more from everything external, when at the end of ten years, as he sat brooding under the Bo-tree alone with the universe, soul with soul, the light of truth rose full-orbed upon him, and he called himself henceforth and gave himself out as Buddha, i.e. the Enlightened; now he said to himself, "I know it all," as Mohammed in his way did after him, and became a preacher to others of what had proved salvation to himself, which he continued to do for 40 years, leaving behind him disciples, who went forth without sword, like those of Christ, to preach what they believed was a gospel to every creature.

BUDDHISM, the religion of Buddha, a religion which, eschewing all speculation about God and the universe, set itself solely to the work of salvation, the end of which was the merging of the individual in the unity of being, and the "way" to which was the mortification of all private passion and desire, which mortification, when finished, was the Buddhist Nirvana. This is the primary doctrine of the Buddhist faith, which ere long became a formality, as all faiths of the kind, or of this high order, ever tend to do. Buddha is not answerable for this, but his followers, who in three successive councils resolved it into a system of formulae, which Buddha, knowing belike how the letter killeth and only the spirit giveth life, never attempted to do. Buddha wrote none himself, but in some 300 years after his death, his teachings assumed a canonical form, under the name of Tripiṭaka, or triple basket, as it is called. Buddhism from the first was a proselytising religion; it at one time overran the whole of India, and is understood to be the religion of 340 millions of the human race.

BUEDE-LIGHT, a very brilliant light produced by introducing oxygen into the centre of an Argand burner, so called from the place of the inventor's abode.

BUDGET, THE, annual account of national finances submitted to the House of Commons every April by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and so called from the "bouquette" or leather bag he carried.

BUDWEIS, a Bohemian trading town on the Moldau, 133 m. NW. of Vienna.

BUENOS AIRES, capital of the Argentine Republic, stands on the right bank of the broad but shallow river Plate, 150 m. from the Atlantic; it is a growing city, improving in appearance, with a cathedral, several Protestant churches, a university and military school, libraries, and hospitals; printing, cigar-making, cloth and boot manufacture are the leading industries; it is the principal Argentine port, and the centre of export and import trade; the climate does not correspond with the name it bears; a great deal of the foreign trade is conducted through Monte Video, but it monopolises all the inland trade.

BUFFALO, a city of New York State, at the E. end of Lake Erie, 300 m. due NW. of New York; is a well-built, handsome, and healthy city; the railways and the Erie Canal are channels of extensive commerce in grain, cattle, and coal; while immense ironworks, tanneries, breweries, and flour-mills represent the industries; electric power for lighting, traction, and factories is supplied from Niagara.

BUFFON, **GEORGE LOUIS LECLERC, COMTE DE**, a great French naturalist, born at Montbard, in Burgundy; his father one of the noblesse de robe, studied law at Dijon; spent some time in England, studying the English language; devoted from early years to science, though more to the display of it, and to natural science for life on being appointed keeper of the Jardin du Roi (now Jardin des Plantes); assisted by Daubenton and others, produced 16 vols. of his world-famous "Histoire Naturelle" between the years 1749 and 1767. The saying "Style is the man" is ascribed to him, and he has been measured by some according to his own standard. Neither his style nor his science is rated of any high value now (1707-1788).

BUGEAUD, **THOMAS**, marshal of France, born at

Limoges, served under Napoleon; retired from service July 1850; served under Louis Philippe; contributed to the conquest of Algiers; was made governor, and created duke for his victory over the forces of the emperor of Morocco at the battle of Isly in 1844; his motto was *Ense et aratro*, "By sword and plough" (1784-1849).

BUGENHAGEN, **JOHANN**, a German Reformer, a convert of Luther and his coadjutor; helpful to the cause as an organiser of churches and schools (1485-1558).

BUHL, ornamental work for furniture, which takes its name from the inventor (see *buira*), consisted in piercing or inlaying metal with tortoiseshell or enamel, or with metals of another colour; much in fashion in Louis XIV.'s reign.

BUHL, or **BOULE**, **CHARLES ANDRÉ**, an Italian cabinet-maker, inventor of the work which bears his name (1642-1732).

BUKOWINA, a small prov. and duchy in the E. of Hungary; rich in minerals, breeds cattle and horses.

BULGARIA, with Eastern Roumelia, constitutes a Balkan principality larger than Ireland, with hills and fertile plains in the N., mountains and forests in the S.; Turkey is the southern boundary, Serbia the western, the Danube the northern, while the Black Sea washes the eastern shores. The climate is mild, the people are industrious; chief export is cereals; manufactures of woollens, atlas of roses, wine, and tobacco are staple industries; the chief import is live-stock. Sofia, the capital, is the seat of a university. Varna, on the Black Sea, is the principal port. Bulgaria was cut out of Turkey and made independent in 1878, and Eastern Roumelia incorporated with it in 1885.

BULL, an edict of the Pope, so called from a leaden seal (Latin *bulia*) attached to it.

BULL, **GEORGE**, bishop of St. Davids, born at Wells; a staunch Churchman; wrote "Harmonia Apostolica" in reconciliation of the teachings of Paul and James on the matter of justification, and "Defensio Fidei Nicene," in vindication of the Trinity as enunciated in the Athanasian Creed (q.v.), and denied or modified by Arians, Socinians, and Sabellians (1634-1710).

BULL, **JOHN**, a humorous impersonation of the collective English people, conceived of as well-fed, good-natured, honest-hearted, justice-loving, and plain-spoken; the designation is derived from Arbuthnot's satire, "The History of John Bull" (1712), in which the Church of England figures as his mother.

BULL, **OLE BOLNEMANN**, a celebrated violinist, born in Bergen, Norway, pupil of Paganini; mostly performed his own compositions, and made tours in Europe and America with immense success (1810-1880).

BULL RUN, a stream in Virginia, U.S., 25 m. from Washington, where the Union army was twice defeated by the Confederate, July, 1861, and August, 1862.

BULLANT, a French architect and sculptor; built the tombs of Montmorency, Henry II., and Catherine de Medici, as well as wrought at the Tuilleries and the Louvre (1510-1578).

BULLEN, **FRANK THOMAS**, author, served at sea on whaling ships and wrote several notable books on sea life, among them "The Cruise of the Cachalot," "The Log of a Sea Wolf," and "Creatures of the Sea" (1857-1915).

BULLER, **CHARLES**, a politician, born in Calcutta, pupil of Thomas Carlyle; entered Parliament at 24, a Liberal in politics; held distinguished State appointments; died in his prime, universally beloved and respected (1806-1848).

BULLER, **GENERAL SIR REDVERS HENRY**, served in China, Ashanti, South Africa, Egypt, and the Soudan, with distinction, in the 60th King's Royal Rifles; held staff appointments, and was for a short time Under-Secretary for Ireland. On the outbreak of the Boer War he was made commander of the British forces, but was superseded by Lord Roberts owing to the number of reverses; he later relieved Ladysmith, and in 1906 he retired on half-pay (1836-1908).

BULLINGER, **HEINRICH**, a Swiss Reformer, born in

AARGAS, friend and successor of Zwingli; assisted in drawing up the Helvetic Confession; was a correspondent of Lady Jane Grey (1504-1578).

BULLS AND BEARS, in the Stock Exchange, the bull being one who buys in the hope that the value may rise, and the bear one who sells in the hope that it may fall. See **BEAR**.

BULOW, BERNARD VON, Chancellor of the German empire; early entered the Foreign Office, and did important diplomatic work in connection with it. Was secretary to several embassies and chargé d'affaires to Greece during the Russo-Turkish war. He was dismissed on account of the rebuke he administered to the Kaiser for his indiscreet *Daily Telegraph* interview in 1904. During the Great War he was recalled as Ambassador to Italy (1850-1929).

BULOW, FRIEDRICH WILHELM, BARON VON, a Prussian general; served his country in the war with Revolutionary France; defeated the French under the Empire in several engagements, and contributed to the victory at Waterloo, heading the column that first came to Wellington's aid at the decisive moment (1756-1816).

BULOW, GUIDO VON, a famous pianist, pupil of Liszt; conducted many important works, including Wagner's at Munich, Hanover, and elsewhere (1830-1894).

BULOW, KARL VON, German general. He was in charge of the 2nd German Army, which invaded Belgium in 1914, and he retired in 1916 after the Battle of the Aisne (1846-1921).

BULOZ, a French litterateur, born near Geneva; originator of the *Revue des Deux Mondes* (1803-1877).

BULUWAYO (B., "the place of slaughter"), trading town in Rhodesia, once the kraal of Lobengula, king of the Matabele; connected by rail with Cape Town and Beira.

BUMBLE, MR., a leader in "Oliver Twist."

BUNAU, a German historian, author of a "History of the Seven Years' War" (1697-1702).

BUNCOMBE, a district in N. Carolina, the representative of which many years ago delivered a dull speech in the U.S. Congress, whence the phrase to "talk Buncombe," i.e. to please one's constituency.

BUNDESKHAND, a territory in NW. Provinces, India, between the Chambal and the Jumna; has been extensively irrigated at great labour and expense.

BUNHILL FIELDS, an old cemetery off the City Road, London, first used by dissenters in 1665, and containing the graves of Bunyan, Defoe, Isaac Watts, and William Blake.

BUNKER HILL, an eminence of 112 ft., now included in Boston, the scene on June 10, 1776, of the first great battle in the American War of Independence.

BUNSEN, BARON VON, a diplomatist and man of letters, born at Korbach, in Waldeck; studied at Marburg and Göttingen; became acquainted with Niebuhr at Berlin; studied Oriental languages under Silvestre de Sacy at Paris; became secretary under Niebuhr, to the Prussian embassy at Rome; recommended himself to the king, and succeeded Niebuhr; became ambassador in Switzerland and then in England; was partial to English institutions, and much esteemed in England; wrote "The Church of the Future," "Hippolytus and his Age," &c. (1791-1860).

BUNSEN, ROBERT WILLIAM, distinguished German scientist, professor of Chemistry at Heidelberg; invented the charcoal pile, the magnesium light, and the burner named after him; discovered the antidote for arsenical poisoning, hydrate of iron, and studied the caecodyl compounds. He founded the study of spectrum analysis, discovered the salts of rubidium, and isolated metallic lithium (1811-1899).

BUNSEN BURNER, a small gas-jet above which is screwed a brass tube with holes at the bottom of it to let in air, which burns with the gas, and causes at the top a non-luminous flame; largely used in chemical operations.

BUNTER SANDSTONES, the name given to the red sandstones forming the base of the Triassic strata; they are found in Cheshire and Devon.

BUNYAN, JOHN, author of the "Pilgrim's Progress," born in Elstow, near Bedford, the son of a tinker

and bred himself to that humble craft; he was early visited with religious convictions, and brought, after a time of resistance to them, to an earnest faith in the gospel of Christ, his witness for which to his poor neighbours led to his imprisonment, a confinement which extended first and last over twelve and a half years, and it was towards the close of it, and in the precincts of Bedford jail, in the spring of 1678, that he dreamed his world-famous dream; here two-thirds of it were written, the whole finished the year after, and published at the end of it; extended, it came out eventually in two parts, but it is the first part that is the "Pilgrim's Progress," and ensures it the place it holds in the religious literature of the world; encouraged by the success of it—for it leapt into popularity at a bound—Bunyan wrote some sixty other books, but except this, his masterpiece, not more than two of these, "Grace Abounding" and the "Holy War," continue to be read (1628-1688).

BUNTALENTI, an Italian artist, born at Florence, one of the greatest, being, like Michael Angelo, at once architect, painter, and sculptor (1536-1608).

BURBAGE, RICHARD, English tragedian, born in London, associate of Shakespeare, took the chief rôle in "Hamlet," "King Lear," "Richard III." &c. (1562-1619).

BURCHELL, MR., the name under which Sir William Thornhill disguised himself in the "Vicar of Wakefield"; noted for his habit of applying "fudge" to everything his neighbours affected to believe.

BURCKHARDT, JACOB, Swiss historian and archaeologist, born at Basel, author of "Civilisation in Italy during the Renaissance" (1818-1897).

BURCKHARDT, JOHN LUDWIG, traveller, born at Lausanne, sent out from England by the African Association to explore Africa; travelled by way of Syria; acquired a proficiency in Arabic and assumed Arabic customs; pushed on to Mecca as a Mussulman pilgrim—the first Christian to risk such a venture; returned to Egypt, and died at Cairo just as he was preparing for his African exploration; his travels were published after his death, and are distinguished for the veracious reports of things they contain (1784-1817).

BURDER, GEORGE, Congregational minister, became secretary to the London Missionary Society; author of "Village Sermons," which were once widely popular (1752-1832).

BURDET, SIR FRANCIS, a popular member of Parliament, married Sophia, the youngest daughter of Thomas Coutts, a wealthy London banker, and acquired through her a large fortune; becoming M.P. he resolutely opposed the government measures of the day, and got himself into serious trouble; advocated radical measures of reform, many of which have since been adopted; was prosecuted for a libel; fined £1000 for condemning the Peterloo massacre, and imprisoned three months; joined the Conservative party in 1835, and died a member of it (1770-1844).

BURDET-COUTTS, RT. HON. ANGELA GEORGINA, BARONESS, daughter of Sir Francis Burdet, inherited the wealth of Thomas Coutts, her grandfather, which she devoted to all manner of philanthropic as well as patriotic objects; was made a peeress in 1871; received the freedom of the City of London in 1874, and in 1881 married Mr. William Lehman Ashmead-Bartlett, an American, who obtained the royal licence to assume the name of Burdet-Coutts (1814-1906).

BUREAU, a name given to a department of public administration, hence bureaucracy, a name for government by bureaux.

BURGER, GOTTFRIED AUGUST, a German lyric poet, author of the ballads "Lenore," which was translated by Sir Walter Scott, and "The Wild Huntsman," as well as songs; led a wild life in youth, and a very unhappy one in later years; died in poverty (1747-1794).

BURGMEIR, HANS, painter and engraver, born at Augsburg; celebrated for his woodcuts, amounting to nearly 700 (1473-1531).

BURGOS, ancient cap. of Old Castile, on the Arlanzon, 225 m. N. of Madrid by rail; boasts a magnificent cathedral of the Early Pointed period, and an old

castle: was the birthplace of the Cid, and once a university seat: it has linen and woollen industries.

BURGOYNE, JOHN, English general, and distinguished as the last sent out to subdue the revolt in the American colonies; after a victory or two was obliged to capitulate to General Gates at Saratoga and fell into disfavour; defended his conduct with alidity and successfully afterwards; devoted his leisure to poetry and the drama, the "Hedress" in the latter being his best (1723-1792).

BURGOYNE, SIR JOHN, field-marshal, son of the above, joined the Royal Engineers, served under Abercromby in Egypt, and under Sir John Moore and Wellington in Spain; was present at the battles of Alma, Balaklava, and Inkerman in the Crimea; was governor of the Tower (1782-1871).

BURGUNDY, was, prior to the 6th century, a Teutonic duchy of varying extent in the SE. and E. of France; annexed to France as a province in the 6th century; the country is noted for its wines.

BURHANPUR, a town in the Central Provinces of India, in the Nimar district, 280 m. NE. of Bombay; was at one time a centre of the Mogul power in the Deccan, and a place of great extent; is now in comparative decay, but still famous, as formerly, for its muslins, silks, and brocades.

BURIDAN, JEAN, a scholastic doctor of the 14th century, born in Artois, and famous as the reputed author, though there is no evidence of it in his works, of the puzzle of the hungry and thirsty ass (called after him Buridan's Ass), between a bottle of hay and a pail of water, a favourite illustration of his in discussing the freedom of the will.

BURKE, EDMUND, orator and philosophic writer, born at Dublin, and educated at Dublin University; entered Parliament in 1765; distinguished himself by his eloquence on the Liberal side, in particular by his speeches on the American war, Catholic emancipation, and economical reform; his greatest oratorical efforts were his orations in support of the impeachment of Warren Hastings; he was a resolute enemy of the French Revolution, and eloquently denounced it in his "Reflections," a weighty appeal; wrote in early life two small but notable treatises, "A Vindication of Natural Society," and another on our ideas of the "Sublime and Beautiful," which brought him into contact with the philosophic intellects of the time, and some time after planned the "Annual Register," to which he was to the last chief contributor (1729-1797).

BURKE, SIR JOHN BERNARD, genealogist, born in London, of Irish descent, author of the "Peerage and Baronetage of the United Kingdom"; produced, besides editing successive editions of it, a number of works on aristocratic genealogies (1815-1892).

BURKE, ROBERT O'HARA, Australian explorer, born in Galway; conducted an expedition across Australia, but on the way back both he and his companion Wills perished, after terrible sufferings from privation and drought (1820-1861).

BURKE, WILLIAM, a notorious murderer, native of Ireland; executed in 1828 for wholesale murders of people in Edinburgh by suffocation, after intoxicating them with drink, whose bodies he sold for dissection to an Edinburgh anatomist of the name of Knox, whom the citizens mobbed; he had an accomplice (William Hare) as bad as himself, who, becoming informer, got off. His crimes gave rise to the expression "to burke."

BURKITT, WILLIAM, Biblical expositor, born in Suffolk; author of "Expository Notes on the New Testament," once held in high esteem (1650-1703).

BURLINGAME, WILLIAM CECIL, LORD, a great statesman, born in Lincolnshire; bred to the legal profession, and patronised and promoted by the Protector Somerset; managed to escape the Marian persecution; Queen Elizabeth recognised his statesmanlike qualities, and appointed him chief secretary of state, an office which, to the glory of the queen and the good of the country, he held for forty years, till his death. His administration was conducted in the interest of the common weal, without respect of persons, and nearly all his subordinates were men of honour as well as himself (1520-1598).

BURLINGAME, ANSON, American diplomatist; sent as ambassador to China, and returned as Chinese envoy to the American and European courts; concluded treaties between them and China (1820-1870).

BURMA, a vast province of British India, lying E. of the Bay of Bengal, and bounded landward by Bengal, Tibet, China, and Siam; the country is mountainous, drained by the Irrawadi, Salween, and Sittang Rivers, whose deltas are flat, fertile plains; the heights on the Chinese frontier reach 15,000 ft.; the climate varies with the elevation, but is mostly hot and trying; rice is the chief crop; the forests yield teak, gum, and bamboo; the mines, iron, copper, lead, silver, and rubies. Lower Burma is the coastland from Bengal to Siam, cap. Rangoon; it was seized by Britain in 1826 and 1854. Upper Burma, cap. Mandalay, an empire nearly as large as Spain, was annexed in 1886.

BURN, RICHARD, English vicar, born in Westmorland; compiled several law digests, the best known his "Justice of the Peace" and "Ecclesiastical Law" (1709-1785).

BURNABY, COLONEL FREDERICK, a traveller of daring adventure, born at Bedford, a tall, powerful man; Colonel of the Royal Horse Guards; travelled in South and Central America, and with Gordon in the Sudan; was chiefly distinguished for his ride to Khiva in 1875 across the steppes of Tartary, of which he published a spirited account, and for his travels next year in Asia Minor and Persia, and his account of them in "On Horseback through Asia Minor"; killed, pierced by an Arab spear, at Abu Klea as he was rallying a broken column to the charge; he was a daring aeronaut, having in 1882 crossed the Channel to Normandy in a balloon (1842-1885).

BURNARD, SIR FRANCIS COWLEY, editor of *Punch*; studied for the Church, and became a Roman Catholic; an expert at the burlesque, and author of a series of papers, entitled "Happy Thoughts," which give evidence of a most keen, observant wit; wrote several plays, of which "Black-eyed Sam" is the best known (1836-1917).

BURNES-JONES, SIR EDWARD, artist, born at Birmingham, of Welsh descent; came early under the influence of the Pre-Raphaelite movement, and all along produced works imbued with the spirit of it, which are at once mystical in conception and realistic in execution; he was one of the foremost, if not the foremost, of the artists of his day; imbued with ideas that were specially capable of art-treatment; William Morris, Dante Gabriel Rossetti, and he were bosom friends from early college days at Oxford, and Rossetti's influence is evident in his early work. The Tate and other public galleries possess some of his finest paintings (1839-1896).

BURNES, SIR ALEXANDER, born at Monrovia, his father a cousin of Robert Burns; was an officer in the Indian army; distinguished for the services he rendered to the Indian Government through his knowledge of the native languages; appointed Resident at Kabul; was murdered, with his brother and others, by an Afghan mob during an insurrection (1805-1841).

BURNET, GILBERT, bishop of Salisbury, born at Edinburgh, of an old Aberdeen family; professor of Divinity in Glasgow; afterwards preacher at the Rolls Chapel, London; took an active part in supporting the claims of the Prince of Orange to the English throne; was rewarded with a bishopric, that of Salisbury; wrote the "History of the Reformation," an "Exposition of the Thirty-nine Articles," and the "History of His Own Times"; he was a Whig in politics, a broad Churchman in creed, and a man of strict moral principle as well as Christian charity (1644-1716).

BURNETT, JOHN, engraver and author, born at Fishersburg; engraved Wilkie's works, and wrote an art (1784-1868).

BURNET, THOMAS, master of the Charterhouse, born in Yorkshire, author of the "Sacred Theory of the Earth," eloquent in descriptive parts, but written wholly in ignorance of the facts (1635-1715).

BURNETT, FRANCES HODGSON, novelist, born in Manchester, resident for a time in America; wrote "That Lam o' Lowrie's," "Little Lord Fauntleroy,"

- and several other novels, characterised by shrewd observation, pathos, and descriptive power (1849-1824).
- BURNEY, SIR CECIL**, Admiral of the Fleet. He first saw service in 1882, was A.D.C. to King Edward, and was in charge of the Atlantic Fleet in 1911. In 1914 he was in command of the Channel Fleet, and later acted as second in command of the Grand Fleet, in which capacity he served at Jutland (1869-).
- BURNEY, CHARLES**, musical composer and organist, born at Shrewsbury; a friend of Johnson; author of "The History of Music," and the father of Madame d'Arbly; settled in London as a teacher of music (1726-1814).
- BURNEY, CHARLES**, son of preceding, a great classical scholar; left a fine library, purchased by the British Museum for £18,600 (1767-1817).
- BURNEY, FRANCES**. See D'ARBLAY, MADAME.
- BURNEY, JAMES**, brother of preceding, rear-admiral, accompanied Cook in his last two voyages; wrote "History of Voyages of Discovery" (1760-1821).
- BURNLEY**, a manufacturing town in Lancashire, 27 m. N. of Manchester; with cotton mills, foundries, breweries, &c.
- BURNOUT, EUGENE**, an illustrious Orientalist, born in Paris; professor of Sanskrit in the College of France; an authority on Zend or Zoroastrian literature; edited the text of and translated the "Bhagavata Purana," a book embodying Hindu mythology; made a special study of Buddhism; wrote an introduction to the history of the system (1801-1852).
- BURNS, JOHN**, politician and Socialist, born at Vauxhall, of humble parentage; bred to be an engineer; imbued with socialist ideas from a fellow-workman, a Frenchman, a refugee of the Commune from Paris; became a platform orator in the interest of Socialism, and popular among the working class; got into trouble in consequence; was four times elected member of the London County Council for Battersea; and twice represented Battersea in Parliament; was President of the Local Government Board. He was M.P. for Battersea 1898-1918, became President of the Board of Trade in 1914, and resigned on the outbreak of war (1858-).
- BURNS, ROBERT**, celebrated Scottish poet, born at Alloway, near Ayr, son of an honest, intelligent peasant, who tried farming in a small way, but did not prosper; tried farming himself on his father's decease in 1784, but took to rhyming by preference; driven desperate in his circumstances, meditated emigrating to Jamaica, and published a few poems he had composed to raise money for that end; realised a few pounds thereby, and was about to set sail, when friends and admirers rallied round him and persuaded him to stay; he was invited to Edinburgh; his poems were reprinted, and money came in; soon after he married, and took a farm, but, failing, accepted the post of exciseman in Dumfries; fell into bad health, and died in 1796, aged 37. See Carlyle's "Miscellaneous" for an estimate of both the man and the poet (1759-1796).
- BURNARD INLET**, an inlet of Georgia Strait, in British Columbia, forming one of the best harbours on the Pacific coast.
- BURRITT, ELIHU**, a blacksmith, born in Connecticut; devoted to the study of languages, of which he knew many, both ancient and modern; best known as the unwearied Advocate of Peace all over America and a great part of Europe; organised first international Peace Congress in 1848 at Brussels, and another at Paris the following year (1810-1879).
- BURROUGHS, JOHN**, popular author, born in New York; a farmer, a cultured man, with a great liking for country life and animals and birds, on which he wrote largely (1837-1921).
- BUREUS**, a Roman general, who with Seneca had the conduct of Nero's education, and opposed his tyrannical acts, till Nero, weary of his expostulations, got rid of him by poison, A.D. 63.
- BURSCHENSCHAFT**, an association of students in the interest of German liberation and unity; formed in 1813, and broken up by the government in 1819;
- the movement, however, was revived and existed for a number of years.
- BURSLEM**, a pottery-manufacturing town in Staffordshire, and the "mother of the potteries"; manufactures porcelain and glass.
- BURTON, JOHN HILL**, historian and miscellaneous writer, born at Aberdeen; an able man, bred for the bar; wrote articles for the leading reviews and journals. "Life of Hume," "History of Scotland," "The Book-Hunter," "The Scot Abroad," &c.; characterised by Lord Rosely as a "dispassionate historian"; was Historiographer-Royal for Scotland (1809-1881).
- BURTON, SIR RICHARD FRANCIS**, traveller, born in Hertfordshire; served first as a soldier in Scind under Sir C. Napier; visited Mecca and Medina as an Afghan pilgrim; wrote an account of his visit in his "Personal Narrative of a Pilgrimage, &c."; penetrated Central Africa with Captain J. H. Speke, and discovered Lake Tanganyika; visited Utah, and wrote "The City of the Saints"; travelled in Brazil, Palestine, and Western Africa, accompanied through many a hardship by his devoted wife; translated the "Arabian Nights"; his numerous works on his travels show him to have been of daring adventure (1821-1890).
- BURTON, ROBERT**, an English clergyman, born in Leicestershire; Scholar of Christ Church, Oxford; lived chiefly in Oxford, spending his time in it for some 50 years in study; author of "The Anatomy of Melancholy," which he wrote to alleviate his own depression of mind, a book which is a perfect mosaic of quotations on every conceivable topic, familiar and unfamiliar, from every manner of source (1576-1640).
- BURTON-ON-TRENT**, a town in Staffordshire; brews and exports large quantities of ale, the water of the place being peculiarly suitable for brewing purposes.
- BURY**, a manufacturing town in Lancashire, 10 m. NW. of Manchester; originally but a small place engaged in woollen production but cotton is now the staple manufacture, in addition to paper-works, dye-works, &c.
- BURY ST. EDMUNDS**, or **ST. EDMUNDSBURY**, a market-town in Suffolk, 28 m. NW. of Ipswich, named from Edmund, king of East Angles, martyred by the Danes in 870, in whose honour it was built; famous for its abbey, of the interior life of which in the 12th century there is a matchlessly graphic account in Carlyle's "Past and Present."
- BUSA'CO**, a mountain ridge in the prov. of Beira, Portugal, where Wellington with 40,000 troops beat Massena with 65,000 in 1810.
- BUSBY, RICHARD**, distinguished English schoolmaster, born at Luton, Lincolnshire; was headmaster of Westminster School; had a number of eminent men for his pupils, among others Dryden, Locke, and South (1606-1696).
- BUSCHING, ANTON FRIEDRICH**, a celebrated German geographer; his "Erdbeschreibung," the first geographical work of any scientific merit, though it gives only the geography of Europe (1724-1793).
- BUSHIDO**, the Samurai code of Japan, setting forth the highest ideals of honour and courage, and still an influence among the Japanese people; literally, the word signifies "the way of the warrior."
- BUSHIRE**, the chief port of Persia on the Persian Gulf, and a great trading centre.
- BUSHMEN**, or **BOSJESMANS**, aborigines of south-west Africa; a rude, nomadic race, at one time numerous, but now fast becoming extinct; they are small in stature and with scarcely any culture, their language being very defective.
- BUSHERANGERS**, in Australia, gangs made up at first of convicts who escaped to the bush, and there associated with other desperadoes; these were succeeded by others who caused a great deal of trouble by their maraudings, attacks on gold escorts, and murders. Among the most notorious of the bushrangers were Gardiner, Thunderbolt, and the Kellys.
- BUSIRIS**, a king of Egypt who used to offer human beings in sacrifice; seized Hercules and bound him to the altar, but Hercules snapped the bonds he was bound with, and sacrificed him.

BUSK, HANS, one of the originators of the Volunteer movement, born in Wales; author of "The Rifle, and How to Use it" and other similar practical works (1816-1882).

BUSEKIN, a kind of half-boot worn after the custom of hunters as part of the costume of actors in tragedy on the ancient Roman stage, and a synonym for tragedy.

BUSS, FRANCES MARY, shares with Dorothea Beale (q.v.) the honour of having laid the foundations of high-school education for girls; she founded the North London Collegiate School (1827-1894).

BUTE, an island in the Firth of Clyde, about 16 m. long and from 8 to 5 broad, N. of Arran, nearly all the Marquis of Bute's property, with his seat at Mount Stuart, and separated from the mainland on the N. by a winding romantic arm of the sea called the "Kyles of Bute."

BUTE, JOHN STUART, THIRD EARL OF, statesman, born of an old Scottish family; Secretary of State, and from May, 1762, to April, 1763, Prime Minister under George III., over whom he had a great influence; was very unpopular as a statesman, his leading idea being the supremacy of the king; spent the last 24 years of his life in retirement, devoting himself to literature and science (1712-1792).

BUTLER, ALBAN, hagiographer, born in Northampton; head of the college at St. Omer; wrote "Lives of the Saints" (1710-1773).

BUTLER, CHARLES, an English barrister, nephew of the preceding, born in London; wrote "Historical Account of the Laws against the Catholics" (1750-1832).

BUTLER, ELIZABETH, LADY, painter of military subjects; see Thompson, married in 1877 Major-General Sir William F. Butler, who served with distinction under Wolseley; her most famous pictures are "The Roll Call," "Scotland for Ever!" "Defence of Horke's Drift," and "Balaclava."

BUTLER, JOSEPH, an eminent English divine, born at Wantage, in Berks; at first a Dissenter, conformed to the Church of England; became preacher at the Rolls, where he delivered his celebrated "Sermons," the first three of which contributed so much to the stability of moral science; was raised, in virtue of his merits alone, to the see of Bristol; made dean of St. Paul's, and finally bishop of Durham; his great work, "The Analogy of Religion, Natural and Revealed, to the Constitution and Course of Nature," the aim of which is twofold—first, to show that the objections to revealed religion are equally valid against the constitution of nature; and second, to establish a conformity between the divine order in revelation and the order of nature; his style is far from interesting, and is often obscure (1692-1752).

BUTLER, SAMUEL, a master of burlesque, born at Strensham, in Worcestershire, the son of a small farmer; the author of "Hudibras," a poem of about 10,000 octosyllabic lines, in which he subjects to ridicule the ideas and manners of the English Puritans of the Civil War and the Commonwealth; it appeared in three parts, the first in 1663, the second soon after, and the third in 1678; it is sparkling with wit, yet is hard reading, and few who take it up read it through; was an especial favourite with Charles II., who was never weary of quoting from it. "It represents," says Stopford Brooke, "the fierce reaction that (at the Restoration) had set in against Puritanism. It is justly famed," he adds, "for wit, learning, good sense, and ingenious drollery, and, in accordance with the new criticism, is absolutely without obscurity. It is often as terse as Pope's best work; but it is too long; its wit wears us at last, and it undoes the force of its attacks on the Puritans by its exaggeration" (1612-1680).

BUTLER, SAMUEL, novelist. He wrote in satirical vein on modern civilization, and largely inspired Bernard Shaw. "Erewhon," published in 1872, is his best known work (1835-1902).

BUTLER, WILLIAM ARCHER, a philosophical writer, born near Clonmel, Ireland; professor of Moral Philosophy at Dublin; author of "Lectures on the History of Ancient Philosophy" (1814-1848).

BUTT, CLARA, DAME, operatic singer, born in Sussex; made her debut in London at the Albert Hall in the

"Golden Legend," and in "Orfeo" at the Lyceum, after which appearances she has been much in demand as a singer (1873-).

BUTT, ISAAC, Irish patriot, distinguished for his scholarship at Dublin University; became editor of the *Dublin University Magazine*; entered Parliament, and at length took the lead of the "Home Rule" party, but could not control it, and retired (1813-1870).

BUTTMANN, PHILIPP, a German philologist, born at Frankfurt-on-the-Main; professor of Philology in Berlin; best known by his "Greek Grammar" (1766-1820).

BUXTON, a high-lying town in Derbyshire, noted for its calcareous and chalybeate springs, and a resort for invalids; is also famous for its rock crystals, stalactite cavern, and fine scenery.

BUXTON, SIR THOMAS FOWELL, a philanthropist, born in Essex, a tall man of energetic character; entered life as a brewer, and made his fortune; was conspicuous for his interest in benevolent movements, such as the amelioration of criminal law and the abolition of slavery; represented Weymouth in Parliament from 1818 to 1837; was made a baronet in 1840; he was Wilberforce's successor (1786-1845).

BUXTORF, JOHANN, a celebrated Hebraist, born in Westphalia, member of a family of Orientalists; professor of Hebrew for 30 years at Basel; was known by the title, "Master of the Rabbin" (1684-1620).

BYBLIS, in the Greek mythology a daughter of Miletus, in love with her brother Caunus, whom she pursued into far lands, till, worn out with sorrow, she was changed into a fountain.

BYNG, GEORGE, VISCOUNT TORRINGTON, admiral, favoured the Prince of Orange, and won the navy over to his interest; commanded the squadron that took Gibraltar in 1704; conquered the Spaniards off Cape Passaro; was made First Lord of the Admiralty in 1727, an office he held till his death (1663-1733).

BYNG, JOHN, admiral, fourth son of the preceding; having failed to compel the French to raise the blockade of Minorca, was recalled, in deference to popular clamour, and, being tried and condemned as guilty of treason, was shot at Portsmouth, a fate it is now believed he did not deserve (1704-1757).

BYNG, BARON, OF VIMY, British general. He saw service in the Sudan and the Boer War, and in November, 1917, as Sir Julian Byng, led the great attack on the Hindenburg line (q.v.). For the greater part of the war he commanded the Canadian Corps, and was made Governor-General of Canada in 1921. In 1925 he became Chief Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police (1862-).

BYRD, COMMANDER R. E., American explorer and aviator. He took charge of the MacMillan Arctic Expedition of 1925; flew to the North Pole in 1926, and across the Atlantic in 1927 (1889-).

BYRON, JOHN, poet and stenographer, born near Manchester; invented a system of shorthand, now superseded, which he had the sole right of teaching for 2 years; contributed as "John Gladstone" to the *Spectator*; author of the pastoral, "My Time, O ye Muses, was Happily Spent"; his poetry satirical and genial (1692-1768).

BYRON, GEORGE GORDON, SIXTH LORD, an English poet, born in London, son of Captain Byron of the Guards, and Catherine Gordon of Gight, Aberdeenshire; spent his boyhood at Aberdeen under his mother, now a widow, until he succeeded his grandfather in the title and estates and removed to Newstead Abbey, Nottingham; was educated at Harrow and Cambridge, spending, when at the latter, his vacations in London, where his mother had taken a house; wrote "Hours of Idleness," a poor first attempt, which called forth a severe criticism in the *Edinburgh Review*, and which he satirised in "English Bards and Scotch Reviewers," and soon afterwards left England and spent two years in foreign travel; wrote first part of "Childe Harold," "awoke one morning and found himself famous"; produced the "Glaucou," "Bride of Abydos," "Hebrew Melodies," and other work. In his school-days he had fallen in love with Mary Chaworth, but she had not returned his affection,

and in 1815 he married Miss Millbank, an heiress, who in a year left him never to return, when a storm raised against him on account of his private life drove him from England, and he never came back; on the Continent, moved from place to place, finished "Childe Harold," completed several short poems, and wrote "Don Juan"; threw himself into revolutionary movements in Italy and Greece, risked his all in the emancipation of the latter, and, embarking in it, died at Missolonghi in a fit, at the age of 36 (1798-1824).

BYRON, HENRY JAMES, dramatist, born in Manchester, wrote "Our Boys" and a large number of more or less successful comedies, farces, and pantomimes; was the first editor of *Punch* (1834-1884).

BYRON, JOHN, naval officer, grandfather of the poet, nicknamed from his misfortunes "Foulweather Jack"; accompanied Anson in his voyage round the world, but was wrecked in his ship the *Wager*; suffered almost unexampled hardships, of which he wrote a classical account on his safe return home; he rose to the rank of admiral, and commanded

the squadron in the West Indies during the American war; died in England (1728-1786).

BYRSA, a celebrated citadel of Carthage.

BYZANTINE ART, a decorative style of art patronised by the Romans after the seat of empire was removed to the East; it has been described by Fairholt as "an engraftment of Oriental elaboration of detail upon classic forms, ending in their debasement."

BYZANTINE EMPIRE, called also the Eastern, the Lower, or the Greek Empire; dates from A.D. 895, when, by the death of Theodosius, the Roman Empire was divided between his two sons, Arcadius and Honorius, the Eastern section falling to the share of the former, who established the seat of his government at Byzantium; the empire included Syria, Asia Minor, Pontus, Egypt, Thrace, and Ancient Greece, and it lasted with varied fortune for ten centuries after the accession of Arcadius, till Constantinople was besieged and taken by the Turks in 1453.

BYZANTIUM, the ancient name of Constantinople founded by Greek colonists in 667 B.C.

CAABA

CAABA, an ancient Arab temple, a small square structure in the grand mosque of Mecca, with a mysterious black stone, probably an acrolite, built in it, on which all pilgrims who visit the shrine imprint a kiss: "the Kephah of all Moslems, the eyes of innumerable praying men being turned towards it from all the quarters of the compass five times a day." In earlier times the stone was probably the object of pagan worship.

CAB, the name given to one-horse public vehicles, being a contraction of "cabriolet." The first cab was licensed in 1855, and the two-wheel type invented by Joseph Hansom, and named after him, came soon after.

CABAL', a secret intriguing faction in a State, a name applied to a junto of five ministers of Charles II. in power from 1668 to 1673, the initials of whose names go to make up the word; their names were Clifford, Ashley, Buckingham, Arlington, and Lauderdale; derived from Cabala (q.v.).

CABALA, a secret science alleged to have been directly imparted to Moses and preserved by tradition, by means of which the Rabbis affected to interpret the pretended mystic sense of the words, letters, and very accents of the Hebrew Scriptures, a science which really owes its existence to a dissatisfaction in the rabbinical mind with the traditional literal interpretation, and a sense that there is more in Scripture than meets the ear. The name comes from a Hebrew word suggesting "to receive," and denotes "that which is received," or tradition.

CABALLERO, FERNAN, the *nom de plume* of Cecilia Boethel de Faber, a Spanish authoress, born in Switzerland, of German descent; a collector of folk tales; wrote charmingly; told stories of Spanish, particularly Andalusian, peasant life (1790-1877).

CABANEL, ALEXANDRE, a French painter of religious and classical subjects, but eminent also for portraits; born at Montpellier (1828-1889).

CABANIS, PIERRE JEAN GEORGES, a celebrated French medical man, born in Cosme, in the dep. of Charente Inférieure, a pronounced materialist in philosophy, and friend of Mirabeau; attended him in his last illness, and published an account of it; his materialism was of the grossest; treated the soul as a nonentity, and held that the brain secretes thought just as the liver secretes bile (1757-1808).

CABEL, a celebrated painter of the Dutch school, born at Ryswyck (1631-1698).

CABET, ETIENNE, a French communist, born in Dijon; a leader of the Carbonari; provoked prosecution, and fled to England; wrote a history of the First Revolution, in which he defended the Jacobins; author of the "Voyage en Icarie," in description of a communistic Utopia, which became the textbook of a communistic sect called "Icarians," a body of whom he headed to carry out his schemes in America, first in Texas and then at Nauvoo, but failed; died at St. Louis broken-hearted (1758-1856).

CABINET, THE, in Great Britain the centre of the executive power, consisting of the Prime Minister and his principal colleagues. In origin the Cabinet is a committee of the Privy Council, and came into being at the same time as the office of Prime Minister when George I. came to the throne, unable to speak English. The modern tendency has been for Cabinets to increase in size and adhere to a policy of collective responsibility for individual actions and words.

CABIRI, certain mysterious demoniac beings to whom inviolable honours were paid in Lemnos and elsewhere in Greece, in connection with nature-worship, and especially with that of Demeter and Dionysus (q.v.).

CABLE, FRANK, engineer, born in Connecticut. A pioneer in the development of the submarine; he acted in an advisory capacity to the navies of most of great powers when submarines were first introduced.

CADE

CABLE, GEORGE WASHINGTON, a journalist, born at New Orleans, wrote interestingly on, and created an interest in, Creole life in America; best known novels, "The Grandisines" and "Old Creole Days" (1844-1895).

CABOT, GIOVANNI (JOHN), a Venetian pilot, born at Genoa, settled in Bristol, entered the service of Henry VII., and discovered part of the mainland of N. America, at Labrador, about 1497; sailed in 1498 on another expedition and was never heard of again (1425-1498).

CABOT, SEBASTIAN, son of the preceding; accompanied his father to N. America; sought service as a navigator, first in Spain, then in England, but failed; returned to Spain; attempted under Charles V. to plant colonies in Brazil, with no success, for which he was imprisoned and banished; was the first to notice the variation of the magnetic needle, and to open up to England trade with Russia (1474-1557).

CABRAL, PEDRO ALVAREZ, a Portuguese navigator; sailing for the Indies, drifted on the coast of Brazil, on which he planted the Portuguese flag, 1500, and of which he is accounted by some the discoverer; continued his course, and established a factory at Calicut in 1501 (1460-1528).

CABRE'RA, one of the Balearic Isles, used as a penal settlement by Spain; produces wild olives.

CABRERA, RAMON, COUNT, a Spanish general, born at Tortosa, Catalonia, a zealous supporter of the claims of Don Carlos, took up arms in his behalf; died in England; he was an unscrupulous adversary (1810-1877).

CACOLA, Italian fresco-painter, did altar-pieces: his best work, "Deposition from the Cross," at Novara; d. 1625.

CACERAS, a Spanish province in the N. of Estremadura; the name also of its capital, famous for its bacon and sausages, as the province is for cattle-rearing.

CACHALOT, the sperm whale, often attaining 60 ft. in length with a head of abnormal size; hunted for the oil obtained from its blubber, for spermaceti, and the ambergris found within its intestine.

CACHAB, a great tea-growing district in Assam.

CACHE, name given in North America to a hole in the ground for hiding provisions when they prove cumbersome to carry, or as a source of supply for others.

CACHET, LETTRE DE. See LETTRE DE CACHET. **CACIQUE**, a title signifying chief, borne by the head man of native tribes in Mexico, Peru, Cuba, and elsewhere in S. America.

CACTUS, a prickly exogenous plant, varying in form and size, and often of abnormal shape; found mostly in Mexico, California, and South America.

CA'OUS, a mythological brigand of gigantic stature, the son of Vulcan, who occupied a cave in Mount Aventine, represented by Virgil as breathing smoke and flames of fire; stole the oxen of Hercules as he was asleep, dragging them to his cave tail foremost to deceive the owner; strangled by Hercules in his rage at the deception quite as much as the thief.

CADAMOSTO, a Venetian in the service of Portugal, discovered the Cape de Verde Islands in 1487; wrote the first book giving an account of modern voyages, published posthumously (1482-1480).

CADASTRE, a register of the landed proprietors of a district, and the extent of their estates, with maps illustrative called Cadastral Maps.

CADBURY, GEORGE, philanthropist and business man. A prominent Quaker and Liberal, he was the head of the important cocoa firm bearing his name, in connection with which he was a pioneer of industrial welfare in establishing the model village of Bournville; he also owned the *Daily News* (1830-1922).

CADE, JACK, an Irish adventurer, headed an insurrection in Kent, in 1460, in the reign of Henry VI.; encamped with his following on Blackheath; demanded of the king redress of grievances; was

answered by an armed force, which he defeated; entered the city, could not prevent his followers from plundering; the citizens retreating, he had to flee, but was overtaken and slain.

CADIZ, one of the chief commercial ports in Spain, in Andalusia; founded by the Phoenicians about 1100 B.C.; called Gades by the Romans; at the NW. extremity of the Isla de Leon, and separated from the rest of the island by a channel crossed by bridges; it is 7 m. from Xeres and 80 m. from Gibraltar, and carries on a large export trade.

CADMIUM, a metallic element used in small quantities for alloying with other metals.

CADMUS, a semi-mythological personage, founder of Thebes, in Bœotia, to whom is ascribed the introduction of the Greek alphabet from Phœnicia and the invention of writing; in the quest of his sister Europa, was told by the oracle at Delphi to follow a cow and build a city where she lay down; arrived at the spot where the cow lay down, he went, with a view to its sacrifice, his companions to a well guarded by a dragon, which devoured them; slew the dragon; sowed its teeth, which sprang up into a body of armed men, who speared each other to death, all but five, who, the story goes, became the forefathers of Thebes.

CADORNA, **COUNT LUIGI**, Italian general. From May, 1915, to November, 1917, he commanded the Italian armies in the Great War; did yeoman service in reorganizing the army early in the war, but suffered a heavy defeat at Caporetto in 1917, soon after which he was retired (1850-1928).

CADOUDAL, **GEORGES**, chief of the Chouans (q.v.), born in Brittany, the son of a farmer; took up arms to restore the Bourbons in the teeth of the Republic, but was defeated; refused to serve under Bonaparte, who would fain have enlisted him, having seen in him "a mind cast in the true mould"; came over from London, whither he had retired, on a secret mission from Charles X.; was suspected of evil designs against the person of Bonaparte; arrested, and, after a short trial, condemned and executed, having confessed his intention to overthrow the Republic and establish Louis XVIII. on the throne (1771-1804).

CADUCEUS, the winged rod of Hermes, entwined with two serpents; originally a simple olive branch, in the hands of the god was possessed of magical virtues; it was the symbol of peace.

CÆDMON, an English monastic poet of the 7th century, the fragment of a hymn by whom, preserved by Bede, is the oldest specimen extant of English poetry; wrote a poem on the beginning of things at the call of a voice from heaven, saying as he slept, "Cædmon, come sing me some song"; and thereupon he began to sing the story of Genesis and Exodus, many other tales in the sacred Scriptures, and the story of Christ and the Apostles, and of heaven and hell to come.

CAEN, a fine old Norman town, capital of Calvados, about 80 m. SE. of Cherbourg; lace the chief manufacture; the burial-place of William the Conqueror, and the native place of Charlotte Corday; it is a well-built town, and has fine old public buildings, a large library, and a noble collection of pictures.

CAERLEON, a small old town in Monmouthshire, on the Usk, 2½ m. NE. of Newport; celebrated by Tennyson in connection with Arthurian legend; it is a very ancient place, and contains baths, sections of walls, and other relics of Roman times.

CÆSAR, name of an old Roman family claiming descent from the Trojan Æneas, which the emperors of Rome from Augustus to Nero of right inherited, though the title was applied to succeeding emperors and to the heirs-apparent of the Western and the Eastern Empires; it survived in the titles of the German Kaiser and the Czar of Russia.

CÆSAR, **GAJUS JULIUS**, pronounced the greatest man of antiquity, by birth and marriage connected with the democratic party; early provoked the jealousy of Sulla, then dictator, and was, by an edict of proscription against him, obliged to quit the city; on the death of Sulla returned to Rome; was elected to one civic office after another, and finally to the consulship. United with Pompey and Crassus in the First Triumvirate (60 B.C.); was

appointed to the government of Gaul, which he subdued after nine years to the dominion of Rome; his successes awoke the jealousy of Pompey, who had gone over to the aristocratic side, and he was recalled; this roused Caesar, and, crossing the Rubicon with his victorious troops, he soon saw all Italy lying at his feet (49 B.C.); pursued Pompey, who had fled to Greece, and defeated him at Pharsalia (48 B.C.); was thereupon elected dictator and consul for five years, distinguishing himself in Egypt and elsewhere; returned to Rome (47 B.C.); conspired and executed vast schemes for the benefit of the city, and became the idol of its citizens; was assassinated on the Ides (the 15th) of March, 44 B.C., in the fifty-eighth year of his age (102-44 B.C.).

CÆSAREA, a Syrian seaport, 30 m. N. of Joppa, built in honour of Augustus Cæsar by Herod the Great, now in ruins, though a place of note in the days of the Crusades. Also C. Philippi, at the source of the Jordan, whence Christ, on assuring Himself that His disciples were persuaded of His divine sonship, turned to go up to Jerusalem, and so by His sacrifice perfect their faith in Him.

CÆSIUM, a rare metallic element of low melting-point, resembling potassium. Cæsium was first recognized from the distinctive lines in its spectra.

CAFFEINE, an alkaloid drug found in the tea and coffee plants.

CAGLIARI, the cap. of Sardinia, and the chief port, on the S. coast, was a colony of Jews from the time of Tiberius till 1492, whence they were expelled by the Spaniards; lies on the slopes of a hill, the summit of which is 300 ft. high, and is on the site of an ancient Carthaginian town.

CAGLIARI, **PAOLO**, proper name of Paul Veronese (q.v.).

CAGLIOSTRO, **COUNT ALESSANDRO DI**, assumed name of an arch-impostor, his real name being Giuseppe Balsamo, born in Palermo, of poor parents; early acquired a smattering of chemistry and medicine, by means of which he perpetrated the most audacious frauds; married a pretty woman named Lorenza Felliciana, who became an accomplice; professed supernatural powers and possession of the "elixir of life," and wrung large sums from his dupes wherever he went; absconded to Paris and thrown into the Bastille for complicity in the Diamond Necklace affair; on his wife turning informer, he was consigned to the Inquisition, and committed to the fortress of San Leone, where he died at 62, his wife having retired into a convent (1743-1795).

CAGNOLA, **LUIGI**, **MARQUIS OF**, Italian architect, born at Milan; his greatest work, the "Arco della Pace," of white marble, in his native city, the execution of which occupied him over 30 years (1782-1833).

CAGOTS, a race in the SW. of France of uncertain origin; treated as outcasts in the Middle Ages, owing, it has been supposed, to some taint of leprosy, from which, it is argued, they were by their manner of life in course of time freed.

CAHORS, a town in the dep. of Lot, in the S. of France, 71 m. N. of Toulouse, with interesting Roman and other relics of antiquity.

CAIAPHAS, the High-Priest of the Jews who condemned Christ to death as a violator of the law of Moses.

CAIAPOR, a wild, savage race in the woods of Brazil, hard to persuade to reconcile themselves to a settled life.

CAICOS, a group of small islands connected with the Bahamas, but annexed to Jamaica since 1874.

CAILLE, **LOUIS DE LA**, astronomer, studied at the Cape of Good Hope, registered stars of the Southern Hemisphere, numbering 9000, before unknown; calculated the table of eclipses for 1800 years (1713-1762).

CAILLET, a chief of the Jacquerie, a peasant insurrection in France in 1358, taken prisoner and tortured to death.

CAILLAUX, **JOSEPH PIERRE AUGUSTE**, French politician. Trained as a lawyer, he entered the Civil Service and was elected to the Chamber of Deputies in 1898. He acted as Minister of Finance four times before the Great War, and from 1911 to 1912 he was Prime Minister. Arrested in 1918, he

spent two years in prison for holding harmful relations with the enemy, but in 1935 he returned to politics as Finance Minister to handle the franc depreciation question, and held the same post again in 1926, making debt agreements with Britain and the U.S.A. (1863-).

GAILLÉ, RENÉ, French traveller in Africa, born in Poitou, the first European to penetrate as far as Timbuctoo, in Central Africa, which he did in 1828; the temptation was a prize of 10,000 marks offered by the Geographical Society of Paris, which he received with a pension besides (1799-1839).

CAIN, according to Genesis, the first-born of Adam and Eve, and therefore of the race, and the murderer of his brother Abel.

CAINE, SIR THOMAS HENRY HALL, novelist, born in Cheshire, of Manx blood; began life as architect and took to journalism; author of a number of novels bearing on Manx life, such as "The Deemster" and "The Manxman"; his most famous novel, "The Christian," his greatest but most ambiguous work, has been translated into most of the languages of Europe (1853-).

CAINOZOIC, or Tertiary Period of geologists, in which were deposited the rocks which contain fossils of the early forms of mammals. In England the age is represented by the London Clay and the Pliocene Beds which cover most of East Anglia. During this period we find an increasing number of fossils of living species.

CAIRA, "It will go on," a popular song in France during the Revolution, said to have been a phrase of Benjamin Franklin, which he was in the habit of using in answering inquirers about the progress of the American revolution by his friends in France; the words by Ladré and the music by Bécourt, both unknown except for this composition.

CAIRD, EDWARD, brother of the following, interpreter of Kant and Hegel; succeeded Jowett as master of Balliol; wrote on the "Evolution of Religion," and edited the lectures and sermons of his brother (1835-1908).

CAIRD, JOHN, an eloquent Scottish preacher, born at Greenock, Principal of Glasgow University, famous for a sermon entitled "The Religion of Common Life," preached before Queen Victoria at Crathie in 1855; made a special study of the philosophy of religion, and wrote eloquently on it, more especially the Christian version of it (1820-1898).

CAIRN, a heap of stones often, though not always, loosely thrown together, generally by way of a prehistoric sepulchral monument, and it would seem sometimes in exorcism of some foul deed.

CAIRNES, JOHN ELLIOT, a political economist of the school of John Stuart Mill with modifications, born in co. Louth, Ireland; professor successively in Dublin, Galway, and London; author of works on political economy (1828-1875).

CAIRNGORM, a yellowish-brown variety of rock-crystal, so called from being found, among other places, on one of the Scottish Grampians, in Aberdeenshire, so named.

CAIRNS, HUGH MACCORMACK, EARL, lawyer and politician, born in co. Down, Ireland; called to the English bar; entered Parliament, representing Belfast; became Lord Chancellor under Disraeli's government in 1866, and again in 1874; took an active interest in philanthropic movements (1819-1885).

CAIRO, cap. of Egypt, and largest city in Africa, on the right bank of the Nile, just above the Delta, 120 m. SE. of Alexandria, covers an extensive area on a broad sandy plain, and presents a strange agglomeration of ancient and modern elements. The modern city is the fourth founded in succession on the same site, and remains of the former cities are included in it, old walls, gateways, narrow streets, and latticed houses, palaces, and 400 mosques. These, though much spoiled by time and tourists, still represent the brightest period of Saracenic art. The most modern part of the city consists of broad boulevards, with European-built villas, hotels, &c. There is a rich museum, and university with 2000 students. Extensive railway communication and the Nile waterway induce a large transport trade, but there is little industry. The population is mixed; the townsfolk are half

Arab, half Egyptian, while Copts, Turks, Jews, Italians, and Greeks are numerous; it is a centre of Mohammedan learning, and since 1883 the centre of British influence in Egypt.

CAITHNESS, a level, except in the W. and S., bare, and somewhat barren county in the NE. of Scotland, 43 m. by 28 m., with a bold and rocky coast; has dagstone quarries; fishing the chief industry, of which Wick is the chief seat; the inhabitants are to a great extent of Scandinavian origin, and English, not Gaelic, is the language spoken.

CAJETAN, CARDINAL, general of the Dominicans, born in Gaeta; represented the Pope at the Diet of Augsburg, and tried in vain to persuade Luther to recant; wrote a Commentary on the Bible, and on the "Summa Theologiae" of Aquinas (1469-1534).

CALABAR, a district under British protection on the coast of Upper Guinea, the country flat and the climate unhealthy.

CALABAR BEAN, poisonous seed of an African bean, employed in medicine; known as the Ordeal Bean, having been used in West Africa to test the innocence of people charged with witchcraft.

CALABRIA, a fertile prov. embraced in the SW. peninsula of Italy, and traversed by the Apennines; has tunny and anchovy fisheries; yields grain and fruit, and a variety of minerals; is inhabited by a race of somewhat fiery temper; is much subject to earthquakes.

CALAIS, a fortified seaport in France, on the Strait of Dover, where it is 21 m. across; was in possession of the English from 1347 to 1558, and the last town held by them on French soil; is the chief landing-place for travellers from England to the Continent, and has considerable export trade, as well as cotton and tulle manufactures. It was one of the landing ports of the British Expeditionary Force in August, 1914.

CALAMY, EDMUND, a Presbyterian divine, born in London; favourable to Royalty, but warmly opposed to Episcopacy, against which he vigorously opposed with his pen; opposed the execution of Charles I. and the protectorate of Cromwell; made chaplain to Charles II. after the Restoration; refused a bishopric, which he could not, on conscientious grounds, accept (1600-1666).

CALAMY, EDMUND, a grandson of the preceding, an eminent Nonconformist minister in London, on whom, for the high esteem in which he was held, honorary degrees were conferred by the Edinburgh, Glasgow, and Aberdeen universities (1671-1732).

CALAS, JEAN, a tradesman of Toulouse, whose son committed suicide, and who was charged with murdering him, to prevent his going over to the Catholic Church, was tried, convicted, and sentenced to torture and death on the wheel; after which his property was confiscated, and his children compelled to embrace the Catholic faith, while the widow escaped into Switzerland. Voltaire took up her case, proved to the satisfaction of the legal authorities in France the innocence of the victim, got the process revised, and Louis XV. granted a sum of money out of the royal bounty for the benefit of the family (1698-1762).

CALAVE RAS, an inland county of California, E. of San Francisco, rich in minerals, with copper and gold mines, and remarkable for its forests of giant pines.

CALCAREOUS ROCKS, those sedimentary rocks composed almost entirely of compounds of lime, especially the carbonate. They are abundant in all parts of the world as chalk or limestone. They are chiefly of organic origin, being formed of the remains of animals with lime skeletons or plant stems such as corals. Some limestones have been laid down as the result of denudation of earlier calcareous rocks, whilst others contain a certain amount of non-calcareous matter. Some chalk beds contain many flints.

CALCHAS, the soothsayer who accompanied Agamemnon to the siege of Troy; enjoined the sacrifice of Iphigenia to propitiate the gods, foretold the length of the war, and advised the construction of the wooden horse, a device by means of which Troy was surprised and taken.

CALCITE, or Iceland Spar, a form of carbonate of lime, abundant as crystals in many igneous rocks.

It exhibits the phenomenon of double refraction (*q.v.*).

CALCIUM, a light metal, the compounds of which include lime, chalk, marble, *strepum*, *apelite*, and *plaster of Paris*.

CALCULUS, DIFFERENTIAL AND INTEGRAL, in mathematics, is the method by which we discuss the properties of continuously varying quantities. The nature of the method and the necessity for it may be indicated by a simple example; *e.g.* the motion of a train in a track, or the motion of a planet in its orbit. If we know the successive positions of the moving body at successive short intervals of time, the rules of the differential calculus enable us to calculate the speed, the change of speed, the change of direction of motion (*i.e.* the curvature of the path), and the effective force acting on the body. Conversely, given the force at every point, and the initial position and velocity, the rules of the integral calculus assist us in calculating the position and velocity of the body at any future time. Expressed somewhat crudely, the differential calculus has to do with the *differentials* (increments or decrements) of varying quantities; while the integral calculus is a process of summation or *integration* of these differentials.

CALCUTTA, on the left bank of the Hooghly, the largest and westernmost branch of the Ganges delta, about 80 m. from the sea; is the capital of Bengal and formerly of the Indian Empire, and the residence of the Governor-General; the Government buildings, Bishop's College (now an engineering school), High Court, town hall, bank, museum, university, St. Paul's Cathedral, and many other English buildings have earned for it the name "city of palaces"; but the native quarters, though being improved, are still squalid, the houses of mud or bamboo; an esplanade, numerous quays, an excellent water-supply, gas, electricity and tramway services add to the amenities; there are extensive dockyards, ironworks, timber yards, and lute nulls; extensive railway and steamboat communications make it the chief emporium of commerce in Asia; ships of 5000 tons enter the docks; founded in 1686, Calcutta was captured by Surajah Dowlah, and the "Black Hole" massacre perpetrated in 1756; became the capital of India in 1772; has suffered frequently from cyclones; the population are two-thirds Hindus, less than a third Mohammedan, and 4 per cent. Christian.

CALCUTTA CUP, the trophy for which England and Scotland meet annually at Rugby football, presented by the Calcutta Club.

CALCUTTA SWEEP, a gigantic sweepstake, the chief prizes in which run into thousands of pounds, organised on the Derby each year by the Calcutta Club.

CALDBOOT, RANDOLPH, artist, born in Chester; exercised his art chiefly in book illustrations, which were full of life and instinct with a kindly, graceful humour; though professionally untired, his abilities as an artist were promptly and generously recognised by the Academy; illustrated the books of Washington Irving; he suffered from ill-health, and died in Florida, whither he had gone to recruit (1846-1886).

CALDER, SIR ROBERT, British naval officer; served bravely in several naval engagements; was tried by court-martial, and reprimanded for not following up a victory which he had gained, a sentence which was afterwards found to be unjust; attained later the rank of admiral (1745-1818).

CALDERON DE LA BARRA, the great Spanish dramatist, born at Madrid; entered the army, and served in Italy and Flanders, producing the while dramas which were received with great enthusiasm; took holy orders, and became a canon of Toledo, but to the last continued to write poems and plays; he was a dramatist of the first order, and has been ranked by the more competent critics among the foremost of the class in both ancient and modern times (1600-1681).

CALDERWOOD, DAVID, a Scottish ecclesiastic, born at Dalkeith; became minister of Crailing; first imprisoned and then banished for resisting the attempts of James VI. to establish Episcopacy in Scotland; wrote a book, "Altare Damasceum," in

Holland, whither he had retired, being a searching criticism of the claims of the Episcopacy; returned on the death of the king, and wrote a "History of the Kirk" (1575-1650).

CALEDONIA, the Roman name for Scotland N. of the Wall of Antoninus, since applied postively to the whole of Scotland.

CALEDONIAN CANAL, a canal across the NW. of Scotland, executed by Telford, for the passage of ships between the Atlantic and the North Sea, 60 m. long, 40 m. of which consist of natural lakes; begun 1803; finished 1822; cost £1,500,000; has 28 locks; was constructed for the benefit of coasting vessels to save the risks they encountered in the Pentland Firth.

CALENDS, the first day of the Roman month, so called as the day on which the feast days and unlucky days of the month were announced.

CAL'GARY, a flourishing town in the province of Alberta, Canada; railway centre for grain distribution.

CALHOUN, JOHN CALDWELL, an American statesman, born in S. Carolina, of Irish descent; all through his public life in high civic position; leader of "the States' rights" movement, in vindication of the doctrine that the Union was a mere compact and any State had a right to withdraw from its conditions; was champion of the slave-holding States, regarding slavery as an institution fraught with blessing to all concerned. His chief work is a treatise on the "Nature of Government" (1782-1850).

CALIBAN, a slave in Shakespeare's "Tempest," of the grossest animality of nature.

CALICUT, chief town on the Malabar coast, in the Madras Presidency of India, the first port at which Vasco da Gama landed in 1498, whence the cotton cloth first imported from the place got the name "calico."

CALIFORNIA, the most south-westerly State in the U.S.A., occupies the Pacific seaboard between Oregon and Mexico, and is bounded landward by Nevada and Arizona. It is the second largest State, larger by a quarter than the United Kingdom. In the N. the rainfall is excessive and winters severe; in the S. there is little rain and a delightful climate. Wheat is the most important product; the grape and all manner of fruits grow luxuriantly. Mineral wealth is great; it is the foremost State for gold and quicksilver; lead, silver, copper, iron, sulphur, coal, and many other minerals abound. The industries include brandy and sugar manufactures, silk-growing, shipbuilding, and fishing. At Hollywood a film industry employing thousands of people has been established. All products are exported, eastward by the great Central, Union, and Southern Pacific railroads; and seaward, the chief port being San Francisco, the largest city, as Sacramento is the capital of the State. The Yosemite Valley, in the Sierra Nevada, through which falls the Merced River, is the most wonderful gorge in the world. Captured from Mexico in 1847, the discovery of gold next year raised great excitement, and brought thousands of adventurers from all over the world. Constituted a State in 1850, the original lawlessness gradually gave way to regular administration, and progress has since been steady and rapid.

CALIFORNIA, LOWER, an extensive, mountainous, dry, and scarcely habitable peninsula, stretching southward from the State, in Mexican territory; agriculture is carried on in some of the valleys, and pearl and whale fisheries support some coast towns.

CALIGULA, Roman emperor from A.D. 37 to 41, youngest son of Germanicus and Agrippina, born at Antium; having ingratiated himself with Tiberius, was named his successor; ruled with wisdom and magnanimity at first, while he lived in the unbridled indulgence of every lust, but after an illness due to his dissipation, gave way to the most atrocious and insane acts of cruelty and impiety; would entertain people at a banquet and then throw them into the sea; wished Rome had only one head, that he might shear it off at a blow; had his horse installed as consul in mockery of the office; declared himself a god, and had divine honours paid to him, till a conspiracy was formed against him

on his return from an expedition into Gaul, when he was assassinated (12-41).

CALIPHE, the title adopted by the successors of Mohammed, as supreme in both civil and religious matters. The principal caliphates are: (1) the Caliphate of the East, established by Abubekr at Mecca, transferred to Bagdad by the Abbasides (632-1258); (2) the Caliphate of Cordova, established at Cordova by Abderrahman (756-1031); (3) the Caliphate of Egypt, established by the Fatimites (909-1171). It was at Bagdad that Moctam el-Mansour achieved its final development.

CALISTO, daughter of Lyscon, king of Arcadia; changed by Juno into a she-bear, and placed by Jupiter among the stars.

CALIXTUS, the name of three Popes: C. I., Pope from 218 to 222; C. II., Pope from 1119 to 1124; C. III., Pope from 1455 to 1458.

CALIXTUS, GEORGE, a Lutheran theologian of an eminently tolerant type, born at Sleswick; travelled for four years in Germany, Belgium, England, and France; accused of apostasy, for the liberal spirit in which he had learned in consequence to treat both Catholics and Calvinists, and for considering the Apostles' Creed a broad enough basis for Christian union and communion, which might embrace both; his friends, however, stood by him, and he retained the position he held in the Lutheran Church (1586-1656).

CALLAO, a port in Peru, 7 m. from Lima, with a fine harbour, the safest on the coast, if not in the world; its prosperity depends on trade, which is less than it was before the annexation of the nitrate fields to Chile.

CALCOTT, JOHN WALL, an eminent musical composer, born at Kensington; was a pupil of Handel, and is celebrated for his glee compositions (1766-1821). Sir Augustus Wall, landscape painter, brother; was knighted for his eminent skill as an artist (1770-1844). Lady Maria, wife of Sir Augustus, author of "Little Arthur's History of England" (1770-1842).

CALLENDAR, HUGH LONGBOURNE, British physicist, professor at McGill University, Montreal, and afterwards at London. He carried out much research into thermodynamics and the conductivity of solids, and devised new forms of air thermometers and of platinum resistance thermometers, used for high temperatures and for detecting radiant heat. He invented the transpiration balance (1893-).

CALLERNISH, a district in the W. of the island of Lewis, 10 m. from Stornoway; noted for its circles of standing stones, from 10 to 17 ft. in height, the whole in cruciform arrangement.

CALLICRATES, along with Ictinus, architect of the Parthenon in Athens, circ. 400 B.C.

CALLIMACHUS, Greek architect, inventor of the Corinthian order, 4th century B.C.

CALLIMACHUS, Greek poet, born in Cyrena; taught grammar and belles-lettres at Alexandria; was keeper of the library there; of his writings, which are said to have been on a variety of subjects and very numerous, only a few epigrams and hymns remain; was admired by Catullus, Ovid, and Propertius, and flourished in the 3rd century B.C.

CALLIOPE, the muse of epic poetry and eloquence, is represented with a tablet and stylus, and sometimes with a paper roll. **SEE MUSES.**

CALLISTHENES, a disciple of Aristotle, who accompanied Alexander the Great to India, and was put to death by his order for remonstrating with him on his adoption of the manners and style of the potentates of the East, but professedly on a charge of treason; d. 361 B.C.

CALLISTRATUS, an Athenian orator, who kindled in Demosthenes a passion for his art; his Spartan sympathies brought him to grief, and led to his execution as a traitor about 366 B.C.

CALLOT, JACQUES, engraver and etcher, born at Nancy; his etchings, executed many of them at the instance of the Grand-duke of Tuscany and Louis XIII. of France, amounted to 1600 pieces, such as those of the sieges of Breda and Rocelle, which are much admired, as also those of the gipsies with whom he associated in his youth (1563-1635).

CALMET, AUGUSTINE, a learned Benedictine and

Biblical scholar, born in Lorraine, but known in England by his "Historical, Critical, and Chronological Dictionary of the Bible," the first published book of its kind of any note, and much referred to at one time as an authority; he wrote also a "Commentary on the Bible" in 25 vols., and a "Universal History" in 17 vols. (1673-1757).

CALMES, THE, tracts of calm in the ocean, on the confines of the trade winds, which last for weeks at a time.

CALOMAR DE FRANCESCO, a Spanish statesman; minister of Ferdinand VII.; a violent enemy of liberal principles and measures, and a reactionary; obnoxious to the people; arrested for treachery, escaped into France by bribing his captors (1770-1842).

CALOWNE, CHARLES ALEXANDRE DE, French financier under Louis XVI., born at Douay; a man of "fiscal genius"; genius for persuading, before all things for borrowing; succeeded Necker in 1783 as controller-general of the finances in France; after four years of desperate attempts at financial adjustment, could do nothing but convolve the Notables in 1787; could give no account of his administration that would satisfy them; was dismissed, and had to quit Paris and France; "his task to raise the wind and the winds," says Carlyle, "and he did it," referring to the Revolution he provoked; was permitted by Napoleon to return to France, where he died in embarrassed circumstances (1784-1802).

CALORIC THEORY, a theory of heat formerly held which postulated a weightless fluid "caloric," the presence of which caused a body to be hot. When a hot and cold body were placed in contact it was supposed that "caloric" flowed from the hot to the cold body. The theory was abandoned in favour of the kinetic or dynamical theory, as the result of the conclusive experiments of Count Rumford (Benjamin Thomson) in 1798-1799.

CALORIE, the name given by physicists to the unit quantity of heat; the heat required to raise one gram of pure water from 15° C. to 16° C.; for certain practical purposes the calorie is taken to be 1000 times this value.

CALORIUS, ABRAHAM, a fiery Lutheran polemic, a bitter enemy of George Calixtus (1612-1686).

CALOTYPE, a process of photography invented by Fox Talbot in 1840, by means of the action of light on nitrate of silver.

CALPE, now known as Gibraltar; one of the Pillars of Hercules (q.v.).

CALPURNIA, the last wife of Julius Caesar, daughter of the consul Piso, who, alive to the danger of conspiracy, urged Caesar to stay at home the day he was assassinated.

CALZAGHIONE, a city 38 m. SW. of Catania; the staple industry is pottery and terra-cotta ware.

CAL'UMET, among the American Indians a pipe for smoking, which, if accepted when offered, was an emblem of peace, and, if rejected, a declaration of war.

CALVADOS, a maritime dep. in N. of France, skirted by dangerous rocks of the same name, with a fertile soil and a moist climate.

CALVAERT, DENIS, a painter, born at Antwerp; settled at Bologna, where he founded a school, from whence issued many eminent artists, among others Guido Reni, Domenichino, and Albani; his masterpiece, "St. Michael" in St. Peter's, Bologna (1565-1619).

CALVARY, the place of the crucifixion. Identified with a hill on the N. of Jerusalem, looked down upon from the city, with a cliff on which criminals were cast down prior to being stoned; also name given to edifices of the crucifixion in Catholic countries, erected for devotion.

CALVERLEY, CHARLES STUART, a clever English parodist, Fellow of Christ's Church, Oxford; wrote "Fly-Leaves" and "Verses and Translations"; his parodies among the most amusing of the century, flavoured by the author's scholarship (1831-1884).

CALVERT, GEORGE and OGBILL, father and son, Lords Baltimore; founders, under charter from James I. of Maryland, U.S.

CALVIN JOHN, or CALVIN, the great Reformer, born at Noyon, in Picardy; devoted for a time to

the law, was sent to study at the university of Orleans, after having mastered Latin as a boy at Paris; became acquainted with the Scriptures, and acquired a permanently theological bent; professed the Protestant faith; proceeded to Paris; became the centre of a dangerous religious excitement; had to flee for his life from France; retired to Basel, where he studied Hebrew and wrote his great epoch-making book, the "Institutes of the Christian Religion"; making after this for Strasbourg, he chanced to pass through Geneva, was arrested as by the hand of God to stay and help on God's work in the place, but proceeded with such rigour that he was expelled, though recalled after three years; on his return he proposed and established his system of Church government, which allowed of no license in faith any more than conduct, as witness the burning of Servetus for denying the doctrine of the Trinity; for twenty years he held sway in Geneva, and for so long he was regarded as the head of the Reformed Churches in Scotland, Switzerland, Holland, and France. Besides his "Institutes," he found time to write Commentaries on nearly all the books of the Bible; was a man of masculine intellect and single-hearted devotion to duty, as ever in the "Great Taskmaster's" eye. His greatest work was his "Institutes," published in Basel in 1535-1536. It was written in Latin, and four years after translated by himself into French. "In the translated form," says Prof. Saintsbury, "it is beyond all question the first serious work of great literary merit not historical in the history of French prose. . . . Considering that the whole of it was written before the author of it was seven-and-twenty, it is perhaps the most remarkable work of its particular kind to be anywhere found; the merits of it being those of full maturity and elaborate preparation rather than of youthful exuberance" (1560-1564).

CALVINISM, the theological system of Calvin, the chief characteristic of which is that it assigns all in salvation to the sovereign action and persistent operation of Divine grace.

CALVO, CHARLES, an Argentine publicist, born at Buenos Aires; author of "International Law, Theoretical and Practical" (1824-1906).

CALYPSO, in the Greek mythology a nymph, daughter of Atlas, queen of the island of Ogygia, who by her fascinating charms detained Ulysses beside her for 7 of the 10 years of his wanderings home from Troy; she died of grief on his departure.

CAMBACERES, JEAN JACQUES REGIS DE, Duke of Parma, born at Montpellier; bred to the legal profession, took a prominent part as a lawyer in the National Convention; after the Revolution of the 18th Brumaire, was chosen second consul; was sincerely attached to Napoleon; was made by him High Chancellor of the Empire as well as Duke of Parma; his "Projet de Code" formed the basis of the *Code Napoleon* (1758-1824).

CAMBAY, a town and seaport N. of Bombay, on a gulf of the same name, which is fast silting up, in consequence of which the place, once a flourishing port, has fallen into decay.

CAMBODIA, a small kingdom in Indo-China, occupying an area as large as Scotland in the plains of the Lower Mekong. The coast-line is washed by the Gulf of Siam; the landward boundaries touch Siam, Annam, and French Cochinchina; in the N. are stretches of forest and hills in which iron and copper are wrought; a branch of the Mekong flows backward and forms the Great Lake; most of the country is inundated in the rainy season, and rice, tobacco, cotton, and maize are grown in the tracts thus irrigated; spices, gutta-percha, and timber are also produced; there are ironworks at Kompong Boal; foreign trade is done through the port Kampot. The capital is Phnom-Penh, on the Mekong. The kingdom was formerly much more extensive; remarkable ruins of ancient grandeur are numerous; it has been under French protection since 1863.

CAMBRAL, a city in the dep. of Nord, in France, on the Scheldt; famous for its fine linen fabrics, hence called *cambrics*. Fénelon was archbishop here, and in the cathedral is a monument to his memory. It was the scene of intensive fighting in the Great War

in November, 1917, and in October, 1918, when British forces captured it in the final push that ended the war.

CAMBRIA, the ancient name of Wales, country of the Cymry, a Celtic race, to which the Welsh belong.

CAMBRIAN rocks form the lowest strata of the Paleozoic series, containing many forms of primitive animal life. The deposits, consisting of grits, sandstones, shales, and slates, present considerable uniformity over the whole earth. Rocks of this age are particularly abundant in Wales. The principal fossils are trilobites and brachiopods.

CAMBRIDGE, county town of Cambridgeshire, stands in flat country, on the Cam, 58 m. N.E. of London; an ancient town with interesting archaeological remains; there are some fine buildings, the oldest round church in England, Holy Sepulchre, and a Roman Catholic church. The glory of the city is the University, founded in the 12th century, with its colleges housed in stately buildings, chapels, libraries, museums, &c., which shares with Oxford the academic prestige of England. It lays emphasis on mathematical and scientific, as Oxford on classical, culture. Among its eminent men have been Bacon, Newton, Cromwell, Pitt, Thackeray, Spenser, Milton, Dryden, Wordsworth, and Tennyson.

CAMBRIDGE, a suburb of Boston, U.S., one of the oldest towns in New England; seat of Harvard University; the centre of the book-making trade; here Longfellow resided for many years.

CAMBRIDGE, FIRST DUKE OF, seventh and youngest son of George III.; served as volunteer under the Duke of York, and carried a marshal's baton; was made viceroy of Hanover, which he continued to be till, in 1837, the crown fell to the Duke of Cumberland (1774-1850).

CAMBRIDGE, SECOND DUKE OF, son of the preceding and cousin to the Queen, born in Hanover; served in the army; became commander-in-chief in 1850 on the resignation of Viscount Hardinge; field-marshal in 1862; retired in 1895, and was succeeded by Lord Wolseley (1819-1904).

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY contains 19 colleges: Peterhouse, founded 1257; Clare College, 1326; Pembroke, 1347; Gonville and Caius, 1364; Trinity Hall, 1360; Corpus Christi, 1352; King's, 1441; Queens', 1448; St. Catharine's, 1473; Jesus, 1496; Christ's, 1505; St. John's, 1511; Magdalene, 1542; Trinity, 1546; Emmanuel, 1584; Sidney Sussex, 1596; Downing, 1800; Selwyn, 1882; and Fitzwilliam House, 1869. Each college is a corporation by itself, governed by statutes sanctioned by the crown, and capable of holding landed or other property.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE, an inland agricultural county, nine-tenths of its surface under cultivation; famed for its butter and cheese; very flat, marshy in the N., with a range of chalk-hills, the Gog-Magog in the S.; is rich in Roman remains.

CAMBRONNE, French general, born at Nantes; served under the Republic and the Empire; accompanied Napoleon to Elba in 1814; commanded a division of the Old Guard at Waterloo; fought to the last; though surrounded by the enemy and summoned to surrender, refused, and was taken prisoner; is credited with the saying, *La Garde meurt, et ne se rend pas*, "The Guard dies, but does not surrender" (1770-1842).

CAMBUS CAN, king of Tartary, identified with Genghis Khan, who had a wonderful steed of brass, magically obedient to the wish of the rider, together with a magical mirror, sword, and ring; his history is recorded by Chaucer in "The Canterbury Tales."

CAMEYSES, king of Persia, succeeded his father, the great Cyrus; invaded and subdued Egypt, but afterwards suffered serious reverse, and in the end gave himself up to dissipation and vindictive acts of cruelty, from which not only his subjects suffered, but the members of his own family; d. 54 B.C.

CAMEYSES, KING, a ranting character in a play called "The Lamentable Tragedy"; referred to by Faletta in 1 Henry IV., Act ii. sc. 4.

CAMDEN, a busy town in New Jersey, U.S., on the left bank of the Delaware, opposite Philadelphia; the terminus of six railways.

CAMDEN, CHARLES FRATY, FIRST EARL OF, a distinguished British lawyer and statesman, chief-

justice of the King's Bench in George I.'s reign, and ultimately Lord Chancellor of England; opposed, as judge in the case, the prosecution of Wilkes as illegal, and as a statesman, the policy and action of the government towards the American colonies; he was created earl in 1786 (1719-1794).

CAMDEN, WILLIAM, a learned English antiquary, born in London; second master, and eventually headmaster in Westminster School, during which time he gave proof of his antiquarian knowledge, which led to his appointment as Clarenceux king-at-arms; author of "Britannia," a historical and topographical account of the British Isles, his most widely known work, and "Annals of Elizabeth's Reign," both, as all the rest of his works, written in Latin; he has been surnamed the Strabo and the Pausanias of England (1561-1623).

CAMELOT, the ancient town where King Arthur held his court; variously identified with Caerleon (q.v.); Winchester, in which town old entrenchments are associated with the legend; Queen's Camel, Somersetshire; and Camelford, Cornwall.

CAMENE, in the Roman mythology, a set of nymphs endowed with semi-prophetic powers, and sometimes identified with the Muses.

CAMEO, a precious stone cut in relief; consists generally of two or three different colours, the upper cut in relief and the under forming the ground.

CAMERA LUCIDA, an optical instrument or contrivance, by means of which the image of an object may be made to appear on a light or white surface.

CAMERA OBSCURA, an optical contrivance, by means of which the images of external objects are exhibited distinctly on a surface in the focus of the lens.

CAMERARIUS, JOACHIM, a distinguished scholar, born at Bamberg; active as a German Reformer; played a prominent part in the religious struggles of his time; friend and biographer of Melancthon; collaborated with him in drawing up the Augsburg Confession (1500-1574).

CAMERON, SIR DAVID YOUNG, British artist. Born in Glasgow, he made a name for himself as an etcher, and later as a landscape painter, especially of Scottish scenes. He was made A.R.A. in 1911, an R.A. in 1920, and was knighted in 1924 (1805-).

CAMERON, JOHN, a learned divine, born in Glasgow, who held several professorial appointments on the Continent; was for a time Principal of Glasgow University; his knowledge was so extensive that he was styled a "walking library," but he fell in disfavour with the people for his doctrine of passive obedience, and he died of a wound inflicted by an opponent of his views (1579-1626).

CAMERON, RICHARD, a Scottish Covenanter of the 17th century, born in Falkland, Fife; a ringleader of the persecuted Presbyterians, took to arms together with sixty others in defence of his rights; was surprised by a body of dragoons at Airds Moss (q.v.), and after a brave fight slain, his head and hands cut off and fixed on the Netherbow Port, at the head of the Canongate, Edinburgh, in 1680.

CAMERON, VERNER LOVETT, African explorer, born near Weymouth; traversed Africa all the way from east to west (1873-1875); explored Lake Tanganyika, and traced the sources of the Zambesi River; wrote "Across Africa"; killed in the hunting field (1844-1894).

CAMERONIANS, (1) a Presbyterian body in Scotland who derived their name from Richard Cameron, contended like him for the faith to which the nation by covenant had bound itself, and even declined to take the oath of allegiance to sovereigns such as William III. and his successors, who did not explicitly concede to the nation this right. (2) Also a British regiment, originally raised in defence of Scottish religious rights; for long the 26th Regiment of the British line, now the Scottish Rifles.

CAMEROON, (1) a river in W. Africa, falling by a wide estuary into the Bight of Biafra, known as the Oil river, from the quantities of palm-oil exported; (2) a mountain range, a volcanic group, the highest peak nearly 14,000 ft., NW. of the estuary; (3) also a French colony, extending 190 m. along the coast.

CAMILLA, (1) a virgin queen of the Volsci, one of the heroines in the "Æneid," noted for her preter-

natural sweetness on the reascendence, and her grace; (2) also a sister of the Horatii (q.v.), killed by her brother because she wept at the death of her betrothed, one of the Curiatii (q.v.), whom the Horatii slew.

CAMILLE, MARCUS FURIUS, a famous patrician of early Rome; took Veii, a rival town, after a ten years' siege; retired into voluntary exile at Ardea on account of the envy of his enemies in Rome; recalled from exile, saved Rome from destruction by the Gauls under Brennus, was five times elected dictator, and gained a succession of victories over rival Italian tribes; died at eighty of the plague, in 365 B.C., lamented by the whole nation, and remembered for generations after as one of the noblest heroic figures in Roman history.

CAMILLE, Huguenots of the Covenants, who took up arms by thousands in serious revolt against Louis XIV., in which others joined, under Jean Cavalier their chief, after, and in consequence of, the revocation of the Edict of Nantes (1685); so called because they wore a *camille* (Fr. a chemise), or white blouse, over their armour; were partly persuaded and partly compelled into submission by Marshal Villars in 1704.

CAMOENS, LUIZ DE, the poet of Portugal, born at Lisbon, studied at Coimbra; fell in passionate love with a lady of high rank in Lisbon, as she with him, but whom he was not allowed to marry; left Lisbon, joined the army, and fought against the Moors; volunteered service in India, arrived at Goa, and got into trouble with the Portuguese authorities; was banished to Macao, and consoled himself by writing his "Lusiad"; coming home was shipwrecked and lost everything but his poems; died neglected and in poverty; the title of his greatest work is properly "The Lusiad," or the Lusitanians, i.e. the Portuguese, and in their national epic, called, not inaptly, the "Epos of Commerce"; it has been translated into most European languages, and into English alone no fewer than six times (1524-1580).

CAMORRA, a secret society in Naples with wide ramifications, which at one time had by sheer terrorism considerable political influence in the country, although at first instituted for brigandage and smuggling; when steps were taken by Francis II. to suppress it, the members of it joined the revolutionary party, and had their revenge in the expulsion eventually of the Bourbons from Italy.

CAMPAGNA, (1) an unhealthy flat, district round Rome, co-extensive with ancient Latium, infected with malaria; (2) a town in Italy, in Salerno, with a cathedral, and a trade in wine, oil, and fruit.

CAMPAIGN, THE, poem by Addison in celebration of Marlborough's victory at Blenheim.

CAMPAN, MME. DE, born at Paris, faithful friend and confidante of Marie Antoinette; after the Revolution opened a boarding-school at St. Germain; became under Napoleon matron of an institution for daughters of officers of the Legion of Honour; wrote the "Private Life of Marie Antoinette" (1752-1822).

CAMPANELLA, TOMMASO, an Italian philosopher of the transition period, originally a Dominican monk, born in Calabria; contemporary of Bacon; aimed, like him, at the reform of philosophy; opposed scholasticism, fell back upon the ancient systems, and devoted himself to the study of nature; was persecuted all along by the Church, and spent 27 years of his life in a Neapolitan dungeon; released, he retired to France, and enjoyed the protection of Richelieu; he was the author of sonnets as well as philosophical works (1568-1639).

CAMPANIA, an ancient prov. in the W. of Italy, of great fertility, yielding corn, wine, and oil in great abundance; Capua was the capital, the chief towns now being Naples, Salerno, and Gaeta; it was a favourite resort of the wealthy families of ancient Rome.

CAMPANILE, a tower for bells constructed beside a church, but not attached to it; very common in Italian cities, the leaning tower of Pisa being one, and that of Florence one of the most famous. That of St. Mark's, Venice, collapsed in 1902 and was rebuilt in exact facsimile.

- a celebrated Scottish Highland clan, the members of which have played an important rôle in English and Scottish history.
- CAMPBELL, ALEXANDER**, an anti-Calvinistic Baptist, born in Antrim; emigrated to America in 1807, and founded a sect called the "Disciples of Christ"; disowned creeds, and owned no authority in religion but the Bible; the sect has upwards of 5000 meeting-houses in America, and over half a million members. Campbell executed a translation of the New Testament, in which he employed the words "Immersion" and "Immersion" for "baptist" and "baptism" (1788-1866).
- CAMPBELL, SIR COLIN, LORD CLYDE**, born in Glasgow, son of a carpenter named MacIver; entered the army, and rose rapidly; served in China and the Punjab; commanded the Highland Brigade in the Crimea; won the day at Alma and Balaclava; commanded in India during the Mutiny; relieved Lucknow, and quelled the rebellion; was made field-marshal, with a pension of £2000, and created Lord Clyde; he was one of the bravest soldiers of England (1792-1863).
- CAMPBELL, GEORGE**, a Scottish divine, Principal of Aberdeen University; wrote "Philosophy of Rhetoric," and an able reply to Hume's argument against miracles, entitled "Dissertation on Miracles" (1719-1796).
- CAMPBELL, JOHN, LORD**, Lord Chancellor of England, born at Cupar-Fife; a son of the manse; destined for the Church, but took the study of law; was called to the bar; did journalistic work and law reports; was a Whig in politics; held a succession of offices both on the Bench and in the Cabinet; wrote the "Lives of the Chancellors" and the "Lives of the Chief Justices" (1779-1861).
- CAMPBELL, JOHN FRANCIS**, born at Ilay, author of, among other works, "Popular Tales of the West Highlands, orally collected," a work all his own, and a remarkable one for the enthusiasm and the patriotic devotion it displays (1822-1886).
- CAMPBELL, JOHN MACLEOD**, a Scottish clergyman, born in Arny; deposed from the ministry of the Scottish Church in 1881 for his liberal theological sentiments; before his death a testimonial and address in recognition of his worth was presented to him by representatives of nearly every religious community in Scotland (1801-1872).
- CAMPBELL, CAPT. MALCOLM**, British motorist, who set up what was a world's speed record of 174 m. an hour at Pendine in 1927, and another, also beaten later, of 202 m. an hour at Daytona, in 1928.
- CAMPBELL, REV. REGINALD JOHN**, preacher and theological writer, first as a Nonconformist and later as Church of England. He succeeded Dr. Parker at the City Temple in 1903, remained there till 1915, and joined the Church of England in 1916, being appointed to a Brighton church (1867-).
- CAMPBELL, THOMAS**, poet, born in Glasgow; studied with distinction at the University; when a student of law in Edinburgh wrote "The Pleasures of Hope"; the success of the work, which was great, enabled him to travel on the Continent, where he wrote the well-known lines, "Ye Mariners of England," "Hohenlinden," and "The Exile of Erin"; married, and settled in London, where he did writing, lecturing, and some more poetry, in particular "The Last Man"; after settling in London a pension of £200 was awarded him through the influence of Fox; he wrote in prose as well as verse; he was elected Rector of Glasgow University in 1827, and again in the following year; buried in Westminster (1777-1844).
- CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN, SIR HENRY**, British statesman. He entered Parliament as a Liberal in 1868, holding his seat at Stirling Burghs till his death; first took office in 1871 as financial secretary to the War Office, and became Secretary for War in 1884. He succeeded to the leadership of the Liberal Party in 1899, and in 1905, on the fall of the Balfour administration, he became Prime Minister, remaining at the helm to within a few weeks of his death. (1836-1908).
- CAMPBELLTOWN**, a town in Kintyre, Argyllshire, with a fine harbour; is a great fishing centre, and has whisky distilleries.
- CAMPPE, JOACHIM HEINRICH**, German educationist; disciple of Basedow, and author of educational works (1746-1818).
- CAMPPEACHY**, a Mexican seaport on a bay of the same name; manufactures cigars.
- CAMPPEGGIO, LORENZO**, cardinal; twice visited England as legate, the last time in connection with the divorce between Henry VIII. and Catherine, with the effect of mortally offending the former and being of no real benefit to the latter, whom he would fain have befriended; his mission served only to embitter the relations of Henry with the see of Rome (1474-1539).
- CAMPER, PETER**, a Dutch anatomist, born at Leyden; held sundry professorships; made a special study of the facial angle in connection with intelligence; he was an artist as well as a scientist, and a patron of art (1722-1789).
- CAMPERDOWN**, a tract of sandy hills on the coast of N. Holland, near which Admiral Duncan defeated the Dutch fleet under De Winter in 1797.
- CAMPFOR**, a colourless crystalline substance, obtained from the wood of the camphor tree. Camphor can be prepared synthetically from pinene, which is present in oil of turpentine.
- CAMPHUYSEN**, a Dutch landscape painter of the 17th century, famous for his moonlight pieces.
- CAMPI**, a family of painters, distinguished in the annals of Italian art at Cremona in the 16th century.
- CAMPINE**, a vast moor of swamp and peat to the E. of Antwerp, now rendered fertile by irrigation.
- CAMPION, EDMUND**, a Jesuit, born in London; a renegade from the Church of England; became a keen Catholic propagandist in England; was arrested for sedition, of which he was innocent, and executed; was in 1886 beatified by Pope Leo XIII. (1540-1581).
- CAMPO-FORMIO**, a village near Udine, in Venetia, where a treaty was concluded between France and Austria in 1797, by which the Belgian provinces and part of Lombardy were ceded to France, and certain Venetian States to Austria in return.
- CAMPO SANTO** (*Holy Ground*), Italian and Spanish names for a burial-place.
- CAMPORA**, a trading city of Brazil, in the prov. of Rio de Janeiro.
- CAMPVEERE**, now called Vars, on the N.E. of the island of Walcheren; had a Scottish factory under Scottish law, civil and ecclesiastical.
- CAMUS**, bishop of Belley, born at Paris; a violent enemy of the mendicant monks (1582-1603).
- CAMUS, ARMAND GASTON**, a learned French jurist-consult, member of the National Convention; a determined enemy of the Court party in France; voted for the execution of the king as a traitor and conspirator; was conservator of the national records, and did good service in preserving them (1740-1804).
- CANAAN**, originally the coast land, but eventually the whole, of Palestine W. of the Jordan.
- CANAANITES**, a civilised race with towns for defence; dependent on agriculture; worshippers of the fertilising powers of nature; and the original inhabitants of Palestine, from which they were never wholly rooted out.
- CANADA**, which with Newfoundland forms British North America, occupies the northern third of the continent, stretches from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from the United States to Alaska and the Arctic Ocean; nearly as large as Europe. It comprises a lofty and a lower tableland W. and E. of the Rocky Mountains, the peninsulas of Labrador and Nova Scotia, and between these a vast extent of prairie and undulating land, with rivers and lakes innumerable, many of them of enormous size and navigable, constituting the finest system of inland waterways in the world; the Rocky Mountains rise to 16,000 ft., but there are several gorges, through one of which the Canadian Pacific railroad runs; the chief rivers are the Fraser, Mackenzie, Saskatchewan, and St. Lawrence; Great Slave, Great Bear, Athabasca, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Superior, Huron, Erie, and Ontario are the largest lakes; the climate is varied, very cold in the north, very wet west of the Rockies, elsewhere drier than in Europe, with hot summers, long, cold, but bracing and exhilarating winters; the corn-growing land is practically inexhaustible; the finest wheat is grown without manure, year after

year, in the rich soil of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and the western prairie; the forests yield maple, oak, elm, pine, ash, and poplar in immense quantities, and steps are taken to prevent the wealth of timber ever being exhausted; gold, coal, iron, and copper are widely distributed; fisheries, both on the coasts and inland, are of great value; agriculture and forestry are the most important industries; the chief trade is done with England and the United States; the nine provinces, Quebec, Ontario, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, British Columbia, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, each with its own Parliament, are united under the Dominion Government; the Governor-General is the Viceroy of the King; the Dominion Parliament meets at Ottawa, the federal capital; nearly every province has its university, that of Toronto being the most important; the largest town is Montreal; Toronto, Quebec, Hamilton, and Halifax are all larger than the capital; taken possession of by France in 1534, settlement began at Quebec in 1608; by the treaty of Utrecht, 1713, Hudson Bay, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland passed to England; the rest of French territory was ceded to England in 1763; constituted at different times, the various provinces, except Newfoundland, were finally confederated and given Dominion status in 1907.

CANAL RAYS. SEE POSITIVE RAYS.

CANALETTO, ANTONIO, a Venetian painter, famous for his pictures of Venice and handling of light and shade (1697-1768).

CANALETTO, BERNARDO BELLOTTO, nephew and pupil of preceding; distinguished as painter and engraver (1720-1780).

CANARIS, CONSTANTINE, a Greek statesman, did much to free and consolidate Greece, more than any other statesman (1790-1877).

CANARY ISLANDS, a group of mountainous islands in the Atlantic, off the NW. African coast, belonging to Spain, with rocky coasts, and wild, picturesque scenery; on the lower levels the climate is delightful, and sugar, bananas, and dates grow; farther up there are zones where wheat and cereals are cultivated; the rainfall is low, and water often scarce; sugar, wine, and tobacco are exported; the islands are a health resort of growing favour.

CANBERRA, a tract of land formerly in New South Wales made the federal capital of Australia; ranks as the Federal Capital Territory, with an area of 940 sq. m. In 1927 the Duke of York laid the foundation stone of the Parliament House there.

CANCER, or the Crab, the sign of the zodiac, which the sun enters on June 21, when it is overhead at noon at all places on the Tropic of Cancer.

CANDIA, the ancient name of Crete, now the name of the capital, in the centre of the N. coast.

CANDIDE, a philosophic romance by Voltaire, and written in ridicule of the famous maxim of Leibnitz, "All for the best in the best of all possible worlds"; it is a sweeping satire, and "religion, political government, national manners, human weakness, ambition, love, loyalty, all come in for a sneer."

CANDLE POWER, the unit of luminosity based on the standard sperm candle weighing six to the pound and burning 180 grains per hour.

CANDLEMAS, a festival in commemoration of the purification of the Virgin, held on February 2, celebrated with lighted candles; an old Roman custom in honour of the goddess Februa.

CANDLER, ROBERT SMITH, a Scottish ecclesiastic born in Edinburgh; distinguished, next to Chalmers, for his services in organising the Free Church of Scotland; was an able debater and an eloquent preacher (1806-1878).

CANDOUR, MRS., a slanderess in Sheridan's "School for Scandal."

CANE, chief commercial town in Crete, on NW. coast; trades in wax, oil, fruit, wool, and silk.

CANINA, LUIGI, Italian architect; wrote on the antiquities of Rome, Etruria, &c., and himself conducted excavations at Tusculum (1795-1866).

CANNÆ, ancient town in Apulia, near the mouth of the Aufidus, where Hannibal, in a great battle, defeated the Romans in 216 B.C., but, failing to follow up his success by a march on Rome, was twitted by Maharbal, one of his officers, who

addressing him said, "You know how to conquer, Hannibal, but not how to profit by your victory."

CANNES, a French watering-place and health resort on the Mediterranean, in the S.E. of France, where Napoleon landed on his return from Elba.

CANNING, CHARLES JOHN, EARL, son of the succeeding; after service in Cabinet offices, was made Governor-General of India, 1856, in succession to Lord Dalhousie; held this post at the time of the Mutiny in 1857; distinguished himself during this trying crisis by his discretion, firmness, and moderation; became Viceroy on the transfer of the government to the Crown in 1858; died in London without issue, and the title became extinct (1812-1842).

CANNING, GEORGE, a distinguished British statesman and orator, born in London; studied for the bar; entered Parliament as a protégé of Pitt, whom he strenuously supported; was rewarded by an under-secretaryship; married a lady of high rank, with a fortune; satirised the Whigs by his pen in his "Anti-Jacobin"; on the death of Pitt became Minister of Foreign Affairs; under Portland distinguished himself by defeating the schemes of Napoleon; became a member of the Liverpool ministry, and once more Minister of Foreign Affairs; on the death of Liverpool was made Prime Minister, and after a period of unpopularity became popular by adopting the title of his old colleagues, a liberal policy; was not equal to the opposition he provoked, and died at the age of 57 (1770-1827).

CANNIZZARO, STANISLAW, Italian chemist, remembered for his work in the accurate determination of the atomic weights of the elements; his results were held as the standards for many years (1826-1910).

CANO, ALONZO, a celebrated artist, born at Granada; surmamed the Michael Angelo of Spain, having been painter, sculptor, and architect (1601-1667).

CANO, SEBASTIAN DEL, a Spanish navigator, the first to sail round the world; perished on his second voyage to India (1460-1526).

CANON, the name given to the body of Scripture accepted by the Church as of divine authority.

CANON OF COLORADO, a gorge in Arizona through which the Colorado River flows, the largest and deepest in the world, being 800 m. long, with a wall from 3000 to 6000 ft. in perpendicular height.

CANONISATION, in the Roman Church, is the solemn declaration by the Pope, that a servant of God, renowned for his virtue and for miracles he has wrought, is to be publicly venerated by the whole Church, termed Saint, and honoured by a special festival. A preparatory stage is beatification, and the beatification and canonisation of a saint are promoted by a long, tedious, and costly process, much resembling a suit at law.

CANOPUS, (1) the blue vault of heaven with its stars; (2) the star alpha Argus; (3) an ancient town of Egypt, 15 m. N.E. of Alexandria, famed for its temple of Serapis.

CANOËA, a town in Apulia, abounding in Roman remains, on the site of ancient Canusium.

CANOËSA, a town NW. of Bologna, in the courtyard of the castle of which the Emperor Henry IV. stood three days in the cold, in January, 1077, bare-headed and barefooted, waiting for Pope Gregory VII. to remove from him the sentence of excommunication.

CANOVA, ANTONIO, a great Italian sculptor, born near Venice; gave early proof of his genius; his first important work, which established his fame, was the group of "Theseus and the Minotaur," which was succeeded by his "Cupid and Psyche," distinguished by a tenderness and grace quite peculiar to him, and by "Perseus with the Head of Medusa," perhaps the triumph of his art; his works were numerous, and brought him a large fortune, of which he made a generous use (1767-1822).

CANROBERT, FRANÇOIS, marshal of France; served for some 20 years in Algeria; was a supporter of Napoleon III., and a fool; commanded in the Crimea, first under, and then in succession to, St. Arnaud; fought in Italy against Austria; was shut up in Metz with Bazaine, and made prisoner; became a member of the senate under the Republic (1806-1895).

CANDREANT, W., a Scottish Presbyterian minister, who had an equal seal for the Scottish covenant and the cause of Charles Stuart (1690-1664). A son of his was Principal of Edinburgh University from 1675 to 1685.

CANTABRI, the original inhabitants of the N. of Spain; presumed to be the ancestors of the Basques.

CANTACUZE'NUS, JOHN, emperor of the East; an able statesman, who, acting as regent for the heir, had himself crowned king, but was driven to resign at length; retired to a monastery on Mount Athos where he wrote a history of his time; died in 1411, 100 years old.

CANTARINI, SIMONE, an Italian painter, born at Pesaro; a pupil of Guido and a rival, but only an imitator from afar (1612-1648).

CANTERBURY, in E. Kent, on the Stour, by rail 62 m. N.E. of London; is the ecclesiastical capital of England; the cathedral was founded A.D. 597 by St. Augustine; the present building belongs to various epochs, dating as far back as the 11th century; it contains many interesting monuments, statues, and tombs, among the latter that of Thomas à Becket, murdered in the north transept, 1170; the cloisters, chapter-house, and other buildings occupy the site of the old monastic houses; the city is rich in old churches and ecclesiastical monuments; there is an art gallery; trade is chiefly in hops and grain. Kit Marlowe was a native.

CANTERBURY, a district in New Zealand, in the centre of the South Island, on the east side of which are the Canterbury Plains or Downs, a great pasture-land for sheep of over three million acres.

CANTERBURY TALES, a body of 25 tales by Chaucer, conceived of as related by a small company of pilgrims from London to the shrine of Thomas à Becket at Canterbury. They started from the Tabard Inn at Southwark, and agreed to tell each a tale going and each another coming back, the author of the best tale to be treated with a supper. The tales intended to be related on the homeward journey are not given.

CANTICLES, a book in the Bible erroneously ascribed to Solomon, and called in Hebrew the Song of Songs, about the canonicity and interpretation of which there has been much debate, though, as regards the latter, recent criticism inclines, if there is any unity in it at all, to the conclusion that it represents a young maiden seduced into the harem of Solomon, who cannot be persuaded to transfer to the king the affection she has for a shepherd in the northern hills of Galilee, her sole beloved; the aim of the author presumed by some to present a contrast between the morals of the south and those of the north, in justification possibly of the secession. It was for long, and is by some still, believed to be an allegory in which the Bridegroom represents Christ and the Bride His Church.

CANTON, chief commercial city and port of Southern China; stands on a river almost on the seaboard, 90 m. N.W. of Hong-Kong, and is a healthy town, but with a heavy rainfall; it is surrounded by walls, has narrow, crooked streets, 125 temples, mostly Buddhist, and two pagodas, 10 and 13 centuries old respectively; great part of the population live in boats on the river; the fancy goods, silk, porcelain, ivory, and metal work are famous; its river communication with the interior has fostered an extensive commerce; exports tea, silk, sugar, opium, &c.

CANTON, JOHN, an ingenious experimentalist in physics, and particularly in electricity; born at Stroud; discovered the means of making artificial magnets and the compressibility of water (1718-1772).

CANTONESE, the Nationalist forces of Southern China, who declared a separate republic in 1920. In 1925 they began to march northwards, and in 1927 captured Shanghai, Nanking, and Hankow, after which success the Nanking troops broke away from the Hankow government.

CANTO, CESARE, an Italian historian, born in Lombardy; imprisoned by the Austrian government for his bold advocacy of liberal views, but at length liberated; wrote, among a number of other works, literary as well as historical, a "Universal History" in 35 vols. (1807-1896).

CANUTE, or CNUT, THE DANE, called the Great, son of Sweyn, king of Denmark; invaded England, and after a success or two was elected king by his fleet; the claim was repudiated by the Saxons, and he had to flee; returned in 1015, and next year, though London held out for a time, carried all before him; on the death of his sole rival became undisputed king of England, and ruled it as an Englishman born, wisely, equitably, and well, though the care of governing Denmark and Norway lay on his shoulders as well; died in England, and was buried in Winchester Minster; every one is familiar with the story of the rebuke he administered to the courtiers by showing how regardless the waves of the sea were of the authority of a king (994-1035).

CAPABLANCA, JOSÉ RAOUL, noted chess player. Of Cuban birth, he started to play at the age of four, and became champion of the world in 1919 (1888-).

CAPE BRETON, the insular portion of the prov. of Nova Scotia at its eastern extremity, 100 m. long and 85 broad; is covered with forests of pine, oak, &c., and exports timber and fish.

CAPE COAST CASTLE, former capital of the Gold Coast colony.

CAPE HORN, the most southerly point of South America, a black, steep, frowning rock at the S.E. extremity of the Fucian Islands; much dreaded at one time by sailors on account of the heavy weather encountered there.

CAPE PROVINCE, comprises the extremity of the African continent south of the Orange River and Natal, and is nearly twice the size of the United Kingdom; the Nieuwveld Berge, running E. and W., divides the country into two slopes, the northern slope long and gradual to the Orange River, the southern shorter and terraced to the sea; two-thirds of the country is arid plain, which, however, only requires irrigation to render it very fertile; the climate is dry and healthy, but hot in summer; the prevalent vegetation is healthy and bulbous plants, Broom and ostrich farming and the chief industries; wool, goats' hair, ostrich feathers, hides, diamonds from Kimberley, and copper from Namaqualand are the chief exports; two-thirds of the people are of African race, chiefly Kaffirs, who flourish under British rule; the remainder are of Dutch, English, French, and German origin; Cape Town is the capital, Kimberley and Port Elizabeth the only other large towns, but there are many small towns; roads are good, with railway and telegraph communication. The government is in the hands of an administrator appointed by the Governor-General of the Union of South Africa, aided by a Council of fifty-one members and an executive committee of five; local government is in vogue all over the country; education is well cared for; the university of the Cape of Good Hope was founded in 1873. Discovered by the Portuguese Dias in 1486, the Cape was taken possession of by the Dutch in 1652, from whom it was captured by Great Britain in 1805. Various steps towards self-government culminated in 1909 with Home Rule.

CAPE TOWN, capital of Cape Province, situated at the head of Table Bay, on the S.W. coast, with Table Mountain rising behind it; is a regularly built, flat-roofed, imposing town, with handsome buildings and extensive Government gardens; well drained, paved, and lit, and with a good water supply. The Government buildings and law courts, museum and art gallery, bank and exchange, are its chief architectural features. It has docks, and a graving dock, and is a port of call for vessels of all nations, with a thriving commerce.

CAPE VERDE ISLANDS, a group of mountainous volcanic islands belonging to Portugal, 350 m. from Cape Verde, on the W. of Africa, of which 10 are inhabited, the largest and most productive Santiago and St. Vincent, with an excellent harbour, oftenest visited. These islands are unhealthy, and cattle-breeding is the chief industry.

CAPEK, KAREL, Czechoslovakian author. Son of a Bohemian doctor, he was educated in Prague, Berlin, and Paris, and became a journalist. In 1919 he was producer at Prague Municipal Theatre

and wrote "R.U.R." and "The Insect Play," both of which came to London (1890-1900).

CAPELL, EDWARD, an inspector of plays, born at Hury St. Edmunds; spent 20 years in editing the text of Shakespeare, in three vols., with notes and various readings (1713-1781).

CAPELLA, a bright red star of first magnitude in constellation Auriga, at a distance of 41 light years.

CAPERCAILLIE, the wood-grouse, a large game-bird found in fir woods in mountainous districts, as in Sweden and Scotland, and highly esteemed for table.

CAPERNAUM, a town on the N. side of the Sea of Galilee, the centre of Christ's labours, the exact site of which is uncertain.

CAPET, the surname of Hugh, the founder, in 987, of the third dynasty of French kings, which continued to rule France till 1328, though the name is applied both to the Valois dynasty, which ruled till 1689, and the Bourbon, which ruled till 1848. Louis XVI. having been officially designated as a Capet at his trial, and under that name sentenced to the guillotine.

CAPGRAVE, JOHN, Augustine friar, wrote "Chronicle of England," and voluminously both in Latin and English (1393-1464).

CAPILLARITY, name given to the phenomenon that liquids rise in very narrow tubes against the force of gravity, owing to surface tension. In this way moisture rises up the narrow channels in plants.

CAPISTRANO, GIOVANNI DA, an Italian Franciscan, a rabid adversary of the Hussites, aided John Hunyadi in 1456 in defending Belgrade against the Turks (1385-1456).

CAPITAL LEVY, a tax on all owners of a certain sum of capital. Bonar Law suggested it as a means of paying for the Great War, and it was advocated by the Labour Party at the General Elections of 1922, 1923, and 1924, after which it was dropped.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT, the enforcement of the death sentence, now limited in Great Britain to the crimes of murder and some forms of treason. Hanging is the method of execution used in this country, and electrocution in America. Some of the Swiss cantons have abolished the penalty, and its removal here is a frequent theme for agitation.

CAPITOL, a temple and citadel erected by Tarquin on the Capitoline hill, one of the seven hills of Rome, where victors who were voted a triumph were crowned; terminated at its southern extremity by the Tarpeian Rock, from which criminals guilty of treason were precipitated; hence the saying, "The Tarpeian Rock is near the Capitol" to denote the close connection between glory and disgrace.

CAPITULARIES, collections of royal edicts issued by the Frankish kings of the Carolingian dynasty, with sanction of the nobles, for the whole Frankish empire, as distinct from the laws for the separate peoples comprising it, the most famous being those issued or begun by Charlemagne and St. Louis.

CAPO D'ISTRIA, a port of a small island in the government of Trieste, connected with the mainland by a causeway half a mile in length.

CAPO D'ISTRIA, COUNT OF, born in Corfu; entered the Russian diplomatic service; played a prominent part in the insurrection of the Greeks against Turkey; made President of the Greek Republic; assassinated at Nauplia from distrust of his fidelity (1776-1831).

CAPPADOCIA, an ancient country in the heart of Asia Minor, of varied political fortunes; a plateau with pastures for immense flocks.

CAPRARA, CARDINAL, born at Bologna, legate of Pius VII. in France, concluded the "Concordat" of 1801 (1733-1810).

CAPRE'RA, a small, barren island off the N. coast of Sardinia, the home of Garibaldi, where he died, and his burial place.

CAPRI, a small island at the entrance from the S. of the bay of Naples, with a capital of the same name on the eastern side; a favourite retreat of the Emperors Augustus and Tiberius, and noted for its fine air and picturesque scenery.

CAPRICORNUS, or the Sea-Goat, the sign of the zodiac which the sun enters on December 21, when it is overhead at noon at all places on the Tropic of Capricorn.

CAPRI, COUNT VON, born in Berlin, entered the

army in 1849; held chief posts in the Austrian and Franco-German wars; in 1890 succeeded Bismarck as Imperial Chancellor; resigned in 1894 (1831-1890).

CAPUA, a fortified city in Campania, on the Volturno, 27 mi. N. of Naples, where, or rather near which, in a place of the same name, Hannibal, at the invitation of the citizens, retired with his army to spend the winter after the battle of Cannae, 216 B.C., and where, from the luxurious life they led, his soldiers were enervated, after which it was taken by the Romans, destroyed by the Saracens in 840, and the modern city built in its stead.

CAPUCHINS, monks of the Franciscan Order, founded in 1525, so called from a cowl they wear; they were a mendicant order, and were twice over suppressed by the Pope, though they exist still, chiefly in Austria and Switzerland.

CAPULET, a celebrated (Hibelline) family of Verona at mortal feud with that of the Montagues, familiar to us through Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet," Romeo being of the latter and Juliet of the former.

CAPYBARA, the water-hog, the largest rodent extant, in appearance like a small pig; found in South America.

CARACAL, a species of the lynx family found in Africa and Southern Asia; of a somewhat fierce disposition.

CARACALLA (Marcus Aurelius Antoninus), a Roman emperor, son of Septimius Severus, born at Lyons; his reign (211-217) was a series of crimes, follies, and extravagances; he put to death 20,000 persons, among others the jurist Papinianus, and was assassinated himself by one of his guards (188-217).

CARACAS, or **CARACOGAS**, the cap. of Venezuela, stands at an altitude 3000 ft. above the level of the sea; subject to earthquakes, in one of which (1812) 12,000 perished, and a great part of the city was destroyed; it contains the tomb of Bolívar.

CARACCI, or CARRACCI, a family of painters, born at Bologna; Ludovico, the founder of a new school of painting, the principle of which was eclecticism, in consequence of which it is known as the Eclectic School, or imitation of the styles of the best masters (1555-1619); Annibale, cousin and pupil, did "St. Roche distributing Alms," and his chief work, "Three Marys weeping over Christ"; went to Rome and painted the celebrated Farnese gallery, a task which occupied him four years (1660-1609); Agostino, brother of above, assisted him in the frescoes of the gallery, the "Communion of St. Jerome," his greatest work (1557-1602).

CARACACUS, a British chief, king of the Silures, maintained a gallant struggle against the Romans for nine years, but was overthrown by Ostorius, A.D. 60, taken captive, and led in triumphal procession through Rome, when the Emperor Claudius was so struck with his dignified demeanour that he set him and all his companions at liberty.

CARADOC, a knight of the Round Table, famous for his valour and the chastity and constancy of his wife.

CARAFFA, a distinguished Neapolitan family, which gave birth to a number of eminent ecclesiastics, Paul IV. one of them.

CARAGLIO, an eminent Italian engraver, born at Verona, engraved on gems and medals as well as copperplate, after the works of the great masters (1600-1670).

CARAMEL, the brown substance obtained when sugar is burnt; it is used for colouring beer and certain foodstuffs.

CARAVAGGIO, MICHELANGELO, an Italian painter, disdained the ideal and the ideal style of art, and kept generally to crass reality, often in its grossest forms; a man of a violent temper, which hastened his end; a painting by him of "Christ and the Disciples at Emmaus" is in the National Gallery, London (1569-1609).

CARAVANSERAI, a large unfurnished inn, with a court in the middle for the accommodation of caravans and other travellers at night in the East.

CARBOHYDRATES, a class of substances such as the sugars, starch, and cellulose, consisting of carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen, the latter in the proportion in which they exist in water.

CARBOLIC ACID. See **PHENOL**.

CARBON, one of the commonest elements. It is found in the allotropic forms of charcoal, lamp black, graphite, and diamond, and in combination with oxygen and hydrogen, in most of the substances of which living organisms are composed.

CARBONARI, (lit. *charcoal burners*) a secret society that, in the beginning of the 19th century, originated in Italy and extended itself into France, numbering hundreds of thousands, including Lord Byron, Silvio Pellico, and Mazzini among them, the object of which was the overthrow of despotic governments; they were broken up by Austria, and absorbed by the Young Italy party.

CARBONIFEROUS, the geological strata above the Devonian (q.v.) and below the Permian (q.v.). The rocks include limestones and grits, as well as most of the coal measures of the period. The Carboniferous Age had a hot, wet climate that gave rise to luxuriant forests, the remains of which form the coal beds. In rocks of this age remains of the earliest amphibians are found.

CARBONYL CHLORIDE, or Phosgene, the acid chloride derived from carbonic acid; used in the Great War as a poison gas.

CARBORUNDUM, a silicide of carbon, produced by heating carbon and sand in the electric furnace. It is a very hard substance and is used as an abrasive.

CARBURETTOR, the part of an internal combustion engine where the petrol vapour is mixed with sufficient air to ensure complete combustion on ignition.

CARDAN, JEROME, Italian physician and mathematician, born at Pavia; was far-famed as a physician; studied and wrote on all manner of known subjects, made discoveries in algebra, believed in astrology, left a candid account of himself entitled "De Vita Propria"; was the author of "Cardan's Formula," a formula for the solution of cubic equations; he is said to have starved himself to death so as to fulfil a prophecy he had made as to the term of his life (1501-1576).

CARDIFF, county town of Glamorgan-shire, S. Wales, on the river Taff, the sea outlet for the mineral wealth and products of the district, a town that has risen more rapidly than any other in the kingdom, having had at the beginning of the 19th century only 2000 inhabitants; it has a university, a number of churches, few of them belonging to the Church of England, and has also two daily papers.

CARDIGAN, EARL OF, a British officer; commanded the Light Cavalry Brigade in the Crimean war, and distinguished himself in the famous charge of the Six Hundred, which he led; his favourite regiment, the 11th Hussars, on the equipment of which he lavished large sums of money (1797-1868).

CARDIGANSHIRE, a county in S. Wales, low-lying on the coast, and mountainous in the interior, but with fertile valleys where sheep and cattle are reared; the county is remarkable for its many early British remains and other antiquities.

CARDINALISTS, name given to the partisans in France of Richelieu and Mazarin.

CARDUCCI, Florentine artists, brothers, of the 17th century; did their chief work in Spain.

CARDUCCI, GIOSUE, an Italian poet and critic; author of "Hymn to Satan," "Odi Barbare," "Commentaries on Petrarch" (1835-1907).

CAREW, THOMAS, English courtier poet; his poems, chiefly masques and lyrics (1589-1639).

CAREY, HENRY, English poet and musician, excelled in ballads; composed, "Sally in Our Alley"; d. 1748.

CAREY, SIR ROBERT, warden of the Border Marches under Elizabeth; present at her death-bed; rode off post-haste on the occurrence of her decease with the news to Edinburgh to announce it to King James (1560-1639).

CAREY, WILLIAM, celebrated Baptist missionary, born in Northamptonshire; founder of the Baptist Missionary Society, and its first missionary; founded the mission at Serampore and directed its operations, distributing Bibles and tracts by thousands in native languages, as well as preparing grammars and dictionaries; was 29 years Oriental professor in the College of Fort William, Calcutta (1781-1834).

CARGILL, DONALD, a Scottish Covenantar, born in

Perthshire; was minister of the Barony Parish, Glasgow; fought at Bothwell Brig; suffered at the Cross of Edinburgh for daring to excommunicate the king; died with the faith and courage of a martyr (1619-1681).

CARIA, a SW. country in Asia Minor, bordering on the Archipelago, of which the Mæander is the chief river.

CARIBBEAN SEA, an inland sea of the Atlantic, lying between the Greater Antilles and South America, subject to hurricanes; it corresponds to the Mediterranean in Europe, and is the turning-point of the Gulf Stream.

CARIBS, a race of American Indians, once inhabiting the West India, now confined to the southern shores of the Caribbean Sea, as far as the mouth of the Amazon; ethnologically they originated in Central Brazil; they are a fine race, tall, and of ruddy-brown complexion, but have lost their distinctive physique by an amalgamation with other tribes; they give name to the Caribbean Sea.

CARISBROOKE, a village in the Isle of Wight, in the castle of which, now in ruins, Charles I. was imprisoned 13 months before his trial; it was at one time a Roman station.

CARLEN, EMILIA, Swedish novelist; her novels, some 30 in number, treat of the everyday life of the lower and middle classes (1807-1882).

CARLETON, WILL, American poet whose verse, treating solely of home and pioneer life, has become widely popular; wrote "Farm Ballads" (1845-1912).

CARLETON, WILLIAM, Irish novelist; his first work, and the foundation of his reputation, "Traits and Stories of the Irish Peasantry," followed by others of a like class (1794-1869).

CARLI, GIOVANNI, COUNT, Italian archaeologist, numismatist, and economist, born at Capo d'Istria; wrote as his chief work on political economy; president of the Council of Commerce at Milan; was instrumental in bringing about the abolition of the Inquisition (1720-1795).

CARLILE, RICHARD, English Radical and Free-thinker, born in Devonshire; a disciple of Tom Paine, and propagandist of his views with a zeal which no prosecution could subdue, although he time after time suffered imprisonment for it, as well as those who associated themselves with him, his wife included; his principal organ was *The Republican*, the first twelve volumes of which are dated from his prison; he was a martyr for the freedom of the press, and in that interest did not suffer in vain (1790-1843).

CARLILE, FREDERENDARY WILSON, founder, in 1882, of the Church Army (1847-).

CARLISLE, county town of Cumberland, on the Eden; a great railway centre; with an old castle of historical interest, and a cathedral founded by William Rufus and dedicated to Henry I.

CARLISLE, GEORGE FREDERICK, WILLIAM HOWARD, EARL OF, a Whig in politics; supported the successive Whig administrations of his time, and became eventually Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland under Palmerston (1802-1864).

CARLISTS, a name given in France to the partisans of Charles X. (1830), and especially in Spain to those of Don Carlos (1833), and those of his grandson (1873-1874).

CARLOMAN, son of Charles Martel, and brother of Pepin le Bref, king of Austrasia from 741 to 747; abdicated, and retired into a monastery, where he died.

CARLOMAN, son of Pepin le Bref, and brother of Charlemagne, king of Austrasia, Burgundy, and Provence in 768; d. 771.

CARLOMAN, king of France conjointly with his brother Louis III.; d. 884.

CARLOS, DON, son of Philip II. of Spain, born at Valladolid, and heir to the throne; but from incapacity, or worse, excluded by his father from all share in the government; confessed to a priest a design to assassinate someone, believed to be his father; was seized, tried, and convicted, though sentence against him was never pronounced; died shortly after; the story of Don Carlos has formed the subject of tragedies, especially one by Schiller, the German poet (1545-1568).

CARLOS, DON, the brother of Ferdinand VII. of Spain, on whose death he laid claim to the crown as heir, against Isabella, Ferdinand's daughter, who by the Salic law, though set aside in her favour by her father, had, he urged, no right to the throne; his cause was taken up by a large party, and the struggle kept up for years; defeated at length, he retired from the contest, and abdicated in favour of his son (1785-1856).

CARLOS, DON, grandson of the preceding, and heir to his rights; revived the struggle in 1870, but fared no better than his grandfather; took refuge in London (1848-1902).

CARLOVINGIANS, or **KARLINGS**, the name of the second dynasty of Frankish kings, in succession to the Merovingians, which had become *feinleut*; bore sway from 762 to 987. Pepin le Bref the first, and Louis V. the last; Charlemagne was the greatest of the race, and gave name to the dynasty.

CARLOW, an inland county in Leinster, Ireland; also the county town.

CARLOWITZ, a town on the Danube, 30 m. NW. of Belgrade, where a treaty was concluded in 1699 between Turkey and other European powers, very much to the curtailment of the territories of the former.

CARLSBAD, a celebrated watering-place in Czechoslovakia, of aristocratic resort, the springs being the hottest in Europe, the water varying from 117° to 165°; population nearly trebled in the season; the inhabitants are engaged in industries which minister to the tastes of the visitors.

CARLSBORO, a Swedish town, strongly fortified, on the Baltic, with a spacious harbour, naval station, and arsenal; it is built on five rocky islands united by dykes and bridges.

CARLSTADT, ANDREAS RUDOLF BODENSTEIN AF, a German Reformer, associated for a time with Luther, but parted from him both on practical and dogmatical grounds; succeeded Zwingli as professor at Basel (1483-1541).

CARLTON CLUB, the Conservative club in London, so called, as erected on the site of Carlton House, demolished in 1823, and occupied by George IV. when he was Prince of Wales.

CARLYLE, ALEXANDER, surnamed Jupiter Carlyle, from his noble head and imposing person, born in Dumfriesshire; minister of Inveresk, Musselburgh, from 1747 to his death; friend of David Hume, Adam Smith, and Home, the author of "Douglas"; a leader of the Moderate party in the Church of Scotland; left an "Autobiography," which was not published till 1860, which shows its author to have been a man who took things as he found them, and enjoyed them to the full as any easy-going, cultured pagan (1723-1808).

CARLYLE, THOMAS, born in the village of Ecclefechan, Annandale, Dumfriesshire; son of James Carlyle, a stone-mason and afterwards a small farmer, and of Janet Aitken; educated at the parish school and Annan Academy; entered the University of Edinburgh at the age of 14, in the Arts classes; distinguished himself early in mathematics; enrolled as a student in the theological department; became a teacher first in Annan Academy, then at Kirkcaldy; formed there an intimate friendship with Edward Irving; threw up both schoolmastering and the church; removed to Edinburgh, and took to tutoring and working for an encyclopaedia, and by-and-by to translating from the German and writing criticisms for the *Reviews*, the latter of which were collected afterwards in the "Miscellaneous;" wrote a "Life of Schiller"; married (1826) Jane Welsh, a descendant of John Knox; removed to Craigenputtock, in Dumfriesshire, "the loneliest nook in Britain," where his original work began with "Sartor Resartus," written in 1831, a radically spiritual book, and a symbolical; removed to London in 1834, where he wrote his "French Revolution" (1837), a book instinct, with the all-consuming fire of the event which it pictures, and revealing "a new moral force" in the literary life of the country and century; delivered three courses of lectures to the *Academy of London Society* (1837-1840), the last of them "Heroes and Hero-Worship," afterwards printed in 1840; in 1840 appeared "Chartism," in 1843 "Past and Present," and in 1850 "Letter-Day

Pamphlets"; all on what he called the "Condition-of-England-Question," which to the last he regarded as the most serious question of the time, seeing, as he all along taught and felt, that the social life affects the individual life to the core; in 1845 he published "Letters and Speeches of Oliver Cromwell," and after writing in 1851 a brief biography of his mis-represented friend, John Sterling, concluded (1858-1865) his life's task, prosecuted from first to last, in "sore travail" of body and soul, with "The History of Friedrich II. of Prussia, called Frederick the Great"; lies buried beside his own kindred in the place where he was born, as he had left instructions to be (1795-1881).

CARMAGNOLE, a Red-republican song and dance popular in Paris in 1792.

CARMARTHENSHIRE, a county in S. Wales, and the largest in the Principality; contains part of the coalfields in the district; capital Carmarthen, on the right bank of the Towy, a river which traverses the county.

CARMEI, a NW. extension of the limestone ridge that bounds on the S. the Plain of Kedron, in Palestine, and terminates in a rocky promontory 500 ft. high; forms the southern boundary of the Bay of Acre; its highest point is 3,742 ft. above the sea-level.

CARMELITE, a monastic order, originally an association of hermits on Mount Carmel, afterwards mendicant, called the Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, i.e. the Virgin, in consecration to whom it was founded by a pilgrim of the name Berthold, a Calabrian, in 1156; known formerly as the "White Friars." The Order is said to have existed from the days of Elijah.

CARMEN SYLVA, the *nom-de-plume* of Elizabeth, queen of Rumania; having lost an only child, she took to literature for consolation; evinced an active interest in the elevation and welfare of her sex (1843-1916).

CARMINATIVES, name given to those drugs used on account of their stimulating effect on the stomach.

CARMONTEL, a French dramatist; author of little pieces under the name of "Proverbes" (1717-1806).

CARNAO, a seaside fishing-village in the Bay of Quiberon, in the dep. of Morbihan, France, with interesting historical remains of menhirs and mounds particularly Celtic.

CARNARVON, a maritime county in N. Wales, with the highest mountains and grandest scenery in the Principality, and a capital of the same name on the Mount Serrat, with the noble ruins of a castle, in which Edward II., the first Prince of Wales, was born. It was Lloyd George's parliamentary constituency.

CARNARVON, HENRY HOWARD, 4TH EARL OF, Conservative statesman; held office under Lord Derby and Disraeli; was a good classical scholar; wrote the "Druses of Mount Lebanon" (1881-1890).

CARNARVON, GEORGE EDWARD STANHOPE, 5TH EARL OF, Egyptologist. Most of his life and much of his money were spent in excavations, his most notable discovery being the tomb of Tutankhamen (q.v.) at Luxor in 1923, just before his death (1866-1923).

CARNATIO, an old prov. in the Madras Presidency of India that extended along the Coromandel coast from Cape Comorin, 600 m. N.

CARNEADES, a Greek philosopher, born at Cyrene; his whole philosophy a polemic against the dogmatism of the Stoics, on the alleged ground of the absence of any criterion of certainty in matters of either science or morality; conceded that truth and virtue were admirable qualities, but he denied the reality of them; sent once on an embassy to Rome, he propounded this doctrine in the ears of the Conscript Fathers, upon which Cato moved that he should be expelled from the senate-house and sent back to Athens, whence he came (213-129 B.C.).

CARNEGIE, ANDREW, ironmaster, born in Dumfriesshire, the son of a weaver; made a large fortune by his iron and steel works at Pittsburgh, U.S., out of which he liberally endowed institutions and libraries, both in America and his native country (1835-1919).

CARNIOLA, a district in Jugo-Slavia, SW. of Austria, on the Adriatic, S. of Carinthia; contains quick-silver mines, second only to those of Almaden, in Spain; the surface is mountainous, and the soil is not grain productive, though in some parts it yields wine and fine fruit.

CARNIVAL, in Roman Catholic countries the name given to a season of feasting and revelry immediately preceding Lent, akin to the Saturnalia of the Romans.

CARNOT, LEONARD SADI, son of Nicolas, founder of thermo-dynamics; in his "Réflexions sur la Puissance du Feu" enunciates the principle of Reversibility, considered the most important contribution to physical science since the time of Newton (1796-1832).

CARNOT, MARIE FRANÇOIS, civil engineer and statesman, born at Limoges, nephew of the preceding; Finance Minister in 1879 and 1887; became President in 1887; was assassinated at Lyons by an anarchist (1837-1894).

CARNOT, NICOLAS, French mathematician and engineer, born at Noy, in Burgundy; a member of the National Convention; voted for the death of the king; became member of the Committee of Public Safety, and organizer of the armies of the Republic, whence his name, the "organizer of victory"; Minister of War under Napoleon; defender of Antwerp in 1814; and afterwards Minister of the Interior (1793-1823).

CARO, ANNIBALE, an Italian author and poet, notable for his classic style (1507-1566).

CARO, MARIE, a French philosopher, born at Poitiers; a popular lecturer on philosophy, surnamed *le philosophe des dames*; wrote on mysticism, materialism, and pessimism (1820-1887).

CAROL II., KING OF RUMANIA, Son of King Ferdinand; as heir to the throne, he married in 1921 Princess Helen of Greece, by whom he had one son, Michael. In 1925 he renounced his claim to the throne, and on the death of Ferdinand Michael became king. Subsequently Carol after abortive attempts to claim the throne, was successful in 1930, when King Michael abdicated and became Crown Prince (1892-).

CAROLINA, NORTH, one of the original 13 States of N. America, on the Atlantic, about the size of England, S. of Virginia, 480 m. from E. to W. and 180 m. from N. to S.; has a fertile, well-watered subsoil in the high lands; is rich in minerals and natural products; the mountains are covered with forests, and the manufactures are numerous.

CAROLINA, SOUTH, S. of N. Carolina, is alluvial with swamps, 100 m. inland from the coast, and is well watered; produces rice and cotton in large quantities and of a fine quality.

CAROLINE ISLANDS, a stretch of lagoon islands, 2000 m. from E. to W., belonging to Spain, N. of New Guinea and E. of the Philippine Islands; once divided into eastern, western, and central; the soil of the western is fertile, and there is abundance of fish and turtle in the lagoons; products, copra, bêche de mer, turtle, and pearl shell.

CAROLINE OF BRUNSWICK, queen of George IV. and daughter of the Duke of Brunswick; married George, then Prince of Wales, in 1795; gave birth to the Princess Charlotte the year following, but almost immediately after her husband abandoned her; she retired to a mansion at Blackheath; was allowed to go abroad after a time; on the accession of her husband she was offered a pension of £50,000 if she stayed out of the country, but rejected it and claimed her rights as queen; was charged with adultery, but after a long trial, acquitted; on the day of the coronation sought admission to Westminster Abbey, but the door was shut against her; she died a fortnight after (1768-1821).

CARPACCIO, VITTORIO, a Venetian painter of great celebrity, particularly in his early pieces, for his truth of delineation, his fertile imagination, and his rich colouring; his works are numerous, and have nearly all of them sacred subjects; an Italian critic says of him, "He had truth in his heart" (1450-1522).

CARPATHIANS, a range of wooded mountains in Central Europe, 880 m. long, which, in two great masses, extend from Presburg to Orsova, both on

the Danube, in a semicircle round the greater part of Hungary, particularly the whole of the N. and E., the highest of them Negoi, 8517 ft.; they are rich in minerals, and their sides are clothed with forests, principally of beech and pine.

CARPEAUX, JEAN BAPTISTE, sculptor, born at Valenciennes; adorned by his art, reckoned highly imaginative, several of the public monuments of Paris, and the façade of the Opera House (1827-1875).

CARPENTARIA, GULF OF, a broad, deep gulf in the N. of Australia; contains several islands, and receives several rivers.

CARPENTIER, MARY, a philanthropist, born at Exeter, daughter of Dr. Lant Carpenter, Unitarian minister; took an active part in the establishment of reformatory and ragged schools, and a chief promoter of the Industrial Schools Act; her philanthropic efforts extended to India, which, in her zeal, she visited four times, and she was the founder of the National Indian Association (1807-1877).

CARPENTIER, WILLIAM BENJAMIN, biologist, brother of the preceding; author, among other numerous works, of the "Principles of General and Comparative Physiology" (1838); contributed to mental physiology; held several high professional appointments in London; inaugurated deep-sea soundings, and advocated the theory of a vertical circulation in the ocean (1813-1885).

CARPI, GIROLAMO DA, Italian painter and architect, born at Ferrara; successful imitator of Correggio (1501-1556).

CARPI, UGO DA, Italian painter and wood engraver; is said to have invented engraving in chiaroscuro (1486-1530).

CARPINI, GIOVANNI, a Franciscan monk, born in Umbria; headed an embassy from Pope Innocent IV. to the Emperor of the Mogul Tartars to persuade him out of Europe, which he threatened; travelled from Lyons to beyond Lake Baikal and back; wrote a report of his journey in Latin, which had a quieting effect on the panic in Europe (1182-1252).

CARPIO, BERNARDO DEL, a legendary hero of the Moors of Spain; is said to have slain Roland at Roncesvalles.

CARPOCRATES, a Gnostic of Alexandria of the 2nd century, who believed in the transmigration of the soul and its final emancipation from all external bonds and obligations, by means of concentrated meditation on the divine unity, and a life in conformity therewith; was the founder of a sect called after his name.

CARRARA, a town in N. Italy, 30 m. NW. of Leghorn; famous for its quarries of white statuary marble, the working of which is its staple industry; these quarries have been worked for 2000 years, are 500 in number, and employ as quarrymen alone regularly over 6000 men.

CARREL, ARMAND, French publicist, born at Rouen; a man of high character, and highly esteemed; editor of the *National*, which he conducted with great ability and courage; died of a wound in a duel with Emile de Girardin (1800-1836).

CARRICK, the southern division of Ayrshire, See **AYRSHIRE**.

CARRICKFERGUS, a town and seaport N. of Belfast Lough, 9½ m. from Belfast, with a picturesque castle.

CARRIER, JEAN BAPTISTE, one of the most blood-thirsty of the French Revolutionists, born near Aurillac; an attorney by profession; sent on a mission to La Vendée; caused thousands of victims to be drowned, beheaded, or shot; was guillotined himself after trial by a Revolutionary tribunal (1758-1794). See **NOYADES**.

CARRIÈRE, MORITZ, a German philosopher and man of letters, born in Hesse, author of works on aesthetics and art in its relation to culture and the ideal; advocated the compatibility of the pantheistic with the deistic view of the world (1817-1895).

CARROLL, LEWIS, pseudonym of C. L. Dodgson (q.v.), the author of "Alice in Wonderland," with its sequel, "Through the Looking-Glass."

CARRON OIL, a mixture of lneed oil and lime water used in the treatment of burns.

CARSE, the name given in Scotland to alluvial lands bordering on a river.

CARSON, KIT, American trapper and scout, born in Kentucky; was of service to the States in expeditions in Indian territories from his knowledge of the habits of the Indians (1809-1868).

CARSON, LORD (SIR EDWARD), British politician. Born at Portlargo and educated at Trinity College, Dublin, he made a name at the Irish bar, came to England to practise, entered the House of Commons for Dublin University, and acted as a Unionist champion. In 1900 he was made solicitor-general and knighted. The Irish crisis of 1913 and 1914 found Carson at the head of the Ulster volunteers raised to resist Home Rule, but the Great War settled the matter, and he took office again as Attorney-General in the 1915 coalition. He held various posts in the War Cabinet, and resigned in January, 1918. In 1921 he was raised to the peerage (1854-1921).

CARSTARES, WILLIAM, a Scottish ecclesiastic, born at Cathcart, near Glasgow; sent to Utrecht to study theology; recommended himself to the regard of the Prince of Orange, and became his political adviser; accompanied him to England as chaplain in 1688, and had no small share in bringing about the Revolution; controlled Church affairs in Scotland; was made Principal of Edinburgh University; was chief promoter of the Treaty of Union; was held in high esteem by his countrymen for his personal character as well as his public services (1640-1716).

CARSTENS, ASMUS JAKOB, Danish artist, born in Slesvig; on the appearance of his great picture, "The Fall of the Angels," rose at once into fame; was admitted to the Berlin Academy; afterwards studied the masters at Rome; brought back to Germany a taste for art; was the means of reviving it; treated classical subjects; quarrelled with the Academy; died in poverty at Rome (1754-1798).

CARTAGENA, a naval port of Spain, on the Mediterranean, with a capacious harbour; one of the oldest towns in it, founded by the Carthaginians; was once the largest naval arsenal in Europe. Also capital of the Bolívar State in Colombia.

CARTE, THOMAS, historian, a devoted Jacobite, born near Rugby; wrote a "History of England," which has proved a rich quarry of facts for subsequent historians (1686-1754).

CARTE-BLANCHE, a blank paper with a signature to be filled up with such terms of an agreement as the holder is authorised to accept in name of the person whose signature it bears.

CARTER, ELIZABETH, an accomplished lady, born at Deal, friend of Dr. Johnson, Sir Joshua Reynolds, and others; a great Greek and Italian scholar; translated Epictetus and Algarotti's exposition of Newton's philosophy; some of her papers appear in the *Rambler* (1717-1806).

CARTERET, JOHN, EARL GRANVILLE, eminent British statesman, orator, and diplomatist, entered Parliament in the Whig interest; his first speech was in favour of the Protestant succession; after service as diplomatist abroad, was made Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, in which capacity he was brought into contact with Swift, first as an enemy but at length as a friend, and proved a successful viceroy; in Parliament was head of the party opposed to Sir Robert Walpole, and of the subsequent administration; his foreign policy has been in general approved of; had the satisfaction of seeing the elder Pitt installed in office before he retired; was a "fiery, emphatic man" (1690-1763).

CARTERET, PHILIP, English sailor and explorer, voyaged in the Southern Seas, and discovered several islands, Pitcairn's Island among the number; d. 1796.

CARTHAGE, an ancient maritime city, on a peninsula in the N. of Africa, near the site of Tunis, and founded by Phœnicians in 850 B.C.; originally the centre of a colony, it became the capital of a widespread trading community, which even ventured to compete with, and at one time threatened, under Hannibal, to overthrow the power of Rome, in a series of protracted struggles known as the Punic Wars; in the last of these it was taken and destroyed by Publius Cornelius Scipio in 146 B.C., after a siege of two years, though it rose again as a Roman city under the Cæsars, and became a place of great

importance till burned in A.D. 698 by Hassan, the Arab; the struggle during the early part of its history was virtually a struggle for the ascendancy of the Semitic people over the Aryan race in Europe. **CARTHUSIANS**, a monastic order of a very severe type, founded by St. Bruno in 1088, each member of which had originally a single cell, eventually one consisting of two or three rooms with a garden, all of them opening into one corridor; they amassed considerable wealth, but were given to deeds of beneficence, and spent their time in study and contemplation, in consequence of which their figure was not so much in the outside world as many other orders do.

CARTIER, JACQUES, a French navigator, born at St. Malo, made three voyages to N. America in quest of a North-West passage, at the instance of Francis I.; took possession of Canada in the name of France, by planting the French flag on its soil (1491-1557).

CARTOONS, drawings or designs made on stiff paper for a fresco or other paintings, transferred by tracing or punching to the surface to be painted, the most famous of which are those of Raphael.

CARTOUCHE, a notorious captain of a band of thieves, born in Paris, who was broken on the wheel alive in the Place du Grève (1698-1721).

CARTWRIGHT, EDMUND, inventor of the power-loom and the carding machine, born in Nottinghamshire; a country parson; his invention, at first violently opposed, to his ruin for the time being, is now universally adopted; a grant of £10,000 was made him by Parliament in consideration of his services and in compensation for his losses; he had a turn for versifying as well as mechanical invention (1743-1823).

CARTWRIGHT, JOHN, brother of the preceding; served in the navy and the militia, but left both services for political reasons; took to the study of agriculture, and the advocacy of radical political reform much in advance of his time (1740-1824).

CARUS, KARL GUSTAV, a celebrated German physiologist, born at Leipzig; a many-sided man; advocate of the theory that health of body and mind depends on the equilibrium of antagonistic principles (1789-1869).

CARUSO, ENRICO, Italian tenor. Born in Florence, he first appeared on the stage there and met with tremendous success. Confining himself largely to opera, he drew large audiences in whatever part of the world he appeared (1874-1921).

CARY, HENRY FRANCIS, translator of Dante, born at Gibraltar; his translation is admired for its fidelity as well as for its force and felicity (1772-1844).

CARYATIDES, draped female figures surmounting columns and supporting entablatures; the corresponding male figures are called Atlantes.

CASA, GIOVANNI DELLA, Italian statesman, Secretary of State under Pope Paul II.; wrote "Indaleco" or, the Art of Living in the World" (1503-1566).

CASABIANCA, LOUIS, a French naval officer, born in Corsica, who, at the battle of Aboukir, after securing the safety of his crew, blew up his ship and perished along with his son, who would not leave him (1756-1798).

CASA'LE, a town on the Po; manufactures silk twist.

CASANOVA, FRANCESCO, painter, born in London, of Venetian origin; painted landscapes and battle-pieces (1730-1805).

CASANOVA DE SEINGALT, a clever Venetian adventurer and scandalous impromptu, of the *Caftro* type, who insinuated himself into the good graces for a time of all the distinguished people of the period, including even Frederick the Great, Voltaire, and others; died in Bohemia after endless roamings; wrote a long, detailed, brazen-faced account of his career of scoundrelism; was a brother of the preceding (1725-1798).

CASAS, BARTOLOMEO DE LAS, a Spanish prelate, distinguished for his exertions on behalf of the Christianisation and civilisation of the Indians of S. America (1474-1566).

CASAUBON, ISAAC, an eminent classical scholar and commentator, born in Geneva; professor of Greek at Geneva and Montpellier, and afterwards of belles-lettres at Paris, invited thither by Henry IV.,

who pensioned him; being a Protestant he removed to London on Henry's death, where James I. gave him two prebends; has been ranked with Lepidus and Scaliger as a scholar (1559-1614).

CASAUBON, MERIC, son of preceding; accompanied his father to England; held a church living under Charles I. and II.; became professor of Theology at Oxford, and edited his father's works (1599-1671).

CASCADE MOUNTAINS, a range in Columbia that slopes down toward the Pacific from the Western Plateau, of which the Rocky Mountains form the eastern boundary; they are nearly parallel with the coast, and above 100 m. inland.

CASEIN, a protein present in milk and cheese; it forms the basis of most of the patent foodstuffs obtained from milk and has extensive uses in the cotton industry.

CASEMENT, ROGER, Irish spy. Knighted in 1911 after years in the British consular service; he worked among Irish prisoners in Germany in 1915, and the following year landed in Ireland from a German boat to start a rebellion. For high treason he was deprived of his knighthood and hanged (1894-1916).

CASERTA, a town in Italy, 20 m. from Naples, noted for a magnificent palace, built after plans supplied by Vanvitelli, one of the architects of St. Peter's at Rome.

CASHIEL, a town in Tipperary, Ireland, 49 m. N.E. of Cork; a bishop's see, with a "Rock" 800 ft. high, occupied by interesting ruins; it was formerly the seat of the kings of Munster.

CASHMERE, or **KASHMIR**, a native Indian State, bordering upon Tibet, 120 m. long and 80 m. wide, with beautiful scenery and a delicious climate, in a valley of the Himalayas, forming the basin of the Upper Indus, hemmed in by deep-gorged woods and snow-peaked mountains, and watered by the Jhelum, which spreads out here and there near it into lovely lakes; shawl weaving and lacquer-work are the chief occupations of the inhabitants.

CASIMIR, the name of five kings of Poland; the most eminent, Casimir III., called the Great; after distinguishing himself in wars against the Teutonic Knights, was elected king in 1333; recovered Silesia from Bohemia in two victories; defeated the Tartars on the Vistula, and annexed part of Lithuania; formed a code of laws, limiting both the royal authority and that of the nobles (1309-1370).

CASIMIR-PÉRIER, JEAN PAUL PIERRE, president of the French Republic, born in Paris; a man of moderate views and firm character; was premier in 1898; succeeded Carnot in 1894; resigned 1895, because, owing to misrepresentation, the office had become irksome to him (1847-1907).

CASINO, a club-house or public building in Continental towns provided with rooms for social gathering, music, dancing, billiards, and gambling.

CASIRI, a Syro-Maronite religious leader, and a learned Orientalist (1710-1791).

CASLON, WILLIAM, typesetter; born in Worcester-shire; was the father of modern types in printing (1692-1766).

CASPARI, KARL PAUL, German theologian, born at Dessau; professor at Christiania (1814-1892).

CASPIAN SEA, an inland sea, partly in Europe and partly in Asia, the largest in the world, being 600 m. from N. to S. and from 130 to 270 m. in breadth, with the Caucasus Mts. on the W. and the Elburz on the E.; is the fragment of a larger sea which extended to the Arctic Ocean; shallow in the N., deep in the S.; the waters, which are not so salt as the ocean, abound in fish, especially salmon and sturgeon.

CASS, LEWIS, an eminent American statesman, a member of the Democratic party, and openly hostile to Great Britain; though in favour of slaveholding, a friend of the Union; wrote a "History of the U.S. Indians" (1783-1866).

CASSAGNAC, GRANIER DE, a French journalist; at first an Orleanist, became a supporter of the Empire; started several journals, which all died a natural death; edited *Le Pays*, a semi-official organ; embroiled himself in duels and lawsuits without number (1806-1889).

CASSANDER, king of Macedonia, passed over in the

succession by his father Antipater; allied himself with the Greek cities; invaded Macedonia and ascended the throne; married Thesalonica, the sister of Alexander the Great, but put Alexander's mother to death, thus securing himself against all rival claimants; left his son Philip as successor (354-297 B.C.).

CASSANDREA, a beautiful Trojan princess, daughter of Priam and Hecuba, whom Apollo endowed with the gift of prophecy, but, as she had rejected his suit, doomed to utter prophecies which no one would believe, as happened with her warnings of the fate and the fall of Troy, which were treated by her countrymen as the ravings of a lunatic; her name is applied to anyone who entertains gloomy forebodings.

CASSANO, a town in the S. of Italy; also a town near Milan, scene of a French victory under Vendôme in 1705, and a French defeat under Moreau in 1799.

CASSATION, COURT OF, a court of highest and last appeal in France, appointed in the case of appeal to revise the forms of a procedure in an inferior court; it consists of a president and vice-president, 49 judges, a public prosecutor called the *procureur-général*, and six advocates-general; it consists of three sections: first, one to determine if the appeal should be received; second, one to decide in civil cases; and third, one to decide in criminal cases.

CASSEL, capital of Hesse-Cassel, an interesting town, 120 m. from Frankfurt-on-Main; it is the birthplace of Rumen.

CASSELL, JOHN, the publisher, born in Manchester; a well-made man who knew the value of knowledge and did much to extend it; founded the firm of Cassell, Petter and Galpin, afterwards Cassell & Co. (1817-1865).

CASSIANUS, JOANNES, an Eastern ascetic; came to Constantinople, and became a pupil of Chrysostom, who ordained him; founded two monasteries in Marseilles; opposed the extreme views of Augustine in regard to grace and free-will, and human depravity; and not being able to go the length of Pelagianism, adopted semi-Pelagianism, *q.v.* (360-448).

CASSINI, name of a family of astronomers of the 17th and 18th centuries, of Italian origin; distinguished for their observations and discoveries affecting the comets, the planets, and the moon; they settled, father and son and grandson, in Paris, and became in succession directors of the observatory of Paris, the last of whom died in 1844, after completing in 1793 a great topographical map of France begun by his father.

CASSIODORUS, a Latin statesman and historian, born in Calabria; prime minister of Theodoric the Great and his successor; retired into a monastery about 70, and lived there nearly 30 years; wrote a history of the Goths, and left letters of great historical value (468-508).

CASSIOPEIA, queen of Ethiopia, mother of Andromeda, placed after death among the constellations; a constellation well north in the northern sky of five stars in the figure of a W.

CASSIQUITA RIVER, a remarkable river in Venezuela, which, like a canal, connects the Rio Negro, an affluent of the Amazon, with the Orinoco.

CASSITERIDES, islands in the Atlantic, which the Phœnician sailors visited to procure tin; presumed to have been the Scilly Islands or Cornwall, which they adjoin.

CASSITERITE, a mineral occurring in metamorphic rocks; it is the chief ore of tin and is mined where the rock has been weathered and laid down in deposits. The chief workings are in Cornwall, Malay, Tasmania, West Africa, and South America.

CASSIUS, CAIUS, chief conspirator against Cæsar; won over Brutus to join in the foul plot; soon after the deed was done fled to Syria, and made himself master of it; joined his forces with those of Brutus at Philippi; repulsed on the right, thought all was lost; withdrew into his tent, and called his freedmen to kill him; Brutus, in his lamentation over him, called him the "last of the Romans" &c. d. 42 B.C.

CASSIUS, SPURIUS, a Roman, thrice chosen consul, first time 502 B.C.; subdued the Sabines, made a league with the Latins, promoted an agrarian law,

the first passed, which conceded to the plebs a share in the public lands.

CASSIVELAUNUS, a British warlike chief who unsuccessfully opposed Caesar on his second invasion of Britain, 54 B.C.; surrendered after defeat, and became tributary to Rome.

CASSOWARY, a large bird resembling the ostrich, but smaller than the emu, a native of Australia and New Guinea.

CASTALIA, a fountain at the foot of Parnassus sacred to the Muses; named after a nymph who drowned herself in it to escape Apollo.

CASTANET, bishop of Albi; procured the canonisation of St. Louis (1256-1317).

CASTAÑOR, FRANCISCO XAVIER, Duke of Bailén, a Spanish general; distinguished for his victory over the French under Dupont, whom he compelled to surrender and sign the capitulation of Bailén, in 1808; after this he served under Wellington in several engagements, and was commander of the Spanish army, ready, if required, to invade France in 1815 (1786-1852).

CASTE, rank in society of an exclusive nature due to birth or origin, such as prevails among the Hindus especially. Among them there are originally two great classes, the twice-born and the once-born, i.e. those who have passed through a second birth, and those who have not; of the former there are four grades, Brahmins, or the priestly caste, from the mouth of Brahma; Kshatriyas, or the soldier caste, from the hands of Brahma; Vaishyas, or the agricultural caste, from the loins of Brahma; and the Sudras, menials, from the feet of Brahma; notwithstanding which distinction often members of the highest class sink socially to the lowest level, and members of the lowest rise socially to the highest.

CASTEL, RENÉ-RICHARD, French poet and naturalist (1768-1832).

CASTELLAR, EMILIO, a Spanish republican, born in Cadix; an eloquent man and a literary; appointed dictator of Spain in 1873, but, not being equal to the exigency in the affairs of the State, resigned, and made way for the return of monarchy, though under protest; wrote a history of the "Republican Movement in Europe" among other works of political interest (1832-1899).

CASTELLAMARE, a port on the coast of Italy, 115 m. S.E. of Naples, the scene of Pliny's death from the eruption of Vesuvius in A.D. 79. It takes its name from a castle built on it by the Emperor Frederick II.; has a cathedral, arsenal, and manufactures.

CASTELLIO, SEBASTIANO, Protestant theologian, a protégé of Calvin for a time, till he gave expression to some heretical views, which led to a rupture; he ventured to pronounce the Song of Solomon a mere erotic poem (1515-1563).

CASTIGLIONE, a town of Sicily, on N. slope of Etna, 36 m. S.W. of Messina; famed for hazel nuts.

CASTIGLIONE, COUNT, an accomplished Italian, born in Mantua; author of "Il Cortegiano," a manual for courtiers, called by the Italians in admiration of it "The Golden Book"; had spent much of his time in courts in England and Spain, as well as Rome (1478-1529).

CASTILE, a central district of Spain, divided by the mountains of Castile into Old Castile in the N., and New Castile in the S.; the former, consisting of a high bare plateau, bounded by mountains on the N. and on the S., with a variable climate, yields wheat and good pasturage, and is rich in minerals; the latter, also tableland, has a richer soil, and yields richer produce, breeds horses and cattle, and contains besides the quicksilver mines of Almadén. Both were at one time occupied by the Moors, and were created into a kingdom in the 11th century, and united to the crown of Spain in 1469 by the marriage of Ferdinand and Isabella.

CASTLEFORD, a town 10 m. S.E. of Leeds, with extensive glass-works.

CASTLEREAGH, LORD, entered political life as a member of the Irish Parliament, co-operated with Pitt in securing the Union, after which he entered the Imperial Parliament, became War Minister (1806), till the ill-fated Walcheren expedition and a duel with Canning obliged him to resign; became Foreign Secretary in 1812, and the soul of the

coalition against Napoleon; represented the country in a congress after Napoleon's fall; succeeded his father as Marquis of Londonderry in 1821, and committed suicide the year following; his name has been unduly defamed, and his services to the country as a diplomatist have been largely overlooked (1769-1822).

CASTLETOWN, a seaport in the Isle of Man, 11 m. S.W. of Douglas, and the former capital.

CASTLEWOOD, BEATRICE, the heroine in Thackeray's "Edmond."

CASTER AND POLLUX, the Dioscuri, the twin sons of Zeus by Leda; the former great in horsemanship, and the latter in boxing; famed for their mutual affection, so that when the former was slain the latter begged to be allowed to die with him, whereupon it was agreed they should spend a day in Iliades alternately; were raised eventually to become stars in the sky, the Gemini, twin signs in the zodiac, rising and setting together; this name is also given to the electric phenomenon called St. Elmo's Fire (q.v.).

CASTREN, MATHIAS ALEXANDER, an eminent philologist, born in Finland, professor of the Finnish Language and Literature in Helsingfors; travelled all over Northern Europe and Asia, and left accounts of the races he visited and their languages; translated the "Kalevala" (q.v.), the epic of the Finns; died prematurely, worn out with his labours (1813-1862).

CASTRES, a town in the dep. of Tarn, 46 m. E. of Toulouse; was a Roman station, and one of the first places in France to embrace Calvinism.

CASTRO, GUILLEN DE, a Spanish dramatist, author of the play of "The Old," which gained him European fame; he began life as a soldier, became acquainted with Lope de Vega, and took to dramatic composition (1569-1631).

CASTRO, INEZ DE, a royal heiress of the Spanish throne in the 14th century, the beloved wife of Don Pedro, heir of the Portuguese throne; put to death out of jealousy of Spain by the latter's father, but on his accession dug out of her grave, arrayed in her royal robes, and crowned along with him, after which she was entombed again, and a magnificent monument erected over her remains.

CASTRO, JOÃO DE, a Portuguese soldier, born at Lisbon, distinguished for his exploits on behalf of Portugal; made viceroy of the Portuguese Indies, but died soon after in the arms of Francis Xavier (1500-1548).

CASTRO, VAGA DE, a Spaniard, sent out by Charles V. as governor of Peru, but addressing himself to the welfare of the natives rather than the enrichments of Spain, was ridiculed, to pine and die in prison in 1558.

CASTROGIOVANNI, a town in a strong position in the heart of Sicily, 3270 ft. above the sea-level; at one time a centre of the worship of Ceres, and with a temple to her.

CASTRUCCIO-CASTRACANI, Duke of Lucra, and chief of the chibelline party in that town, the greatest war-captain in Europe in his day; lord of hundreds of strongholds; wore on a high occasion across his breast a scroll, inscribed, "He is what God made him," and across his back another, inscribed, "He shall be what God will make" (1261-1328).

CATACOMBS, originally underground quarries, afterwards used as burial-places for the dead, found beneath Paris and in the neighbourhood of Rome, as well as elsewhere; those around Rome, some 40 in number, are the most famous, as having been used by the early Christians, not merely for burial but for purposes of worship, and are rich in monuments of art and memorials of history.

CATALANI, ANGELICA, a celebrated Italian singer and prima donna, born near Ancona; began her career in Rome with such success that it led to engagements over all the chief cities of Europe, the enthusiasm which followed her reaching its climax when she came to England, where, on her first visit, she stayed eight years; by the failure of an enterprise in Paris she lost her fortune, but soon repaired it by revisiting the capitals of Europe; died of cholera in Paris (1779-1849).

CATALONIA, old prov. of Spain, on the N.E.; has

a most fertile soil, which yields a luxuriant vegetation; chief seat of manufacture in the country, called hence the "Lancashire of Spain"; the people are specially distinguished from other Spaniards by their intelligence and energy.

CATALYSIS, the method of promoting a chemical action by the addition of a small quantity of some substance which appears to take no part in the reaction and remains unchanged at the end. A large number of industrial processes depend upon a catalytic agent, e.g. in the contact process for the manufacture of sulphuric acid, sulphur dioxide, and oxygen will only combine to give the trioxide when heated if a small quantity of platinum is present. It has been found that impurities may "poison" the catalyst and retard or prevent the action.

CATAMARCA, NW. prov. of the Argentine Republic; rich in minerals, especially copper.

CATANIA, an ancient city at the foot of Etna, to the S., on a plain called the Granary of Sicily; has been several times devastated by the eruptions of Etna, particularly in 1169, 1669, and 1693; manufactures silk, linen, and articles of amber, &c., and exports sulphur, grain, and fruits.

CATANZARO, a city in Calabria, 6 m. from the Gulf of Squillace, with an old castle of Robert Guiscard.

CATEGORICAL IMPERATIVE, Kant's name for the self-derived moral law, "universal and binding on every rational, a commandment of the autonomous, one and universal reason."

CATEGORIES are either classes under which all our notions of things may be grouped, or classes under which all our thoughts of things may be grouped; the former called Logical, we owe to Aristotle, and the latter called Metaphysical, we owe to Kant. The Logical, so derived, that group our notions, are ten in number: Substance or Being, Quantity, Quality, Relation, Place, Time, Position, Possession, Action, Passion. The Metaphysical, so derived, that group our thoughts, are twelve in number: (1) as regards quantity, Totality, Plurality, Unity; (2) as regards quality, Reality, Negation, Limitation; (3) as regards relation, Substance, Accident, Cause and Effect, Action and Reaction; (4) as regards modality, Possibility and Impossibility, Existence and Non-existence, Necessity and Contingency. John Stuart Mill resolves the categories into five: Existence, Co-existence, Succession, Causation, and Resemblance.

CATESBY, ROBERT, born in Northamptonshire, a Catholic of good birth; concerned in the famous Gunpowder Plot; shot dead three days after its discovery by officers sent to arrest him (1573-1605).

CATHARI, or **CATHARISTS**, i.e. purists or puritans, a sect of presumably Gnostic derivation, scattered here and there under different names over the S. and W. of Europe during the Middle Ages, who held the Manichean doctrine of the radically sinful nature of the flesh, and the necessity of mortifying all its desires and affections to attain purity of soul.

CATHAY, the name given to China by Marco Polo and medieval writers, which it still bears in Central Asia.

CATHART, EARL, a British general and diplomatist, born in Renfrewshire; saw service in America and Flanders; distinguished himself at the bombardment of Copenhagen; represented England at the court of Russia and the Congress of Vienna (1755-1843).

CATHART, SIR GEORGE, a lieutenant-general, son of the preceding; enlisted in the army; served in the later Napoleonic wars; was present at Quatre Bras and Waterloo; was governor of the Cape; brought the Kaffir war to a successful conclusion; served in the Crimea and fell at Inkerman (1794-1854).

CATHEDRAL, the principal church in a diocese, which contains the throne of the bishop as his seat of authority; is of a rank corresponding to the dignity of the bishop; the governing body consists of the dean and chapter.

CATHÉLINEAU, JACQUES, a famous leader of the Vendéens in their revolt against the French Republic on account of a conscription on its behalf; a peasant by birth; mortally wounded in attacking Nantes; he is remembered by the peasants of La Vendée as the "Saint of Anjou" (1759-1793).

CATHERINE, ST., OF ALEXANDRIA, a virgin who, in 307, suffered martyrdom after torture on the wheel, which has since borne her name; is represented in art as in a vision presented to Christ by His Mother as her sole husband, who gives her a ring. Festival, Nov. 25.

CATHERINE I., wife of Peter the Great and empress of Russia, daughter of a Livonian peasant; "a little stumpy body, very brown, . . . strangely chased about from the bottom to the top of the world, . . . had once been a kitchen wench"; married first to a Swedish dragoon, became afterwards the mistress of Prince Menschikoff, and then of Peter the Great, who eventually married her; succeeded him as empress, with Menschikoff as minister; for a time ruled well, but in the end gave herself up to dissipation and died (1680-1727).

CATHERINE II., THE GREAT, empress of Russia, born at Stettin, daughter of Prince of Anhalt-Zerbst; "a most clever, clear-eyed, stout-hearted woman"; became the wife of Peter III., a scandalous mortal, who was dethroned and then murdered, leaving her empress; ruled well for the country, and though her character was immoral and her reign despotic and often cruel, her efforts at reform, the patronage she accorded to literature, science, and philosophy, and her diplomatic successes, entitle her to a high rank among the sovereigns of Russia; she reigned from 1763 to 1796, and it was during the course of her reign, and under the sanction of it, that Europe witnessed the three partitions of Poland (1720-1796).

CATHERINE DE' MEDICI, daughter of Lorenzo de' Medici, wife of Henry II. of France, and mother of his three successors; on the accession of her second son, Charles IX.—for the reign of her first, Francis II., was very brief—acted as regent during his minority; joined heart and soul with the Catholics in persecuting the Huguenots, and persuaded her son to issue the order which resulted in the massacre of St. Bartholomew; on his death, which occurred soon after, she acted as regent during the minority of her third son, Henry III., and lived to see both herself and him dethroned by the whole French people, and this although she was during her ascendancy the patroness of the arts and of literature (1619-1589).

CATHERINE OF ARAGON, fourth daughter of Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain, and wife of Henry VIII., her brother-in-law as widow of Arthur, from whom and at whose instance, after 18 years of married life, and after giving birth to five children, she was divorced on the plea that as she had been his brother's wife before, it was not lawful for him to have her; after her divorce she remained in the country, led an austere religious life, and died broken-hearted. The refusal of the Pope to sanction this divorce led to the final rupture of the English Church from the Church of Rome (1485-1536).

CATHERINE OF BRAGANZA, the wife of Charles II. of England, of the royal house of Portugal; was unpopular in the country as a Catholic and neglected by her husband, on whose death, however, she returned to Portugal, and did the duties ably of regent for her brother Don Pedro (1638-1705).

CATHERINE OF SIENNA, born at Sienna, a sister of the Order of St. Dominic, and patron saint of the Order; celebrated for her ecstasies and visions and the marks which by favour of Christ she bore on her body of His sufferings on the Cross (1347-1380). Festival, April 30.

CATHERINE OF VALOIS, daughter of Charles VI. of France, and wife of Henry V. of England, who, on his marriage to her, was declared heir to the throne of France, with the result that their son was afterwards, while but an infant, crowned king of both countries; becoming a widow, she married Owen Tudor, a Welsh gentleman, whereby a grandson of his succeeded to the English throne as Henry VII., and the first of the Tudors (1401-1438).

CATHERINE PARR, the sixth wife of Henry VIII., and the daughter of a Westmorland knight; was of the Protestant faith and obnoxious to the Catholic faction, who trumped up a charge against her of heresy and treason, from which, however, she cleared herself to the satisfaction of the king, over

whom she retained her ascendancy till his death (1513-1548).

CATHERINE THEOT, a religious fanatic, born in Arranches; gave herself out as the Mother of God; appeared in Paris in 1794, and declared Robespierre a second John the Baptist and forerunner of the Word; the Committee of Public Safety had her arrested and guillotined.

CATHOLIC EMANCIPATION, the name given to the emancipation in 1829 of the Roman Catholics of the United Kingdom from disabilities which precluded their election to office in the State, so that they are eligible now to any office the Lord Chancellorship of England and offices representative of royalty.

CATHOLIC EPISTLES, the name, equivalent to encyclical, given to certain epistles in the New Testament not addressed to any community in particular but to several, and given eventually to all not written by St. Paul.

CATILINE, or LUCIUS SERGIUS CATILINA, a Roman patrician, an able man, but unscrupulously ambitious; frustrated in his political designs, he formed a conspiracy against the State, which was detected and exposed by Cicero, a discovery which obliged him to leave the city; he tried to stir up hostility outside; this too being discovered by Cicero, an army was sent against him, when an engagement ensued, in which, fighting desperately, he was slain, 62 B.C.

CATINAT, NICOLAS, a marshal of France, born in Paris; one of the greatest military captains under Louis XIV.; defeated the Duke of Savoy twice over, though defeated by Prince Eugene and compelled to retreat; was an able diplomatist as well as military strategist (1657-1712).

CATLIN, GEORGE, a traveller among the North American Indians, and author of an illustrated work on their life and manners; spent eight years among them (1796-1822).

CATO DIONYSIUS, name of the author of a book of maxims in verse, held in high favour during the Middle Ages; nothing is known of the author.

CATO, MARCUS PORCIUS, or CATO MAJOR, sur-named Censor, Friscus, and Sapiens; born at Tusculum, of a good family, and trained to rustic, frugal life; after serving occasionally in the army, removed to Rome; became in succession censor, ædile, prætor, and consul; served in the second Punic war, towards the end of it, and subjugated Spain; was a Roman of the old school; disliked and denounced all innovations, as censor dealt sharply with them; sent on an embassy to Africa, was so struck with the increasing power and the threateningly evil ascendancy of Carthage that on his return he urged its demolition, and in every speech which he delivered afterwards he ended with the words, *Ceterum censeo Carthaginem esse delendam*, "But, be that as it may, my opinion is Carthage must be destroyed" (234-149 B.C.).

CATO, MARCUS PORCIUS, or CATO THE YOUNGER, or UTICENSIS, great-grandson of the former, and a somewhat pedantic second edition of him; fortified himself by study of the Stoic philosophy; conceived a distrust of the public men of the day, Cæsar among the number; preferred Pompey to him, and sided with him; after Pompey's defeat retired to Utica, whence his surname, and stabbed himself to death rather than fall into the hands of Cæsar (95-46 B.C.).

CATO-STREET CONSPIRACY, an insignificant, abortive plot, headed by one Thistlewood, to assassinate Castlereagh and other ministers of the Crown in 1820; so called from their place of meeting off the Edgeware Road, London.

CATELAI, an old Roman earthwork, 50 m. long, passing S. from near Galashiels through Belkirk and Roxburgh, or from the Cheviots; it is known by the name of the "Devil's Dyke."

CATS, JACOB, a Dutch poet and statesman, venerated in Holland as "Father Cats"; his works are written in a simple, natural style, and abound in wise maxims; he did service as a statesman; twice visited England as an envoy, and was knighted by Charles I. (1577-1660).

CATSKILL MOUNTAINS, a group of mountains, of steep ascent and with rocky summits, in New York State, W. of the Hudson, none of them exceeding

4000 feet; celebrated as the scene of Rip Van Winkle's long slumber; belong to the Appalachians. **CATTAGAT,** an arm of the sea, 150 m. in length and 84 of greatest width, between Sweden and Jutland; a highway into the Baltic, all but blocked up with islands; is dangerous to shipping on account of the storms that infest it at times.

CATTERMOLE, GEORGE, artist, born in Norfolk; illustrated Britton's "English Cathedrals," Waverley Novels, and the "Historical Annual" by his brother; painted mostly in water-colour; his subjects chiefly from English history (1800-1868).

CATTLE PLAGUE, or Rinderpest, a disease which affects ruminants, but especially bovine cattle; indigenous to the East, Russia, Persia, India, and China, and imported into Britain only by contagion of some kind; the most serious outbreaks were in 1845 and 1872.

CATULLUS, GAIUS VALERIUS, the great Latin lyric poet, born at Verona, a man of wealth and good standing, being, it would seem, of the equestrian order; associated with the best wits in Rome; fell in love with Clodia, a patrician lady, who was the inspiration, both in peace and war, of many of his effusions, and whom he addresses as Lesbia; the death of a brother affected him deeply, and was the occasion of the production of one of the most pathetic elegies ever penned; in the civic strife of the time he sided with the senate, and opposed Cæsar to the length of directing against him a coarse lampoon (87-54 B.C.).

CAUCA, a river in Colombia, S. America, which falls into the Magdalena after a northward course of 600 m.

CAUCASIA, a prov. of Russia, geographically divided into Cis-Caucasia on the European side, and Trans-Caucasia on the Asiatic side of the Caucasus, with an area four times as large as England.

CAUCASIAN RACE, a name adopted by Blumenbach to denote the Indo-European race, from the fine type of a skull of one of the race found in Georgia.

CAUCASUS, an enormous mountain range, 750 m. in length, extending from the Black Sea ESE to the Caspian, in two parallel chains, with tablelands between, bounded on the S. by the valley of the Kur, which separates it from the tableland of Armenia; snow-line higher than that of the Alps; has fewer and smaller glaciers; has no active volcanoes, though there is abundant evidence of volcanic action.

CAUCHON, bishop of Beauvais, infamous for the iniquitous part he played in the trial and condemnation of Joan of Arc; d. 1443.

CAUCHY, AUGUSTE LOUIS, BARON, mathematician, born in Paris; wrote largely on physical subjects; his "Mémoire" on the theory of the waves suggested the undulatory theory of light; professor of Astronomy at Paris; declined to take the oath of allegiance to Napoleon III., and retired (1789-1857).

CAUDINE FORKS, a narrow mountain gorge in Samnium, in which, during the second Samnite war, a Roman army was entrapped and caught by the Samnites, who obliged them to pass under the yoke in token of subjugation, 321 B.C.

CAUL, a membrane covering the head of some children at birth, to which a magical virtue was at one time ascribed, and which, on that account, was rated high and sold often at a high price.

CAULAINCOURT, ARMAND, MARQUIS DE, a French general and statesman of the Empire, a faithful supporter of Napoleon, who conferred on him a peerage, with the title of Duke of Vicenza, of which he was deprived at the Restoration; represented Napoleon at the Congress of Châtillon (1772-1827).

CAUTERETS, a fashionable watering-place in the dep. of the Hautes-Pyrénées, 3250 ft. above the sea, with sulphurous springs of very ancient repute, 25 in number, and of varying temperature.

CAVAIGNAC, LOUIS EUGENE, a distinguished French general, born in Paris; appointed governor of Algeria in 1849, but recalled to be head of the executive power in Paris the same year; appointed dictator, suppressed the insurrection in June, after the most obstinate and bloody struggle the streets

of Paris had witnessed since the first Revolution: stood candidate for the Presidency, to which Louis Napoleon was elected; was arrested after the coup d'état, but soon released; never gave in his adherence to the Empire (1802-1857).

CAVALCASELLE, GIOVANNI BATTISTA, Italian writer on art; joint-author with J. A. Crowe of works on the "Early Flemish Masters" and the "History of Painting in Italy"; chief of the art department under the Minister of Public Instruction in Rome (1820-1897).

CAVALIERE, JEAN, leader of the Camisards (q.v.), born at Elbaute, in the dep. of Gard; bred a baker; held his own against Montreuil and Villars; in 1704 concluded peace with the latter on honourable terms; haughtily received by Louis XIV., passed over to England; served against France, and died governor of Jersey (1670-1740).

CAVALIERE, the royalist partisans of Charles I. in England in opposition to the parliamentary party, or the Roundheads, as they were called.

CAVALLO, a distinguished Italian physician, born at Naples (1740-1800).

CAVAN, inland county S. of Ulster, Ireland, with a poor soil; has minerals and mineral springs.

CAVAN, 10TH EARL OF, British soldier. Entering the Grenadier Guards, he first saw service in the Boer War, and took command of the Guards division in France in 1915. In 1917 he went to the Italian front, taking command there in 1918. He was made Chief of the Imperial General Staff in 1922 (1865-).

CAVE, EDWARD, a London bookseller, born in Warwickshire; projected the *Gentleman's Magazine*, to which Dr. Johnson contributed; was the first to give Johnson literary work, employing him as parliamentary reporter, and Johnson was much attached to him; he died with his hand in Johnson's (1691-1764).

CAVE, VISCOUNT, British politician. He entered Parliament as a Conservative in 1906, and from 1910 to 1919 was Home Secretary in the Coalition. He was Lord Chancellor in 1922 under Bonar Law, and again in 1924 under Baldwin (1856-1928).

CAVE, WILLIAM, an English divine; author of works on the Fathers of the Church and on primitive Christianity, of high repute at one time (1637-1718).

CAVELL, EDITH LOUISE, the British nurse who was shot by the Germans at Brussels in October, 1915, for harbouring refugees and facilitating their escape into Holland. After the death she was buried in Norwich Cathedral, near which town she was born. She had been matron of a Brussels hospital since 1906 (1865-1915).

CAVENDISH, the surname of the Devonshire ducal family, traceable back to the 14th century.

CAVENDISH, GEORGE, the biographer of Wolsey; never left him while he lived, and never forgot him or the lesson of his life after he was dead; this appears from the vivid picture he gives of the prelate, though written 30 years after his death (1500-1561).

CAVENDISH, LORD FREDERICK, brother of the ninth Duke of Devonshire, educated at Trinity College, Cambridge, and a Liberal; was made Chief Secretary for Ireland in 1882, but chancing to walk home one evening through the Phoenix Park, he fell a victim, stabbed to the heart, of a conspiracy that was aimed at Mr. Burke, an unpopular subordinate, who was walking with him, and who came to the same fate. Eight months after, several men were arrested as concerned in the murder, when one of them informed; five of them were hanged; the informer, Carey, was afterwards murdered, and his murderer, O'Donnell, hanged (1836-1882).

CAVENDISH, HENRY, natural philosopher and chemist, born at Nice, of the Devonshire family; devoted his entire life to scientific investigations; the first to analyse the air of the atmosphere, determine the mean density of the earth, discover the composition of water, ascertain the properties of hydrogen, and discover the presence of nitrogen in nitric acid. He was an extremely shy, retiring man; born rich and died rich, leaving over a million sterling (1781-1850).

CAVENDISH, SPENCER COMPTON, ninth Duke of Devonshire, for long known in public life as Marquis of Hartington; also educated at Trinity College,

and a leader of the Liberal Party; served under Gladstone till he adopted Home Rule for Ireland, but joined Lord Salisbury in the interest of Union, and one of the leaders of the Liberal-Unionist party (1833-1908).

CAVENDISH, THOMAS, an English navigator, fitted out three vessels to cruise against the Spaniards; extended his cruise into the Pacific; succeeded in taking valuable prizes, with which he landed in England, after circumnavigating the globe; he set out on a second cruise, which ended in disaster, and died in the island of Ascension broken-hearted (1560-1592).

CAVENDISH, WILLIAM, English courtier and cavalier in the reigns of James I. and Charles I.; joined Charles II. in exile; returned at the Restoration; was made Duke of Newcastle; wrote on horsemanship (1562-1676).

CAVENDISH, WILLIAM, first Duke of Devonshire; friend and protector of Lord William Russell; became a great favourite at court, and was raised to the dukedom (1640-1707).

CAVIARE, the roe (the immature ovaries) of the common sturgeon and other kindred fishes, caught chiefly in the Black and Caspian Seas, and prepared and salted; deemed a great luxury by those who have acquired the taste for it; largely imported from Astrakhan.

CAVOUR, COUNT CAMILLO BENSO DI, one of the greatest of modern statesmen, born the younger son of a Piedmontese family, at Turin; entered the army, but was precluded from a military career by his liberal opinions; retired, and for 16 years laboured as a private gentleman to improve the social and economic condition of Piedmont; in 1847 he threw himself into the great movement which resulted in the independence and unification of Italy; for the next 14 years, as editor of *Il Risorgimento*, member of the chamber of deputies, holder of various portfolios in the government, and ultimately as prime minister of the kingdom of Sardinia, he obtained a constitution and representative government for his country, improved its fiscal and financial condition, and raised it to a place of influence in Europe; he co-operated with the allies in the Crimean war; negotiated with Napoleon III. for the expulsion of the Austrians from Italy, and so precipitated the successful war of 1859; he encouraged Garibaldi in the expedition of 1860, which liberated Sicily and Southern Italy, and saw the parliament of 1861 summoned, and Victor Emmanuel declared king of Italy; but the strain of his labours broke his health, and he died a few months later (1810-1861).

CAWDOR, a Scottish village SW. of Nairn; scene of the murder of Duncan in Shakespeare's "Macbeth."

CAWNPORE, a city on the right bank of the Ganges, in the North-Western Provinces of India, 40 m. SW. of Lucknow, and 628 N.W. of Calcutta; the scene of one of the most fearful atrocities, perpetrated by Nana Sahib, in the Indian Mutiny in 1857.

CAXTON, WILLIAM, the first English printer, born in Kent, bred a mercer, settled for a time in Bruges, learned the art of printing there, where he printed a translation of the "Recuyell of the Historiis of Troyes," and "The Game and Playe of Chess"; returning to England, set up a press in Westminster Abbey, and in 1477 issued "Dietes and Sayings of the Philosophers," the first book printed in England, which was soon followed by many others; he was a good linguist as well as a devoted workman (1392-1491).

CAYENNE, cap. and port of French Guiana, a swampy, unhealthy place, rank with tropical vegetation; a French penal settlement since 1852.

CAYLA, COUNTESS OF, friend and confidante of Louis XVIII. (1784-1850).

CAYLEY, ARTHUR, an eminent English mathematician, professor at Cambridge, and president of the British Association in 1893 (1821-1895).

CAYLEY, CHARLES BAGOT, a linguist, translated Dante into the metre of the original, with annotations; besides metrical versions of the "Iliad," the "Prometheus" of Æschylus, the "Canzoniere" of Petrarch, &c. (1823-1893).

CAYLUS, COUNT, a distinguished archaeologist, born in Paris; author of a "Collection of Antiquities of Egypt, Etruria," &c., with excellent engravings (1892-1785).

CAYLUS, MARQUISE DE, born in Poitou, related to Mms. de Maintenon; left piquant souvenirs of the court of Louis XIV. and the house of St. Cyr (1673-1729).

CAYMAN ISLANDS, THE, are three in number and are a dependency of Jamaica, which is about 200 m. away to the south-east. They are sometimes called the Turk's and Caicos Islands; and have an area of 4900 sq. m. and a population of over 5000. When discovered by Columbus, on his voyage from Porto Bello to Hayti, they were called the Tortugas.

CAZALES, a member of the French Constituent Assembly, a dragon captain, a fervid, eloquent orator of royalism, who "earned thereby," says Carlyle, "the shadow of a name" (1758-1805).

CAZOTTE, author of the "Diable Amoureux"; victim as an enemy of the French Revolution; spared for his daughter's sake for a time, but guillotined at last; left her a "lock of his old grey hair" (1720-1792).

CEAN-BERNUDEZ, JUAN, a Spanish writer on art; author of a biographical dictionary of the principal artists of Spain (1749-1829).

CEARA, cap. of the prov. of the name, in N. of Brasil.

CEBES, a Greek philosopher, disciple and friend of Socrates, reputed author of the "Pinax" or Tablet, a once popular book on the secret of life, being an allegorical representation of the temptations that beset it.

CECIL, ROBERT, EARL OF SALISBURY, succeeded his father, Lord Burielgh, as first Minister under Elizabeth, and continued in office under James I., whose friendship he sedulously cultivated before his accession, and who created him earl (1556-1612). See BURLEIGH, LORD.

CECIL, VISCOUNT, OF CHELWOOD (Lord Robert Cecil), British politician. A son of the Marquess of Salisbury, he spent 19 years at the bar before entering Parliament as a Conservative in 1906. He became Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs in 1915, and was given a seat in the Cabinet in 1916, later representing Great Britain at the Peace Conference and doing a great deal to establish the League of Nations. He served in the Baldwin Government of 1924 until he resigned, as he thought its peace policy insufficient, and he again represented Britain at Geneva when Labour took office in 1929 (1864-).

CECILIA, ST., a Roman virgin and martyr, A.D. 230, patron saint of music, especially church music, and reputed inventor of the organ; sometimes represented as holding a small organ, with her head turned heavenwards as if listening to the music of the spheres, and sometimes as playing on an organ and with a heavenly expression of face. Festival, Nov. 22.

CECROPE, the mythical first king and civiliser of Attica and founder of Athens with its citadel, dedicated by him to Athena, whence the name of the city.

CEDAR RAPIDS, a manufacturing town in Iowa, U.S.; a great railway centre.

CELADON, poetical name for a languid swain, all sighs and longings; a character in Thomson's "Seasons."

CELENO, name of one of the Harpies (g.r.).

CELEBES, an island in the centre of the Eastern Archipelago, third in size, in the shape of a body with four long limbs, traversed by mountain chains, and the greater part of it a Dutch possession, though it contains a number of small native states; it yields among its mineral products gold, copper, tin, &c.; and among its vegetable, tea, coffee, rice, sugar, pepper, &c.; capital, Macassar.

CELESTIE, MIMI, actress and dancer, born in Paris; made her debut in New York; in great repute in England, and particularly in the States, where she in her second visit realised \$40,000 (1814-1832).

CELESTINE, the name of five Popes: C. I., Pope from 422 to 432; C. II., Pope from 1143 to 1144; C. III., Pope from 1191 to 1198; C. IV., Pope for 18 days in 1241; C. V., Pope in 1294, a hermit for 60 years; nearly 80 when elected against his wish; abdicated in five months; imprisoned by order of Boniface VIII.; d. 1296; canonised 1313.

CELESTINE, an order of monks founded by Celestine V. before he was elected Pope; they followed the rule of the Benedictine Order, and led a contemplative life.

CELL THEORY of biology, that all organisms are made up of cells. In the early days the cell was considered as an elementary particle, but later the microscope showed that the cell had a complicated structure. The cell consists of a nucleus surrounded by a fluid containing colloidal proteins. The nucleus itself contains the chromosomes, which transmit the hereditary characters. The fluid surrounding the cell is known as the cytoplasm.

CELLINI, BENVENUTO, a celebrated engraver, sculptor, and goldsmith, a most versatile and erratic genius, born at Florence; had to leave Florence for a brawl he was involved in, and went to Rome; wrought as a goldsmith there for 20 years, patronised by the nobles; killed the Constable de Bourbon at the sack of the city; and for this received plenary indulgence from the Pope; Francesco I. attached him to his court and kept him in his service five years, after which he returned to Florence and executed his famous bronze "Perseus with the Head of Medusa," which occupied him four years; was a man of a quarrelsome temper, which involved him in no end of scrapes with sword as well as tongue; left an autobiography, from its self-dissection of the deepest interest to all students of human nature (1500-1571).

CELLULOSE, a translucent substance manufactured from cellulose. It is used extensively for a variety of purposes.

CELLULOSE, the carbohydrate which forms the framework of all vegetable tissues. Linen, cotton, paper, &c., are nearly pure cellulose. Cellulose can be hydrolysed to give sugars, and on nitration gives gunotton and products used in the manufacture of artificial silk.

CELSIUS, ANDERS, a distinguished Swedish astronomer, born at Upsala, and professor of Astronomy there; inventor of the Centigrade scale for thermometers (1701-1744).

CELSUS, a celebrated Roman physician of the age of Augustus, and perhaps later; famed as the author of "De Medicina," a work often referred to, and valuable as one of the sources of our knowledge of the medicine of the ancients.

CELSUS, AULUS, or AURELIUS, a philosopher of the 2nd century, and notable as the first assailant on philosophic grounds of the Christian religion, particularly as regards the power it claims to deliver from the evil that is inherent in human nature, inseparable from it, and implanted in it not by God, but some inferior being remote from Him; the book in which he attacked Christianity is no longer extant, only quotations from it scattered over the pages of the defence of Origen in reply.

CELTIC, an ancient Spanish race occupying the centre of the peninsula, sprung from a blending of the aborigines and the Celts who invaded the country; "a brave race, divided into four tribes; distinguished in war both as cavalry and infantry, whom the Romans had much trouble in subduing."

CELTIC, The W. of Europe was in prehistoric times subjected to two invasions of Aryan tribes, all of whom are now referred to as Celts. The earlier invaders were Goidels or Gaels; they conquered the Iberian and Iberian peoples of ancient Gaul, Britain, and Ireland; their successors, the Brythons or Britons, pouring from the E., drove them to the westernmost borders of these countries, and there compelled them to make common cause with the surviving Iberians in resistance; in the eastern parts of the conquered territories they formed the bulk of the population, in the W. they were in a dominant minority; study of languages in the British Isles leads to the conclusion that the Irish, Manx, and Scottish Celts belonged chiefly to the earlier immigration, while the Welsh and Cornish represent the latter; the true Celtic type is tall, red or fair, and blue-eyed, while the short, swarthy type, so long considered Celtic, is now held to represent the original Iberian races.

CEMENTITE, name given in the steel industry to one of the carbides of iron.

CENCI, THE, a Roman family celebrated for their crimes and misfortunes as well as their wealth. Francesco Cenci was twice married, had had twelve children by his first wife, whom he treated cruelly; after his second marriage cruelly treated the children of his first wife, but conceived a criminal passion for the youngest of them, a beautiful girl named Beatrice, whom he outraged, upon which, being unable to bring him to justice, she, along with her stepmother and a brother, hired two assassins to murder him; the crime was found out, and all three were beheaded (1599); this is the story on which Shelley founded his tragedy, but it is now discredited.

CENIS, MONT., one of the Cottian Alps, over which Napoleon constructed a pass 6884 ft. high in 1802-1810, through which a tunnel 7½ m. long passes from Modane to Bardonnèche, connecting France with Italy; the construction of this tunnel cost £3,000,000, and Napoleon's pass a tenth of the sum.

CENOTAPH, the British national War Memorial in Whitehall, designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens.

CENSORS, two magistrates of ancient Rome, who held office at first for five years and then eighteen months, and whose duty it was to keep a register of the citizens, guard the public morals, collect the public revenue, and superintend the public property.

CENSUS, a periodical numbering of the people, now held in Britain every ten years. The first in England was that of 1801.

CENTAURS, a savage race living between Pelion and Ossa, in Thessaly, and conceived of at length by Pindar as half men and half horses, treated as embodying the relation between the spiritual and the animal in man and nature, in all of whom the animal prevails over the spiritual, except in Chiron, who therefore figures as the trainer of the heroes of Greece; in the mythology they figure as the progeny of Centaurus, son of Ixion (q.v.) and the cloud, their mothers being mares.

CENTIGRADE SCALE, the thermometric scale having the freezing-point of water 0° and the boiling-point 100°. It is used for everyday purposes in most of the countries of the world except Germany and the English-speaking countries, and for scientific purposes everywhere. It was introduced by Celsius. To change a Centigrade reading to Fahrenheit multiply by nine, divide by five, and add three-two; to Fahrenheit, multiply by 4 and divide by 5.

CENTRAL AMERICA, territory of fertile tableland sloping gradually to both oceans, occupied chiefly by a number of small republics, lying between Tehuantepec and Panama in N. America; it includes the republics of Guatemala, Honduras, St. Salvador, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica, and a few adjoining fractions of territory.

CENTRAL AUSTRALIA, a portion of the Northern Territory which under the Northern Australia Act of 1926 was divided into two parts, North (q.v.) and Central respectively; Central A. extends from the 20th parallel of south latitude to the borders of South A., is bounded on the W. by W. Australia, and on the E. by Queensland; it is administered by a Government Resident who is assisted by an Advisory Council; area 236,564 sq. m.; is traversed by the MacDonnell and James ranges; produces gold and mica.

CENTRAL ELECTRICITY BOARD, THE, the body established in 1927 under the Electricity Supply Act to supervise regional schemes for the supply of electric power.

CENTRAL INDIA, includes a group of feudatory States lying between Rajputana in the N. and Central Provinces in the S.

CENTRAL PROVINCES, States partly British and partly native occupying the N. of the Deccan, and lying between the Nerbudda and the Godavary.

CENTRE OF GRAVITY, that point of a body through which the resultant of the earth's attractive forces on all its particles passes. A body behaves as if its whole mass were concentrated at its centre of gravity.

CEOS, one of the Cyclades, a small island 13 m. by 8 m., yields fruits; was the birthplace of Simonides and Bacchylides.

CEPHALOPODS, a group of marine molluscs, including cuttle fishes, squids, and nautilus, and the extinct ammonites (q.v.).

CEPHALONIA, the largest of the Ionian Islands, 80 m. long, the ancient Samos; yields grapes and olive oil.

CEPHALUS, king of Thessaly, who, having involuntarily killed his wife Procris, in despair put himself to death with the same weapon. He was a contemporary of Plato.

CEPHEIDS, a class of variable stars of average period 7 days, whose variation is not due to eclipse (see BINARY STARS and ALGOL). These pulsatory stars are generally found in clusters. No satisfactory explanation of the cause of their variation has been found, although their periods have been shown to depend upon their absolute brightness.

CERAM, the largest of S. Molucca Islands, yields sago, which is chiefly cultivated and largely exported.

CERBERUS, the three-headed or three-throated monster that guarded the entrance to the nether world of Pluto; could be soothed by music, and tempted by honey; only Hercules overcame him by sheer strength, dragging him by neck and crop to the upper world.

CERES, the Latin name for Demeter (q.v.); also the name of one of the asteroids, the first discovered by Piazzi in 1801.

CERI'GO, an Ionian island, the southernmost, the ancient Cythera; yields wine and fruits.

CERINTHUS, a heresiarch of the first century, whom, according to tradition, St. John held in special detestation, presumably as denying the Father and the Son.

CERUM, one of the rare earth group of metallic elements, found in monazite sand.

CERRO DE PASCO, a town in Peru, 14,200 ft. above the sea-level, with the richest silver mine in S. America.

CERUTTI, a Jesuit, born at Turin; became a Revolutionary in France; pronounced the funeral oration at the grave of Mirabeau in 1789.

CERVANTES-SAAVEDRA, MIGUEL DE, the author of "Don Quixote," born at Alcalá de Henares; was distinguished in arms before he became distinguished in letters; fought in the battle of Lepanto like a very hero, and bore away with him as a "maimed soldier" marks of his share in the struggle; sent on a risky embassy, was captured by pirates and remained in their hands five years; was ransomed by his family at a cost which beggared them, and it was only when his career as a soldier closed that he took himself to literature; began as a dramatist before he devoted himself to prose romance; wrote no fewer than 30 dramas; the first part of the work which has immortalised his name appeared in 1605, and the second in 1615; it took the world by storm, was translated into all the languages of Europe, but the fortune which was extended to his book did not extend to himself, for he died poor some ten days before his great contemporary, William Shakespeare; though carefully written, "Don Quixote" is one of the few books of all time, and is as fresh to-day as when it was first written (1647-1616).

CERVIN, MONT., the French name for the Matterhorn, 14,705 ft., the summit of the Pennine Alps, between Valais and Piedmont.

CESAREWITCH, the eldest son and heir of the Czars of Russia before the revolution.

CE'SARI, GIUSEPPE, sometimes called ARPINO, an eminent Italian painter; painted a series of frescoes in the Conservatorio of the Capitol illustrative of events in the history of Rome (1568-1640).

CESAROTTI, an Italian poet, translator of the "Iliad" and "Ossian" into Italian (1730-1806).

CESTUS, a girdle worn by Greek and Roman women, especially the girdle of Aphrodite, so embellished with symbols of the joys of love that no susceptible soul could resist the power of it; it was borrowed by Hera to captivate Zeus.

CETEOSAURUS, a species of dinosaur somewhat resembling a whale. Remains of this reptile have been found in the Oolite Beds of the Jurassic in England. It was a herbivorous quadruped.

CETINJE, the former capital of Montenegro, in a valley 2000 ft. high; now in Jugoslavia.

CETTE, a seaport, trading, and manufacturing town, on a tongue of land between the lagoon of Thau and

the Mediterranean, 23 m. SW. of Montpellier, with a large safe harbourage.

CEUTA, a port opposite Gibraltar belonging to Spain, on the coast of Morocco, guarded by a fort on one of the Pillars of Hercules, overlooking it; of importance as a military and convict station.

CEVENNES, a range of low mountains on the eastern edge of the central plateau of France, separating the basin of the Rhône from those of the Loire and Garonne; average height from 3000 to 4000 ft.; the chief scene of the dragnonnades against the Huguenots under Louis XIV.

CEYLON, a pear-shaped island about the size of Scotland, separated from India, to which it geographically belongs, and SE. of which it lies, by Palk Strait, 32 m. broad; comprises a lofty, central tableland with numerous peaks, the highest Talagalla, 8000 ft., and a broad border of well-watered plains. It was an ancient centre of civilisation; the soil is everywhere fertile; the climate is hot, but more equable than on the mainland; the chief products are tea, cinnamon, and tobacco; the forests yield satin-wood, ebony, &c.; the coconut palm abounds; there are extensive deposits of iron, anthracite, and plumbago; precious stones, sapphires, rubies, amethysts, &c., are in considerable quantities; the pearl fisheries are a valuable government monopoly. The chief exports are tea, rice, cotton goods, and coal. Two-thirds of the people are Singhalese and Buddhists; there are 6000 Europeans. The island is a crown colony, the largest in the British Empire, administered by a governor with executive and legislative councils; the capital and chief port is Colombo.

CEZANNE, PAUL, French painter. One of the pioneers of Impressionism, his work was for long rejected by the Salon, though his pictures are to be found in the Louvre. Landscapes and flowers were his forte (1839-1906).

CHABAS, FRANÇOIS, a French Egyptologist, born in Briançon; his works have contributed much to elucidate the history of the invasion and repulsion of the Hyksos in Egypt (1817-1882).

CHABOT, a member of the National Convention of France, a "disfranchised Capuchin," adjoined "Heaven," amid enthusiasm, "that at least they may have done with kings"; guillotined (1759-1794).

CHACKTAW INDIANS. See **CHOCKTAW**.

CHAD, LAKE, a shallow lake in the Sahara, of varied extent according as the season is dry or rainy; at its largest covering an area as large as England, and abounding in hippopotamuses, rhinoceroses, &c., as well as waterfowl and fish.

CHADBAND, REV. MR., a character in Dickens' "Black House."

CHADWICK, SIR EDWIN, an English social reformer, born in Manchester, associated with measures bearing upon sanitation and the improvement of the poor-laws, and connected with the administration of them (1801-1890).

CHERONEA, a town in Boeotia, where Philip of Macedon defeated the Athenians and extinguished the liberties of Greece.

CHALAIS, COUNT DE, a favourite of Louis XIII., accused of conspiracy against Richelieu, arrested at Nantes, and beheaded (1599-1626).

CHALCEDON, a city of Bithynia, at the entrance of the Thracian Bosphorus, where the fourth Council of the Church was held in 451, which defined the orthodox conception of Christ as God-man.

CHALCEDONY, rock found in the form of pebbles composed of concentric layers of silica, often of different colours. The centre is sometimes filled with a crystalline mass of quartz. They have been formed by deposition in the cavities of rocks by percolating water.

CHALCEDICE, the three-fingered peninsula of the Balkan territory stretching into the Egean Sea.

CHALCIS, the ancient capital of Eubœa or Negropont.

CHALDEA, ancient name for Babylonia.

CHALAPINE, THEODORE IVANOVITCH, Russian singer. Brought up a shoemaker, he gained a place in a cathedral choir. In 1890 he joined an opera company as a bass and later was in the State operas of Moscow and St. Petersburg, since when he has

appeared in several capitals in Europe and America (1873-).

CHALLER, a Piedmontese, head of the party of the Mountain at Lyons; his execution the signal for an insurrection at Lyons against the Convention (1747-1793).

CHALLENGER EXPEDITION, a scientific expedition sent out by the British Government in the *Challenger* in 1872 in the interest of science, and under the management of scientific experts, to various stations over the globe, to explore the ocean, and ascertain all manner of facts regarding its open to observation, an expedition which concluded its operations in 1876, of which as many as 50 volumes of reports have been compiled.

CHALLONER, RICHARD, a Roman Catholic bishop, born at Lewes; a zealous Catholic, author of "Garden of the Soul," a popular devotional book, as well as several controversial works (1661-1781).

CHALMERS, ALEXANDER, a miscellaneous writer, born at Aberdeen; settled in London; edited the "British Essayists" in 45 vols., and author of "A General Biographical Dictionary" (1759-1834).

CHALMERS, GEORGE, an English publicist, born at Pochabers, author of "An Account, Historical and Topographical, of North Britain" (1742-1825).

CHALMERS, JAMES, Scottish missionary and explorer; visited Karatonga and New Guinea, in the latter island contributing greatly to the establishment of the British protectorate; killed by cannibals (1841-1901).

CHALMERS, THOMAS, a celebrated Scottish ecclesiastic and pulpit orator, born at Anstruther, Fife; he was not much of a scholar or even a theologian, but a great man, and a great force in the religious life of his country; though the first pulpit-orator of his day, and though he wrote largely as well as eloquently, he left no writings worthy of him except the "Astronomical Discourses" perhaps, to perpetuate his memory; he was distinguished for his practical sagacity, and was an expert at organisation (1780-1847).

CHALONS-SUR-MARNE, capital of the French dep. of Marne, 100 m. E. of Paris, where Attila was defeated by the Romans and Goths in 451; Napoleon III. formed a camp near it for the training of troops.

CHALONS-SUR-SAÔNE, a trading centre some 80 m. N. of Lyons; manufactures machinery, glass, paper, and chemicals.

CHÂLUS, chief town of the French dep. of Haute-Vienne, where Richard Cœur de Lion was mortally wounded in 1199 by an arrow.

CHAM, the pseudonym of the French caricaturist Amédée de Noé, famous for his humorous delineations of Parisian life (1819-1879).

CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES, a French legislative assembly, elected now by universal suffrage.

CHAMBERLAIN, RT. HON. ARTHUR NEVILLE, British politician. Second son of Joseph Chamberlain, he spent his early life in municipal politics in Birmingham, where he was Lord Mayor. In 1922 he became Postmaster-General under Bonar Law, was Minister of Health in 1923, and succeeded Baldwin as Chancellor of the Exchequer the same year. In Baldwin's second Government of 1924-1929 he was Minister of Health and fostered the Daring Bill (1889-).

CHAMBERLAIN, RT. HON. JOSEPH, born in London, connected as a business man with Birmingham; after serving the latter city in a municipal capacity, was elected the parliamentary representative in 1874; became President of the Board of Trade under Mr. Gladstone in 1880, and chief promoter of the Bankruptcy Bill; broke with Mr. Gladstone on his Home Rule measure for Ireland, and joined the Liberal-Unionists; distinguished himself under Lord Salisbury as Colonial Secretary. It was he who raised the tariff reform issue in 1905 which led to the defeat of the Conservative party (1836-1914).

CHAMBERLAIN, RT. HON. SIR JOSEPH AUSTEN, British politician. Elder son of Joseph Chamberlain, he entered Parliament as a Liberal-Unionist in 1892, and became a Lord of the Admiralty three years later, being made Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1903. On the fall of the Unionists in 1905 he

- remained out of office till 1916, when he joined the Coalition Government as Secretary for India. In 1919 he was again Chancellor of the Exchequer; from 1921 to the fall of the Coalition he was leader of the House; and in 1924 he joined Baldwin's Government as Foreign Secretary, holding the post till the Government fell in 1929 (1868-).
- CHAMBERS, EPHRAIM**, an English writer, born in Kendal, author of a cyclopaedia which bears his name, and which formed the basis of subsequent ones, as Johnson confessed it did of his Dictionary (1680-1760).
- CHAMBERS, GEORGE**, an English marine painter, born at Whitby (1803-1840).
- CHAMBERS, ROBERT**, brother of the succeeding and in the same line of life, but of superior accomplishments, especially literary and scientific, which served him well in editing the publications issued by the firm; was the author of a great many works of a historical, biographical, and scientific, as well as literary interest; wrote the "Vestiges of Creation," a book on evolutionary lines which made no small stir at the time of publication, 1844, and for a time afterwards, the authorship of which he was slow to own (1802-1871).
- CHAMBERS, WILLIAM**, born at Peebles; apprenticed to a bookseller in Edinburgh, and commenced business on his own account in a small way; edited with his brother the "Gazetteer of Scotland"; started, in 1832, *Chambers's Edinburgh Journal* to meet a demand of the time for popular instruction; in company with his brother founded a printing and publishing establishment; was a distinguished Edinburgh citizen, and did much for the expansion and improvement of the city (1800-1883).
- CHAMBERS, SIR WILLIAM**, architect, born at Stockholm, of Scottish origin; architect of Somerset House; was of the Johnson circle of wits (1726-1798).
- CHAMBERY**, chief town of dep. of Savoy, in a beautiful district; is the ancient capital, and contains the castle, of the dukes of Savoy; manufactures cloth, wines, soap, and textile fabrics; is also a summer resort.
- CHAMBEZE**, a head-stream of the Congo, N. of Lake Nyassa.
- CHAMBORD**, spacious château in the dep. of Loire-et-Cher, France, built by Francis I.; after being long a residence for royalty and people of distinction, was presented in 1821 to the Duc de Bordeaux, the Comte de Chambord.
- CHAMBORD, COMTE DE**, Duc de Bordeaux, son of the Duc de Berri and grandson of Charles X., born in Paris; exiled in 1830, he sought refuge in England with his grandfather; his father and grandfather being dead, the monarchical party resolved to attempt a restoration in his behalf in 1872, but he refused to adopt the tricolour flag of the Revolution, and the scheme was abandoned, a like opportunity offering itself twice before being let slip; died at Froehdorf, in Austria, without issue (1820-1883).
- CHAMBER ARDENNE**, a name given to certain courts of justice established to try certain cases that required to be sharply dealt with; they were held at night, and even when held in the daytime, with lighted torches; a court of the kind was instituted for trial of the Huguenots in 1680, and again in 1680 and 1716.
- CHAMFORT, NICOLAS**, French wit and littérateur, born in Auvergne; took to the Revolution, but offended the leaders, and, being threatened with arrest, committed suicide; he was a born cynic, and was famous for his keen insight into human nature and his sharp criticisms of it, summed up in a collection of maxims he left, as well as for his anecdotes in incisive portraiture of character (1741-1794).
- CHAMILLARD**, Minister of Finance and of War under Louis XIV.; "distinguished himself by his incapacity" (1651-1721).
- CHAMBERG, ADELBERT VON**, a German naturalist and littérateur, born in France, but educated in Berlin; is famous for his poetical productions, but especially as the author of "Peter Schlemihl" the man who lost his shadow, which has been translated into nearly every European language; he wrote several works on natural history (1781-1838).
- CHAMMOUNI, or CHAMONIX**, a village in the dep. of Haute-Savoie, 33 m. SE. of Geneva, in a valley forming the upper basin of the Arve, famous for its beauty and for its glaciers; it is from this point that the ascent of Mont Blanc is usually made.
- CHAMOUSSET**, a French philanthropist, born in Paris; the originator of mutual benefit societies (1717-1778).
- CHAMPAGNE**, an ancient province of France, 180 m. long by 150 broad, annexed to the Crown, 1286, and including the depts. of Aube, Haute-Marne, Marne, and Ardennes; the province where the wine of the name is principally manufactured.
- CHAMP-DE-MARS**, a large space of ground in Paris, between the front of the Ecole Militaire and the left bank of the Seine; the scene of the Federation Fête, July 14, 1790.
- CHAMPLAIN**, a beautiful lake between the States of New York and Vermont; it is 100 m. in length, and from 1 m. at its S. end to 14 m. at its N. end broad.
- CHAMPLAIN, SAMUEL DE**, a French navigator, born at Brouage, in Saintonge, was founder of Quebec, and French Governor of Canada; wrote an account of his voyages (1607-1685).
- CHAMPOLLION, JEAN FRANÇOIS**, a celebrated French Egyptologist, born in Figeac, dep. of Lot; early gave himself to the study of Coptic and Egyptian antiquities; was the first to decipher the hieroglyphics of ancient Egypt, a great discovery; conducted a scientific expedition to Egypt in 1828, and returned in 1830 with the fruits of his researches; a chair of Egyptology was in consequence instituted in the College of France, and he was installed as the first professor; his writings on the science, of which he laid the foundation, are numerous (1790-1832).
- CHAMPS-ELYSEES**, a Parisian promenade between the Place de la Concorde and the Arc de Triomphe.
- CHANAË**, a town of the sanjak of Bigha, Asia Minor, on the Dardanelles. It was unsuccessfully attacked by the Allied fleet in March, 1915, and was occupied in 1922 by the British to check the advance of the Kemalist forces, the incident nearly resulting in war, a catastrophe prevented by the tact of Sir Charles Harington, who commanded the troops.
- CHANCELLOR, RICHARD**, an English seaman, who, voyaging in northern parts, arrived in the White Sea, and travelled to Moscow, where he concluded a commercial treaty with Russia on behalf of an English company; wrote an interesting account of his visit; after a second voyage, in which he visited Moscow, was wrecked on the coast of Aberdeenshire in 1556.
- CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER**, THE, the member of the Cabinet in charge of the nation's finances, to whom is entrusted the task of introducing an annual budget. The office dates from 1221.
- CHANDERNAGORE**, a small town and territory on the Hooghly, 22 m. N. of Calcutta, belonging to France.
- CHANDLER, RICHARD**, a learned Hellenistic archaeologist, born in Hants; travelled in Asia Minor and Greece, together with two artists, to examine and describe the antiquities; the materials collected were published in his "Ionian Antiquities," "Travels in Asia Minor," &c. (1738-1810).
- CHANDOS**, an English title inherited by the Grenville family, of Norman origin.
- CHANDOS, JOHN**, a celebrated English general in the 14th century; was present at Crécy, governor of English provinces in France ceded by Treaty of Bretigny; defeated and took prisoner Du Guesclin of Aragon; served under the Black Prince, and was killed near Poitiers, 1369.
- CHANGARNIER, NICOLAS**, French general, born at Autun; distinguished himself in Algeria, was exiled after the coup-d'état, returned in 1870, served in the Franco-German war; surrendered at Metz, at the close of the war came back and assisted in reorganising the army (1793-1877).
- CHANNEL, ENGLISH**, an arm of the Atlantic between France and England, 280 m. long and 100 m. wide at the mouth; the French call it *La Manche* (the sleeve) from its shape.
- CHANNEL FERRIES** have been in operation for

years: among others there is that from Copenhagen to Malmö, 19 miles; another is from Warnemünde to Gdynia, 26 m.; there is one across Chesapeake Bay of 38 m.; during the Great War a regular train ferry service for military purposes was run by the Inland Waterways Section of the Royal Engineers from Richborough to Dunkirk, 54 m., and Calais, 35 m.; and the same corps also ran another ferry from Southampton to Dunkirk, 130 m., and afterwards from Southampton to Calais, but in each case Dunkirk had to be abandoned as being too exposed to enemy action. The ferry, with the boats used at Richborough and Southampton, is now in operation between Harwich and Zebruges.

CHANNEL ISLANDS, a group of small islands off the NW. coast of France, of which the largest are Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, and Sark; formerly part of the Duchy of Normandy, and now all that remains to Britain of her French dominions, being subject to her since 1066; have a delightful climate, mild and bright, and varied and beautiful scenery; the soil is fertile; flowers and fruit are grown for export to Britain, also early potatoes for the London market; Guernsey bears and Jersey cows are famous; valuable quarries of granite are wrought; the language is Norman-French.

CHANNEL SWIMMING. The English Channel was first swum from England to France in August, 1875, by Capt. Matthew Webb, who took 21 hrs. 45 mins. It was not till 1911 that the feat was repeated, and not till 1923 that Webb's time was beaten by S. Tiraboschi, who swam from France to England in 16 hrs. 53 mins., the first crossing from France. Gertrude Ederle, of America, was the first woman to accomplish the swim, in 1926.

CHANNING, WILLIAM ELLERY, a Unitarian preacher and miscellaneous writer, born at Newport, Rhode Island, U.S.; a man of the most liberal sentiments, who shrank from being classed with any sect; ranked high in point of moral character; was a vigorous thinker and eloquent with the pen (1780-1842).

CHANSONS DE GESTES (i.e. Songs of Deeds), poems of a narrative kind much in favour in the Middle Ages, relating in a legendary style the history and exploits of some famous hero, such as the "Chanson de Roland," ascribed to Théroutle, a trouvère of the 9th century.

CHANTREY, SIR FRANCIS, an English sculptor, born in Derbyshire; was apprenticed to a carver and glazier in Sheffield; displayed a talent for drawing and modelling; received a commission to execute a marble bust for the parish church, which was so successful as to procure him further commissions; executed four colossal busts of admirals for Greenwich Hospital; being expert at portraiture, his busts were likenesses; executed busts of many of the most illustrious men of the time, among them of Sir Walter Scott, Wordsworth, Southey, and Wellington, as well as of royal heads; made a large fortune, and left it (the Chantrey Bequest) for the encouragement of art (1781-1842).

CHANZY, ANTOINE EUGÈNE, French general, born at Nouart, Ardennes; served in Algeria; commanded the army of the Loire in 1870-1871; distinguished himself by his brilliant retreat from Mans to Laval; was afterwards Governor-General in Algeria (1823-1869).

CHAPBOOKS, a cheap issue of pamphlets in the early part of the 17th century, containing popular romances and legends, or devoted to astrology, palmistry, and the interpretation of dreams; similar publications appeared in France and Germany.

CHAPELAIN, JEAN, a French poet, protégé of Richelieu, born at Paris; composed a pretentious poem on Joan of Arc, entitled "Pucelle," which was laughed out of existence on the appearance of the first half, consisting of only 12 of the 24 books promised; the remainder of the work was not issued until 1882, and did not add materially to the poet's reputation (1595-1674).

CHAPLIN, CHARLES, film comedian. Born in London, he emigrated to America, and after a time on the stage took to film work in the early days of

the art. His comic genius gave the cinema its first wide appeal and earned him a fortune (1889-). **CHAPMAN, GEORGE**, English dramatic poet, born at Hitholin, Hertfordshire; wrote numerous plays, both in tragedy and comedy, as well as poems, of unequal merit, but his great achievement, and the one on which his fame rests, is his translation into verse of the works of Homer, which, though not always true to the letter, is instinct with somewhat of the freshness and fire of the original; his translation is reckoned the best yet done into English verse, and the best rendering into verse of any classic, ancient or modern. It was the poem that inspired Keats' sonnet "On First Looking into Chapman's Homer" (1850-1894).

CHAPPELL, WILLIAM, musical amateur, collector and editor of old English airs, and contributor to the history of English national music; was one of the founders of the Musical Antiquarian Society, and the Percy Society (1800-1888).

CHAPTAL, JEAN ANTOINE, COMTE DE CHANTELOUP, a distinguished French chemist and statesman, born at Nogaret, Lozère; author of inventions in connection with the manufacture of alum and saltpetre, the bleaching and the dyeing of cotton; held office under Napoleon, and rendered great service to the arts and manufactures of his country (1756-1832).

CHARCOT, JEAN MARTIN, a French pathologist; made a special study of nervous diseases, including hypnotism, and was eminent for his works in connection therewith (1825-1893).

CHARDIN, SIR JOHN, traveller, born in Paris; author of "Travels in India and Persia," valuable for their accuracy (1648-1713).

CHARENTE, a dep. of France, W. of the Gironde, capital, Angoulême; with vast chestnut forests; produces wines, mostly distilled into brandy.

CHARENTE-INFÉRIEURE, a maritime dep. of France, W. of the former; includes the islands of Ré, Oléron, Aix, and Madame; capital, La Rochelle.

CHARENTE DE LA CONTRÉE, FRANÇOIS ATHANASE, the leader of the insurrection in La Vendée; active in prosecuting guerilla warfare against the Convention; defeated by General Hoche, captured and executed (1763-1796).

CHARITY COMMISSIONERS, a public body set up in 1858 to supervise charitable trusts and endowed schools, most of its work in connection with the latter being transferred to the Board of Education in 1899.

CHARLEMAGNE, Charles or Karl the Great, the first Carolingian king of the Franks, son and successor of Pepin le Bref (the Short); became sole ruler on the death of his brother Carloman in 771; he subjugated by his arms the southern Gauls, the Lombards, the Saxons, and the Avars, and conducted a successful expedition against the Moors in Spain, with the result that his kingdom extended from the Ebro to the Elbe; having passed over into Italy in support of the Pope, he was on Christmas Day, 800, crowned Emperor of the West, after which he devoted himself to the welfare of his subjects, and proved himself as great in legislation as in arms; enacted laws for the empire called capitularies, reformed the judicial administration, patronised letters, and established schools; kept himself in touch with everything over his vast domain; he died and was buried at Aix-la-Chapelle (742-814).

CHARLEROI, a manufacturing town in Hainault, Belgium, 35 m. SE. of Brussels; a centre of the coal and iron industries.

CHARLES II., surnamed **THE BALD**, son of Louis "le Débonnaire"; after conquering his brother Lothaire at Fontenoy in 841, became by the treaty of Verdun king of France, 843; was unable to defend his kingdom against the Normans; went to Italy, and had himself crowned emperor at Rome (823-877).

CHARLES III., surnamed **THE SIMPLE**; became king of France in 893; his reign one long struggle against the Normans, which ended by conceding Normandy to Rollo; was conquered by Hugh Capet, a rival for the crown, at Soissons, and dethroned in 922; died in captivity (879-929).

CHARLES IV., THE FAIR, third son of Philip the Fair, king of France from 1322 to 1328; lost to France Guenne, which was taken from him by the English; was the last of the Capets (1294-1328).

CHARLES V., THE WISE, son of John II., king of France from 1361 to 1380; recovered from the English almost all the provinces they had conquered, successes due to his own prudent policy, and especially the heroism of Du Guesclin, De Clisson, and De Boucicaut; France owed to him important financial reforms, the extension of privileges to the universities, and the establishment of the first national library, into which were gathered together thousands of MSS.; the Bastille was founded in his reign (1337-1380).

CHARLES VI., THE WELL-BELOVED, king of France from 1380 to 1422, was son and successor of Charles V.; began his reign under the guardianship of his uncles, who rified the public treasury and provoked rebellion by their exactions; gained a victory at Rosebach over the Flemings, then in revolt, and a little after dismissed his uncles and installed in their stead the wise councillors of his father, whose sage, upright, and benevolent administration procured for him the title of "Well-Beloved," a state of things, however, which did not last long, for the harassments he had been subjected to drove him insane, and his kingdom, torn in pieces by rival factions, was given over to anarchy, and fell by the treaty of Troyes almost entirely into the hands of the English conquerors at Agincourt (1367-1422).

CHARLES VII., THE VICTORIOUS, son of Charles VI., became king of France in 1422; at his accession the English held possession of almost the whole country, and he indolently made no attempt to expel them, but gave himself up to effeminate indulgences; was about to lose his whole patrimony when the patriotism of the nation woke up at the enthusiastic summons of Joan of Arc; her triumphs and those of her associates weakened the English domination, and even after her death the impulse she gave continued to work, till at the end of 20 years the English were driven out of France, and lost all they held in it except Calais, Havre, and Guines Castle (1403-1461).

CHARLES VIII., king of France, son and successor of Louis XI.; during his minority the kingdom suffered from the turbulence and revolts of the nobles; married Anne of Brittany, heiress of the rich duchy of that name, by which it was added to the crown of France; sacrificed the interests of his kingdom by war with Italy to support the claims of French princes to the throne of Naples, which, though successful from a military point of view, proved politically unfruitful (1470-1498).

CHARLES IX., second son of Henry II. and Catharine de' Medici, became King of France in 1560; the civil wars of the Huguenots and Catholics fill up this reign; the first was concluded by the peace of Amboise, during which Francis of Guise was assassinated; the second concluded by the peace of Longjumeau, during which Montmorency fell; the third concluded by the peace of St. Germain, in which Condé and Moncontour fell, which peace was broken by the massacre of St. Bartholomew, into the perpetration of which Charles was inveigled by his mother and the Guises; incensed at this outrage, the Huguenots commenced a fourth war, and were undertaking a fifth when Charles died, haunted by remorse (1560-1574).

CHARLES X., brother of Louis XVI. and Louis XVIII., the latter of whom he succeeded on the throne of France in 1824; was unpopular in France as Duc d'Angoulême in the time of the Revolution, and had to flee the country at the outbreak of it, and stayed for some time as an exile in Holyrood, Edinburgh; on his accession he became no less unpopular from his adherence to the old régime; at an evil hour in 1830 he issued ordinances in defiance of all freedom, and after an insurrection of three days in the July of that year had again to flee; abdicating in favour of his son, found refuge for a time again in Holyrood, and died at Görtz in his eightieth year (1757-1836).

CHARLES V. (I. of Spain), emperor of Germany, son of Philip, Archduke of Austria, born at Ghent; became king of Spain in 1516, on the death of his maternal grandfather Ferdinand, and emperor of

Germany in 1519 on the death of his paternal grandfather Maximilian I., being crowned at Aix-la-Chapelle in 1520; reigned during one of the most important periods in the history of Europe; the events of the reign are too numerous to detail; it is enough to mention his rivalry with Francis I. of France, his contention as a Catholic with the Protestants of Germany, the invasions of the Turks, revolts in Spain, and expeditions against the pirates of the Mediterranean; the ambition of his life was the suppression of the Protestant Reformation and the succession of his son Philip to the imperial crown; he failed in both; resigned in favour of his son, and retired into the monastery of St. Yuste, in Estremadura, near which he built a magnificent retreat, where, it is understood, notwithstanding his apparent retirement, he continued to take interest in political affairs and to advise in the management of them (1500-1558).

CHARLES VI., emperor of Germany from 1711 to 1740, as well as king of Spain from 1703, was son of the Emperor Leopold I., and father of Maria Theresa (1685-1740).

CHARLES XII., king of Sweden, son of Charles IX., a warlike prince; ascended the throne at the age of 15; he had to cope with Denmark, Russia, and Poland combined against him; foiled the Danes at Copenhagen, the Russians at Narva, and Augustus II. of Poland at Riga; trapped in Russia, and cooped up to spend a winter there, he was, in spring 1709, attacked by Peter the Great at Pultowa and defeated, so that he had to take refuge with the Turks at Bender; here he was attacked, captured, and conveyed to Demotica, but, escaping, he found his way miraculously back to Sweden, and making peace with the Czar, commenced an attack on Norway, but was killed by a musket-shot at the siege of Friedrichshall (1682-1718).

CHARLES I., king of England, third son of James I., born at Dunfermline; falling in his suit for the Infanta of Spain, married Henrietta Maria, a French princess, a devoted Catholic, who had great influence over him, but not for good; had for public advisers Strafford and Laud, who cherished in him ideas of absolute power adverse to the liberty of the subject; acting on these ideas brought him into collision with the Parliament, and provoked a civil war; himself the first to throw down the gauntlet by raising the royal standard at Nottingham; in the end he surrendered himself to the Scots army at Newark, who delivered him to the Parliament; was tried as a traitor to his country, condemned to death, and beheaded, January 30, at Whitehall (1600-1649).

CHARLES II., king of England, son of Charles I., born at St. James's Palace, London; was at The Hague, in Holland, when his father was beheaded; assumed the royal title; was proclaimed King by the Scots; landed in Scotland, and was crowned at Scoon; marching into England, was defeated by Cromwell at Worcester, September 3, 1651; fled to France; by the policy of General Monk, after Cromwell's death, was restored to his crown and kingdom in 1660, an event known as the Restoration; he was an easy-going man, and is known in history as the "Merry Monarch"; his reign was an inglorious one for England, though it is distinguished by the passing of the Habeas Corpus Act, one of the great bulwarks of English liberty next to the Magna Charta (1630-1685).

CHARLES-JACQUES ALEXANDRE CÉSAR, a French physicist, born at Beaugency; was the first to apply hydrogen to the inflation of balloons, and first stated the law of expansion of gases known as Charles' law (1746-1823).

CHARLES, ARCHDUKE, of Austria, son of the Emperor Leopold II. and younger brother of Francis II., one of the ablest generals of Austria in the wars against the French Republic and the Empire; lost the battle of Wagram, after which, being wounded, he retired into private life (1771-1847).

CHARLES ALBERT, king of Sardinia, succeeded his brother, Charles Felix, in 1831; conceived a design to emancipate and unite Italy; in the pursuit of this object he declared war against Austria; though at first successful, was defeated at Novara, and to save his kingdom, was compelled to resign in favour

of his son Victor Emmanuel: retired to Oporto, and died of a broken heart (1798-1849).

CHARLES EDWARD, the Young Pretender, grandson of James II. of England, born at Rome, landed in Scotland (1745); issued a manifesto in assertion of his father's claims; had his father proclaimed king at Edinburgh; attacked and defeated General Cope at Prestonpans; marched at the head of his adherents into England as far as Derby; returned, and defeated the king's force at Falkirk, but retired before the Duke of Cumberland, who dispersed his army at Culloden; wandered about thereafter in disguise; escaped to France, and died at Florence (1720-1788).

CHARLES MARTEL (i.e. "Charles the Hammer"), son of Pépin d'Héristal and grandfather of Charlemagne; became mayor of the Palace, and, as such, ruler of the Franks; notable chiefly for his signal victory over the Saracens at Tours in 732, whereby the tide of Mussulman invasion was once for all rolled back and the Christianisation of Europe assured; no greater service was ever rendered to Europe by any other fighting man (688-741).

CHARLES OF ANJOU, brother of St. Louis, king of Naples; lost Sicily after the Sicilian Vespers (1226-1284).

CHARLES OF VALOIS, third son of Philip the Bold, one of the greatest captains of his age (1270-1324).

CHARLES THE RASH, last Duke of Burgundy, son of Philip the Good, born at Dijon; enemy of Louis XI. of France, his feudal superior; was ambitious to free the duchy from dependence on France, and to restore it as a kingdom, and by daring enterprises tried hard to achieve this; on the failure of the last effort, at Nancy, was found lying dead on the field (1433-1477).

CHARLES'S WAIN, the constellation of Ursa Major, a wagon without a wagoner.

CHARLESTON, the largest city in S. Carolina, and the chief commercial city; also a town in Western Virginia, U.S., with a spacious landlocked harbour; is the chief outlet for the cotton and rice of the district, and has a large cotton trade.

CHARLET, NICOLAS TOUSSAINT, a designer and painter, born in Paris; famous for his sketches of military subjects and country life, in which he displayed not a little humour (1792-1846).

CHARLEVILLE, a manufacturing and trading town in the dep. of Ardennes, France; exports iron, coal, wines, and manufactures hardware and beer.

CHARLEVILLE, PIERRE FRANÇOIS XAVIER DE, a Jesuit and traveller, born at St. Quentin, explored the St. Lawrence and the Mississippi (1682-1761).

CHARLOTTE, PRINCESS, daughter and only child of George IV. of England, married to Prince Leopold of Saxe-Coburg, afterwards king of Belgium; died after giving birth to a still-born boy, to the great grief of the whole nation (1796-1817).

CHARLOTTE ELIZABETH OF BAVARIA, second wife of the Duke of Orleans, brother of Louis XIV., called the Princess Palatine (1652-1722).

CHARLOTTENBURG, a town on the Spree, 3 m. W. of Berlin, with a palace, the favourite residence of Sophie Charlotte, the grandmother of Frederick the Great, and so named by her husband Frederick I. after her death; contains the burial-place of William I., German emperor.

CHARLOTTETOWN, the capital of Prince Edward Island.

CHARMETTES, a picturesque hamlet near Chambéry, a favourite retreat of Rousseau.

CHARNAY, a French traveller; a writer on the ancient civilisation of Mexico, which he made a special study (1822-1915).

CHARWOOD, BARON (G. R. Benson), British author. Born 1892 to 1895 M.P. for Woodstock; he is best known for his biography of Abraham Lincoln (1864-).

CHARON, in the Greek mythology the ferryman of the ghosts of the dead over the Styx into Hades, a grim old figure with a mean dress and a dirty beard, peremptory in exacting from the ghosts he ferried over the obols allowed him for passage-money.

CHARONDAS, a Sicilian lawyer, disciple of Pythagoras; is said to have killed himself when he found

he had involuntarily broken one of his own laws (600 B.C.).

CHARRON, PIERRE, a French moralist and theologian, as well as pulpit orator, born in Paris; author of "Les Trois Vérités," the unity of God, Christianity the sole religion, and Catholicism the only Christianity; and of a sceptical treatise "De la Sagesse"; a friend and disciple of Montaigne, but bolder as more dogmatic, with less *bonhomie* and originality, and much of a cynic withal (1641-1608).

CHARTERHOUSE, a large school, originally a Cistercian monastery, and for a time a residence of the Dukes of Norfolk. The school moved from London to Godalming in 1872, and Merchant Taylors' school took over its buildings.

CHARTIER, ALAIN, an early scholarly French poet and prose writer of note, born at Bayeux; secretary to Charles V., VI., and VII. of France; Margaret, daughter of James I. of Scotland and wife of Louis XI., herself a poetess, once kissed him as he lay asleep for the pleasure his poems gave her; was a patriot, and wrote as one (1390-1441).

CHARTISM, a movement of the working-classes of Great Britain for greater political power than was conceded to them by the Reform Bill of 1832, which found expression in a document called the "People's Charter," drawn up in 1838, embracing six "points," as they were called, viz., Manhood Suffrage, Equal Electoral Districts, Vote by Ballot, Annual Parliaments, Abolition of a Property Qualification in the Parliamentary Representation, and Payment of Members of Parliament, all of which took the form of a petition presented to the House of Commons in 1839, and signed by 1,380,000 persons. The refusal of the petition gave rise to great agitation over the country, which gradually died out in 1848.

CHARTRES, the capital of the French dep. of Eure-et-Lois, 55 m. SW. of Paris; gave title of Duke to the eldest of the Orleansist Bourbons.

CHARTREUSE, LA GRANDE, a Cistercian monastery founded by St. Bruno in 1134 in the dep. of Isère, 14 m. NE. of Grenoble; famous as the original place of manufacture of the Chartreuse liqueur, held in much repute; it was honoured by a visit of Queen Victoria in 1897.

CHARYBDIS. See SCYLLA.

CHASE, SALMON PORTLAND, Chief Justice of the United States; a great anti-slavery advocate and leader of the Free-Soil party; introduced the "greenback" note; aimed at the Presidency, but failed (1808-1873).

CHASIDIM, a party among the Jews identified with the Pharisees, their supreme concern the observance of their religion in its purity.

CHARLES, PHILARÈTE, a French littérateur, born near Chartres, a disciple of Rousseau; lived several years in England, and wrote extensively on English subjects, Shakespeare, Mary Stuart, Charles I., and Cromwell among the chief (1790-1873).

CHASSE, DAVID HENDRIK, BARON, a Dutch soldier; served France under Napoleon, who called him "Général Balonnette," from his zealous use of the bayonet; fought at Waterloo on the opposite side; as governor of Antwerp, gallantly defended its citadel in 1832 against a French and Belgian force twelve times larger than his own (1766-1849).

CHASTELARD, PIERRE DE BOSCOVEL DE, grandson of Bayard; conceived an insane passion for Queen Mary, whom he accompanied to Scotland; was surprised in her bedchamber, and condemned to death, it being his second offence (1540-1562).

CHAT MOSS, a large bog in Lancashire, 7 m. W. of Manchester, which is partly reclaimed and partly, through the ingenuity of George Stephenson, traversed by the Liverpool and Manchester Railway.

CHATEAUBRIAND, FRANÇOIS RENÉ, VICOMTE DE, eminent French littérateur, born in St. Malo, younger son of a noble family of Brittany; travelled to N. America in 1791; returned to France on the arrest of Louis XVI., and joined the Emigrants (i.e.) at Coblenz; was wounded at the siege of Thionville, and escaped to England; wrote an "Essay on Revolutions Ancient and Modern," conceived on liberal lines; was tempted back again to France in 1800; wrote "Atala," a story of life in the wilds of

America, which was in 1802 followed by his most famous work, "Génie du Christianisme"; entered the service of Napoleon, but withdrew on the murder of the Duc d'Enghien; though not obliged to leave France, made a journey to the East, the fruit of which was his "Itinéraire de Paris à Jérusalem"; hailed with enthusiasm the restoration of the Bourbons in 1814; supported the Bourbon dynasty all through, though he wavered sometimes in the interest of liberty; withdrew from public life on the elevation of Louis Philippe to the throne; he was no thinker, but he was a fascinating writer and, as such, exercised no small influence on the French literature of his day; he lived in a transition period, and hovered between legitimism and liberty, the revolution and reaction, and belonged to the Romantic school of literature—was perhaps the father of it in France (1768-1848).

CHÂTELET, MARQUISE DU, a learned Frenchwoman, born at Paris, with whom Voltaire kept up an intimate acquaintance (1706-1749).

CHATELERAULT, a town in the dep. of Vienne, 24 m. N.E. of Poitiers; gave title to the Scottish regent, the Earl of Arran; manufactures cutlery and small-arms for the Government.

CHATHAM, a town in Kent, on the estuary of the Medway, a fortified naval arsenal; is connected with Rochester.

CHATHAM, WILLIAM PITT, EARL OF, a great British statesman and orator, born in Cornwall; determined opponent of Sir Robert Walpole; succeeded in driving him from power and at length installing himself in his place; had an eye to the greatness and glory of England, and summoned the English nation to look to its laurels; saw the French, the rivals of England, beaten back in the four quarters of the globe; driven at length from power himself, he still maintained a single regard for the honour of his country, and the last time his voice was heard in the Parliament of England was to protest against her degradation by an ignoble alliance with savages in the war with America; on this occasion he fell back ill into the arms of his friends, and died little more than a month after at Hayes; was buried in Westminster Abbey (1708-1778).

CHATHAM ISLANDS, a group of islands 360 m. E. of New Zealand, and politically connected with it; the chief industry is the rearing of sheep and cattle.

CHATHWORTH, the palatial seat of the Duke of Devonshire, in Derbyshire, 8 m. W. of Chesterfield, enclosed in a park, with gardens, 10 m. in circumference.

CHATTERTON, THOMAS, a poet of great promise, born at Bristol; passed off while but a boy as copies of ancient MSS., and particularly of poems which he ascribed to one Rowley, a monk of the 17th century, what were compositions of his own, exhibiting a genius of no small literary, not to say lyric, power; having vainly endeavoured to persuade any one of their genuineness, though he had hopes of the patronage of Horace Walpole, Earl of Orford, he left Bristol for London, and made vehement efforts with his pen to bespeak regard, but failed; grew desperate, and committed suicide at the early age of 18 (1762-1770).

CHAUER, GEOFFREY, the great early English poet, and father of English poetry, the son of a vintner and taverner, born probably in London, where he lived almost all his days; when a lad, served as page in the royal household; won the favour and patronage of the king, Edward III., and his son, John of Gaunt, who pensioned him; served in an expedition to France; was made prisoner, but ransomed by the king; was often employed on royal embassies, in particular to Italy; held responsible posts at home; was thus a man of the world as well as a man of letters; he comes first before us as a poet in 1360; his poetic powers developed gradually, and his best and ripest work, which occupied him at intervals from 1373 to 1400, is his "Canterbury Tales" (q.v.), characterised by an eminent critic as "the best example of English story-telling we possess"; besides which he wrote, among other compositions, "The Life of St. Cecilia," "Troilus and Cressida," the "House of Fame,"

and the "Legend of Good Women"; his influence on English literature has been compared with that of Dante on Italian, while his literary life has been divided into three periods—the French, the Italian, and the English, according as the spirit of it was derived from a foreign or a native source (1340-1400).

CHAUMETTE, PIERRE GASPARD, a violent member of the extreme party in the French Revolution, could "recognise the suspects from the very faces of them"; provoked the disgust of even Robespierre, and was arrested and guillotined (1793-1794).

CHAUTAUQUA, a summer resort on a lake of the name in the W. of New York State, centre of a novel institution, which prescribes a four years' course of private readings, and grants diplomas to those who anywhere achieve it.

CHAUVINISM, a name among the French for what is known as Jingoism among the English, i.e. an extravagant zeal for the glory of one's country or party, from one *Chauvin*, who made threatening displays of his devotion to Napoleon after his fall in 1815.

CHEDDAR, a village in Somersetshire, on the Mendip Hills, famous for its cheese.

CHEETAH, a species of leopard found in Asia and Africa, and capable of being trained for purposes of hunting.

CHEKE, SIR JOHN, a zealous Greek scholar, born at Cambridge, and first regius professor of Greek there; did much to revive in England an interest in Greek and Greek literature; was tutor to Edward VI., who granted him landed estates; favouring the cause of Lady Jane Grey on the accession of Mary, left the country, was seized, and sent back; for fear of the stake abjured Protestantism, but never forgave himself, and died soon after; he introduced the mode of pronouncing Greek formerly prevalent in England (1514-1557).

CHEKOV, ANTON, Russian dramatist and author. Born in Taganrog of peasant stock, he was educated at the local grammar school, became a pupil teacher at the age of 16, studied medicine at Moscow, and took to writing. His first play "Ivanov," was produced when he was 27, and was followed by "Uncle Vanya" and "The Seagull." Ill-health compelled him to settle in the Crimea, where he wrote "The Cherry Orchard" a few months before he died in Germany. He was buried in Moscow (1860-1904).

CHELLEAN, name given to the early part of the palaeolithic or old stone age, from Chelles, in France, where large numbers of the flint tools characteristic of this age have been found.

CHELMSFORD, the county town of Essex, on the Chelmer. It was the site of one of the earliest wireless stations.

CHEILONIA, a group of reptiles, the most important members being tortoises and turtles.

CHELSEA, a western suburb of London, on the N. of the Thames; famous for its hospital for old and disabled soldiers, and the place of residence of sundry literary celebrities, among others Sir Thomas More, Swift, Steele, and Carlyle.

CHELTONHAM, a healthy water-place and educational centre in Gloucestershire; first brought into repute as a place of fashionable resort by the visits of George III. to it; contains a well-equipped college, where a number of eminent men have been educated, and Cheltenham Ladies' College.

CHELYUSKIN, CAPK, in Siberia, the most northerly point in the Eastern hemisphere.

CHEMISTRY, the science concerned with the constitution of substances and the changes they undergo under the action of heat and solution or by reactions with other substances. The foundations of chemistry were laid by the alchemists of the Middle Ages. Early work was based on the theory of Phlogiston (q.v.) which was not overthrown till the end of the 18th century, when the work of Lavoisier, Priestley, and Dalton led the way to modern chemistry. In more modern times great advances have been made in chemical theory and practice, among the most important being the processes underlying the steel and dye industries, the synthesis of many substances found in living organisms, and

the manufacture of explosives and artificial silk. The discovery of X-rays threw new light on the constitution of many substances. Chemistry is usually divided into (1) Inorganic, or the study of mineral materials; (2) Organic, originally the study of those substances found in living organisms but now taken to include all the compounds of carbon; (3) Physical, dealing with the nature of changes and based on the idea of energy. Biochemistry is the branch dealing with chemical processes in living plants and animals.

CHEMNITZ, a manufacturing town in Saxony, called the "Saxon Manchester," at the foot of the Erzgebirge in a rich mineral district; manufactures cottons, woollens, silks, machinery, &c.

CHEMNITZ, MARTIN, an eminent Lutheran theologian, born in Brandenburg, a disciple of Melancthon; author of "Loci Theologici," a system of theology; took a leading part in procuring the adoption of the "Formula of Concord"; his chief work "Examen Concilii Tridentini" (1622-1686).

CHEMOCH, the national god of the Moabites, akin to Moloch, and their stay in battle, but an abomination to the children of Jehovah.

CHEMULPO, a town on the W. coast of Korea; a thriving town since it became a treaty-port in 1883.

CHEMAP, an affluent on the left bank of the Indus, one of the five rivers, and the largest, which give name to the Punjab; is 750 m. long.

CHEMERY, THOMAS, a journalist; became editor of the *Times*; was distinguished for his knowledge of Arabic and Hebrew, and was one of the Old Testament revisers (1826-1884).

CHENIER, MARIE-ANDRÉ, DE, French poet, greatest in the 18th century, born at Constantinople; author of odes, idylls, and elegies, which place him high among French poets; took part in the Revolution as a lover of order as well as of liberty; offended Robespierre, and was guillotined a few days before the fall of the latter; as a poet he was distinguished for the purity of his style and his originality (1762-1794).

CHENONCEAUX, a magnificent château near Amboise in France; built by Francis I. for the Duchesse d'Etampes afterwards the property of the Condés, and later of Madame Dupin, the friend of Voltaire.

CHEOPHREN, king of Egypt, brother and successor of Cheops; built the second great pyramid.

CHEOPS, king of Memphis, in Egypt, of the 4th dynasty; builder of the largest of the pyramids about 8000 B.C.

CHEPSTOW, a port on the Wye, Monmouthshire, 17 m. N. of Newport; with a tubular suspension bridge, and noted for the tides, which are higher than anywhere else in Britain.

CHEQUERS, country residence of British Prime Ministers, situated in the Chilterns, and presented to the nation by Lord Lee of Fareham in 1917.

CHESE, an affluent of the Loire below Tours; also the dep. in France to which it gives name; an agricultural and pastoral district; capital Bourges.

CHESTBOURG, a French port and arsenal in the dep. of Manche, opposite the Isle of Wight, 70 m. distant, on the construction and fortifications of which immense sums were expended, as much as eight millions; the fortifications were begun by Vauban. It is a port of call for Atlantic liners.

CHESTBULKEZ, VICTOR, novelist, critic, and publisher, born at Geneva, of a distinguished family; professor of Greek at Geneva; widely known as a writer of a series of works of fiction (1829-1899).

CHESTIBON, a seaport of Java, on the N. of the island.

CHEITH, a brook E. of the Jordan, Elijah's hiding-place.

CHEKOKES, a tribe of American Indians in the N.W. of the Indian Territory, U.S.; civilised, self-governing, and increasing; formerly occupied the region about the Tennessee River.

CHEKONEA, a town in Bœotia, where Philip of Macedonia conquered the Athenians and Thebans, 338 B.C., and Sulla defeated Mithridates, 86 B.C.; the birthplace of Plutarch, who is hence called the Cheronæan Sage.

CHEERA PUNJI, a village in the Khasi Hills, Assam, with the heaviest rainfall of any place on the globe. Some 500 ins. fall annually, and over 40 ins. have

been known to fall in 24 hrs., more than a year's average fall in many parts of England.

CHERSONESUS, (i.e. continent island), a name which the Greeks gave to several peninsulas, viz., the Tauric C., the Crimea; the Thracian C., Gallipoli; the Cimbric O., Jutland; the Golden C., the Malay Peninsula.

CHERTSEY, a very old town of Surrey, 21 m. SW. of London, on the right bank of the Thames.

CHERUBIM, an order of angelic beings conceived of as accompanying the manifestations of Jehovah, supporting His throne and protecting His glory, guarding it from profane intrusion; winged figures of them overshadowed the Mercy Seat (q.v.).

CHERUBINI, MARIA LUIGI CARLO, a celebrated musical composer, born at Florence, naturalised in France; settled in Paris, the scene of his greatest triumphs; composed operas, of which the chief were "Iphigenia in Aulis," "Elisa," "Médée," and "Les deux Journées," considered his masterpiece; also a number of sacred pieces and requiems, all of the highest merit; there is a portrait of him by Ingres (1842) in the Louvre, representing the Muse of his art extending her protecting hand over his head (1760-1842).

CHERUEL, ADOLPHE, French historian, born at Rouen; author of "History of France during the Minority of Louis XIV.," published the "Mémoires of Saint-Simon" (1809-1891).

CHERUSI, an ancient people of Germany, whose leader was Arminius, under whom they defeated the Romans, commanded by Varus, in 9 A.D.

CHESAPEAKE BAY, a northward-extending inlet on the Atlantic coast of the United States, 200 m. long and from 10 to 40 m. broad, cutting Maryland in two; the scene of a naval battle between French and British fleets in 1781.

CHESHIRE, a western county of England, between the Mersey and the Dee, the chief mineral products of which are coal and rock-salt, and the agricultural, butter and cheese; has numerous manufacturing towns, with every facility for inter-communication, and the finest pasture-land in England.

CHESHUNT, a town in Hertfordshire, 14 m. N. of London, with rose gardens, and a college founded by the Countess of Huntingdon.

CHEST BEACH, a neck of land on the Devonshire coast, 15 m. long, being a ridge of loose pebbles and shingle.

CHESNEY, CHARLES CORNWALLIS, professor of Military History, nephew of the succeeding, author of "Waterloo Lectures" (1826-1876).

CHESNEY, FRANÇOIS RAWDON, explorer, born in co. Down, Ireland; explored with much labour the route to India by way of the Euphrates, though his labours were rendered futile by the opposition of Russia; proved, by survey of the isthmus, the practicability of the Suez Canal (1789-1872).

CHESS, a game of Eastern origin but uncertain antiquity. Known in Persia and India from early days. It was introduced into Europe in the 15th century, probably by the Moors into Spain, and reached England via France. Of modern players Capablanca (q.v.) has been the most famous.

CHESTER, the county town of Cheshire, on the Dee, 16 m. E.E. of Liverpool; an ancient city founded by the Romans; surrounded by walls nearly 2 m. long, and from 7 to 8 ft. thick, forming a promenade with parapets; the streets are peculiar; along the lower storeys of the houses there stretch piazzas called "Rows," 16 ft. wide, for foot-passengers, and approached by steps; it abounds in Roman remains, and is altogether a unique town.

CHESTERFIELD, a town in Derbyshire, 21 m. N. of Derby; in a mineral district; manufactures cotton, woollen, and silk goods; has a canal connecting it with the Trent.

CHESTERFIELD, PHILIP DORMER STANHOPE, EARL OF, statesman, orator, and man of letters, eldest son of the third earl, born in London; sat in the House of Commons from 1716 to 1726; was an opponent of Walpole; held office under the Pelhams; in 1748 retired from deafness, or perhaps disgust, into private life; celebrated for his "Letters to his Son," models of elegance, though of questionable morality, which it appears he never intended should be published, and for the scorn

with which Dr. Johnson treated him when he offered to help him, after he no longer needed any, in a letter which gave the death-blow to the patronage of literature: is credited by Carlyle with having predicted the French Revolution (1694-1773).

CHESTERTON, GILBERT KEITH, British author. Educated at St. Paul's School, he early made a name as a critic and an original writer. Besides poems, essays, and biographies he has written "The Napoleon of Notting Hill," "The Wisdom of Father Brown," and other novels, and is a noted Catholic apologist (1874-).

CHEVALIER, MICHEL, a celebrated French economist, born at Limoges; originally a Socialist of the St. Simonian school; for defending Socialism was imprisoned, but recanted, and wrote ably against Socialism; was a free-trader and coadjutor of Cobden (1806-1870).

CHEVAUX-DE-FRISE, a military fence composed of a beam or a bar armed with long spikes; literally Friesland horses, having been first used in Friesland.

CHEVERT, a French general, born at Verdun; distinguished himself in many engagements, and especially at the siege of Prague in 1757 (1696-1773).

CHEVIOT HILLS, a range on the borders of England and Scotland, extending 35 m. south-westwards, the highest in Northumberland 2676 ft., the Carter Fell being 2020 ft.; famous for its breed of sheep.

CHEVREUL, MICHEL EUGENE, a French chemist, born at Angers; an expert in the department of dyeing, and an authority on colours, as well as the chemistry of fats; was director in the dyeing department in the Gobellins manufactory; he lived to celebrate the centenary of his birth (1786-1889).

CHEVREUSE, DUCHESSE DE, played an important part in the Fronde and in the plots against Richelieu and Mazarin; her life has been written by Victor Cousin (1600-1670).

CHEVRON, in heraldry an ordinary of two bands forming an angle descending to the extremities of the shield; representing the two rafters of a house, meeting at the top.

CHEVY CHASE, the subject and title of a highly popular old English ballad preserved in Percy's "Reliques" and presumed to refer to an event in connection with the battle of Otterburn; there were strains in it which Sir Philip Sidney said moved his heart more than with a trumpet.

CHEYENNES, a once warlike tribe of Red Indians, now much reduced, and partially settled in the Indian Territory, U.S.; noted for their horsemanship.

CHÉZY, DE, a French Orientalist, born at Neuilly; the first to create in France an interest in the study of Sanskrit (1773-1832).

CHIABRELLI, GABRIELLO, an Italian lyric poet, born at Savona; distinguished especially for his lyrics; surnamed the "Pindar of Italy." Pindar being a Greek poet whom it was his ambition to imitate (1552-1637).

CHIA'NA, a small, stagnant, pestilential affluent of the Tiber, now deepened into a healthful and serviceable stream, connecting the Tiber with the Arno.

CHIAPAS, LAS, a Pacific State of Mexico, covered with forests; yields maize, sugar, cacao, and cotton.

CHIAROSCURO, the reproduction in art of the effects of light and shade on nature as they mutually affect each other.

CHIBCHAS, or MUYSCAS, a civilised people, though on a lower stage than the Peruvians, whom the Spaniards found established in New Granada in the 16th century, now merged in the Spanish population; they worship the sun.

CHICA, an orange-red colouring matter obtained from boiling the leaves of the *Bignonia chica*, which grows in S. America and is used as a dye.

CHICAGO, the metropolis of Illinois, in the NE. of the State, on the SW. shore of Lake Michigan, is the second city in the Union; its unparalleled growth, dating only from 1837 (in 1832 it was a mere log-fort), is due to its matchless facilities for communication. Situated in the heart of the continent, a third of the United States railway system centres in it, and it communicates with all Canada, and with the ocean by the Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence River; laid out with absolute

regularity, it has many magnificent buildings, enormously tall office "sky-scrapers," and an unrivalled system of parks and avenues; there are a university, medical, commercial, and theological colleges, an art institute, libraries, and observatory; it suffered severely from fire in 1871 and 1874; it is one of the greatest grain and pork markets in the world, and its manufactures include every variety of production; the population is a mixture of all European peoples; native-born Americans are a small minority, outnumbered by the Germans and almost equalled by the Irish. It has acquired an unenviable reputation for lawlessness and gang crimes.

CHICARD, the harlequin of the modern French carnival, grotesquely dressed up.

CHICHELEY, HENRY, archbishop of Canterbury, a scholar and statesman, often employed on embassies, a moderate churchman; accompanied Henry V. to Agincourt (1362-1442).

CHICHESTER, a cathedral city in the W. of Sussex, 17 m. NE. of Portsmouth, with a port on the Channel 2 m. SW. of it; chief trade in agricultural produce.

CHICHEVACHE, a monster fabled to feed on good women, and starved, from the scarcity of them, to skin and bone, in contrast with another called Bicorn, that fed on good men, who are more plentiful, and was fat and plump; referred to in Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales."

CHICKASAWS, N. American Indians, allied to the Choctaws, settled in a civilised state in the Indian Territory like the Cherokees.

CHIGLANA, a watering-place 12 m. SE. of Cadiz, with mineral baths.

CHIEM-SEE, a high-lying lake in Upper Bavaria, 48 m. from Munich, adorned with three islands; famous for its fish.

CHIE' TI, a city in Central Italy, 78 m. NE. of Rome, with a fine Gothic cathedral.

CHIGI, a distinguished Italian family, eminent in the church.

CHIGOE, a tropical sand flea which infests the skin of the feet, and multiplies incredibly.

CHIHUA'HUA, a town in Mexico; capital of a State, the largest in Mexico, of the same name, with famous silver and also copper mines.

CHILD, FRANCIS JAMES, an American scholar, born in Boston; professor of Anglo-Saxon and Early English Literature at Harvard; distinguished as the editor of Spenser and of "English and Scottish Ballads," a "monumental collection" (1825-1896).

CHILD, LYDIA MARIA, an American novelist and anti-slavery advocate (1802-1880).

CHILD, SIR JOSIAH, a wealthy London merchant, author of "Discourse on Trade," with an appendix against usury, advocated the compulsory transportation of paupers to the Colonies (1630-1699).

CHILDE, a title bestowed in olden times upon a knight and popular with poets and romancers, as Childe Roland and Childe Harold (q.v.).

CHILDE HAROLD, a poem by Byron, written between 1812 and 1819, representing the author himself as wandering over the world in quest of satisfaction and returning sated to disgust; it abounds in striking thoughts and vivid descriptions; in his "Dernier Chant of C. H." Lamartine takes up the hero where Byron leaves him.

CHILDEBERT I., son of Clovis, king of Paris, reigned from 511 to 558. C. II., son of Siegbert and Brunhilda, king of Austrasia, reigned from 575 to 596. C. III., son of Thierry III., reigned over all France from 695 to 711, under the mayor of the palace, Pépin d'Héristal.

CHILDEBRAND, a Frank warrior, who figures in old chronicles as the brother of Charles Martel, and signalled himself in the expulsion of the Saracens from France.

CHILDERIC I., the son of Meroving and father of Clovis, king of the Franks; d. 481. C. II., son of Clovis II., king of Austrasia in 660, and of all France in 670; assassinated 673. C. III., son of the preceding, last of the Merovingian kings, from 743 to 752; was deposed by Pépin le Bref; died in the monastery of St. Omer in 755.

CHILDERMAS, a festival to commemorate the massacre of the children by Herod

CHILDERS, ROBERT CESAR, professor of Pali and Buddhist Literature in University College, and author of Pali Dictionary (1898-1876).

CHILE, S. American State, occupies a strip of country, 100 m. broad, between the Andes and the Pacific Ocean, and stretching from Cape Horn northward 2200 m. to Peru, with Argentine and Bolivia on its eastern borders. The climate is naturally various. In the N. are rainless tracts of mountains rich in copper, manganese, silver, and other metals, and deserts with wonderful deposits of nitrate. In the S. are stretches of pastoral land and virgin forest, with excessive rains and cold, raw climate. The central portion enjoys a temperate climate with moderate rainfall, and produces excellent wheat, grapes, and fruits of all kinds. The Andes tower above the snow-line, Aconcagua reaching 23,500 ft. The rivers are short and rapid, of little use for navigation. The coast-line is even in the N., but excessively rugged and broken in the S., the most southerly regions being weird and desolate. The people are descendants of Spaniards, mingled with Araucanian Indians; but there is a large European element in all the Mining and agriculture are the chief industries; manufactures of various kinds are fostered with foreign capital. The chief trade is with Britain: exports, nitre, wheat, copper, and iodine; imports, textiles, machinery, sugar, and cattle. Santiago is the capital; Valparaiso and Iquique the principal ports. The government is republican; Roman Catholicism the State religion; education is fairly well fostered; there is a university at Santiago. The country was first visited by Magellan in 1520. In 1540 Pedro Valdivia entered it from Peru and founded Santiago. During colonial days it was an annex of Peru. In 1810 the revolt against Spain broke out. Independence was gained in 1826. Settled government was established in 1847. Since then a revolution in 1861, successful wars with Spain 1864-1866, with Bolivia and Peru 1870-1881, and a revolution in 1891, have been the most stirring events in its history.

CHILKOOT PASS, a pass in the Rocky Mountains in Alaska, notable as one of the chief routes from Dyea into the Yukon; open for travel most months of the year.

CHILLANWALLA, a village in the Punjab, 80 m. NW. of Lahore, the scene in 1849 of a bloody battle in the second Sikh War, in which the Sikhs were defeated by Gen. Gough; it was also the scene of a battle between Alexander the Great and Porus.

CHILLINGHAM, a village in Northumberland, 8 m. SW. of Belford, with a park attached to the castle, the seat of the Earl of Tankerville, containing a herd of native white wild cattle.

CHILLINGWORTH, WILLIAM, an able English controversial divine, who thought forcibly and wrote simply, born at Oxford; championed the cause of Protestantism against the claims of Popery in a long-famous work, "The Religion of Protestants the Safe Way to Salvation," summing up his conclusion in the oft-quoted words, "The Bible, the Bible alone, is the religion of Protestants"; though a Protestant, he was not a Puritan or a man of narrow views, and he suffered at the hands of the Puritans as an adherent of the Royalist cause (1602-1643).

CHILLON, CASTLE OF, a castle and state prison built on a rock, 62 ft. from the shore, at the eastern end of the Lake of Geneva; surnamed the Bastille of Switzerland, in which Bonivard, the Genevese patriot, was, as celebrated by Byron, incarcerated for six years; it is now an arsenal.

CHILOE, a thickly wooded island off the coast, and forming a province of Chile, 115 m. long from N to S., and 43 m. broad; inhabited chiefly by Indians; exports timber; is said to contain vast deposits of

HILLS, a range of chalk hills extending about 70 m. NE. from the Thames in Oxfordshire through Bucks. from 15 to 20 m. broad, the highest, Wendover, 950 ft.

CHILTERN HUNDREDS, a wardship of beech forests on the Chiltern Hills against robbers that at one time infested them; now a sinecure office, the acceptance of which enables a member of Parlia-

ment to resign his seat if he wishes to retire, the office being regarded as a Government one.

CHIMÆRA, a fire-breathing monster of the Greek mythology, with a goat's body, a lion's head, and a dragon's tail; slain by Bellerophon, and a symbol of any impossible monstrosity.

CHIMBORAZO, one of the loftiest peaks of the Andes, in Ecuador, 20,700 ft.; is an extinct volcano, and covered with perpetual snow; first ascended by Whymper in 1879.

CHIMPANZEE, a large African anthropoid ape, from 3 to 4 ft. in height, and more allied in several respects to man than any other ape; it is found chiefly in W. Africa.

CHINA, a vast, compact, and densely peopled country in Eastern Asia; bounded on the N. by Mongolia; W. by Tibet and Burmah; S. by Siam, Annam, and the China Sea; and E. by the Pacific. In the W. are lofty mountain ranges running N. and S., from which parallel ranges run E. and W., rising to greatest height in the S. Two great rivers traverse the country, the Hoang-ho and the Yangtze-kiang, the latter with many large lakes in its course, and bearing on its waters an innumerable fleet of boats and barges. Between the lower courses of these rivers lies the Great Plain, one of the vastest and richest in the world, whose yellow soil produces great crops with little labour and no manure. The coast-line is long and much indented, and out of it are bitten the gulfs of Pe-che-lee, the Yellow Sea, and Hang-chou. There are many small islands off the coast; the mountainous Hainan is the only large one still Chinese. The climate in the N. has a clear frosty winter, and warm rainy summer; in the S. it is hot. The country is rich in evergreens and lawerling plants. In the N. wheat, millet, and cotton are grown; in the S. rice, tea, sugar, silk, and opium. Agriculture is the chief industry, and though primitive, it is remarkably painstaking and skilful. Forests have everywhere been cleared away, and the whole country is marvellously fertile. Its mineral wealth is enormous. Iron, copper, and coal abound in vast quantities; has coalfields that, it is said, if they were worked, "would revolutionise the trade of the world." The most important manufactures are of silk, cotton, and china. Tea and silk are exported; cotton goods and opium imported. About twenty-five ports are open to British vessels, of which the largest are Shanghai and Canton. The people are a mixed race of Mongol type, kindly, courteous, peaceful, and extremely industrious, and in their own way well educated. Buddhism is the prevailing faith of the masses, Confucianism of the upper classes. The Government is in a state of flux. The capital is Peking, in the NE. Chinese history goes back to 2300 B.C. English intercourse with the Chinese began in A.D. 1635, and diplomatic relations between London and Peking were established last century. The Anglo-Chinese wars of 1840, 1857, and 1860 broke down the barrier of exclusion previously maintained against the outside world. The Japanese war of 1894-1895 betrayed the weakness of the national organisation; and in 1911 a revolution broke out in Hankow which resulted in the removal of the Manchu dynasty and the establishment in 1912 of a republic. Attempts to restore the monarchy from 1915 to 1917 failed, and in 1920 Canton established a separate republic. The Cantonese (q.v.) in 1925 started a civil war against the Peking government, and in 1926 captured Hankow, Shanghai, and Nankin. A British Expeditionary Force defended the International Settlement at Shanghai, but the concession at Hankow was surrendered. Later, Nankin broke away from the Peking government, and the position became even more complicated, by warring generals who frequently changed sides.

CHINA, THE GREAT WALL OF, a wall, with towers and forts at intervals, about 2000 m. long, from 20 to 80 ft. high, and 25 ft. broad, which separates China from Mongolia on the N., and traverses high hills and deep valleys in its winding course.

CHINCHA ISLANDS, islands off the coast of Peru that had beds of guano, often 100 ft. thick, due to the droppings of penguins and other sea birds, now all but, if not quite, exhausted.

- CHINCHILLA**, a rodent of S. America, hunted for its fur, which is soft and of a grey colour; found chiefly in the mountainous districts of Peru and Chile.
- CHINOOK**, a tribe of Indians in Washington and Oregon, noted for flattening their skulls; their language provided the *Impua franca* which is spoken on a great portion of the Pacific coast.
- CHINOOK WIND**, a warm wind blowing down the eastern side of the Rocky Mountains, which keeps the pasture lands of Montana and Wyoming free from snow in the winter.
- CHINSURA**, a Dutch-built town on the right bank of the Hoogly, 20 m. N. of Calcutta, with a college; is famous for cheroots.
- CHINTZ**, a calico printed with flowers and other devices in different colours; originally of Eastern manufacture.
- CHIOGGIA**, a seaport 16 m. S. of Venice, built on piles, on a lagoon island at the mouth of the Brenta, connected with the mainland by a bridge with 43 arches.
- CHIOS**, or **SCIO**, a small island in the Grecian Archipelago; subject to earthquakes; yields oranges and lemons in great quantities; claims to have been the birthplace of Homer.
- CHIPMUNK**, the American ground squirrel, marked with dark bands on the back and possessing a tail less bushy than the ordinary squirrel.
- CHIPPENDALE, THOMAS**, a cabinetmaker, born in Worcestershire; famous for the quality and style of his workmanship; his work still much in request (1760).
- CHIPPWAYS**, a Red Indian tribe, some 12,000 strong, located in Michigan, U.S., and in Canada adjoining; originally occupied the N. and W. of Lake Superior; known also by the name of Ojibways, they have mostly settled down in agricultural communities.
- CHIKUITOS**, Indians of a low but lively type in Bolivia and Brazil; remarkable for their communal mode of life.
- CHIKUL**, an archipelago and a lagoon as well as province in Costa Rica.
- CHIRON**, a celebrated Centaur, in whose nature the animal element was subject to the human, and who was intrusted with the education of certain heroes of Greece, among others Peleus and Achilles; was endowed with the gift of prophecy, and skilled in athletics as well as music and the healing art. See **CENTAURS**.
- CHISLEHURST**, a village in Kent, 10 m. SE. of London, where Napoleon III. died in exile in 1878.
- CHISWICK**, a suburb of London, 7 m. SW. of St. Paul's; the Church of St. Nicholas has monuments to several people of distinction.
- CHITRAL**, a State on the frontier of India, NW. of Cashmere; since 1896 occupied by the British; a place of great strategical importance, as it commands important passes through the Hindu-Kooh mountains.
- CHITTAGONG**, a seaport in the Bay of Bengal, 220 m. E. of Calcutta; exports rice, gum, tobacco, and jute.
- CHITIM**, the Bible name for Cyprus, applied also to any maritime power to the west of Palestine.
- CHIVALRY**, a system of knighthood, for the profession of which the qualifications required were dignity, courtesy, bravery, generosity; the aim of which was the defence of right against wrong, of the weak against the strong, and especially of the honour and the purity of women, and the spirit of which was of Christian derivation; originally a military organisation in defence of Christianity against the infidel.
- CHIVALEY, COURT OF**, a court established by Edward III., which took cognisance of questions of honour and heraldry, as well as military offences; it lasted until the 18th century.
- CHLOPIEL, JOSEPH**, a Polish hero, born in Galicia; fought against Russia under Napoleon; was chosen Dictator of Poland in 1830, but was forced to resign; fought afterwards in the ranks, and was severely wounded (1771-1854).
- CHLORAL**, a colourless narcotic liquid, obtained by the action of chlorine on alcohol; treated with water it produces *chloral hydrate*; was discovered by Liebig, 1831.
- CHLORINE**, elementary, greenish-yellow gas obtained from common salt; powerful as a disinfectant, and a bleaching agent. It was the earliest form of poison gas used in warfare.
- CHLORIS**, the wife of Zephyrus, the goddess of flowers.
- CHLOROFORM**, a volatile liquid, in extensive use as an anæsthetic; produced by treating alcohol with chloride of lime.
- CHLOROPHYLL**, the green substance present in most plants which enables them to build up carbohydrates (q.v.) from carbon dioxide under the influence of sunlight. The process is known as photosynthesis.
- CHLOROSIS**, green sickness, a form of anemia incident to young females at a critical period of life, causing a pale-greenish complexion.
- CHOCTAWS**, a tribe of American Indians, settled to civilised life in the Indian Territory, U.S.; formerly a powerful nation in the Mississippi region, possessing considerable culture.
- CHOISEUL, DUO DE**, minister of Louis XV.; served his master in various capacities; was rewarded with a peerage; effected many reforms in the army, strengthened the navy, and aided in bringing about the family compact of the Bourbons; exercised great influence on the politics of Europe; was nicknamed by Catherine of Russia *Le Cocher de l'Europe*, "the Driver of Europe"; but becoming obnoxious to M. du Barry, "in whom he would discern nothing but a wonderfully dizen'd scarlet woman," was dismissed from the helm of affairs, Louis's "last substantial man" (1719-1785).
- CHOISY, ABBÉ**, a French writer, born in Paris; author of a "History of the Church" (1644-1724).
- CHOKE**, an inductive coil placed in an electric circuit to reduce the current; this involves no waste of power, as would be the case were a resistance used instead. This device is only applicable to alternating current circuits.
- CHOKE DAMP**, the name given by miners to carbon dioxide, owing to the fact that this gas, produced by the combustion of explosive gases, causes suffocation.
- CHOLERA MORBUS**, an epidemic disease characterised by violent vomiting and purging, accompanied with spasms, great pain, and debility; originated in India, and has frequently spread itself by way of Asia into populous centres of both Europe and America, especially in the epidemic of 1892.
- CHOLET**, a French manufacturing town, 32 m. SW. of Angers; produces linen, cotton cloth, lace, and shoes; the scene of a defeat of the Vendée insurgents in 1793.
- CHOLULA**, an ancient city, 60 m. SE. of Mexico; the largest city of the Aztecs, with a pyramidal temple, now crowned by a Catholic church.
- CHOPIN, FRANÇOIS FRÉDÉRIQUE**, a musical composer, born near Warsaw, of Polish origin; his genius for music early developed itself; distinguished himself as a pianist first at Vienna and then in Paris, where he introduced the mazurkas; became the idol of the salons; visited England twice, in 1837 and 1848, and performed to admiration in London and three of the principal cities; died of consumption in Paris (1809-1849).
- CHORALE**, a musical composition originated by Luther and used in the German Reformed Church; sometimes based on hymn tunes, sometimes on secular airs.
- CHORLEY**, a manufacturing town in N. Lancashire, 25 m. NE. of Liverpool, with mines and quarries near it; a centre for cotton-spinning, weaving, and bleaching.
- CHORUS**, in the ancient drama a group of persons introduced on the stage representing witnesses of what is being acted, and giving expression to their thoughts and feelings regarding it; originally a band of singers and dancers on festive occasions, in connection particularly with the Bacchus worship.
- CHOSROES I.**, surnamed the Great, king of Persia from 531 to 579, a wise and beneficent ruler; waged war with the Roman armies successfully for 20 years. Ch. II., his grandson, king from 590 to 628; made

extensive inroads on the Byzantine empire, but was defeated and driven back by Heraclius; was eventually deposed and put to death.

CHOUANS, insurrectionary royalists in France, in particular Brittany, under Cadoudal, during the French Revolution, and even for a time under the Empire, when their headquarters were in London; so named from their muster by night at the sound of the *chaf-huant*, the screech-owl, a nocturnal bird of prey which has a weird cry.

CHRISTEN, or CHRESTIEN, DE TROYES, a French poet or trouvère of the latter half of the 12th century; author of a number of vigorously written romances which are among the earliest connected with chivalry and the Round Table.

CHRISTENHILDE, a heroine in the "Nibelungen" and sister of Gunther, who, on the treacherous murder of her husband, Siegfried, is changed from a gentle woman into a relentless fury.

CHRISIAOR, the sword of Sir Artgal in Spenser's "Faerie Queene"; it excelled every other.

CHRIST CHURCH, a college in Oxford, founded by Wolsey 1525; was Gladstone's college and John Ruskin's, as well as John Locke's.

CHRISTABEL, a fragmentary poem by Coleridge; characterised by Stopford Brooke as, for "exquisite metrical movement and for imaginative phrasing," along with "Kubla Khan," without a rival in the

TADELPHIANS, an American sect, called also **Thomastics**, whose chief distinctive article of faith is conditional immortality, that is, immortality only to those who believe in Christ, and die believing in him.

CHRISTCHURCH, capital of the province of Canterbury, New Zealand, 5 m. from the sea; Lyttelton port.

CHRISTIAN, the name of ten kings of Denmark, of whom the first began to reign in 1448 and the last in 1868, and the following deserve notice: Christian II., conquered Sweden, but, proving a tyrant, was driven from the throne by Gustavus Vasa in 1522, upon which his own subjects deposed him, an act which he resented by force of arms; he was defeated in 1581, his person seized, and imprisoned for life; characterised by Carlyle as a "rash, unwise, explosive man" (1481-1589). Christian IV., king from 1588 to 1648; took part on the Protestant side in the Thirty Years' War, and was defeated by Tilly; he was a good ruler, and was much beloved by his subjects; was founder of the Danish navy (1577-1648). Christian IX., king from 1863 to 1906; son of Duke William of Sleswick-Holstein, father of the late Queen Alexandra, George I., king of Greece, and the dowager Empress of Russia (1818-1906). Christian X., married in 1898 Princess Alexandra of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, and succeeded to the throne in May, 1912 (1870-).

CHRISTIAN CONNECTION, a sect in the United States which acknowledges the Bible alone as the rule of faith and manners.

CHRISTIAN KING, **ICE MOST**, a title of the king of France conferred by two different Popes.

CHRISTIANIA. See **OSLO**.

CHRISTIANITY. The religion of which Jesus Christ is the founder and the centre, and which has spread from Jerusalem throughout the world in the last 2000 years. Its believers see God revealing Himself in Jesus Christ His Son, who was crucified that they might be reconciled unto Him and that sin should no more have dominion over them. The religion, with its accompanying high view of the worth of the human soul, has been the greatest civilising factor the world has ever known. When Christianity was likely to become merely a sect of Judaism St. Paul carried it into Europe and to Rome, which under Constantine at length adopted it as the official religion. Rome held sway over the Church till the Reformation of the 16th century established Protestantism, which with Catholicism has since been a wing of the Christian Church in spreading the gospel to all parts of the globe. Christians look for an ultimate return to earth of Jesus Christ as King, a return which will usher in the millennium which is to precede the end of the world.

CHRISTIANSTAND, a town and seaport in the extreme S. of Norway, with a considerable trade.

CHRISTINA, queen of Sweden, daughter and only child of Gustavus Adolphus; received a masculine education, and was trained in manly exercises; governed the country well, and filled her court with learned men, but by-and-by her royal duties becoming irksome to her, she declared her cousin as her successor, resigned the throne, and turned Catholic; her cousin dying, she claimed back her crown, but her subjects would not now have her; she stayed for a time in France, but was obliged to leave; retired to Rome, where she spent 80 years of her life engaged in scientific and artistic studies, and died (1626-1689).

CHRISTINA, MARIA, daughter of Francis I. of Naples, and wife of Ferdinand VII. of Spain, on whose death she acted for four years as regent during the infancy of her daughter Isabella (1806-1878).

CHRISTMAS, the festival in celebration of the birth of Christ, now celebrated all over Christendom on December 25, as coinciding with an old heathen festival celebrated at the winter solstice, the day of the return of the sun northward, and in jubilation of the prospect of the renewal of life in the spring.

CHRISTMAS CARDS, greetings sent to friends at Christmas, a practice dating from 1844, when W. E. Doobson, R.A., designed one to send to a friend.

CHRISTMAS ISLAND is in the Indian Ocean, 200 m. S.W. of Java. It is a dependency of Malaya, and has large deposits of phosphates, exporting about 100,000 tons of them a year. The area is 86 sq. m. and the population is 750.

CHRISTOLOGY, the department of theology which treats of the person of Christ.

CHRISTOPHE, HENRI, a negro, born in Grenada; one of the leaders of the insurgent slaves in Hayti, who, proving successful in arms against the French, became king under the title of Henry I., but ruling despotically provoked revolt and shot himself through the heart; he was a man of powerful physique (1767-1820).

CHRISTOPHER, ST. (the Christ-Bearer), according to Christian legend a giant of great stature and strength, who, after serving the devil for a time, gave himself up to the service of Christ by carrying pilgrims across a bridgeless river, when one day a little child, who happened to be none other than Christ Himself, appeared to be carried over, but, strange to say, as he bore Him across, the child grew heavier and heavier, till he was nearly baffled in landing Him on the opposite shore. The giant represented the Church, and the increasing weight of the child the increasing sin and misery which the Church has from age to age to bear in carrying its Christ across the Time-river; the giant is represented in art as carrying the infant on his shoulder, and as having for staff the stem of a large tree.

CHRISTOPHER'S, ST., popularly called St. Kitts, one of the Leeward Islands, discovered by Columbus (1493), who named it after himself; belongs to England; has sugar plantations.

CHRIST'S HOSPITAL, the Blue-Coat School, Horsham, was founded in 1552, a large institution, 820 boys at Horsham and 280 girls at Hertford; entrance to it is gained partly by presentation and partly by competition, and attached are numerous exhibitions and prizes; among the *alumni* have been Bishop Stillingfleet, Coleridge, Leigh Hunt, and Charles Lamb. Until 1902 the school stood on the site of Greyfriars Monastery in Newgate Street. The boys still wear the 16th-century costume, comprising knee-breeches, yellow stockings, and blue gowns, without headgear.

CHROMATICS, that department of optics which treats of colours, and resolves the primary colours into three—red, yellow, and blue.

CHROMIUM, a chemical element used for alloying with steel.

CHROMOSOMES, minute structures found within the nucleus of the living cell, which appear to control heredity. The chromosomes are composed of genes, each of which is concerned with certain specific characters.

CHROMOSPHERE, the outer layer of the sun's atmosphere, consisting of glowing, red gases which frequently burst forth in the form of "Prominences,"

normally overpowered by the light of the Photosphere, but visible during a total eclipse.

CHRONICLERS, THE RHYMING, a series of writers who flourished in England in the 18th century, and related histories of the country in rhyme, in which the fabulous occupies a conspicuous place, among which Layamon's "Brut" (1206) takes the lead.

CHRONICLES I. and II., two historical books of the Old Testament, the narratives of which, with additions and omissions, run parallel with those of Samuel and Kings, but, written from a priestly standpoint, give the chief prominence to the history of Judah as the support in Jerusalem of the ritual of which the priests were the custodians; Ezra and Nehemiah are continuations.

CHRYSEUS, the daughter of Chryseus, priest of Apollo, a beautiful maiden who fell among the spoils of a victory to Agamemnon, and became his slave, and whom he refused to restore to her father until a deadly plague among the Greeks, at the hands of Apollo, compelled him to give her up.

CHRYSIPPUS, a Greek philosopher, born at Soli, in Cilicia, who lived in Athens; especially skilled in dialectic; the last and greatest expounder and defender of the philosophy of the Stoics, so pre-eminent, that it was said of him: "If Chrysippus were not, the Stoics were not"; is said to have written 705 books, not one of which, however, has come down to us save a few fragments (280-208 B.C.). See **STOICISM**.

CHRYSOLO'RAS, MANUEL, a Grecian scholar, born at Constantinople, left his native country and lived in Florence, where he, in the 14th century, became a teacher of Greek literature, and contributed thereby to the revival of letters in Italy (1350-1415).

CHRYSOSTOM, ST. JOHN, that is, Mouth of Gold, so called from his eloquence, born at Antioch; converted to Christianity from a mild paganism; became one of the Fathers of the Church, and Patriarch of Constantinople; he was zealous in suppressing heresy as well as corruption in the Church, and was for that reason thrice over subjected to banishment; in the course of the third exile, while on the way, he died, though his remains were brought back to Constantinople and there deposited with great solemnity; he left many writings behind him—sermons, homilies, commentaries, and epistles, of which his "Homilies" are most studied and prized (347-407). Festival, Jan. 27.

CHUBB, THOMAS, an English Deist, born near Salisbury; he regarded Christ as a divine teacher, but held reason to be sovereign in matters of religion; yet was on rational grounds a defender of Christianity; had no learning, but was well versed in the religious controversies of the time, and bore his part in them creditably (1679-1749).

CHUNDER SEN, one of the founders of the Brahmo-Soma (q.v.); he visited Europe in 1870, and was welcomed with open arms by the rationalist class of Churchmen and Dissenters.

CHUQUISA'CA (i.e. Bridge of Gold), the capital of Bolivia, in a sheltered plain 9000 ft. above the sea-level; is a cathedral city; has a mild climate; it was founded in 1538 by the Spaniards on the site of an old Peruvian town.

CHURCH ARMY, THE, a movement similar to the Salvation Army but confined to the Church of England, founded in 1882 by Prebendary W. Carlile for evangelistic work in the slums.

CHURCH ENABLING ACT, a measure passed in 1819 setting up the Church Assembly with wide powers delegated from the parishes, but subject to Parliamentary veto.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND, THE, the Protestant Church established by law in England, dating from 1534 when Henry VIII. was declared its head and the authority of Rome was repudiated. Its present Prayer Book dates from 1662. The Enabling Act of 1919 gave greater internal freedom to the Church, and especially to the laity. The Church of England is governed by Bishops.

CHURCH, RICHARD WILLIAM, dean of St. Paul's, born in Lisbon; a scholarly man; distinguished himself first as such by his "Essays and Reviews," wrote thoughtful sermons, and "A Life of Anselm,"

also essays on eminent men of letters, such as Dante, Spenser, and Bacon (1815-1890).

CHURCH, STATES OF THE, the Papal States, extending irregularly from the Po to Naples, of which the Pope was the temporal sovereign until their seizure by Italy in 1870. By the Lateran Treaty (q.v.) of 1929 the States were restored to the Pope in a modified form.

CHURCHILL, CHARLES, an English poet, born at Westminster; began life as a curate, an office which he was compelled to resign from his unseemly ways; took himself to the satire, first of the actors of the time in his "Roscius," then of his critics in his "Apology," and then of Dr. Johnson in the "Ghost"; he wrote numerous satires, all vigorous, his happiest being deemed that against the Scots, entitled "The Prophecy of Famine"; his life was a short one, and not wisely regulated (1731-1764).

CHURCHILL, LORD RANDOLPH, an English Conservative politician, third son of the 7th Duke of Marlborough, who, though a man of mark, and more than once in office, could never heart and soul join any party and settle down to steady statesmanship; set out on travel, fell ill on the journey, and came home in a state of collapse to die (1849-1895).

CHURCHILL, RT. HON. WINSTON SPENCER, British politician. Son of Lord Randolph Churchill, he started his career as a soldier, fighting in India in 1897 and Egypt 1899, afterwards going to South Africa, where he acted as war correspondent as well as being on service. Politically he started as a Conservative and turned Liberal on the tariff issue. He first took office as Under-secretary for the Colonies in 1905, and became Home Secretary in 1908, during which period the "Sidney Street siege" (q.v.) took place. He was First Lord of the Admiralty on the outbreak of the Great War, and was responsible for the speedy mobilisation of the fleet, the glamour of which achievement was later diminished by his handling of the troops at Antwerp and the Dardanelles campaign. He returned to Parliament in 1916, and became successively Minister of Munitions, War Secretary, Air Minister, and Colonial Secretary. On the defeat of the Coalition he went for a time into the political wilderness, emerging a Conservative and becoming Chancellor of the Exchequer under Baldwin in 1924, a post he held till the Conservative defeat of 1929 (1874-).

CHURCHILL, WINSTON, American novelist. "Richard Carvel," published in 1899, was his first success, and was followed by "The Crisis" and "The Crossing," among others (1871-).

CHUZZLEWIT, MARTIN, the hero of a novel by Dickens of the name. James, a character in the same novel, a man distinguished for his mean and tyrannical character.

CHUSAN, principal island in the Chusan Archipelago, 18 m. long and 10 broad; near the estuary of the Yangtze-kiang, has been called "the Key of China."

CHYLE, a fluid of a milky colour, which is separated from the chyme by the action of the pancreatic juice and the bile, and which, being absorbed by the lacteal vessels, is gradually assimilated into blood.

CHYME, the pulpy mass into which the food is converted in the stomach prior to the separation in the small intestines of the chyle.

CIALDINI, ENRICO, an Italian general and politician, born at Modena; distinguished himself in Spain against the Carlists, and both as a soldier and diplomatist in connection with the unification of Italy (1811-1892).

CIBBER, COLLEY, actor and dramatist, of German descent; was manager and part-proprietor of Drury Lane; wrote plays, one in particular, which procured for him the post of poet-laureate, which he held till his death; was much depreciated by Pope; wrote an "Apology for his Life," the most amusing autobiography in the language (1671-1757).

CIBRARIO, LUIGI, COUNT, an Italian historian and statesman, born at Turin; he held office under Charles Albert of Sardinia (1802-1870).

CICERO, MARCUS TULLIUS, a Roman orator, statesman, and man of letters, born near Arpinum, in Latium; trained for political life partly at Rome

and partly at Athens; distinguished himself as the first orator at the Roman bar when he was 30, and afterwards rose through the successive grades of civic rank till he attained the consulship in 63 B.C.; during this period he acquired great popularity by his exposure and defeat of the conspiracy of Catiline, by which he earned the title of *Father of his Country*, though there were those who condemned his action and procured his banishment for a time; on his recall, which was unanimous, he took sides first with Pompey, then with Caesar after Pharsalia, on whose death he delivered a Philippic against Antony; was proscribed by the second triumvirate, and put to death by Antony's soldiers; he was the foremost of Roman orators, the most elegant writer of the Latin language, and has left behind him orations, letters, and treatises, very models of their kind; he was not a deep thinker, and his philosophy was more eclectic than original (106-43 B.C.).

CICERO OF GERMANY, John III., Elector of Brandenburg; "could speak 'four hours at a stretch, in elegantly flowing Latin,' with a fair share of meaning in it too" (1455-1499).

CICOGNARA, COUNT, an Italian writer, born at Ferrara, author of a "History of Sculpture" (1767-1834).

CID CAMPEADOR, a famed Castilian warrior of the 11th century, born at Burgos; much celebrated in Spanish romance; being banished from Castile, in the interest of which he had fought valiantly, he became a free-lance, fighting now with the Christians and now with the Moors, till he made himself master of Valencia, where he set up his throne and reigned, with his faithful wife Ximena by his side, till the news of a defeat by the Moors took all spirit out of him, and he died of grief. Faithful after death, his wife had his body embalmed and carried to his native place, on the high altar of which it lay enthroned for 10 years; his real name was Don Rodrigo (Ruy) Diaz of Bivar, and the story of his love for Ximena is the subject of Corneille's masterpiece, "The Cid."

CIGOLI, LODOVICO, a Florentine painter, called the Florentine Correggio, whom he specially studied in the practice of his art; "The Apostle Healing the Lame," in St. Peter's, is by him, as also the "Martyrdom of St. Stephen," in Florence (1559-1613).

CILICIA, an ancient province in S. of Asia Minor, originally Persian, then under Greek and, later, Roman domination.

CILICIAN GATES, the pass across Mount Taurus by which Alexander the Great entered Cilicia.

CIMABUE, GIOVANNI, a Florentine painter, and founder of the Florentine school, which ranked among its members such artists as Michael Angelo, Raphael, and Leonardo da Vinci; was the first to leave the stiff traditional Byzantine forms of art and copy from nature and the living model, though it was only with the advent of his great disciple Giotto that art found beauty in reality, and Florence was made to see the divine significance of lowly human worth, at sight of which, says Ruskin, "all Italy threw up its cap"; his "Madonna," in the Church of Santa Maria, has been long regarded as a marvel of art, and of all the "Mater Dolorosa" of Christianity, Ruskin does not hesitate to pronounce his at Assisi the noblest; his principal Madonnas are to be seen in the Louvre, Paris, in Florence, and the National Gallery, London (1240-1302).

CIMAROSA, DOMENICO, a celebrated Italian composer; composed between 20 and 30 operas, mostly comic, his masterpiece being "Il Matrimonio Segreto"; he was imprisoned for sympathizing with the principles of the French Revolution, and treated with a severity which shortened his life; said by some to have been poisoned by order of Queen Caroline of Naples (1749-1801).

CIMBER, a friend of Caesar who turned traitor, and whose act of presenting a petition to him was the signal to the conspirators to take the dictator's life.

CIMBRI, a barbarian horde who, with the Teutons, invaded Gaul in the 2nd century B.C.; gave the Romans no small trouble, and were all but exterminated by Marius in 101 B.C.; believed to have been a Germanic race, who descended on Southern Europe from the N.

CIMMERIANS, an ancient people N. of the shores of the Black Sea, fabled to inhabit a region unvisited by a single ray of the sun.

CIMON, an Athenian general, son of Miltiades; distinguished himself in the struggle of Athens against Persia in 466 B.C.; gained two victories over the Persians in one day, one by land and another by sea, was banished by the democratic party, and after four years recalled to continue his victories over his old foes, and died at Cyprus (510-449 B.C.).

CINCINNATI, the metropolis of Ohio, stands on the Ohio River, opposite Covington and Newport, by rail 270 m. SE. of Chicago; the city stands on hilly ground, and is broken and irregular; there are many fine buildings, among them a Roman Catholic cathedral, and large parks; there are a university, the Lane Theological Seminary (Presbyterian), schools of medicine, law, music, and art, an observatory, zoological garden, and large libraries; it is a centre of culture in the arts; manufactures include clothing, tobacco, leather, moulding, and machine shops; there is some boatbuilding and printing; but the most noted trade is in pork and grain; is one of the greatest pork markets in the world; a third of the population is of German origin.

CINCINNATUS, LUCIUS QUINTUS, an old hero of the Roman republic, distinguished for the simplicity and austerity of his manners; was called from the field to become consul in 460 B.C., and on the defeat of a Roman army by the Æquii, called to the dictatorship from the plough, to which he returned on the defeat of the Æquii; he was summoned to fill the same post a second time, when he was 80, on the occasion of the conspiracy of Mælius, with the like success.

CINCINNATUS, THE ORDER OF, an American order founded by officers of the revolutionary army at its dissolution in 1783; was denounced by Franklin as anti-republican in its spirit and tendency; the order was hereditary.

CINDERELLA (the little cinder-girl), the youngest member of a family who must drudge at home while her elder sisters go to balls, till one day a fairy befriends her and conveys her to a ball, where she shines as the centre of attraction, and wins the regard of a prince. On quitting the ball she leaves a slipper behind her, by means of which she is identified by the prince, who finds that hers is the only foot that the slipper will fit, and marries her. The story in one version or another is a very ancient and widespread one, being found in the writings of Ælian and Strabo.

CINEAS, the minister of Pyrrhus, king of Epirus; was the ablest orator of his time, and his master was in the habit of saying of him that his eloquence had gained him more cities than his own arms; sent on a mission to Rome, the senate refused to hear him, lest his eloquence should prove too fascinating; d. 270 B.C.

CINEMATOGRAPH, an adaptation of the old magic lantern, invented by Edison and first used for the showing of moving pictures as an entertainment in this country early this century. Within a few years cinemas sprang up all over the country, threatening the popularity of the theatre and music hall, and in 1928 talking films, in which sound as well as movement was reproduced, gave an immense impetus to the industry. Hollywood, California, is the centre of the industry, and a law was passed in England in 1927 to make it compulsory for British cinemas to show a quota of home-produced films. Charles Chaplin, Douglas Fairbanks, and Mary Pickford were the actors and actresses who first made the popularity of the cinema worldwide.

CINGALESE, a native of Ceylon.

CINNA, LUCIUS CORNELIUS, a Roman patrician, a friend and supporter of Marius; drove Sulla from Rome and recalled Marius from exile; participated in the murders which followed his recall, and after the death of Marius was assassinated when organising an expedition against Sulla, 84 B.C.

CINNABAR, a sulphide of mercury from which the mercury of commerce is obtained.

CINQ-MARS, HENRI, MARQUIS DE, a French courtier, a favourite of Louis XIII.; a man of handsome figure and fascinating manners; died on the scaffold

for conspiring with his friend De Thou against Richelieu (1620-1642).

CINQUE CENTO (*Ni.* five hundred), the Renaissance in literature and art in the 16th century, the expression 5 hundred standing for 16 hundred.

CINQUE PORTS, the five ports of Hastings, Romney, Hythe, Dover, and Sandwich, to which were added Winchelsea and Rye, which possessed certain privileges in return for supplying the royal power with a navy; the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports is only an honorary dignity.

CINTRA, a Portuguese town, 17 m. NW. of Lisbon, where a much repudiated convention between the French under Marshal Junot and the English under Sir Hew Dalrymple was signed in 1808, whereby the former were let off with all their arms and baggage on condition of evacuating Portugal.

CIPANGO, a legendary island in the Eastern Ocean, described by Marco Polo as a sort of El Dorado, an object of search to subsequent navigators, and an attraction among the number to Columbus, it is said.

CIPRIANI, GIAMBATTISTA, an Italian painter and etcher, born in Florence; settled in London; was an original member of the Royal Academy, and designed the diploma (1727-1785).

CIRCARS, THE, a territory in India along the coast of the Bay of Bengal, from 18 to 100 m. wide; ceded first to the French and in 1766 to the East India Company, now under the Crown and forming part of the Madras Presidency.

CIRCASSIA, a territory on the Western Caucasus, now an autonomous province of Soviet Russia; celebrated for the sturdy spirit of the men and the beauty of the women; the nobles professing Mohammedanism and the lower classes a certain impure form of Christianity; they are of the Semite race, and resemble the Arabs in their manners.

CIRCE, a sorceress who figures in the "Odyssey." Ulysses having landed on her isle, she administered a potion to him and his companions, which turned them into swine, while the effect of it on himself was counteracted by the use of the herb moly, provided for him by Hermes against sorcery; she detained him with her for years, and disenchanted his companions on his departure.

CIRCEAN POISON, a draught of any kind that is magically and fatally intoxicating, such as the effect often of popular applause.

CIRCUITS, districts outside of London into which England is divided for judicial purposes, for the trial of civil as well as criminal cases connected with them; are seven in number—the Midland, the Oxford, the North-Eastern, the South-Eastern, the Northern, the Western, and North Wales and South Wales; the courts are presided over by a judge sent from London, or by two, and are held twice a year, or oftener if the number of cases require it.

CIRCULATION OF THE BLOOD, the course of the blood from the heart through the arteries to the minute vessels of the body, and from these last through the veins back to the heart again.

CIRCUMCISION, the practice of cutting away the foreskin, chiefly of males, as observed by the Jews and the Mohammedans, as well as other nations of remote antiquity; regarded by some as a mark of belonging to the tribe, and by others as a sacrifice in propitiation by blood.

CISALPINE REPUBLIC, a republic so called on both sides of the Po, formed out of his conquests by Napoleon, 1797; became the Italian Republic in 1802, with Milan for capital, and ceased to exist after the fall of Napoleon.

CISTERCIANS, a monastic order founded by Abbot Robert in 1088 at Cîteaux, near Dijon; they followed the rule of St. Benedict, who reformed the Order after it had lapsed; became an ecclesiastical republic, and were exempt from ecclesiastical control; contributed considerably to the progress of the arts, if little to the sciences; among their most famous abbeys were those at Tintern, Kirkstall, Melrose, and Deer, and, in France, at Clairvaux.

CITAEARON, a wood-covered mountain on the borders of Bœotia and Attica; famous in Greek legend as the haunt of Bacchus.

CITIES OF REFUGE, among the Jews, three on the

E. and three on the W. of the Jordan, in which the manslayer might find refuge from the avenger of blood; so appointed by law (see *Joshua*, ch. 20).

CITIES OF THE PLAIN, Sodom and Gomorrah, with adjoining cities under the like doom.

CITIZEN KING, Louis Philippe of France, so called as elected by the citizens of Paris.

CITY OF DESTRUCTION, Bunyan's name for the world as under divine judgment.

CITY OF GOD, Augustine's name for the Church as distinct from the cities of the world, and the title of a book of his defining it.

CITY OF THE PROPHET, Medina, where Mohammed found refuge when driven out of Mecca by the Korish and their adherents.

CITY OF THE SEVEN HILLS, Rome, as built on seven hills, viz. the Aventine, Caelian, Capitoline, Esquiline, Palatine, Quirinal, and Viminal.

CITY OF THE SUN, Babel (q.v.); and a work by Campanella, describing an ideal republic, after the manner of Plato and Sir Thomas More.

CIUDAD REAL (royal city), a Spanish town in a province of the same name, 106 m. S. of Madrid, where Sebastian defeated the Spaniards in 1809.

CIUDAD RODRIGO, a Spanish town near the Portuguese frontier, 50 m. SW. of Salamanca; stormed by Wellington, after a siege of 11 days, in 1812, for which brilliant achievement he earned the title of Earl in England, and Duke of Ciudad Rodrigo in Spain.

GIVA, the third member of the Hindu Trinity. See **SIVA**.

GIVET, small carnivore included among the cats, which yields a musky perfume valued in the East; found in Africa, India, China, and the Malay Peninsula.

CIVIL LAW, a system of laws for the regulation of civilised communities formed on Roman laws, digested in the pandects of Justinian.

CIVIL LIST, the yearly sum granted by the Parliament of England at the commencement of each reign for the support of the royal household and to maintain the dignity of the Crown; it amounts now to over £570,000.

CIVIL SERVICE, the paid service done to the State by several departments, exclusive of that of the army and navy.

CIVITA VECEIA, a fortified port on the W. coast of Italy, 40 m. NW. of Rome, with a good harbour, founded by Trajan; exports wheat, alum, cheese, &c.

CLACKMANNANSHIRE, the smallest county in Scotland, lies between the Ochils and the Forth; rich in minerals, especially coal.

CLAIR, ST., a lake 30 m. long by 12 broad, connecting Lake Erie with Lake Huron.

CLAIRAUT, ALEXIS CLAUDE, a French mathematician and astronomer, born at Paris, of so precocious a genius that he was admitted to the Academy of Sciences at the age of 18; published a theory of the figure of the earth, and computed the orbit of Halley's comet (1718-1765).

CLAIRVAUX, a village of France, on the Aube, where St. Bernard founded a Cistercian monastery in 1115, and where he lived and was buried; now used as a prison or reformatory.

CLAIRVOYANCE, the power ascribed to certain persons in a mesmeric state of seeing and describing events at a distance or otherwise invisible.

CLAN, a tribe of blood relations descended from a common ancestor, ranged under a chief in direct descent from him, and having a common surname, as in the Highlands of Scotland; at bottom a military organisation for defensive and predatory purposes.

CLAN-NA-GAEL, a Fenian organisation founded at Philadelphia in 1870 to secure by violence the complete emancipation of Ireland from British control.

CLAPHAM, a SW. suburb of London, in the borough of Wandsworth, 4 m. from St. Paul's, with a large common; an important railway junction.

CLAPPERTON, HUGH, a noted African explorer, born at Annan; served in the navy, joined two expeditions into Central Africa to ascertain the length and course of the Niger, but on the second journey got no farther than Sokoto, where he was attacked with dysentery and died (1788-1827).

- CLARCHEN**, a female character in Goethe's "Ermont," distinguished by qualities of constancy and devotion.
- CLARE**, a county in Munster, Ireland, where cattle and sheep are largely reared; also an island at the mouth of Clew Bay, county Mayo.
- CLARE, JOHN**, the peasant poet of Northamptonshire, born near Peterborough; wrote "Poems Descriptive of Rural Life and Scenery," which attracted attention, and even admiration, and at length, with others, brought him a small annuity, which he wasted in speculation; fell into despondency, and died in a lunatic asylum (1793-1864).
- CLARE, ST.**, a virgin and abbess, born at Assisi; the founder of the Order of Poor Clares (1193-1253). Festival, Aug. 12.
- CLAREMONT**, a mansion in Surrey, 14 m. SW. of London, built by Lord Clive, where Princess Charlotte lived and died, as also Louis Philippe after his flight from France; is now the property of the King, and was the residence of the Duchess of Albany.
- CLARENCE, DUKE OF**, brother of Edward IV.; convicted of treason, he was condemned to death, and being allowed to choose the manner of his death, is said to have elected to die by drowning in a butt of Malmsey wine (1459-1478); the last to bear the title was Albert Victor, eldest son of Edward VII.
- CLARENCEUX, or CLARENOIEUX**, the provincial king-at-arms, whose jurisdiction extends from and includes all England S. of the Trent.
- CLARENDON**, a place 2 m. SE. of Salisbury, in the royal palace of which the magnates of England, both lay and clerical, met in 1164 under Henry II., and issued a set of ordinances, called the *Constitutions of Clarendon*, 16 in number, to limit the power of the Church and assert the rights of the Crown in ecclesiastical affairs.
- CLARENDON, EDWARD HYDE, EARL OF**, sat in the Short Parliament and the Long on the popular side, but during the Civil War became a devoted Royalist; was from 1641 one of the chief advisers of the King; on the failure of the royal cause, took refuge first in Jersey, and then in Holland with the Prince of Wales; contributed to the Restoration; came back with Charles, and became Lord Chancellor; fell into disfavour, and quitted England in 1667; died at Rouen; wrote, among other works, a "History of the Great Rebellion," dignifiedly written, though often carelessly, but full of graphic touches and characterisations, especially of contemporaries; it has been called an "epical composition," as showing a sense of the central story and its unfolding. "Few historians," adds Prof. Saintsbury, "can describe a given event with more vividness. Not one in all the long list of the great practitioners of the art has such skill in the personal character" (1609-1674).
- CLARENDON, GEORGE VILLIERS, EARL OF**, a Whig statesman; served as a Cabinet minister under Lord Melbourne, Lord John Russell twice, Lord Aberdeen, Lord Palmerston, and Mr. Gladstone; held the office of Foreign Secretary under the three preceding; was Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland at the time of the potato failure, and represented Britain at the Congress of Paris; died in harness as Foreign Minister, deeply lamented both at home and abroad (1800-1870).
- CLARETTE, JULES**, a French journalist, novelist, dramatic author, and critic, born at Limoges; published some 40 volumes of *causeries*, history, and fiction; appointed Director of the Comédie Française in 1893 (1840-1913).
- CLARISSA HARLOWE**, the heroine of Richardson's novel of the same name, exhibiting a female character which, as depicted by him, is pronounced to be "one of the brightest triumphs in the whole range of imaginative literature," and is described by Stopford Brooke as "the pure and ideal star of womanhood."
- CLARK, SIR ANDREW**, an eminent London physician, born near Cargill, in Perthshire, skilful in the treatment of diseases affecting the respiratory and digestive organs (1826-1893).
- CLARK, SIR JAMES**, physician to Queen Victoria, born in Cullen; an authority on the influence of climate on chronic and pulmonary diseases (1788-1870).
- CLARK, JOSIAH**, railway and electrical engineer; invented the electric battery named after him (1822-1898).
- CLARK, THOMAS**, chemist, born in Ayr; discovered the phosphate of soda and the process of softening hard water (1801-1867).
- CLARKE, ADAM**, a Wesleyan divine, of Irish birth; a man of considerable scholarship, best known by his "Commentary" on the Bible; author also of a *Bibliographical Dictionary* (1762-1882).
- CLARKE, CHARLES COWDEN**, a friend of Lamb, Keats, and Leigh Hunt; celebrated for his Shakespearean learning; brought out an annotated Shakespeare, assisted by his wife; lectured on Shakespeare characters (1797-1877).
- CLARKE, EDWARD DANIEL**, a celebrated English traveller, born in Sussex; visited Scandinavia, Russia, Circassia, Asia Minor, Syria, Palestine, Egypt, and Greece; brought home 100 MSS. to enrich the library of Cambridge, the colossal statue of the Eleusinian Ceres, and the sarcophagus of Alexander, now in the British Museum; was professor of mineralogy at Cambridge University. 1808; his "Travels" were published in six volumes (1769-1822).
- CLARKE, SIR EDWARD GEORGE**, British lawyer. After early struggles as a reporter, he was called to the bar in 1869, made his name in the Penge murder trial; entered Parliament in 1880 as a Conservative, and was Solicitor-General from 1886 to 1892 (1841-).
- CLARKE, HENRI**, Duc de Feltre, of Irish origin, French marshal, and Minister of War under Napoleon; instituted the provost court, a *pro re nata* court without appeal (1767-1818).
- CLARKE, MARY COWDEN**, *née* Novello, of Italian descent, wife of Charles Cowden, assisted her husband in his Shakespeare studies, and produced among other works "Concordance to Shakespeare," a work which occupied her 16 years (1809-1898).
- CLARKE, WILLIAM GEORGE**, English man of letters; Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge; edited the "Cambridge Shakespeare," along with Aldrich Wright (1821-1897).
- CLARKSON, THOMAS**, philanthropist, born in Wisbech, Cambridgeshire; the great English anti-slavery advocate, who lived to see in 1833 the abolition in the British empire of the slavery he denounced, in which achievement he was assisted by the powerful advocacy in Parliament of Wilberforce (1780-1846).
- CLASSICO RACES**, the English horse-races, the Derby, the Oaks, the St. Leger, the Two Thousand Guineas, and the One Thousand Guineas.
- CLASSICOS**, originally, and often still, the standard authors in the literature of Greece or Rome, now authors in any literature that represent it at its best, when, as Goethe has it, it is "vigorous, fresh, joyous, and healthy," as in the "Nibelungen," no less than in the "Iliad."
- CLAUDE, JEAN**, a French Protestant controversial divine, a powerful antagonist of Bossuet and other Catholic writers; allowed only 24 hours to escape on the eve of the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes, though other Protestant ministers were allowed 15 days (1619-1687).
- CLAUDE LORRAINE**, a great landscape painter, born in Lorraine, of poor parents, and apprenticed to a pastry-cook; went as such to Rome; became servant and colour-grinder to Tassi, who instructed him in his art; by assiduous study of nature in all her aspects attained to fame; was eminent in his treatment of aerial perspective, and an artist whom it was Turner's ambition to rival; he was eminent as an etcher as well as a painter; Turner left one of his finest works to the English nation on condition that it should hang side by side with a masterpiece of Claude, which it now does; his pictures are found in every gallery in Europe, and a goodly number of them are to be met with in England; there are in the Leningrad gallery four pieces of exquisite workmanship, entitled "Morning," "Noon," "Evening," and "Twilight" (1600-1682).
- CLAUDIAN**, a Latin epic poet of the 5th century, born in Alexandria, panegyrist of Stilicho on his victory over Alaric; a not unworthy successor of Catullus and Propertius, though his native tongue was Greek.

CLAUDIUS, APPIUS, a Roman decemvir and patrician in 451 B.C.; outraged Virginia, a beautiful plebeian damsel, whom her father, on discovering the crime, killed with a knife snatched from a butcher's stall, rousing thereby the popular rage against the decemvir, who was cast into prison, where he put an end to himself, 449 B.C.

CLAUDIUS, APPIUS, censor in 312-307 B.C.; wrought important changes in the Roman constitution; set on foot the construction of the Appian Way and the Appian Aqueduct, named after him.

CLAUDIUS I., TIBERIUS, surnamed **GERMANICUS**, brother of Tiberius, emperor of Rome from 41 to 54, born at Lyons; after spending 50 years of his life in private, occupying himself in literary study, was, on the death of Caligula, raised, very much against his wish, by the soldiers to the imperial throne, a post which he filled with honour to himself and benefit to the State; but he was too much controlled by his wives, of whom he had in succession four, till the last of them, Agrippina, had him poisoned to make way for her son Nero.

CLAUDIUS II., surnamed **GOTHICUS**, Roman emperor from 268 to 270; an excellent prince and a good general; distinguished himself by his ability and courage against the Goths and other hordes of barbarians.

CLAUSEL, BERTRAND, marshal of France, born at Mirepoix; served under Napoleon in Holland, Italy, Austria, and Spain; was defeated at Salamanca, executing thereafter a masterly retreat; left France for America in 1815 on the fall of Napoleon, to whom he was devoted; returned in 1830, became commander-in-chief in Algeria, and ultimately governor (1772-1842).

CLAUSEN, SIR GEORGE, British painter. Of Danish parentage, he studied at South Kensington and in Paris, was elected A.R.A. in 1836 and R.A. in 1908. His "Gleaners Returning" and "The Girl at the Gate" are in the Tate Gallery (1862-).

CLAUSEWITZ, KARL VON, a Prussian general, born at Burg; distinguished himself against Napoleon in Russia in 1812; an authority on the art of war, on which he wrote a treatise in three volumes, entitled "Vom Kriege" (1780-1831).

CLAUSIUS, RUDOLF, an eminent German physicist, born at Kœlin, in Pomerania; professor of Natural Philosophy at Bonn; specially distinguished for his contributions to the science of thermo-dynamics, and the application of mathematical methods to the study, as also to electricity and the expansion of gases (1822-1888).

CLAUVERHOUSE, JOHN GRAHAM OF, VISCOUNT DUNDEE, commenced life as a soldier in France and Holland; on his return to Scotland in 1677 was appointed by Charles II. to the command of a troop to suppress the Covenanters; was defeated at Drumclog 1679, but by the help of Monmouth had his revenge at Bothwell Brig; affected to support the Revolution, but intrigued in favour of the Stuarts; raised in Scotland a force in their behalf; was met at Killiecrankie by General Mackay, where he fell (1649-1689).

CLAVIERE, Minister of Finance in France after Necker, born at Geneva; projector of the *Moniteur*; friend of Mirabeau; committed suicide in prison (1735-1793).

CLAVIGO, a drama by Goethe in five acts, the first work to which he put his name; was received with disfavour.

CLAVIERO, FRANCISCO, a Jesuit missionary, born in Vera Cruz; laboured for 40 years as missionary in Mexico; on the suppression of his Order went to Italy, and wrote a valuable work on Mexico (1731-1787).

CLAVILEÑO, Don Quixote's wooden horse.

CLAY, a plastic material abundant in nature composed of silica and silicates of aluminum with varying quantities of iron, magnesia, potash, and soda, and used in the manufacture of bricks and earthenware. It is composed of the finer particles resulting from the weathering of rocks.

CLAY, HENRY, an American statesman, born in Virginia; bred for the bar, and distinguished for his oratory; was for many years Speaker of the House of Representatives; was a supporter of war with Britain in 1812-1815, and party to the treaty

which ended it; was an advocate of protection; aspired three times unsuccessfully to the Presidency; his public career was a long and honourable one (1777-1852).

CLAYTON, REV. PHILIP THOMAS BYARD, British padre and founder of Talbot House (Toc H) in Poppertinghe, near Ypres, during the Great War, which he continued as a peacetime movement among young men (1885-).

CLEANTHES, a Stoic philosopher, born at Assos, in Troas, of the 3rd century B.C.; wrought as a drawer of water by night that he might earn his fee as pupil of Zeno by day; became Zeno's successor and the head of his school; regarded "pleasure as a renunciation of that moral energy of the soul, which alone is happiness, as an interruption to life, and as an evil, which was not in accordance with nature, and no end of nature"; killed himself by voluntary starvation.

CLEAR THE CAUSEWAY RIOTS, bickerings in the streets of Edinburgh in 1515 between the rival factions of Angus and Arran, to the utter rout of the former, or the Douglas party.

CLEAR, CAPE, a headland S. of Clear Island, most southerly point of Ireland, and the first land sighted coming from America.

CLEARCHUS, a Spartan general who accompanied Cyrus on his expedition against Artaxerxes; commanded the retreat of the Ten Thousand; was put to death by Tissaphernes in 401 B.C., and replaced by Xenophon.

CLEARING-HOUSE, a house for interchanging the respective claims of banks and of railway companies.

CLEISHBOTHAM, JEDEDIAH, an imaginary editor of Scott's "Tales of My Landlord."

CLELIA, a Roman heroine, who swam the Tiber to escape from Porcena, whose hostage she was; sent back by the Romans, she was set at liberty, and other hostages along with her, out of admiration on Porcena's part, on both her and her people.

CLEMENCEAU, GEORGES EUGENE BENJAMIN, French politician. Son of a doctor, he was elected in 1871 to the National Assembly as a Republican, and later was one of the supporters of the demand for justice for Dreyfus. He became Minister of the Interior in 1906 and Prime Minister from that year till 1909, separating the Church and State while in office and also cementing the Entente. He defeated Caillaux in 1912 and Briand in 1913, and becoming Premier again in 1917 he secured the appointment of Marshal Foch to command the army. He resigned in 1920 after presiding over the Peace Conference. He was known internationally as "The Tiger" (1841-1920).

CLEMENCEY, CHARLES, a French Benedictine, born near Autun; one of the authors of the great chronological work, "Art de Verifier les Dates," and wrote the history of the Port Royal (1703-1778).

CLEMENCIN, DIEGO, a Spanish statesman and litterateur; his most important work a commentary on "Don Quixote."

CLEMENS, SAMUEL LANGHORNE, an American humorist with the pseudonym of "Mark Twain," born at Florida, Missouri, U.S.; began his literary career as a newspaper reporter and a lecturer; his first book "The Jumping Frog"; visited Europe, described in the "Innocents Abroad"; married a lady of fortune; wrote largely in his peculiar humorous vein, such as "A Tramp Abroad," "Tom Sawyer," and "Huckleberry Finn"; produced with Dudley Warner a drama entitled "The Gilded Age," and compiled the "Memoirs of General Grant" (1856-1910).

CLEMENS ALEXANDRINUS, one of the Greek Fathers of the Church, of the 2nd and 3rd centuries; had Origen for pupil; brought up in Greek philosophy; converted in manhood to Christianity from finding in his appreciation of knowledge over faith confirmations of it in his philosophy, which he still adhered to; his "Stromata" or "Miscellanies" contain facts and quotations found nowhere else.

CLEMENT, the name of 14 Popes: C. I., Pope from 91 to 100; one of the Apostolic Fathers; wrote an Epistle to the Church of Corinth, with references to the Canonical books. C. II., Pope from 1046 to 1047. C. III., Pope from 1187 to 1191. C. IV.,

- Pope from 1265 to 1268. C. V., Bertrand de Goth, Pope from 1305 to 1314; transferred the seat of the Papacy to Avignon, and abolished the Order of the Knights Templars. C. VI., Pope from 1342 to 1352; resided at Avignon. C. VII., Giulio de Medici, Pope from 1523 to 1534; celebrated for his quarrels with Charles V. and Henry VIII., was made prisoner in Rome by the Constable of Bourbon; refused to sanction the divorce of Henry VIII., and brought about the schism of England from the Holy See. C. VIII., Pope from 1592 to 1606; a patron of Tasso; resided at Henry IV. to the Church and the Jesuits to France. C. IX., Pope from 1667 to 1669. C. X., Pope from 1670 to 1676. C. XI., Pope from 1700 to 1721; as Francesco Albani opposed the Jansenists; issued the bull *Unigenitus* against them; supported the Pretender and the claims of the Stuarts. C. XII., Pope from 1738 to 1740. C. XIII., Pope from 1758 to 1769. C. XIV., Pope from 1769 to 1774, Ganganelli, an able, liberal-minded, kind-hearted, and upright man; abolished the Order of the Jesuits out of regard to the peace of the Church; his death occurred not without suspicions of foul-play.
- CLEMENT**, French critic, born at Dijon, surnamed by Voltaire from his severity the "Inclement" (1742-1812).
- CLEMENT**, a French manufacturer and savant, born near Dijon; author of a memoir on the specific heat of the gases (1779-1841).
- CLEMENT, JACQUES**, a Dominican monk; assassinated Henry III. of France in 1589.
- CLEMENT, ST.**, St. Paul's coadjutor, the patron saint of tanners; his symbol an anchor.
- CLEMENTI, MUZIO**, a musical composer, especially of pieces for the pianoforte, born in Rome; was the father of pianoforte music; one of the foremost pianists of his day; was buried in Westminster (1752-1832).
- CLEMENTINE, THE LADY**, a lady, accomplished and beautiful, in Richardson's novel, "Sir Charles Grandison," in love with Sir Charles, who marries another he has no partiality for.
- CLEOBULUS**, one of the seven sages of Greece; friend of Plato; wrote lyrics and riddles in verse, 530 B.C.
- CLEOMEROTUS**, a philosopher of Ephesus, so fascinated with Plato's "Iphedon" that he leapt into the sea in the expectation that he would thereby exchange this life for a better.
- CLEOMEDES**, a Greek astronomer of the 1st or 2nd century; author of a treatise which regards the sun as the centre of the solar system and the earth as a globe.
- CLEOMENES**, the name of three Spartan kings.
- CLEOMENES**, an Athenian sculptor, who, as appears from an inscription on the pedestal, executed the statue of the Venus de Medici towards 220 B.C.
- CLEON**, an Athenian demagogue, surnamed the Tanner, from his profession, which he forsook that he might champion the rights of the people; rose in popular esteem by his victory over the Spartans, but being sent against Brasidas, the Spartan general, was defeated and fell in the battle, 422 B.C.; is regarded by Thucydides with disfavour, and by Aristophanes with contempt, but both these writers were of the aristocracy, and possibly prejudiced, though the object of their disfavour had many of the marks of the vulgar agitator, and stands for the type of one.
- CLEOPATRA**, Queen of Egypt, a woman distinguished for her beauty, her charms, and her amours; first fascinated Caesar, to whom she bore a son, and whom she accompanied to Rome, and after Caesar's death took Mark Antony captive, on whose fall and suicide at Actium she killed herself by applying an asp to her arm, to escape the shame of being taken to Rome to grace the triumph of Augustus, the victor (69-30 B.C.).
- CLEOPATRA'S NEEDLE**, an obelisk of 186 tons weight and 68½ ft. high, brought from Alexandria to London by Sir Erasmus Wilson in 1878, and erected on the Thames Embankment, London.
- CLERO**, or **LECLERO**, **JEAN**, a French theologian of the Arminian school, born at Geneva; a prolific author; wrote commentaries on all the books of the Old Testament, on lines since followed by the Rationalist school or Neologians of Germany (1657-1736).
- CLERFAYT, COMTE DE**, an Austrian general, distinguished in the Seven Years' War; commanded with less success the Austrian army against the French armies of the Revolution (1738-1798).
- CLERK, SIR DUGALD**, engineer, actively engaged during the Great War on research work for the Navy and Air Force (1854-).
- CLERK, JOHN, OF ELIDIN**, of the Penicuik family, an Edinburgh merchant, first suggested the naval manoeuvre of "breaking the enemy's lines," which was first successfully adopted against the French in 1782 (1728-1812).
- CLERK, JOHN**, son of preceding, a Scottish judge, under the title of Lord Eldin, long remembered in Edinburgh for his wit (1757-1832).
- CLERKENWELL**, a parish in Finsbury, London, originally an aristocratic quarter, now the centre of the manufacture of jewellery and watches.
- CLERMONT, ROBERT, COMTE DE**, sixth son of St. Louis, head of the house of Bourbon.
- CLERMONT FERRAND**, the ancient capital of Auvergne, and chief town of the dep. Puy-de-Dôme; the birthplace of Pascal, Gregory of Tours, and Dossais, and where, in 1095, Pope Urban II. convoked a council and decided on the first Crusade; it has been the scene of seven Church Councils.
- CLERMONT-TONNERRE, MARQUIS**, minister of France under the Restoration of the Bourbons (1770-1865).
- CLERY**, Louis XVI.'s valet, who waited on him in his last hours, and has left an account of what he saw of the king's touching farewell with his family.
- CLEVELAND**, a hilly district in the North Riding of Yorkshire, rich in ironstone, famous for its breed of horses.
- CLEVELAND**, the second city of Ohio, on the shores of Lake Erie, 230 m. N.E. of Cincinnati; is built on a plain considerably above the level of the lake; the winding Cuyahoga River divides it into two parts, and the industrial quarters are on the lower level of its banks; the city is noted for its wealth of trees in the streets and parks, hence called "The Forest City," and for the absence of tenement houses; it has a university, several colleges, and two libraries; it is the terminus of the Ohio Canal and of seven railways, and the iron ore of Lake Superior shores, the limestone of Lake Erie islands, and the Ohio coal are brought together here, and every variety of iron manufacture carried on; there is a great lumber market, and an extensive general trade.
- CLEVELAND, GROVER**, President of the United States, born in New Jersey, son of a Presbyterian minister; bred for the bar; became President in the Democratic interest in 1885; unseated for his free-trade leaning by Senator Harrison, 1889; became the President a second time in 1893; retired in 1897 (1837-1908).
- CLEVELAND, JOHN**, partisan of Charles I.; imprisoned for abetting the Royalist cause against the Parliament, but after some time set at liberty in consequence of a letter he wrote to Cromwell pleading that he was a poor man, and that in his poverty he suffered enough; he was a poet, and used his satirical faculty in a political interest, one of his satires being an onslaught on the Scots for betraying Charles I. (1613-1658).
- CLEVE**, a Prussian town 46 m. N.W. of Düsseldorf, once the capital of a duchy connected by a canal with the Rhine; manufactures textile fabrics and tobacco.
- CLICHY**, a manufacturing suburb of Paris, on the N.W. and right bank of the Seine, with oil, candle, and chemical factories.
- CLIFF DWELLINGS**, the name given to very ancient houses built in recesses of cliffs in New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona, and other parts of Western America, these structures being the work of a people anterior to the Pueblo Indians. Many such dwellings, of which ruins remain, are several hundreds of feet from the ground, and access to them was probably made by ladders or ropes.
- CLIFFORD, GEORGE**, Earl of Cumberland, a distinguished naval commander under Queen Elizabeth, and one of her favourites (1558-1605).

- CLIFFORD, JOHN, D.D.** Baptist minister in London, a leader of Nonconformist thought, and active in temperance, housing of the poor, and other social matters; author of "Is Life Worth Living?" (1886-1924).
- CLIFTON**, a fashionable suburb of Bristol, resorted to as a watering-place; romantically situated on the sides and crest of high cliffs, whence its name. It is the site of a famous public school.
- CLIFTON, WILLIAM**, American poet, one of the earliest of the post-revolutionary writers (1772-1799).
- CLIMACOTERIC, THE GRAND**, the 68rd year of a man's life, and the average limit of it; a climacteric being every seven and nine years of one's life, and reckoned critical.
- CLINKER, HUMPHRY**, the hero of Smollett's novel, a poor walf, reduced to want, who attracts the notice of Mr. Bramble, marries Mrs. Bramble's maid, and proves to be a natural son of Mr. Bramble.
- CLINTON, GEORGE**, American general and statesman; was governor of New York; became Vice-President in 1804 (1789-1812).
- CLINTON, SIR HENRY**, an English general; commanded in the American war; censured for failure in the war; wrote an exculpation, which was accepted (1788-1795).
- CLINTON, HENRY FYNES**, a distinguished chronologist, author of "Fasti Hellenici" and "Fasti Romani" (1781-1852).
- CLIO**, the muse of history and epic poetry, represented as seated with a half-opened scroll in her hand.
- CLISSON, OLIVIER DE**, constable of France under Charles VI.; companion in arms of Du Guesclin, and victor at Roosebeke (1326-1407).
- CLISTHENES**, an Athenian, uncle of Pericles, procured the expulsion of Hippas the tyrant, 510 B.C., and the establishment of Ostracism (q.v.).
- CLIVE, MRS., nee KITTY RAFFOR**, a famous comedy actress of the time of Garrick and Johnson; distinguished by her uprightness of character as by her histrionic gifts (1711-1785).
- CLIVE, ROBERT, LORD OLIVE AND BARON FLASSBY**, the founder of the dominion of Britain in India, born in Shropshire; at 19 went out a clerk in the East India Company's service, but quitted his employment in that capacity for the army; distinguishing himself against the rajah of Tanjore, was appointed commissary; advised an attack on Arcot, in the Carnatic, in 1751; took it from and held it against the French, after which, and other brilliant successes, he returned to England, and was made Lieutenant-colonel in the king's service; went out again, and marched against the nabob Surajah Dowlah, and overthrew him at the battle of Plassey, 1757; established the British power in Calcutta, and was raised to the peerage; finally returned to England possessed of great wealth, which exposed him to the accusation of having abused his power; the accusation failed; in his grief he took to opium, and committed suicide (1725-1774).
- CLODIUS**, a profligate Roman patrician; notorious as the enemy of Cicero, whose banishment he procured; was killed by the tribune Milo, 52 B.C.
- CLODOMIR**, the second son of Clovis, king of Orleans from 511 to 524; fell fighting with his rivals; his children, all but one, were put to death by their uncle, Clotaire and Childeric.
- CLOOTZ, ANACHARSIS**, Baron Jean Baptiste de Cloots, a French Revolutionary, born at Clèves; "world-citizen"; his faith that "a world federation is possible, under all manner of customs, provided they hold men"; his pronomen Anacharsis suggested by his resemblance to an ancient Scythian prince who had, like him, a cosmopolitan spirit; was one of the founders of the worship of Reason, and styled himself the "orator of the human race"; became a member of the Convention and was among those who voted for the King's death; was guillotined under protest in the name of the human race (1755-1794).
- CLORENDA**, a female Saracen knight of romantic origin sent against the Crusaders, whom Tancred fell in love with, but slew on an encounter at night; before expiring she received Christian baptism at his hands; her story is told in Tasso's "Jerusalem Delivered."
- CLOTAIRE I.**, son and successor of Clovis, king of the Franks from 568; cruel and sanguinary; along with Childeric murdered the sons of his brother Clodomir.
- C. II.**, son of Childeric and Fredigonde, king of the Franks from 613 to 628; caused Brunhilda to be torn in pieces.
- C. III.**, son of Clovis II., King of Neustria and Burgundy from 656 to 670.
- C. IV.**, king of ditto from 717 to 720.
- CLOTIO**, that one of the three Fates which spins the thread of human destiny.
- CLOTILDA, ST.**, the wife of Clovis I.; persuaded her husband to profess Christianity; retired into a monastery at Tours when he died (475-545). Festival, June 8.
- CLOUD, ST.** the patron saint of smiths.
- CLOUD, ST.** or **CLODOALD**, third son of Clodomir, who escaped the fate of his brothers, and retired from the world to a spot on the left bank of the Seine, 6 m. SW. of Paris, named St. Cloud after him.
- CLOUDS, THE**, the play in which Aristophanes exposes Socrates to ridicule.
- CLOUGH, ANNE**, a pioneer in the higher education of women, appointed the first principal of Newnham College, Cambridge (1820-1892).
- CLOUGH, ARTHUR HUGH**, British poet. Educated under Arnold at Rugby, he dealt with Victorian religious and social problems, and is best known for his "Say not the struggle naught availeth" (1819-1861).
- CLOVIS I.**, king of the Franks, son of Childeric I.; conquered the Romans at Soissons 486, which he made his centre; married Clotilda (q.v.) 493; beat the Germans near Cologne 496, by assistance, as he believed, of the God of Clotilda, after which he was baptized by St. Remi at Rheims; and overthrew the Visigoths under Alaric II. near Poitiers in 507, after which victories he made Paris his capital.
- C. II.**, son of Dagobert; was king of Neustria and Burgundy from 638 to 656.
- C. III.**, son of Thierry III., and king of ditto from 691 to 695, and had Pepin d'Héristal for mayor of the palace.
- CLUNY**, a town in the dep. of Saône-et-Loire, on an affluent of the Saône; renowned in the Middle Ages for its Benedictine abbey, founded in 910 and the most celebrated in Europe, having been the mother establishment of 2000 others of the like elsewhere; in ecclesiastical importance it stood second to Rome, and its abbey church second to none prior to the erection of St. Peter's; a great normal school was established here in 1855.
- CLUSIUM**, an ancient city of Etruria, now Chiusi.
- CLUTHA**, the largest river in New Zealand, in Otago, very deep and rapid, and 200 m. long.
- CLUTTERBUCK, CAPTAIN**, the imaginary author of the "Fortunes of Nigel," and the patron to whom Scott's "Abbot" is dedicated.
- CLYDE**, a river in the W. of Scotland which falls into a large inlet or firth, as it is called, the commerce on which extends over the world, and on the banks of which are shipbuilding yards second to none in any other country; it is deepened as far as Glasgow for ships of a heavy tonnage.
- CLYDE, LORD**. See **CAMPBELL, COLIN**.
- CLYNES, RT. HON. JOHN ROBERT**, British politician. As a boy he worked in a cotton factory, took up trade unionism and entered Parliament in 1906 as a Labour M.P. In 1917 he took office under the Coalition, became Food Controller in 1918 and resigned at the end of the Great War. In the Labour Government of 1924 he was Lord Privy Seal, and in that of 1925 Home Secretary (1869-).
- CLYTEMNESTRA**, the wife of Agamemnon, and the mother of Iphigenia, Electra, and Orestes; killed her husband, and was killed by her son Orestes seven years after.
- CLYTIE**, a nymph in love with Apollo, god of the sun, who did not respond to her; but, with all the passion he durst show to her, turned her into a sunflower.
- COAL GAS**, is obtained by heating bituminous coal to a high temperature; it consists of about 50 per cent. of hydrogen and 80 per cent. of marsh gas, as well as some carbon monoxide and small quantities of other gases. Gas was first used for street lighting in Manchester in 1805, and two years later in London.

COAL TAR PRODUCTS, these substances obtained by the separation of the tar formed as a by-product in gas works and coke ovens. As well as cresote oil, anthracene, and pitch, they include the large number of substances used as dyes and in medicines that are obtained from the benzene, toluene, phenol, and aniline in the tar. About 200 different substances have been isolated in coal tar, and well over 2000 have been derived from them, including dyes, drugs, and synthetic perfumes and essences.

COALITION GOVERNMENT, a union of Conservatives and Liberals formed in the Great War. The first with Asquith as Prime Minister was formed in May, 1915, and fell in December, when Lloyd George took control of the 2nd Coalition. Re-elected in 1918 the Coalition Government lasted till 1922, when Conservative support was withdrawn.

COANZA, a W. African river, which rises in the Mossamba Mountains, falling into the sea after a course of 600 m.; owing to falls is navigable for only 120 m. from its mouth.

COAST RANGE, a range in the U.S., W. of the Sierra Nevada, parallel to it, with the Sacramento Valley between.

COASTGUARDS were organised to prevent smuggling in the old days and were largely abolished in 1925.

COATES, JOHN, British singer. He first appeared as a tenor at the Savoy in 1894, and subsequently sang throughout the world in opera (1895-).

COATES, RT. HON. JOSEPH GORDON, New Zealand statesman. Son of a doctor, he was born and educated in New Zealand, and entered the House of Representatives in 1911. During the Great War he served with the New Zealand forces in France, winning the M.C. After holding various posts he became Prime Minister in 1925 (1878-).

COBALT, a grey metallic element that enters into the composition of certain alloys; it is also used for colouring glass, etc.

COBBETT, WILLIAM, a political and miscellaneous writer, born at Farnham, Surrey; commenced life as a farm labourer and then as copying clerk; enlisted, and saw seven years' service in Nova Scotia; being discharged, travelled in France and America; on his return started the *Weekly Register*, at first Tory, then Radical; published a libel against the Government, for which he was imprisoned; on his release issued his *Register* at a low price, to the immense increase of its circulation; vain attempts were made to crush him, against which he never ceased to protest; after the passing of the Reform Bill he got into Parliament, but made no mark; his writings were numerous, and include his "Grammar," his "Cottage Economy," his "Rural Rides," and his "Advice to Young Men"; his political opinions were extreme, but his English was admirable (1762-1835).

COBBLER POET, Hans Sachs (q.v.).

COBDEN, RICHARD, a great political economist and the Apostle of Free Trade, born near Midhurst, Sussex; became partner in a cotton-trading firm in Manchester; made a tour on the Continent and America in the interest of political economy; on the formation of the Corn-Law League in 1838, gave himself heart and soul to the abolition of the Corn Laws; became Member of Parliament for Stockport in 1841; on the conversion of Sir Robert Peel to Free Trade principles saw these laws abolished in 1846; for his services in this cause he received the homage of his country as well as of Continental nations, but refused all civic honours, and finished his political career by negotiating a commercial treaty with France (1804-1865).

COBENTZELL, COMTE DE, an Austrian diplomatist, born at Brussels; negotiated the treaties of Campo Formio and Lunéville; founded the Academy of Sciences at Brussels (1753-1808).

COBBHAM, SIR ALAN JOHN, British aviator. Joining the Air Force during the Great War, he took up civil aviation on its completion, flew round Europe in 1921, from London to Rangoon and back in 1924, and from England to Australia and England to Cape Town in 1928 (1894-).

COBLENZ, a fortified city, manufacturing and trading centre, in Prussia, at the junction of the Rhine and the Moselle, so called as at the confluence of the two; opposite it is Ehrenbreitstein. It was the

headquarters of the American army of occupation after the Great War.

COBRA, known as the Cobra di Capello, or hooded snake; a highly venomous species found in southern Asia, particularly in India and Malay; when irritated expands the back of the head and neck into a kind of hood bearing a spectacle marking; the African cobra is allied to this species.

COBURG, capital of the duchy of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, on the Itz, the old castle on a height 500 ft. above the town; gave shelter to Luther in 1580, and was besieged by Wallenstein.

COBURG, field-marshal of Austria; vanquished Dumouriez at Neerwinden; was conquered by Moreau and Jourdan (1787-1815).

COCAINE, an alkaloid from the leaf of the coca plant, used as an anæsthetic.

COCCHEUS, or KOCH, JOHANN, a Dutch divine, professor at Leyden; held that the Old Testament was a type or foreshadow of the New, and was the founder of the federal theology, or the doctrine that God entered into a threefold compact with man, first prior to the law, second under the law, and third under grace (1603-1689).

COCCHEI, HENRY, learned German jurist, born at Bremen; an authority on civil law; was professor of law at Frankfurt (1644-1719).

COCCHEI, SAMUEL, son of the preceding; Minister of Justice and Chancellor of Prussia under Frederick the Great; a prince of lawyers, and "a very Hercules in cleaning law stables" as law-reformer (1679-1755).

COCHABAMBA, a high-lying city of Bolivia, capital of a department of the name; has a trade in grain and fruits.

COCHIN, a native state in India N. of Travancore, occupied up between W. Ghats and the Arabian Sea, with a capital of the same name, where Vasco da Gama died; the first Christian church in India was built here, and there is here a colony of black Jews.

COCHIN-CHINA, the region E. of the Mekong, or Annam proper, called E. Cochinchina (capital Hué), and Low Cochinchina; a State E. of Indo-China, and E. of Cambodia and Annam, belonging to France, with an unhealthy climate; rice the chief crop; grows also teak, cotton, &c.; capital Saigon.

COCHINEAL, an insect cultivated for the red dye which is used as colouring matter in the confectionery trade.

COCHLEUS, JOHANN, an able and bitter antagonist of Luther (1479-1552).

COCHRANE, the name of several English naval officers of the Dundonald family; Sir Alexander Forrester Inglis (1758-1832); Sir Thomas John, his son (1798-1872); and Thomas, Lord. See DUNDONALD.

COCK LANE GHOST, a ghost which was reported in a lane of the name in Smithfield, London, in 1762, to the excitement of the public, but found to be due to a girl named Parsons rapping on a board in bed.

COCKAIGNE, an imaginary land of idleness and luxury, from a satirical poem of that name (*coquina*, a kitchen), where the monks live in an abbey built of pasties, the rivers run with wine, and the geese fly through the air ready roasted. The name has been applied to London and Paris.

COCKATRICE, a monster with the wings of a fowl, the tail of a dragon, and the head of a cock; alleged to have been hatched by a serpent from a cock's egg; its breath and its fatal look are in medieval art the emblem of sin.

COCKBURN, SIR ALEXANDER, Lord Chief Justice of England from 1850; called to the bar in 1820; became Liberal member for Southampton in 1847, and Solicitor-General in 1850; was prosecutor in the Palmer case, judge in the Tichborne trial, and an arbitrator in the Alabama dispute (1802-1880).

COCKBURN, ALISON, author of "Flowers of the Forest," and other songs; in her day the leader of Edinburgh society; was acquainted with Burns, and recognised in his boyhood the genius of Scott (1713-1794).

COCKBURN, SIR GEORGE, an English admiral, born in London; rose by rapid stages to be captain of a frigate; took an active part in the expedition to the Scheldt, in the defence of Cadix and of the

coast of Spain; was second in command of the expedition against the United States; returned to England in 1815, and was selected to convey Napoleon to St. Helena (1772-1853).

COCKBURN, HENRY, LORD, an eminent Scottish judge, born in Edinburgh; called to the bar in 1800; one of the first contributors to the *Edinburgh Review*; was Solicitor-General for Scotland in 1830, and appointed a judge four years after; was a friend and colleague of Lord Jeffrey; wrote Jeffrey's Life, and left "Memorials of His Own Time" and "Journals"; he was a man of refined tastes, shrewd common sense, quiet humour, and a great lover of his native city and its memorials (1779-1854).

COCKNEY, a term for one born and bred in London, and knowing little or nothing beyond it, and betraying his limits by his ideas, manners, and accent.

COCKNEY SCHOOL, a literary school, so called by Lockhart, as inspired with the idea that London is the centre of civilisation, and including Leigh Hunt, Hazlitt, and others.

COCKPIT OF EUROPE, Belgium, as the scene of so many battles between the Powers of Europe.

COCKTON, HENRY, a novelist, born in London, author of "Valentine Vox" and "Sylvester Sound" (1807-1853).

COCLIS, HORATIUS, a Roman who defended a bridge against the army of Porsena till the bridge was cut down behind him, when he leapt into the river and swam across scathless amid the darts of the enemy; immortalised in Macaulay's "Lays of Ancient Rome."

COCOS ISLANDS, a group of 20 small coral islands about 700 m. SW. of Sumatra.

COCYTUS, a river in Epirus, Greece, which was associated by the ancients with Hades and assumed to environ it with bitter and muddy waters.

CODDRINGTON, SIR EDWARD, a British admiral; entered the navy at 13; served under Howe at Breck, in the capacity of captain of the *Orion* at Trafalgar, in the Walcheren expedition, in North America, and at Navarino in 1827, when the Turkish fleet was destroyed; served also in Parliament from 1832 to 1839, when he was appointed Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth (1770-1851).

CODDRINGTON, SIR WILLIAM JOHN, a British general, son of the preceding; served in the Crimean war, and was Commander-in-Chief after the death of General Simpson; subsequently Governor of Malta (1804-1844).

CODRUS, the last king of Athens; sacrificed his life to fulfil an oracle, which promised victory to the side whose king fell in an engagement between the Athenians and Dorians in 1132 B.C.

CODY, SAMUEL FRANKLIN, British aviator. American by birth, he became a naturalised Englishman, constructed a man-lifting kite in 1906, was the first man to fly in England, and made the first successful flying machine, keeping it in the air for 27 minutes in 1908. He was killed in an air accident in 1913 (1861-1913).

CODY, WILLIAM FREDERICK (Buffalo Bill), American cowboy and showman. He won his title by killing 5000 buffaloes in 18 months to feed workmen during the construction of the Kansas Pacific Railway; served in the Indian wars as a scout; in his later years conducted a popular Wild West show (1846-1917).

OOEHOO, BARON VAN, a Dutch military engineer; fortified Namur, and defended it against Vauban; was successful in besieging many towns during the war of the Spanish Succession; author of a treatise on fortification (1641-1704).

COGLE-SYRIA (the Howe of Syria), or El Buks'a, a valley between the Lebanon, about 100 m. long by 10 m. broad; it is traversed by the river Orontes.

COGLIAN, one of the seven hills of Rome, S. of the Capitoline.

COELLIO, the name of two Spanish painters in the 16th and 17th centuries, whose works are in the Escorial.

COEUR, JACQUES, a rich merchant of Bourges financier to Charles VII., for whom he provided the sinews of war against the English, but who banished him at the instigation of detractors; he was reinstated under Louis XI. (1400-1456).

COEUR DE LION (Lion-hearted), a surname on account

of their courage given to Richard I. of England (1151), Louis VIII. of France (1181), and Boleslas I. of Poland (960).

COFFEE HOUSES, as popular resorts, were opened in London in 1659; they became the meeting-place of coteries of business and literary men, among the most famous being Garraway's in Change Alley, the Jerusalem, Will's, and Lloyd's, from the last-named springing the great institution known by its name.

COGNAC, a French town in the dep. of Charente, birthplace of Francis I.; famous for its vines and the manufacture of brandy.

COGNET, a French painter, author of "Tintoretto painting his Dead Daughter" (1794-1880).

COHERER, an instrument used for detecting signals in the early days of wireless telegraphy; it consisted of loosely packed particles which only conducted an electric current when under the influence of electromagnetic waves.

COILA, a poetic name for Kyle, the central district of Ayrshire, but sometimes applied to all Scotland, as by Burns.

COIMBATORE, a town of strategic importance in the Madras Presidency, 30 m. SW. of Madras, situated in a gorge of the Ghats, 1437 ft. above the sea-level, in a district of the same name.

COIMBRA, a rainy town in Portugal, of historical interest, 110 m. NNE. of Lisbon, with a celebrated university, in which George Buchanan was a professor, where he was accused of heresy and thrown into prison, and where he translated the Psalms into Latin.

COKE, the residue of carbon and earthy matter after the volatile constituents of coal are driven off by heat in closed spaces. Coke is one of the by-products in the manufacture of coal gas and is produced for industrial use in coke ovens. There is a large demand for coke for reducing metals from their ores.

COKE, SIR EDWARD, Lord Chief Justice of England, born at Milham, Norfolk; being a learned lawyer, rose rapidly at the bar and in offices connected therewith; became Lord Chief Justice in 1613; was deposed in 1617 for opposing the king's wishes; sat in the first and third Parliaments of James I., and took a leading part in drawing up the Petition of Rights; spent the last three years of his life in revising his works, his "Institutes," known as "Coke upon Littleton," and his valuable "Reports" (1562-1634).

COLBERT, JEAN BAPTISTE, a French statesman of Scottish descent, born in Rheims, the son of a clothier; introduced to Louis XIV. by Mazarin, then first minister; he was appointed Controller-General of the Finances after the fall of Fouquet, and by degrees made his influence felt in all the departments of State affairs; he favoured by protectionist measures—free trade not yet being heard of—French industry and commerce; was to the French marine what Louvois was to the army, and encouraged both arts and letters; from 1671 his influence began to decline; he was held responsible for increased taxation due to Louis XIV.'s wars, while the jealousy of Louvois weakened his credit at Court; he became so unpopular that on his death his body was buried at night, but a grateful posterity has recognised his services, and done homage to his memory as one of the greatest ministers France ever had (1619-1683).

COLBURN, ZERAH, an American youth with an astonishing power of calculation, born in Vermont, and exhibited as a prodigy, but lost the faculty when he grew up to manhood (1804-1840).

COLCHESTER, the largest town in Essex, 51 m. from London, on the right bank of the Colne, of great antiquity, and with Roman remains; has been long famous for its oyster fishery; has silk manufactures; is the port of outlet of a large corn-growing district.

COLCHESTER, CHARLES ABBOT, LORD, English statesman; sometime Chief Secretary of Ireland and Speaker of the House of Commons; raised to the peerage in response to an address of the House of Commons (1757-1829).

COLCHIS, a district on the E. of the Black Sea, and S. of Caucasus, where the Argonauts, according to

Greek tradition, found the Golden Fleece; the natives had a reputation for witchcraft and sorcery. **COLDSTREAM GUARDS**, one of the three regiments of Foot Guards; was raised by General Monk in Scotland in 1660, and marched under him from Coldstream to place Charles II. on the throne; originally called Monk's regiment.

COLE, HENRY, an English ecclesiastical zealot who held handsome preferences, including the deanery of St. Paul's, under Henry VIII. and Mary, but was stripped of them under Edward VI. and Elizabeth (1500-1580).

COLBROOK, HENRY THOMAS, a celebrated Eastern scholar, born in London; served under the East India Company, and devoted his spare time to Indian literature; studied the Sanskrit language, wrote on the Vedas, translated the "Digest of Hindu Law" compiled by Sir William Jones, produced a Sanskrit Dictionary, and wrote various treatises on the law and philosophy of the Hindus; he was one of the first scholars in Europe to reveal the treasures that lay hid in the literature of the East (1765-1837).

COLENSO, DR., an English clergyman and mathematician; was appointed bishop of Natal in 1845; applied himself to the study of the Zulu language, and translated parts of the Bible and Prayer-book into it; calling in question the accuracy and Moslem authorship of the Pentateuch, was deposed by his metropolitan, which deposition was declared null and void by the Privy Council; besides his theological work, produced text-books on arithmetic and algebra; died at Durban, Natal; he favoured the cause of the Zulus against the Boers, and did his utmost to avert the Zulu war (1814-1883).

COLERIDGE, HARTLEY, an English man of letters, eldest son of Samuel Taylor Coleridge, born at Clevedon, Somerset; lived with his father in the Lake District, and grew up in the society of Wordsworth, De Quincey, and others; gained a Fellowship at Oxford, but forfeited it through intemperance; tried schoolmastering at Bristol, but failed, and took to literature, in which he did some excellent work, both in prose and poetry, though he led all along a very irregular life; had his father's weaknesses and not a little of his ability; his best memorials as a poet are his sonnets, of which two have been especially admired, "The Soul of Man is Larger than the Sky," and "When I Survey the Course I have Run" (1796-1849).

COLERIDGE, HENRY NELSON, nephew of Samuel Taylor Coleridge; editor of many of his works, his "Table Talk" in particular (1800-1843).

COLERIDGE, JOHN DUKE, LORD, an English lawyer, cousin of Hartley Coleridge; after serving in inferior appointments, appointed Lord Chief Justice of England in 1880; when at the bar he was prominent in connection with the Tichborne case (1820-1894).

COLERIDGE, SIE JOHN TAYLOR, an English judge, nephew of Samuel Taylor Coleridge; was editor of the *Quarterly*, edited "Blackstone," &c.; wrote a "Memoir of the Rev. John Keble" (1790-1876).

COLERIDGE, SAMUEL TAYLOR, poet, philosopher, and critic, born in Devonshire; passionately devoted to classical and metaphysical studies; educated at Christ's Hospital; had Charles Lamb for schoolmate; at Cambridge devoted himself to classics; falling into debt enlisted as a soldier, and was, after four months, bought off by his friends; gave himself up to a literary life; married, and took up house near Wordsworth, in Somersetshire, where he produced the "Ancient Mariner," "Christabel," and "Remorse"; preached occasionally in Unitarian pulpits; visited Germany and other parts of the Continent; lectured in London in 1803; when there took to opium, broke off the habit in 1816, and went to stay with the Gilmans at Highgate as their guest, under whose roof, after four years' confinement to a sick-room, he died; among his works were "The Friend," his "Biographia Literaria," "Aids to Reflection," &c., published in his lifetime, and "Confessions of an Inquiring Spirit," "Literary Remains," and "Table Talk" after his death; he was a man of subtle and large intellect, and exercised a great influence on the thinkers of his time, though in no case was the

influence a decisive one, as it had the most opposite effects on different minds; his philosophy was hazy, and his life was without aim, "once more the tragic story of a high endowment with an insufficient will" (1772-1834). See Carlyle's estimate of him in the "Life of Sterling."

COLERIDGE, SARA, poetess, only daughter of preceding; her sole poem, "Phantasmion"; left "Letters" of interest (1802-1852).

COLERIDGE-TAYLOR, SAMUEL, British composer of part-African descent who set to music portions of Hiawatha, and wrote a cantata called "The Atonement" (1876-1912).

COLLES, COWPER PERCIVAL, an English naval captain and architect; entered the navy at 14; distinguished himself at Sebastopol; designer of the turret-ship the *Captain*, which capsized off Finisterre, himself being drowned with a crew of 500 men (1818-1870).

COLET, JOHN, dean of St. Paul's, a patron of learning, a friend and scholar of Erasmus, a liberal and much persecuted man; as a theologian far in advance of his time; founded and endowed St. Paul's School; wrote a number of works, chiefly theological, and "Letters to Erasmus" (1466-1519).

COLIGNY, GASPARD DE, French admiral, born at Chatillon; a leader of the Huguenots; joined the army and distinguished himself as a soldier; when the Guises came into power he busied himself in procuring toleration for the Huguenots, and succeeded in securing in their behalf what is known as the Pacification of Ambrose, but on St. Bartholomew's Eve, 1572, he fell the first victim to the conspiracy known as the Massacre of St. Bartholomew (1517-1572).

COLIMA, capital of a State of the same name in Mexico.

COLIN CLOUT, the name Spenser assumes in the "Shepherd's Calendar" and other poems.

COLIN TAMPOON, the nickname of a Swiss, as John Bull is of an Englishman.

COLISEUM, a magnificent amphitheatre in Rome, begun under Vespasian and finished under Titus; it rose from the area by 80 tiers of seats, and could contain 80,000 spectators; it was here the gladiators fought with wild beasts, and also the early Christians were thrown to the lions.

COLLATINUS, the nephew of Tarquinus Priscus, the husband of Lucretia, and with Brutus, her avenger, the first consul of Rome; d. 509 B.C.

COLLÈGE DE FRANCE, an institution founded at Paris by Francis I. in 1530, where instruction is given to advanced students in several departments of knowledge.

COLLIER, ARTHUR, an English metaphysician, born in Wilt; studied Descartes and Malebranche; anticipating Berkeley, he published a "Demonstration of the Non-Existence and the Impossibility of an External World" (1680-1732). See **BERKELEY**.

COLLIER, JEREMY, an English non-juring divine, refused to take oath at the Revolution; was imprisoned for advocating the rights of the Stuarts; had to flee the country at length, and was outlawed; wrote with effect against "The Profaneness and Immorality of the Stage," as well as an "Ecclesiastical History of Great Britain," and a translation of the "Meditations of Marcus Aurelius" (1650-1726).

COLLIER, HON. JOHN, eminent British painter, son of Lord Monkswell; born in London; studied in England, Germany, and France; painted "The Last Voyage of Henry Hudson," now in the Tate Gallery, "The Garden of Armida," and other notable works (1850-).

COLLIER, JOHN PAYNE, a Shakespearean commentator and critic; wrote a great deal on various subjects, but got into trouble by his emendations of Shakespeare which were declared to be forgeries (1789-1833).

COLLINGWOOD, OUTBERT, LORD, a celebrated English admiral, entered the navy at 13; his career was intimately connected all along with that of Nelson; succeeded in command when Nelson fell at Trafalgar, and when he died himself, which happened at sea, his body was brought home and buried beside Nelson's in St. Paul's Cathedral (1750-1810).

COLLINS, ANTHONY, an English dilet, an intimate friend of Locke; his principal works were "Discourse on Freethinking," "Philosophical Inquiry into Liberty and Necessity," and "Grounds and Reasons of the Christian Religion," which gave rise to much controversy; he was a necessitarian, and argued against revelation (1676-1729).

COLLINS, MICHAEL, Irish politician. One of the leaders of the Irish Republican rebel army, he was a signatory of the treaty under which the Irish Free State was set up, an act for which his political associates never forgave him. He was shot in an ambush in 1922 (1890-1922).

COLLINS, MORTIMER, a versatile genius, born at Plymouth; gave up scholastic work to write poems, novels, and essays; was the author of "Who was the Heir?" and "Sweet Anne Page" (1827-1876).

COLLINS, WILKIE, English novelist, son of the succeeding, born in London; tried business, then law, and finally settled to literature; his novel "The Woman in White" was the first to take with the public, this being followed by "The Moonstone," "Poor Miss Finch," and other works; for some years was associated with Dickens on *Household Words* and *All the Year Round*; produced two dramas (1824-1880).

COLLINS, WILLIAM, R.A., a distinguished English painter, born in London; he made his reputation by his treatment of coast and cottage scenes, and though he tried his skill in other subjects, it was in those he started with that he achieved his greatest triumphs; among his best-known works are "The Blackberry Gatherers," "As Happy as a King," "The Fisherman's Daughter," and "The Bird-Catchers" (1788-1847).

COLLINS, WILLIAM, a gifted and ill-fated English poet, born at Chichester; settled in London; fell into dissipated habits and straitened circumstances; had £2000 left him by an uncle, but both health and spirits were broken, and he died in mental imbecility; his "Odes" have not been surpassed, among which the most celebrated are the "Odes to the Passions," to "Simplicity," and to "Evening" (1721-1759).

COLLINSON, PETER, an English horticulturist to whom we are indebted for the introduction into the country of many ornamental shrubs (1694-1768).

COLLOIDS, the name given to substances which, when in suspension in a liquid, are in a very fine state of division and only differ from true solutions in their inability to pass through certain membranes. Many organic substances give colloidal solutions; the process of separation of the colloids from the crystalline substances in a solution is known as dialysis.

COLLOT D'HERBOIS, JEAN MARIE, a violent French Revolutionary, originally a tragic actor, once hissed off the Lyons stage, "tearing a passion to rags"; had his revenge by a wholesale butchery there; marched 200 men across the Rhone to be shot; by-and-by was banished beyond seas to Cayenne, and soon died there (1750-1796).

COLLYER, JOSEPH, an eminent stipple engraver, born in London (1768-1827).

COLMAN, GEORGE, an English dramatist, born at Florence; bred for and called to the bar; author of a comedy entitled "The Jealous Wife," also of "The Claudine Marriage"; became manager of Drury Lane theatre, then of the Haymarket (1732-1794).

COLMAN, GEORGE, son of the preceding, and his successor in the Haymarket theatre; author of "The Iron Chest," "John Bull," "The Heir at Law," &c. (1768-1886).

COLMAR, the chief town of Upper Alsace, on the Lauch, on a plain near the Vosges, 42 m. SW. of Straßburg; passed into the hands of the French by treaty of Ryswick in 1697, was ceded to Germany in 1871, and regained by the Treaty of Versailles in 1919.

COLOCEFRONIS, a Greek patriot, born in Messina, distinguished himself in the War of Independence, which he chiefly contributed to carry through to a successful issue (1770-1843).

COLOGNE, in German **KÖLN**, capital of Rhenish Prussia, and a fortress of first rank, on the left bank of the Rhine, 175 m. SE. of Rotterdam; is a busy commercial city, and is engaged in eau-de-Cologne,

sugar, tobacco, and other manufactures. It has some fine old buildings, and a picture gallery; but its glory is its great cathedral, founded in the 9th century, burnt in 1248, since which time the rebuilding was carried on at intervals, and only completed in 1880; it is one of the masterpieces of Gothic architecture. From 1918 to 1925 the city was the headquarters of the British Army of Occupation.

COLOGNE, THE THREE KINGS OF, the three Magi who paid homage to the infant Christ, and whose bones were consigned to the archbishop in 1164; they were called Gaspar, Melchior, and Balthazar.

COLOMBIA, a republic in the NW. corner of S. America, between Venezuela, Ecuador, and Panama, with 1100 m. of coast on the Caribbean Sea and 1040 on the Pacific. The country comprises in the W. three chains of the Andes and the plateaus between them, in the E. plains well watered by tributaries of the Orinoco. The upper valleys of the Magdalena and Cauca are the centres of population, where the climate is delightful and grain grows. The railways lead mostly to the Magdalena; the roads are mostly mule tracks. Every climate is found in Colombia, from the tropical heats of the plains to the Arctic cold of the mountains. Natural productions are as various; the exports include valuable timbers and dyewoods, cinchona bark, coffee, cacao, cotton, and silver. Most of the trade is with Britain and the United States. Manufactures are inconsiderable. The mineral wealth is very great, but little wrought. The people are descendants of Spaniards, Indians, and Negroes; education is meagre, but compulsory; the State Church is Roman Catholic. Colombia was formerly a confederation of states which were formed into one republic in 1886, and from it Panama seceded in 1908. The capital is Bogotá.

COLOMBO, the capital of Ceylon, and the chief port on the W. coast; it is surrounded on three sides by the sea, and on the other by a lake and moat; it is supplied with water and gas, has many fine buildings; has a very mixed population, and has belonged to Britain since 1796; connected with Kandy by railway.

COLON, a town at the Atlantic terminus of the Panama Railway and Canal. See **ASPENWALL**.

COLONNA, an illustrious Italian family, to which belonged popes, cardinals, and generals.

COLONNA, VITTORIA, a poetess, married to a member of the above family, who consoled herself for his early death by cultivating her poetic gift; one of her most devoted friends was Michael Angelo (1492-1547).

COLONNE, EDOUARD, musical conductor, born at Bordeaux, conductor of what are known as "Colonne Concerts" (1838-1910).

COLONUS, a deme of Attica, a mile NW. of Athens, the birthplace of Sophocles.

COLOPHON, an Ionian city in Asia Minor, N. of Ephesus, is supposed to give name to the device at the end of books, the cavalry of the place being famous for giving the finishing stroke to a battle.

COLORADO, an inland State of the U.S.A., traversed by the Rocky Mountains and watered by the upper reaches of the S. Platte and Arkansas Rivers, is twice as large as England. The mountains are the highest in the States (13,000 to 14,000 ft.), are traversed by lofty passes through which the railways run, have rich spacious valleys or parks among them, and have great deposits of gold, silver, lead, and iron. There are also extensive coal-beds; hence the leading industries are mining and iron-working. The eastern portion is a level, treeless plain, adapted for grazing. Agriculture, carried on with irrigation, suffers from insect plagues like the Colorado potato beetle. The climate is dry and clear, and attracts invalids. Acquired partly from France in 1804, and the rest from Mexico in 1848, the territory was organised in 1861, and admitted to the Union in 1876. The capital is Denver. There is a small Spanish-speaking population in the State.

COLOSSE, a city in the S. of Phrygia, in Asia Minor, and the site of one of the earliest Christian churches.

COLOSSIANS, THE EPISTLE TO THE, by St. Paul, directed mainly against two errors of that early date, that the fleshly nature of man is no adequate vehicle

for the reception and revelation of the divine nature, and that for redemption recourse must be had to direct mortification of the flesh.

COLOSSUS, any gigantic statue, especially one of Apollo in bronze, 120 ft. high, astride over the mouth of the harbour at Rhodes, reckoned one of the seven wonders of the world, erected in 280 B.C., destroyed by an earthquake 56 years after, and sold to a Jew centuries later for old metal; besides this are celebrated the statue of Memnon at Thebes, the Colossi of Athens in the Parthenon at Athens, and of Zeus at Olympia and at Tarentum, as well as others of modern date, for instance, Germania, 112 ft. high, in the Niederwald, and Liberty enlightening the World, 160 ft. high, in New York harbour.

COLOIT, the name of a family of French surgeons in the 16th and 17th century, distinguished for their skill in operating in the case of stone.

COLOUR-BLINDNESS, inability to distinguish between colours, and especially between red and green, more common among men than women; a serious disqualification for several occupations, such as those connected with the study of signals.

COLQUHOUN, JOHN, a noted sportsman and writer on sport in Scotland, born in Edinburgh (1805-1885).

COLTON, EDWARD, an English philanthropist, founded and endowed a school in Bristol for the education of 100 boys, as well as almshouses elsewhere (1686-1721).

COLT, SAMUEL, the inventor of the revolver and repeating rifle, born in Hartford, Connecticut, U.S.; having difficulty in raising money to carry out his invention it proved a commercial failure, but being adopted by the Government in the Mexican war the rifle proved a success, since which time it has been everywhere in use (1814-1862).

COLUMBA, ST., the apostle of Christianity to the Scots, born in Donegal; coming to Scotland about 563, in his forty-second year, founded a monastery in Iona, and made it the centre of his evangelistic operations, in which work he was occupied incessantly till 596, when his health began to fail, and he breathed his last kneeling before the altar, June 9, 597.

COLUMBAN, ST., an Irish missionary, who, with twelve companions, settled in Gaul in 585; founded two monasteries, but was banished for the offence of rebuking the king; went to Italy, and founded a monastery at Bobbio, where he died 616.

COLUMBIA, a district of 70 sq. m. in the State of Maryland, U.S., in which Washington, the capital of the Union, stands.

COLUMBIA, BRITISH, the most westerly province in Canada, lies between the Rocky Mountains and the Pacific, the United States and Alaska, and is four times the size of Great Britain. It is a mountainous country, rugged and picturesque, containing the highest peaks on the continent, Mount Hooker, 15,700 ft. and Mount Bowen, 16,000 ft. with a richly indented coast-line, off which lie Queen Charlotte Islands and Vancouver. The chief river is the Fraser, which flows from the Lake region southwards through the centre and then westward to the Gulf of Georgia; the upper waters of the Columbia flow southward through the E. of the State. The climate resembles that of northern England, but is in some parts very rainy. The chief industries are: lumbering—the forests are among the finest in the world; fishing—the rivers abound in salmon and sturgeon; and mining—rich deposits of gold, silver, iron, copper, mercury, antimony, and many other valuable minerals are found. There are great coalfields in Vancouver. In Vancouver and in the river valleys of the mainland are extensive tracts of arable and grazing land. Made a Crown colony in 1858, it joined the Dominion as a province in 1871. The completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1885 joined it to the eastern provinces. The capital is Victoria, in the S. of Vancouver.

COLUMBUS, capital of Ohio, U.S., a manufacturing town with important educational institutions.

COLUMBUS, BARTHOLOMEW, cosmographer, brother of Christopher Columbus; accompanied him to San Domingo, and became governor; d. 1515.

COLUMBUS, CHRISTOPHER, discoverer of America, on Oct. 12, 1492, after two months of great peril and, in the end, mutiny of his men; born in Genoa; went to sea at 14; cherished, if he did not conceive, the idea of reaching India by sailing westward; applied in many quarters for furtherance; after seven years of waiting, was provided with three small vessels and a crew of 180 men; first touched land at the Bahamas, visited Cuba and Hayti, and returned home with spoils of the land; was hailed and honoured as King of the Sea; he made three subsequent visits, and on the third had the satisfaction of landing on the mainland, which Sebastian Cabot and Amerigo Vesputi had reached before him; he became at last the victim of jealousy, and charges were made against him, which so cut him to the heart that he never rallied from the attack, and he died at Valladolid, broken in body and in soul (1435-1506).

COLUMELLA, JUNIUS, a Latin writer of the 1st century, born at Cadix; author of "De Re Rustica," in 12 books, on the same theme as Virgil's "Georgics," viz., agriculture and gardening; he wrote also "De Arboribus," on trees.

COLUTHUS, a Greek epic poet of 6th century, born in Egypt; wrote the "Rape of Helen."

COLVIN, SIR SIDNEY, Fellow of Trinity, Cambridge, Slade Professor of Art at Cambridge, born at Newwood; contributor to the journals on art and literature; wrote Lives of Keats and Landor; friend of Robert Louis Stevenson, and his literary executor (1845-1927).

COMACCHIO, a walled town in Italy, 80 m. S.E. of Ferrara; famous for fish, especially eel-culture in a large lagoon adjoining, 90 m. in circumference.

COMANCHEES, a tribe of North American Indians of warlike character; once frequenting Arkansas and the Rio Grande, they were finally settled in Oklahoma.

COMBE, WILLIAM, born in Bristol; author of the "Three Tours of Dr. Syntax"; inherited a small fortune, which he squandered by an irregular life, wrote some 80 works (1741-1838).

COMBERMER, VISCOUNT, a British field-marshal, born in Denbighshire; served in Flanders at the Cape of Good Hope, and in India; was present at the siege of Seringapatam; was sent to Spain in 1808; distinguished himself in the Peninsula, and particularly at Talavera; received a peerage in 1827; was made commander-in-chief in India, and Constable of the Tower in succession to Wellington in 1832 (1778-1865).

COMENIUS, JOHN AMOS, a Moravian educational reformer, particularly as regards the acquisition of languages in their connection with the things they denote; his two most famous books are his "Janua Linguarum" and his "Orbis Sensualium Pictus"; his principle at bottom was, words must answer to and be associated with things and ideas of things (1592-1670).

COMETS, heavenly bodies consisting of a diffuse nebulous head, a nucleus and a tail which may extend for millions of miles; their orbits are extremely elongated, and although one may be close to the sun in one part of its course, it may be beyond Neptune in another part. Their periods vary from 3 to 80 years in the cases of those comets which have appeared at least twice; some have never appeared a second time, and their periods have been computed at millions of years. The majority of the comets lie within the orbit of Jupiter. Among the best known are Morehouse's, Halley's, Encke's, and Biela's.

COMINES, a French town in the dep. of Nord, France, 15 m. S.W. of Courtrai.

COMINES, PHILIPPE DE, a French chronicler, born at Comines; was of Flemish origin; served under Charles the Bold, then under Louis XI, and Charles VIII.; author of "Memoires," in seven vols., of the reigns of these two monarchs, which give a clear and faithful picture of the time and the chief actors in it, but with the coolest indifference as to the moral elements at work, with him the end justifying the means, and success the measure of morality (1448-1509).

COMITIA, constitutional assemblies of the Roman citizens for electing magistrates, putting some

question to the vote of the people, the declaration of war, &c.

COMMELIN, ISAAC, Dutch historian; wrote the "Lives of the Stadtholders William I. and Maurice" (1598-1676).

COMMENTARIES OF JULIUS CESAR, his memoirs of the Gallic and Civil Wars, reckoned the most perfect model of narration that in such circumstances was ever written.

COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC SAFETY, a committee of nine created by the French Convention, April 6, 1793, to concentrate the power of the executive, "the conscience of Marat, who could see salvation in one thing only, in the fall of 280,000 aristocrats' heads"; notable, therefore, for its excesses in that line; was not suppressed till Oct. 19, 1796, on the advent of the Directory to power.

COMMODOUS, LUCIUS AURELIUS, Roman emperor, son and successor of Marcus Aurelius; carefully trained, but on his father's death gave himself over to every form of licentiousness; poison administered by his mistress Marcia being slow in operating, he was strangled to death by a hired athlete in 192.

COMMON LAW is law established by usage and confirmed by judicial decision.

COMMONS, THE HOUSE OF, the main chamber of the British legislature. First meeting in 1295, the House consisted of representatives of the shires, cities, and boroughs, and met in the refectory of Westminster Abbey, election being confined to freeholders. In the reign of Edward VI. the Commons moved to St. Stephen's Chapel in Westminster Palace, and under the Tudors membership rose to over 400. The events of 1640 and 1688 gave increased power to the House, which was largely controlled by the landed gentry through pocket boroughs till their power was curtailed by a series of Reform Acts starting in 1832 and ending in 1929, with the attainment of universal suffrage over the age of 21. Under the Parliament Act of 1911 the House of Commons has the sole right of handling financial matters, and is virtually supreme in governing the country in so far as it can control the Cabinet. In 1884 the House had 670 members, the Act of 1918 raised it to 707, and the establishment of the Irish Free State reduced it to 615. Members are paid £400 a year and given free railway passes to their constituencies.

COMMUNE, THE, a revolutionary power installed in Paris after the "admonitory" insurrection of March 18, 1871, and overthrown in the end of May.

COMMUNISM, a system under which all property is commonly owned and administered by the State. Russia tried out the system in a modified form in 1918 with unsatisfactory results.

COMMUTATOR, a contrivance forming part of a dynamo which reverses the connections at regular intervals, producing a direct continuous current instead of the alternating current generated in the coils.

COMNE'NUS, name of a dynasty of six emperors of Constantinople.

COMO, LAKE OF, one of the chief lakes of Lombardy and the third in size, at the foot of the Pennine Alps, 30 m. long and 2½ at greatest breadth; is traversed by the Adda, and is famed for the beauty and rich variety of its scenery.

COMORIN, CAPE, a low sandy point, the most southerly of India, from which the seaman is warned off by a peak 18 m. inland.

COMORO ISLES, an archipelago of four volcanic islands at the N. of the channel of Mozambique; under the protectorate of France since 1886; the people are Mohammedans, and speak Arabic.

COMPANY, JOHN, the nickname given to the English East India Company.

COMPIÈGNE, a quiet old town in the dep. of Oise, 50 m. N.E. of Paris; has some fine old churches, but the chief edifice is the palace, built by St. Louis and rebuilt by Louis XIV., where the marriage of Napoleon to Maria Louisa was celebrated; here Joan of Arc was made prisoner in 1430, and Louis Napoleon had a bunting ground.

COMPOUNDS, CHEMICAL, substances composed of two or more elements, which are always present in the same proportion; generally speaking, the

properties of a compound are quite different from those of its constituent elements.

COMPTON, HENRY, bishop of London, son of the Earl of Northampton; fought bravely for Charles I.; was colonel of dragoons at the Restoration; left the Army for the Church; was made bishop; crowned William and Mary when the archbishop, Sancroft, refused; d. 1713.

COMRIE, a village in Perthshire, on the Earn, 20 m. W. of Perth, in a beautiful district of country; subject to earthquakes from time to time; birth-place of George Gilfillan.

COMTE, AUGUSTE, a French philosopher, born at Montpellier, the founder of Positivism (q.v.); enough to say here it consisted of a new arrangement of the sciences into Abstract and Concrete, and a new law of historical evolution in science from a theological through a metaphysical to a positive stage, which last is the ultimate and crowning and alone legitimate method, that is, observation of phenomena and their sequence; Comte was first a disciple of St. Simon, but he quarrelled with him; commenced a "Cours de Philosophie Positive" of his own, in six vols.; but, finding it defective on the moral side, he instituted a worship of humanity, and gave himself out as the chief priest of a new religion (1798-1857).

CONUL, the Roman deity who presided over festive revelries; the title of a poem by Milton, "the most exquisite of English or any masques."

COMYN, JOHN (the Black Comyn), Lord of Badenoch, a Scottish noble of French descent, his ancestor, born at Comines, having come over with the Conqueror and got lands given him; was one of the competitors for the Scottish crown in 1201, and lost it.

COMYN, JOHN (the Red Comyn), son of the preceding; as one of the three Wardens of Scotland defended it against the English, whom he defeated at Roslin; but in 1304 submitted to Edward I., and, falling under suspicion of Bruce, was stabbed by him in a monastery at Dumfries in 1306.

CONCEPCION, a town in Chile, S. of Valparaiso, with its port, Talcahuano, 7 m. off, one of the safest and most commodious in the country; it ranks next to Valparaiso as a trading centre.

CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY, an order of nuns founded in Portugal in 1484; at first followed the rule of the Cistercians, but afterwards that of St. Clare.

CONCIERGE'RIE, a prison in the Palais de Justice, Paris.

CONCLAVE, properly the room, generally in the Vatican, where the cardinals are confined under lock and key while electing a Pope.

CONCORD, a town in U.S., 23 m. NW. of Boston; was the residence of Emerson, Thoreau, and Hawthorne; here the first engagement took place in the American war in 1775.

CONCORD, capital of New Hampshire, U.S., a thriving trading centre.

CONCORDAT, THE, a convention of July 15, 1801, between Bonaparte and Pius VI., regulative of the relations of France with the Holy See.

CONCORDE, PLACE DE LA, a celebrated public place in Paris, formed by Louis XV. in 1748, adorned by a statue of him; at the Revolution it was called Place de la Revolution; here Louis XVI. and his queen were guillotined.

CONCORDIA, the Roman goddess of peace, to whom Caninius the dictator in 367 B.C. dedicated a temple on the conclusion of the strife between the patricians and plebeians.

CONDÉ, HENRY I., PRINCE OF, fought in the ranks of the Huguenots, but escaped the massacre of St. Bartholomew by an oath of abjuration (1552-1688).

CONDÉ, HOUSE OF, a collateral branch of the house of Bourbon, the members of which played all along a conspicuous rôle in the history of France.

CONDÉ, LOUIS I., PRINCE OF, founder of the house of Condé, a brave, gallant man, though deformed; distinguished himself in the wars between Henry II. and Charles V., particularly in the defence of Metz; affronted at court, and obnoxious to the Guises, he became a Protestant, and joined his brother, the king of Navarre; became the head of

the party, and was treacherously killed after the battle of Jarnac; he had been party, however, to the conspiracy of Amboise, which aimed a death-blow at the Guises (1530-1569).

CONDÉ, LOUIS II., PRINCE OF, named "the Great Condé," born at Paris; was carefully educated; acquired a taste for literature, which stood him in good stead at the end of his career; made his reputation by his victory over the Spaniards at Rocroi; distinguished himself at Fribourg, Nordlingen, and Lens; the settlement of the troubles of the Fronde alienated him, so that he entered the service of Spain, and served against his country, but was by-and-by reconciled; led the French army to success in Franche-Comté and Holland, and soon after retired to Chantilly, where he enjoyed the society of such men as Molière, Boileau, and La Bruyère, and when he died Bossuet pronounced a funeral oration over his grave (1621-1686).

CONDÉ, LOUIS JOSEPH, PRINCE DE, born at Chantilly; served in the Seven Years' war; attended in the antechamber in the palace when Louis XV. lay dying; was one of the first to emigrate on the fall of the Bastille; seized every opportunity to save the monarchy; was declared a traitor to the country, and had his estates confiscated for threatening to restore Louis XVI.; organized troops to aid in the Restoration; settled at Malinesbury, in England, during the Empire; returned to France with Louis XVIII. (1730-1818).

CONDENSER, an electrical contrivance placed in a circuit to increase its capacity. Variable condensers are inserted in wireless circuits for tuning purposes; the Leyden jar is a form of condenser.

CONDILLAC, ETIENNE BONNOT, a French philosopher, born at Grenoble, of good birth; commenced as a disciple of Locke, but went further, for whereas Locke was content to deduce empirical knowledge from sensation and reflection, he deduced reflection from sensation, and laid the foundation of a sensationalism which, in the hands of his successors, went further still and swamped the internal in the external, a postulation which is now approaching the stage of self-cancelling zero; he lived as a recluse, and had Rousseau and Diderot for intimate friends (1715-1780).

CONDITIONAL IMMORTALITY, the doctrine that only believers in Christ have any future existence, a dogma founded on certain isolated passages of Scripture.

CONDOR, a large species of vulture native to South America and found chiefly in the Andes; it preys upon animals and is dangerous to man when attacked.

CONDORCET, MARQUIS DE, a French mathematician and philosopher, born near St. Quentin; contributed to the "Encyclopédie"; was of the Encyclopedist school; took sides with the Revolutionary party in the interest of progress; voted with the Girondists usually; suspected by the extreme party; was not safe; even under concealment; "skulked round Paris in thickets and stone-quarries; entered a tavern one bleared May morning, ragged, rough-bearded, hunger-stricken, and asked for breakfast; having a Latin Horace about him, was suspected and haled to prison, breakfast unfinished; fainted by the way with exhaustion; was flung into a damp cell, and found next morning lying dead on the floor"; his works are voluminous, and the best known is his "Esquisse du Progrès de l'Esprit Humain"; he was not an original thinker, but a clear expositor (1743-1794).

CONDOTTIERI, leaders of Italian free-lances who in the 14th and 15th centuries lived by plunder or hired themselves to others for a share in the spoils.

CONY, an animal mentioned four times in the Bible and alleged to be the Hyrax Syriacus, or rock-badger, which resembles the rabbit; the name is also applied to the common rabbit.

CONY ISLAND, a district of New York, at the entrance to the harbour, which, with its extensive beach and numerous side-show attractions, is a popular resort.

CONFEDERATE STATES, 11 Southern States of the American Union which seceded in 1861 on the question of slavery and which occasioned a civil war that lasted till 1865.

CONFEDERATION OF THE RHINE, a confederation of 16 German States which in 1806 dissolved their connection with Germany and leagued with France and which lasted till disaster overtook Napoleon in Russia, and then broke up; the Germanic Confederation, or union of all the States, took its place, till it too was dissolved by the defeat of Austria in 1866, which gave ascendancy to Prussia and ensured the erection of the German Empire on its ruins.

CONFESSIONS OF FAITH are statements of doctrine very similar to Creeds, but usually longer and polemical, as well as didactic; they are in the main, though not exclusively, associated with Protestantism; the 16th century produced many, including the *Sixty-seven Articles* of the Swiss reformers, drawn up by Zwingli* in 1523; the *Augsburg Confession* of 1530, the work of Luther and Melancthon, which marked the breach with Rome; the *Tetrapolitan Confession* of the German Reformed Church, 1530; the *Gallican Confession*, 1559; and the *Belgic Confession* of 1561. In Britain the *Scots Confession*, drawn up by John Knox in 1560; the *Thirty-nine Articles* of the Church of England in 1562; the *Irish Articles* in 1615; and the *Westminster Confession of Faith* in 1647; this last, the work of the Westminster Assembly of Divines, has by its force of language, logical statement, comprehensiveness, and dependence on Scripture commended itself to the Presbyterian Churches of all English-speaking peoples and is the most widely recognised Protestant statement of doctrine; it has as yet been modified only by the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland, which adopted a Declaratory Statement regarding certain of its doctrines in 1879, and by the Free Church of Scotland, which adopted a similar statement in 1890.

CONFESSIONS OF ST. AUGUSTINE, an account which that Father of the Church gives of the errors of his youth and his subsequent conversion.

CONFUCIUS, the Latin form of the name of the great sage of China, K'ung fu-tze (i.e. K'ung, the philosopher), the founder of a religion which is based on the worship and practice of morality as exemplified in the lives and teachings of the wise men who have gone before and who, as he conceived, have made the world what it is, and have left it to posterity to build upon the same basis; while he lived he was held in greater and greater honour by multitudes of disciples; after his death he became an object of worship, and even his descendants came to be regarded as a kind of sacred caste; he flourished between 550 and 479 B.C.

CONGÉ D'ÉLISE, a warrant granted by the Crown to the dean and chapter of a cathedral to elect a particular bishop to a vacant see.

CONGO, the second in length and largest in volume of the African rivers, rises N.E. of the Muchinga Mountains in Rhodesia, flows S.W. through Lake Bangweulu, then N. to the equator; curving in a great semicircle it continues S.W., passes in a series of rapids through the coast range, and enters the S. Atlantic by an estuary 6 m. broad. It brings down more water than the other African rivers put together. The largest affluents are the Kasai on the left, and the Mobangi on the right bank; 110 m. are navigable to ocean steamers, then the cataracts intervene, and 250 m. of railway promote transit; the upper river is 2 to 4 m. broad and navigable for small craft up to Stanley Falls, 1068 m. The name most associated with its exploration is H. M. Stanley; during its course of 3000 m. it bears several names.

CONGO, BELGIAN, embraces most of the basin of the Congo, touching British territory in Uganda and Rhodesia, with a very narrow outlet to the Atlantic at the river mouth. It was under the sovereignty of Leopold II. of Belgium, who, in 1890, made over his rights to Belgium with power to annex the State in 1900. It is nine times the size of Great Britain. Native unrest formerly gave great trouble to its administrators. Its waters are open to all nations, and traders exchange manufactured goods for ivory, palm-oil, coffee, and caoutchouc, beeswax, and fruits. The climate is tropical, on the lower levels malarial. The centre of administration is Boma, 80 m. from the sea.

CONGO, FRENCH, a continuous and connected territory extending westward along the right bank

of the Congo from Brazzaville to the mouth of the Mobangi, and as far as 4° N. behind the Cameroons, and along the E. of Shari to Lake Chad.

CONGREGATIONALISM, the ecclesiastical system which regards each congregation of believers in Christ a church complete in itself and free from the control of the other Christian communities, and which extends to each member equal privileges as a member of Christ's body. It took its rise in England about 1571, and the most prominent name connected with its establishment is that of Robert Brown (d. 1710), who seceded from the Church of England and formed a church in Norwich in 1580. The body was called Brownists after him, and Separatists, as well as Independents. The several congregations are now united in what is called "The Congregational Union of England and Wales."

CONGRESS is a diplomatic conference at which the representatives of sovereign States discuss matters of importance to their several countries, the most celebrated of which are those of Munster and Osnabrück, which issued in the treaty of Westphalia in 1648, at the end of the Thirty Years' war; of Rastadt, at the end of the Spanish Succession war, in 1718; of Vienna, at the end of Napoleon's wars, in 1815; of Paris, in 1856, at the end of Russian war; and of Berlin, in 1878, at the end of Russo-Turkish war; but the name has come to be applied in federal republics to the legislative assembly which directs national as distinct from State concerns. In the United States, Congress consists of the Senate, elected by the State legislatures, and the House of Representatives, elected directly by the people. It meets on the first Monday in December and receives the President's message for the year. It imposes taxes, contracts loans, provides for national defence, declares war, looks after the general welfare, establishes postal communication, coins money, fixes weights and measures, &c., &c., but it is prohibited from preferential treatment of the several States, establishing or interfering with religion, curtailing freedom of speech, or pursuing towards any citizen, even under legal forms, a course of conduct which is unjust or even oppressive.

CONGRESSES, the Belgian Constituent Assembly, 1830-1831.

CONGREVE, RICHARD, author of political tracts, was a pupil of Dr. Arnold and a disciple of Comte in philosophy (1818-1899).

CONGREVE, WILLIAM, English comic dramatist, born near Leeds; entered a student of the Middle Temple, but soon abandoned law for literature; the "Old Bachelor" first brought him into repute, and a commission of substantial value; the production of "Love for Love" and the "Mourning Bride," a stilted tragedy, added immensely to his popularity, but his comedy "The Way of the World" being coldly received, he gave up writing plays, and only wrote a few verses afterwards; he was held in great esteem by his contemporaries, among others Dryden, Pope, and Steele (1670-1729).

CONGREVE, SIR WILLIAM, an English artillery officer, inventor of the rocket which bears his name (1772-1828).

CONICS, the name given in geometry to those figures obtained by the section of a cone by a plane surface, viz.: the ellipse, circle, parabola, hyperbola, or a pair of straight lines.

CONINGKEY, a novel by Disraeli.

CONINGTON, JOHN, classical scholar and professor of Latin at Oxford, born at Boston, translator of the "Æneid" of Virgil, "Odes, Satires, and Epistles" of Horace, and 12 books of the "Iliad" into verse, as well as of other classics; his greatest work is his edition of Virgil (1828-1869).

CONISBURGH CASTLE, an old round castle referred to in "Ivanhoe," 5 m. SW. of Doncaster.

CONISTON WATER, a lake 5 m. long and 1 m. broad, at the foot of Coniston Fells, in Lancashire, with Brantwood on the E. side of it, formerly the residence of John Ruskin.

CONKLING, ROSCOE, an American politician, a leading man on the Republican side; was a member of the House of Representatives, and also of the Senate; retired from politics, and practised law at New York (1829-1898).

CONNAUGHT, a western province of the Irish Free State, 105 m. long and 92 m. broad, divided into five counties; is the smallest, and most barren of the provinces, but abounds in picturesque scenery; the people are pure Celts.

CONNAUGHT, DUKE OF, the third son of Queen Victoria, held several military appointments; he was with the 1882 expedition to Egypt, was made a field-marshal in 1902, commanded the Mediterranean forces 1907-1909, and was Governor-General of Canada 1911-1916 (1850-).

CONNECTICUT, southernmost of the New England States, is washed by Long Island Sound, has New York on the W., Rhode Island on the E., and Massachusetts on the N. It is the third smallest State, rocky and uneven in surface, fertile except in the Connecticut River valley. Streams abound, and supply motive power for very extensive manufactures of clocks, hardware, india-rubber goods, smallwares, textiles, and firearms. There are iron-mines in the NW., stone-quarries, lead, copper, and cobalt mines. Climate is healthy, changeable, and in winter severe. Education is excellently provided for. Yale University, at New Haven, is thoroughly equipped; there are several divinity schools, Trinity College at Hartford, and the Wesleyan University at Middletown. The capital is Hartford; New Haven is the largest town and chief port. The original colony was a democratic secession from Massachusetts, 1636. The constitution of 1639 was the first written democratic constitution on record. Its present constitution as a State dates from 1818.

CONNECTICUT, a river in the United States which rises on the confines of Canada, and, after a course of 450 m., falls into the Atlantic at Long Island.

CONNEMARA, a wild district with picturesque scenery in W. of co. Galway, Ireland; noted for its quarries of a green variety of marble.

CONOLLY, JOHN, physician, born in Lincolnshire, studied at Edinburgh, settled in London; distinguished for having introduced and advocated a more rational and humane treatment of the insane (1794-1866).

CONRAD, CADET OF THE HOUSE OF HOHEN-ZOLLERN, served under the illustrious Barbarossa; married the heiress of the Vohburgs; was appointed Burggraf of Nürnberg, 1170, and prince of the empire.

CONRAD, MARQUESS OF TYRE, threw himself into Tyre when beset by Saladin, and held it till Richard Cœur de Lion and Philip Augustus arrived; was assassinated by emissaries of the Old Man of the Mountain in 1192.

CONRAD I., count of Franconia, elected on the extinction of the Carolingian line Emperor of the Germans, which he continued to be from 911 to 915; fell wounded in battle with the Huns, spurred on by a rival.

CONRAD II., the Salic, of the same family as the preceding; elected Emperor of Germany in 1024; reigned 15 years, extending the empire, suppressing disorders, and effecting reforms.

CONRAD III., founder of the Hohenstaufen dynasty; elected Emperor of Germany in 1138; had Henry the Proud, as head of the German Guelphs, for rival; crushed him at Weinsberg; joined Louis VII. of France on a third crusade, and, returning, overthrew the Guelphs again, leaving Barbarossa as his heir; d. 1152.

CONRAD, JOSEPH, novelist. By birth a Pole, he spent most of his time in England and wrote without trace of his foreign birth. "Almayer's Folly," published in 1895, was his first work, and it was succeeded by many other novels. A master mariner by calling, his books are largely tales of the sea, written in vivid fashion (1857-1924).

CONRAD OF THURINGIA, a proud, quick, fiery-tempered magnate, seized the archbishop of Mainz once and threatened to cut him in two; stormed, plundered, and set fire to an imperial free town for an affront offered him; but, admonished by his sins, became penitent and reconciled himself by monastic vow to the Pope and mankind about 1234.

CONRADIN THE BOY, or **CONRAD V.**, the last representative of the Hohenstaufen dynasty of Romish Kaisers, fell into the Pope's clutches, who

was at mortal feud with the empire, and was put to death by him on the scaffold at Naples, October 25, 1266, the "bright and brave" lad, only 16, "throwing out his glove (in symbolic protest) amid the dark mute Neapolitan multitudes" that idly looked on. See Carlyle's "Frederick the Great" for the Conrads.

CONSALVI, Italian cardinal and statesman, born at Rome, secretary of Pius VII.; concluded the Concordat with Napoleon in 1801; represented the Pope at the Congress of Vienna; was a liberal patron of literature, science, and arts; continued minister of the Pope till his death (1787-1824).

CONSCIENCE, HENDRIK, a brilliant Flemish novelist, born at Antwerp; rose to popularity among his countrymen by his great national romance the "Lion of Flanders," a popularity which soon extended all over Europe; his writings display great descriptive power and perfect purity of sentiment (1812-1883).

CONSCRIPT FATHERS, the collective name of members of the Roman Senate, and addressed as such, fathers as seniors and conscripts as enrolled.

CONSCRIPTION, compulsory enlistment in the fighting forces, enforced in Great Britain in January, 1916, for men between 18 and 40, the age being raised to 50 in March, 1918.

CONSERVATION OF ENERGY, the principle that energy may be manifested in one of several forms (e.g. kinetic, electrical, potential, heat), but the total quantity of energy in any isolated system remains constant, the apparent loss of one form of energy being accounted for by its conversion into another form. This principle forms the basis of thermodynamics.

CONSERVATIVE PARTY, or UNIONISTS, the party called Tory at one time which adopted the new name about 1840, and added Unionist to denote the importance attached to the preservation of the Union with Ireland.

CONSIDERANT, VICTOR PROSPER, a French Socialist and disciple of Fourier; founded a colony in Texas on Fourier's principles, which proved a failure; wrote much in advocacy of his principles, of which the most important is "La Destinée Sociale" (1808-1893).

CONSOLID, the Consolidated Fund, loans to Government made at different times and at different rates of interest, consolidated for convenience into one common loan.

CONSTABLE, a high officer of State in the Roman Empire, in France, and in England, charged at one time with military, judicial, and regulative functions.

CONSTABLE, ARCHIBALD, Edinburgh publisher, born in Carnbee, Fife; started as a bookseller near the Cross in Edinburgh; published the *Scots Magazine*, the *Edinburgh Review*, and the "Encyclopædia Britannica," and from 1802 to 1826 the works of Sir Walter Scott, when the bankruptcy connected with the publication of these so affected him that it ruined his health, though he lived after the crash came to start the "Miscellany" which bears his name (1774-1827).

CONSTABLE, HENRY, English poet, author of sonnets, 28 in number, under the title of "Diana" (1580-1612).

CONSTABLE, JOHN, an eminent landscape-painter, born in Suffolk; his works were more generously appreciated in France than in his own country, as they well might be, where they had not, as in England, to stand comparison with those of Turner; but he is now, despite the depreciation of Ruskin, becoming recognised among us as one of our foremost landscapeists, and enormous prices have been given of late for his best pictures; some of his best works, including "The Cornfield," "The Hay Wain," and "The Valley Farm," adorn the walls of the National Gallery; Ruskin allows that his art is original, honest, free from affectation, and manly (1776-1837).

CONSTABLE DE BOURBON, Charles, Duc de Bourbon, a brilliant military leader, and a powerful enemy of Francis I.; killed when leading the assault on Rome (1489-1527).

CONSTANCE, a city of the Grand-Duchy of Baden, on the S. bank of the Rhine at its exit from the lake; famous for the seat of the council (1414-1418)

which condemned John Huss and Jerome of Prague to death; long famous for its linen manufacture.

CONSTANCE, LAKE, or BODENSEE, partly in Germany and partly in Switzerland; is about 44 m. long and 9 m. broad at most; is traversed by the Rhine from W. to E., and is 1306 ft. above sea-level; is surrounded by vineyards, cornfields, and wooded slopes; its waters are hardly ever frozen, and often rise and fall suddenly.

CONSTANT, BENJAMIN, a highly popular French painter of the Realistic school, born at Paris; his first picture was "Hamlet and the King"; afterwards he took chiefly to Oriental subjects, which afforded the best scope for his talent (1845-1908).

CONSTANT DE REBECQUE, HENRY BENJAMIN DE, a French politician of liberal constitutional principles, born at Lausanne, of Huguenot parents; settled in Paris at the commencement of the Revolution, where he distinguished himself by his political writings and speeches; was expelled from France in 1802 along with Mme. de Staël for denouncing the military ascendancy of Napoleon; lived for a time at Weimar in the society of Goethe and Schiller; translated Schiller's "Wallenstein"; returned to France in 1814; declared for the Bourbons, and pleaded in favour of constitutional liberty; he was a supporter of Louis Philippe, and a rationalist in religion, and declared himself opposed to the supernatural element in all religions (1767-1880).

CONSTANTZA, a wine district of Cape Province, under E. bank of Table Mountain.

CONSTANTINE, inland city of Algeria, on a rocky height; leather-working its staple industry.

CONSTANTINE, the name of 18 emperors who reigned at Rome or Byzantium between 306 and 1453.

CONSTANTINE I., called the Great, born in Moesia, son of Constantius Chlorus by Helena; on the death of his father at York, where he accompanied him, was proclaimed Emperor by the troops; this title being challenged by Maximian, his father-in-law, and Maxentius, his brother-in-law, he took up arms against first the one and then the other, and defeated them; when one day he saw a cross in the sky with the words *By this Conquer* in Greek, under this sign, known as the *labarum*, which he adopted as his standard, he accordingly marched straight to Rome, where he was acknowledged Emperor by the Senate in 312; and thereafter an edict was issued named of Milan, granting toleration to the Christians; he had still to extend his empire over the East, and having done so by the removal of Lucinius, he transferred the seat of his empire to Byzantium, which hence got the name of Constantinople, i.e. 'Constantine's city'; had himself baptized in 337 as a Christian, after having three years before proclaimed Christianity the State religion (274-337).

CONSTANTINE I., King of Greece. Succeeding to the throne in 1913 he secretly helped Germany in 1914, though his country remained neutral. In 1917 the Allies, working through Venizelos, brought about his abdication in favour of his son Alexander, who died in 1920. Venizelos was defeated in the election of that year, and Constantine was recalled by a plebiscite. In 1922 he was again exiled (1868-1923).

CONSTANTINE NICOLAIEVITCH, second son of the Czar Nicholas I.; was appointed grand-admiral while but a boy; had command of the Baltic fleet during the Crimean war; came under suspicion of sinister intriguing; became insane, and died in seclusion (1827-1892).

CONSTANTINE PAULOVITCH, Grand-duke of Russia, son of Paul I.; distinguished himself at Austerlitz; was commander-in-chief in Poland, where he ruled as despot; waived his right to the throne in favour of his brother Nicholas (1779-1831).

CONSTANTINE XIII., Palseologus, the last of the Greek emperors; had to defend Constantinople against a besieging force of 300,000 under Mohammed II., and, though he defended it bravely, the city was taken by storm, and the Eastern empire ended in 1453.

CONSTANTINOPLE, former capital of the Turkish empire, on the Bosphorus, situated on a peninsula washed by the Sea of Marmora on the S. and by the Golden Horn on the N., on the opposite side of

which creek lie the quarters of Galata and Pera, one of the finest commercial sites in the world; it became the capital of the Roman empire under Constantine the Great, who gave name to it; was capital of the Eastern empire from the days of Theodosius; was taken by the crusaders in 1204, and by Mohammed II. in 1453, at which time the Greek and Latin scholars fled the city, carrying the learning of Greece and Rome with them, an event which led to the revival of learning in Europe, and the establishment of a new era—the Modern—in European history.

CONSTANTIUS CHLORUS, or THE PALE, Roman emperor; after a struggle of three years reunited Britain with the empire, which had been torn from it by Allectus; was equally successful against the Alemanni, defeating them with great loss; died at York, on an expedition against the Picts; was succeeded by Constantine, his son (250-305).

CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY, the legislative body which the National Assembly of France resolved itself into in 1789, a name it assumed from the task it imposed on itself, viz. of making a constitution, a task which, from the nature of it, proved impossible, as a constitution is an entity which grows, and is not made.

CONSTITUTION, THE BRITISH, unlike the scientifically drawn up one of America, has gradually evolved through history. The Crown (*q.v.*) is the corner stone, and there are the Houses of Lords (*q.v.*) and Commons (*q.v.*). As money has to be voted by the Commons, which is elected on universal adult suffrage, the democratic control of the executive is assured.

CONSUL, (1) one of the two magistrates of Rome elected annually after the expulsion of the kings, and invested with regal power; (2) a chief magistrate of the French Republic from 1799 to 1804; (3) one commissioned to protect, especially the mercantile rights of, the subjects of a State in foreign country.

CONSULATE, name given to the French Government from the fall of the Directory till the establishment of the Empire. At first there were three provisional consuls, Bonaparte, Siéyès, and Roger Ducos; then three consuls for ten years, Bonaparte, Cambacérès, and Lebrun, which triumvirate was dissolved with the establishment of the Empire on May 20, 1804.

CONTARINI, an illustrious Venetian family, which furnished eight Doges to the Republic, as well as an array of men eminent in the Church, statescraft, generalship, art, and letters.

CONTE, NICOLAS JACQUES, a French painter; distinguished for his mechanical genius, which was of great avail to the French army in Egypt (1755-1805).

CONTI, an illustrious French family, a younger branch of the house of Bourbon-Condé, all more or less distinguished as soldiers; François Louis especially, who was a man of supreme ability both in war and science, and had the merit to be elected king of Poland (1664-1709).

CONTINENTAL SYSTEM, Napoleon's scheme for interdicting all commerce between the Continent and Great Britain, carried out with various issues till the fall of Napoleon. See **BERLIN** and **MILAN DEGREES**.

CONTRACT SOCIAL, Rousseau's theory of society that it is based on mere contract, each individual member of it surrendering his will to the will of all, under protection of all concerned, a theory which led to the conclusion that the rule of kings is a usurpation of the rights of the community, and which bore fruit as an explosive in the Revolution at the end of the century.

CONVENTION, NATIONAL, a revolutionary convention in France which on September 20, 1792, succeeded the Legislative Assembly, proclaimed the Republic, condemned the king to death, succeeded in crushing the royalists of La Vendée and the south, in defeating all Europe leagued against France, and in founding institutions of benefit to France to this day; it was dissolved on October 26, 1795, to make way for the Directory.

CONVERSATIONS LEXICON, a popular German encyclopædia of 16 vols., started in 1796, and since 1808 published by Brockhaus in Leipzig.

CONVOCAION, an assemblage of the English clergy.

with little or no legislative power, summoned and prorogued by an archbishop under authority of the Crown; one under the Archbishop of Canterbury, held at Canterbury, and one under the Archbishop of York, held at York, consisting each of two bodies, an Upper of bishops, and an Under of lesser dignitaries and inferior clergy, in separate chambers, though they originally met in one.

CONWAY, a port in Carnarvon, on the river Conway, with a massive castle, one of those built by Edward I. to keep Wales in check; is a favourite summer resort, and lies amid beautiful scenery.

CONWAY, HUGH, the *nom de plume* of Frederick Fergus, born in Bristol; bred to the auctioneer business; author of "Called Back," a highly sensational novel, and a success; gave up his business and settled in London, where he devoted himself to literature and the production of similar works of much promise, but caught malarial fever at Monte Carlo and died (1847-1885).

CONWAY, MONCURE, an American writer, born in Virginia; began life as a Unitarian preacher; came to England as a lecturer on war; became leader of the advanced school of thought; was a great admirer of Emerson, and wrote, among other works, "Emerson at Home and Abroad" (1832-1907).

CONWAY, SIR WILLIAM MARTIN, famous mountaineer; Slade professor of art at Cambridge; commenced his travels with ascents of the Himalayas; afterwards scaled many peaks in the Alps and the Andes; explored Spitzbergen (1856-).

CONYBEARE, WILLIAM DANIEL, an English clergyman, devoted to the study of geology and palæontology, and a Hampton lecturer (1787-1857).

CONYBEARE, WILLIAM JOHN, son of the preceding; author, with Dean Howson, of the "Life and Epistles of St. Paul," and of an "Essay on Church Parties" (1815-1857).

COOK, DUTTON, novelist, dramatic author, and critic; born in London, and bred a solicitor; contributed to several periodicals, and the "Dictionary of National Biography" (1829-1883).

COOK, SIR EDWARD TYAS, born at Brighton; educated at Oxford; joined the editorial staff of the *Pall Mall Gazette* and the *Westminster Gazette*, became, in 1893, editor of the *Daily News*; was an enthusiastic disciple of Ruskin; wrote "Studies on Ruskin" (1857-1919).

COOK, ELIZA, a writer of tales, verses, and magazine articles; born in Southwark; daughter of a merchant; conducted, from 1849 to 1854, a journal called by her name, but gave it up from failing health; enjoyed a pension of £100 from the Civil List till her death; was the authoress of "The Old Arm-Chair" and "Home in the Heart," both of which were great favourites with the public, and did something for literature and philanthropy by her *Journal* (1818-1889).

COOK, FREDERICK ALBERT, American explorer who in 1909 claimed that he had reached the North Pole, but an official investigation proved that he had no real evidence (1865-).

COOK, JAMES, the distinguished English navigator, born at Marton, Yorkshire; was the son of a farm labourer; began seafaring on board a merchantman; entered the navy in 1755, and in four years became a master; spent some nine years in survey of the St. Lawrence and the coasts of Newfoundland; in 1768, in command of the *Endeavour*, was sent out with an expedition to observe the transit of Venus, and in 1772 as commander of two vessels on a voyage of discovery to the South Seas; on his return, receiving further promotion, he set out on a third voyage of further exploration in the Pacific, making many discoveries as far N. as Behring Strait; lost his life, on his way home, in a dispute with the natives at Owhyhee (Hawaii), in the Sandwich Islands, being savagely murdered, a fate which befell him owing to a certain quickness of temper he had displayed, otherwise he was a man of great kindness of heart (1728-1779).

COOK, MOUNT, the highest point, 12,350 ft., in the Southern Alps, Canterbury Island, New Zealand.

COOK ISLANDS, an archipelago in the South Pacific belonging to New Zealand, with a population of 18,000. Rarotonga, the chief island, has a popula-

tion of 3,600. The group was formerly known as the Tonga Islands and still as the Hervey Islands.

COOK STRAIT, strait between the North and the South Island, New Zealand.

COOKE, SIR ANTONY, an eminent scholar, tutor to Edward VI.; of his daughters, one was married to Lord Burleigh and another to Sir Nicholas Bacon, who became the mother of Lord Bacon (1506-1576).

COOKE, BENJAMIN, composer, born in London; organist in Westminster Abbey; composer of "How Sleep the Brave," "Hark! the Lark," and other glees, as well as some excellent church music (1739-1793).

COOKE, GEORGE FREDERICK, an actor, famous for his representation of Richard III.; stood in his day next to Kemble in spite of his intemperate habits (1756-1811).

COOKE, T. P., an actor in melodrama; began life at sea; took to the stage; his most popular representations were William in "Black-eyed Susan" and Long Tom Coffin in the "Pilot" (1786-1864).

COOLGARDIE, a mining district and headquarters of rich gold-fields in W. Australia, about 300 m. distant from Perth.

COOLIDGE, CALVIN, American politician. A Republican in politics, he was elected Vice-President at the same time that Harding became President, and on the latter's death Coolidge succeeded him in August, 1923. Re-elected in 1925, he resigned in 1929 (1872-1933).

COOLIDGE TUBE, a vacuum tube of high exhaustion with tungsten electrodes, used for the production of X-rays.

COOLIES, labourers from India and China, who now emigrate in large numbers, especially from China, often to where they are not wanted; in the British Colonies and the United States they are much disliked, as they bring down the wages of native labourers.

COOMASSIE, the capital of the negro kingdom of Ashanti, 130 m. NNW. of Cape Coast Castle; once a large, populous place; was much reduced after its capture by Wolseley in 1874, though it is being rebuilt.

COOPER, ANTHONY ASHLEY. See SHAFTESBURY.

COOPER, SIR ASTLEY, English surgeon, born in Norfolk; an expert in anatomy and a skilful operator; stood high in the medical profession; contributed much by his writings to raise surgery to the rank of a science; was eminent as a lecturer as well as a practitioner (1768-1841).

COOPER, JAMES FENIMORE, an American novelist, born in Burlington, New Jersey; having a passion for the sea, he entered the navy as a midshipman in 1808, but in three years resigned his commission, married, and settled to literature; his novels, of which "The Pilot," "The Pathfinder," "The Deerslayer," and "The Last of the Mohicans" are the best known, achieved instant popularity and made him a favourite with boys; in them he showed himself an expert in the narration of events, the description of scenes, as well as in the delineation of character; he came to loggerheads with the newspaper press, had recourse to actions for libel, conducted his own cases himself, and was always successful (1789-1861).

COOPER, THOMAS, a self-taught man, born in Leicester; bred a shoemaker; became a schoolmaster, a Methodist preacher, and then a journalist; converted to Chartism; was charged with sedition, and committed to prison for two years; wrote there "Purgatory of Suicides"; after liberation went about lecturing on politics and preaching scepticism; returning to his first faith, he lectured on the Christian evidences, and wrote an autobiography (1805-1892).

COOPER, THOMAS SYDNEY, a distinguished animal-painter, born in Canterbury; struggled with adversity in early life; rose to be supreme in his own department of art; wrote an account of his career (1803-1902).

COOPERAGE, a system of barter which had for some time gone on in the North Sea, consisting of exchange of spirits and tobacco for other goods or money, a demoralising traffic, suppressed by the North Sea Fisheries Act of 1885.

COOPER'S HILL, a hill of slight elevation near Ruyn-nede, notable for a Government civil engineering college, originally for the training for the service in India, and for education in other departments of the Government service, forestry especially.

COORG, an inland high-lying province, about the size of Kent, on the eastern slope of the W. Ghats, on the SW. border of Mysore, under the Indian Government; it is covered with forests, infested with animals; the natives, a fine race, are distinguished for their loyalty to the British.

COOTE, SIR EYRE, a general, born in co. Limerick, Ireland; distinguished himself at Plassey; gained victories over the French in India; afterwards routed Hyder Ali at Porto Novo; died at Madras (1726-1793).

COPE, SIR ARTHUR STOCKDALE, R.A., British artist. He studied at the R.A. school, and started exhibiting at the age of 19, chiefly doing portraits, notably those of Royalty (1857-).

COPE, CHARLES WEST, a painter, born at Leeds; his pictures have for subjects historical or dramatic scenes, and were very numerous; executed frescoes that adorn the Peers' corridor at Westminster; was professor of Painting to the Royal Academy (1811-1890).

COPE, SIR JOHN, a British general; was in command at Prestonpans, and defeated by the Pretender there in 1745, in connection with which his name is remembered in Scotland as not having been ready when the Highlanders attacked him, by the song "Hielah! Johnnie Cowp, are ye wauken yet?" (1700).

COPENHAGEN, the capital of Denmark and the only large town in it; lies low, and is built partly on the island of Zealand and partly on the island of Amager, the channel between which forms a commodious harbour; is a thriving place of manufacture and of trade, as its name "Merchants' Haven" implies; has also a university, an arsenal, and numerous public buildings.

COPERNICUS, NICOLAS, founder of modern astronomy, born at Thorn, in Poland, and educated at Cracow and Bologna; became canon of Frauenburg, on the Frisches Haff; studied medicine; was helper to a wealthy uncle with whom he lived, and became his heir when he died; his chief interest lay in the heavenly bodies, and his demonstrations regarding their movements, which he deferred publishing till he was towards his end; it was only when he was unconscious and dying that the first printed copy of the work was put into his hands; it was entitled "De Revolutionibus Orbium," and was written in proof of the first principle of astronomy, that the sun is the centre of the solar system and the earth and planets circle round it; the work was dedicated to Pope Paul III., and was received with favour by the Catholic Church. It was denounced by Luther and Melancthon as contrary to the truth—an opinion held by the Popes from 1616 to 1757 (1473-1543).

COPIAPO, a river, a village, a city, and a district in Chile.

COPLEY, JOHN SINGLETON, portrait and historical painter, born in Boston, U.S.; painted Washington's portrait at the age of eighteen; came to England in 1776, having previously sent over for exhibition sundry of his works; painted portraits of the king and the queen; began the historical works on which his fame chiefly rests, the most widely known of which is the "Death of Chatham," now in the National Gallery (1737-1815).

COPPÉE, FRANÇOIS, a poet, born in Paris; produced several volumes of poetry, dramas in verse, and tales in prose; most of his work deals with humble, even poor, life, touched with sympathy and pathos; of his plays "Pour la Couronne" and "Mme. de Maintenon" are best known (1842-1906).

COPPER, a bright red metal of great tenacity, used for many purposes, including electric wires and cables, for which it is in great demand on account of its high conductivity. With other metals it forms many alloys in general use, e.g. gunmetal, bronze, brass, and German silver. Copper is mined in Spain, U.S.A., and South America. At one time

large supplies were obtained from Cornwall, but they are now exhausted.

COPPER CAPTAIN, a Brummagem captain: the name given to Percy in Beaumont and Fletcher's play, "Rule a Wife and Have a Wife."

COPPER NOSE, name given to Oliver Cromwell, from a brownish tinge on his nose.

COPPERHEADS, secret foes in one's own camp, so called from the copperhead, or moccasin, snake of America which is difficult to distinguish in its natural surroundings.

COPPERMINE, a river in NW. Canada which flows into the Arctic Ocean after a broken course of 250 m.

COPPET, a Swiss village in the Canton de Vaud, on the Lake of Geneva: celebrated as the abode of Mme. de Staël, her burial-place and that of Necker, her father.

COPROLITES, an important mineral source of phosphates. They may be either fossilised dung of reptiles or deposited from water which has washed away bones and other animal remains.

COPTS, the Christian descendants of the ancient Egyptians, who are Monophysites in belief, some regarding the Patriarch of Alexandria and some the Pope as their head; they adhere to the ancient ritual, are prelate, sacerdotalian, and exclusive; they speak Arabic, their original Coptic being practically dead, though the grammar is taught in the schools.

COPYRIGHT, the sole right of an author or his heirs or assignee to publish a work for a term of years fixed by statute, the period now being for the duration of the author's life and for 50 years afterwards, this period being shortened to 25 years subject to certain reservations; copyright covers literary, artistic, and musical property, in which are included dramatic and cinematographic rights. By the Act of 1911 an author must present one copy of his work, if published, to the British Museum, and one copy, if demanded, to the Bodleian Library, Oxford; the University Library, Cambridge; the Advocates' Library, Edinburgh; and Trinity College Library, Dublin.

COQUELIN, BENOIT CONSTANT, a noted French actor, born at Boulogne; played in classical pieces and others, composed for himself in the Théâtre Français from 1860 to 1886; after that in London, S. America, and the United States; without a rival in the broader aspects of comedy (1841-1909).

COQUEREL, ATHANASE, a pastor of the French Reformed Church, born in Paris, where he preached eloquently from 1830 till his death; was elected in 1848 deputy for the Seine to the National Assembly, but retired from political life after the coup d'état; wrote a reply to Strauss (1795-1858).

COQUEREL, ATHANASE, a Protestant pastor, son of preceding, born at Amsterdam; celebrated for his liberal and tolerant views, too much so for M. Guizot; edited Voltaire's letters on toleration; his chief work, "Jean Calas et sa Famille" (1820-1875).

COQUIMBO, capital of a mining province of Chile of the name; exports minerals and cattle.

CORALS, a distinguished Hellenist, born in Smyrna, of the mercantile class; settled in Paris, where he devoted himself to awakening an interest in Greek literature and the cause of the Greeks (1748-1838).

CORAL SNAKES, a species of Colubridae, small and highly venomous; are of striking coloration, banded in black and yellow on a red background; natives of South America.

CORALS, together with sea-anemones form the class of invertebrate organisms known as anthozoa. The body is usually cylindrical in shape, with a mouth, surrounded by tentacles, at one end. The skeleton is mainly of calcium carbonate. Corals may be divided into solitary and reef-building; the former live in rather deep water in all latitudes, whilst the latter thrive in less than 30 fathoms, where the temperature is above 65° F. Some limestones are entirely composed of coral remains.

CORAM, THOMAS, English philanthropist, the founder of the Foundling Hospital, born at Lyme Regis; a man of varied ventures by sea and land; settled in London, where he was touched by the sufferings of the poor, and, with warm support from

Hogarth, founded the said institution; his charity so impoverished him that he ended his days as an object of charity himself, being dependent on a small annuity raised by subscription (1668-1751).

CORATO, a town in a fertile region in S. Italy, 25 m. W. of Bari.

CORRIE-STEPS, or **CROW-STEPS**, steps ascending the gable of a house, common in old Scottish gables as well as in the Netherlands and elsewhere.

COR'ULO, GNAEUS DOMITIUS, a distinguished general under Claudius and Nero, who conquered the Parthians; Nero, being jealous of him, invited him to Corinth, where he found a death-warrant awaiting him, upon which he plunged his sword into his breast, in A.D. 72.

CORCY'EA, an Ionian island, now Corfu (q.v.).

CORDAY, CHARLOTTE, a French heroine, born at St. Saturnin, of good birth, granddaughter of Corneille; well read in Voltaire and Plutarch; favoured the Revolution, but was shocked at the atrocities of the Jacobins; started from Caen for Paris as an avenging angel; sought out Marat, with difficulty got access to him, stabbed him to the heart as he sat in his bath; when arrested, she quietly surrendered; when questioned as to her motive, she answered, "I killed one man to save a hundred thousand"; she was guillotined four days later (1793-1793).

CORDELLA, the youngest and favourite daughter of King Lear.

CORDELIERS, (1) the strictest branch of the Franciscan Order of Monks, so called from wearing a girdle of knotted cord; (2) a club during the French Revolution, founded in 1789, its prominent members, Danton, Camille Desmoulins, and Marat; was a secession from the Jacobin Club, which was thought lukewarm, and met in what had been a convent of the Order of Cordeliers; it expired with Danton.

CORDERIUS, a grammarian, born in Normandy; being a Protestant settled in Geneva and taught; author of Latin "Colloques," once very famous (1478-1567).

CORDILLERAS, the name of several chains of mountains in S. America, forming part of the extensive coast range which, towards the east, is known as the Andes.

CORDITE, a smokeless explosive, invented by Sir F. A. Abel, being composed of gun cotton dissolved in acetone, and nitro-glycerine.

CORDON BLEU, formerly the blue ribbon from which the badge of the Order of the Holy Ghost was suspended; now applied to a cook in compliment as a mark of highest excellence.

CORDOUAN, a lighthouse at the mouth of the Gironde, France.

COR'DOVA, a city on the Parana, in the Argentine; also a town in Andalusia, Spain, on the right bank of the Guadalquivir, in a province of the name, 80 m. N.E. of Seville; once a Moorish capital, and famous for its manufacture of goat leather and its silver work; has a cathedral, once a magnificent mosque.

CORELLI, ARCANGELO, an Italian musical composer, celebrated for his skill on the violin; his compositions mark a new musical epoch; he has been called the father of instrumental music (1653-1713).

CORELLI, MARIE, novelist; her first work "The Romance of Two Worlds"; among her others are "Ardath," "The Master Christian," and "The Sorrows of Satan" (1864-1924).

CORFE CASTLE, a village in the Isle of Purbeck, Dorsetshire, round a castle now in ruins and the scene of martyrdoms and murders, including that of Edward the Martyr, in 979.

CORFU, the most northerly of the Ionian Islands and the largest, 40 m. long, from 4 to 18 broad; was under the protection of Britain, 1815-1864; has since belonged to Greece; has a capital of the same name. It was seized in 1923 by Italy after members of an Italian military commission had been murdered on the Greek frontier, but was evacuated on the Italian government receiving satisfaction.

CORIN'NA, a poetess of ancient Greece, born in Boeotia in the 5th century B.C.; friend and rival of Pindar; only a few fragments of her poetry remain.

CORINNE, the heroine and title of a novel of Mme. de Staël, her principal novel, in which she celebrates the praises of the great men and great masterpieces of Italy; her heroine is the type of a woman inspired with poetic ideas and the most generous sentiments.

CORINTH, an ancient city of Greece, and one of the most flourishing, on an isthmus of the name connecting the Peloponnese with the mainland; in olden time a great centre of trade and of material wealth, and as a centre of luxury a centre of vice; the seat of the worship of Aphrodite, a very different goddess from Athena, to whom Athens was dedicated.

CORINTHIANS, EPISTLES TO THE, two epistles of St. Paul to the Church he had established in Corinth, the chief object of which was to cleanse it of certain sublims and impurities that had arisen, and to protest against the disposition of many in it to depart from the simple gospel which they had been taught.

CORIOLANUS, GAIUS MARCIUS, a celebrated Roman general of patrician rank, who rallied his countrymen when in besieging Corioli they were being driven back, so that he took the city, and was in consequence called Coriolanus; having afterwards offended the plebs, he was banished from Rome; took refuge among the people he had formerly defeated; joined causes with them, and attempted to destroy Rome, regardless of every entreaty to spare it, till his mother, his wife, and the matrons of the city overcame him by their tears, upon which he withdrew and led back his army to Corioli, prepared to suffer any penalty his treachery to them might expose him. Shakespeare wrote a play on the theme.

CORIOLI, a town of ancient Latium, capital of the Volsci.

CORK, a fine city, capital of a county of the same name in Munster, Irish Free State; on the Lee, 11 m. from its mouth; with a magnificent harbour, an extensive foreign trade, and manufactures of various kinds.

CORMENIN, COMTE DE, a French statesman and jurist, born at Paris; had great influence under Louis Philippe; his pamphlets, signed *Timon*, made no small stir; left a work on administrative law in France (1788-1868).

CORMONTAGNE, a celebrated French engineer, born at Strasburg; successor of Vauban (1696-1752).

CORNABO, an illustrious patrician family in Venice from which for centuries several Doges sprang.

CORN-CRACKER, the nickname of a Kentucky man.

CORNILLE, PIERRE, the father of French tragedy, born at Rouen, the son of a government legal official; was bred for the bar, but he neither took to the profession nor prospered in the practice of it, so gave it up for literature; threw himself at once into the drama; began by dramatising an incident in his own life, and became the creator of the dramatic art in France; his first tragedies are "The Cid," which indeed is his masterpiece, "Horace," "Cinna," "Polyeucte," "Rodogune," and "Le Menteur"; in his verses, which are instinct with vigour of conception as well as sublimity of feeling, he paints men as they should be, virtuous in character, brave in spirit, and animated by the most exalted sentiments. Goethe contrasts him with Racine: "Cornille," he says, "delineated great men; Racine, men of eminent rank." "He rarely provokes an interest," says Professor Saintsbury, "in the fortunes of his characters; it is rather in the way that they bear their fortune, and particularly in a kind of haughty disdain for fortune itself. . . . He shows an excellent comic faculty at times, and the strokes of irony in his serious plays have more of true humour in them than appears in almost any other French dramatist" (1606-1685).

CORNILLE, THOMAS, younger brother of the preceding, a dramatist whose merits were little inferior but who was outshone by those of his brother; he wrote some forty plays in all, comprising tragedies and comedies (1625-1709).

CORNELIA, the daughter of Scipio Africanus and the mother of the Gracchi (q.v.), the Roman matron who, when challenged by a rival lady to outshine her in wealth of gems, proudly led forth her sons, saying, "These are my jewels"; true to this senti-

ment, it was as the mother of the Gracchi she wished to be remembered, and is remembered, in the annals of Rome.

CORNELIUS, PETER VON, a distinguished German painter, born at Düsseldorf; early gave proof of artistic genius, which was carefully fostered by his father; spent much time as a youth in studying and copying Raphael; before he was 20 he decorated a church at Neuss with colossal figures in chiaroscuro; in 1810 executed designs for Goethe's "Faust"; in the year after went to Rome, where, along with others, he revived the old art of fresco painting, in which he excelled his rivals; the subjects of these were drawn from Greek pagan as well as Christian sources, his "Judgment" being the largest fresco in the world; the thought which inspires his cartoons, critics say, surpasses his power of execution; it should be added that he prepared a set of designs to illustrate the "Nibelungen" (1788-1867).

CORNELL UNIVERSITY, a university in Ithaca, New York State, founded in 1866 at a cost of \$152,000, named after its founder, Ezra Cornell; it supports a large staff of teachers, and gives instruction in all departments of science, literature, and philosophy; it provides education to sundry specified classes free of all fees, as well as means of earning the benefits of the institution to any who may wish to enjoy them.

CORN-LAWS, laws in force in Great Britain regulating the import and export of corn for the protection of the home-producer at the expense of the home-consumer, and which after a long and bitter struggle between these two classes were abolished in 1846.

CORN-LAW RHYMER, THE, Ebenezer Elliott (q.v.), who, in a volume of poems, denounced the corn-laws and contributed to their abolition.

CORNO, MONTE, the highest peak of the Apennines, 9546 ft.

CORNWALL, a county in the SW. extremity of England, forming a peninsula between the English and the Bristol Channels, with a rugged surface and a rocky coast, indented all round with more or less deep bays enclosed between high headlands, its wealth lies not in the soil, but under it in its mines, and in the pichard, mackerel, and other fisheries along its stormy shores; the county town is Bodmin, the largest Penzance, and the mining centre Truro.

CORNWALL, BARRY, the *nom de plume* of B. W. Procter (q.v.).

CORNWALLIS, LORD, an English general and statesman; saw service in the Seven Years' and the American Wars; besieged in the latter at York Town, was obliged to capitulate; became Governor-General of India, and forced Tipoo Sahib to submit to humiliating terms; as Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland crushed the rebellion of '98; re-appointed Governor-General of India; died there (1758-1805).

CORNWELL, JOHN TRAVERS, boy hero of the Great War, who at the battle of Jutland, when only 17, stayed alone at his post on the *Chester*, though mortally wounded. He was awarded a V.O. post-humously (1899-1916).

COROMANDEL COAST, E. coast of Hindustan, extending from the Krishna to Cape Comorin.

CORONA, a vast envelope of extreme tenuity surrounding the sun and only seen during a total eclipse, when it appears as a mass of silvery light resembling feathers. The form and brilliancy appears to depend on the state of the sun with respect to "sunspots" (q.v.), and the appearance therefore varies from eclipse to eclipse.

CORONACH, a dirge sung at funerals by Irish and Scottish peasantry in olden times.

CORONATION CHAIR, a chair enclosing a stone carried off by Edward I. from Beane in 1296, on which the sovereigns of England are crowned.

COROT, JEAN BAPTISTE, a celebrated French landscape-painter, born at Paris; was 26 years of age before he began to apply himself to art, which he did by study in Italy and Rome, returning to Paris in 1827, where he became a member of the Barbizon group and began to exhibit, and continued to exhibit for nearly 60 years; it was long before his places revealed what was in him and the secret of his art; he appeared also as a poet as well

as a painter, giving free play to his emotions (1796-1876).

CORPUSCULAR RAYS, the rays given off in vacuum tubes and from radioactive substances which are not like light and X-rays but consist of a stream of charged particles, e.g. Alpha Rays, Beta Rays, and Positive Rays.

CORR, ERIN, an eminent engraver, born in Brussels, of Irish descent; spent 10 years in engraving on copperplate Rubens' "Descent from the Cross" (1793-1832).

CORRECTOR, ALEXANDER THE, Alexander Cruden, author of the "Concordance to the Bible," who believed he had a divine mission to correct the manners of the world, and petitioned Parliament to empower him to obliterate profane and obscene inscriptions.

CORREGGIO, ANTONIO ALLEGRI DA, an illustrious Italian painter, born at Correggio, in Modena; founder of the Lombard school, and distinguished among his contemporaries for the grace of his figures and the harmony of his colouring; he has been ranked next to Raphael, and it has been said of him he perfected his art by adding elegance to truth and grandeur; he was unrivalled in chiaroscuro, and chose his subjects from pagan as well as Christian legend (1494-1534).

CORRIB, LOUGH, an irregularly shaped lake in Galway and Mayo, 25 m. long and from 1 to 6 m. broad, with stone circles near it and numerous islets on its waters.

CORRIENTES, a province of the Argentine Republic, between the Parana and the Uruguay; also its capital, surrounded by orange-groves; so called from the currents that prevail in the river, along which steamers ply between it and Buenos Ayres.

CORROBOREE, the Australian aboriginal name for a nocturnal dance, which may have a religious, warlike, or festive significance; as a rule the natives taking part paint their faces and bodies with white clay and red ochre.

CORRUGATED IRON, sheet-iron coated with zinc.

CORSAIR, THE, a poem by Byron, in which the author paints himself in heroic colours as an adventurer who draws reflection in the intoxication of battle.

CORSICA, an island belonging to France, in the Mediterranean, ceded to her by Genoa in 1768, but by position, race, and language belonging to Italy; has been subject by turns to the powers that in succession dominated that inland sea; is 116 m. long and 52 broad; it abounds in mountains, attaining 9000 ft.; covered with forests and thickets, which often serve as shelter for brigands; it affords good pasture, and yields olive-oil and wine, as well as chestnuts, honey, and wax.

CORSICA PAOLI, a native of Corsica, who vainly struggled to achieve the independence of his country, and took refuge in England, where he enjoyed the society of the Johnson circle and was much esteemed. See PAOLI.

CORSEN, WILLIAM PAUL, a learned German philologist, born at Bremen; made a special study of the Latin languages, and especially the Etruscan, which he laboured to prove was cognate with that of the Romans and of the races that spoke it (1820-1876).

CORT, CORNELIS, an eminent Dutch engraver, went to Venice, lived with Titian; engraved some of his pictures; went to Rome and engraved Raphael's "Transfiguration"; executed over 150 plates, all displaying great accuracy and refinement (1533-1578).

CORTES, the name given in Spain and Portugal to the National Assembly, consisting of nobles and representatives of the nation, who together form the Senate and Chamber of Deputies.

CORTES, a Spanish soldier and conqueror of Mexico, born in Extremadura; went with Velasquez to Cuba; commanded the expedition to conquer Mexico, 1518, and by burning all the ships that conveyed his men, cut off all possibility of retreat; having conquered the tribes that he met on landing, he marched on to the capital, which, after a desperate struggle, he reduced, holding the Aztec emperor, Montezuma, prisoner, and then swept the country, by all which he added to the wealth of Spain, but

by his cruelty did dishonour to the chivalry of which Spain was once so proud; after the conquest Cortes, superseded by another Spanish governor, engaged in similar expeditions, discovering California in 1536; he died at Seville and was buried there, but his remains were re-interred subsequently in Mexico (1485-1547).

CORTONA, PIETRO DA, an Italian painter, born at Cortona, in Tuscany, and eminent as an architect also; decorated many of the finest buildings in Rome (1590-1609).

CORUNA, or CORUNNA, a fortified town on NW. of Spain, with a commodious harbour, where Sir John Moore fell in 1809 while defending the embarkation of his army against Soult, and where his tomb is.

CORVÉE, obligation as at one time enforced upon serfs in the countries of Central Europe to render certain services to overlords, such as repairing of roads; in Russia, Denmark, and Rumania this system of compulsory labour lasted well on into the 19th century; in France it was abolished by the Constituent Assembly after the Revolution.

CORYATE, THOMAS, an English traveller and wit, who, in his "Cruities," quaintly describes his travels through France and Italy (1577-1617).

CORYBANTES, priests of Cybele (q.v.), whose religious rites were accompanied with wild dances and the clashing of cymbals.

CORYDON, a shepherd in Virgil, name for a love-sick swain.

CORYLÆUS, originally the leader of the chorus in a Greek drama, a leader in any dramatic company, or indeed in any art.

COS, an island in the Ægean Sea, birthplace of Hippocrates and Apelles.

COSENZA, a town in Calabria, in a deep valley, where Alaric, king of the Visigoths, died.

COSGRAVE, WILLIAM, Irish politician. He became President of the Executive Council of the Irish Free State in 1922 and was re-elected the following year. He did much to smooth the path of Ireland in the troubled days after the Great War (1880-).

COSIN, JOHN, a learned English prelate, Dean of Peterborough, deposed by the Puritans for his ritualistic tendencies; exiled for 10 years in Paris; returned at the Restoration, and was made Bishop of Durham, where he proved himself a devoted supporter of the Church which he adorned by his piety (1594-1672).

COSMÁS, ST., Arabian physician and patron of surgeons, brother of St. Damian; suffered martyrdom in 305. Festival, Sept. 27.

COSMÁS INDIOPLEUSTES (i.e. voyager to India), an Egyptian monk of the 6th century, born in Alexandria, singular for his theory of the system of the world, which, in opposition to the Ptolemaic system, he viewed as in shape like that of the Jewish Tabernacle, with Eden outside, and encircled by the ocean, a theory he advanced as in conformity with Scripture.

COSMO I., Grand-duke of Tuscany, head of the Republic of Florence, of which he made himself absolute master, a post he held in defiance of all opposition, in order to secure the independence of the state he governed, as well as its internal prosperity (1519-1574).

COSMOGONY, MODERN THEORY OF. The theory of the origin of the solar system most generally held to-day is the Tidal Theory. It is supposed that the sun and its planets once formed part of a huge nebular mass which eventually became a spiral nebula, which threw off portions, one of which was our sun. The sun, then a huge mass of hot gas, came in close proximity to a wandering star and as a result of the tidal forces set up part of it was torn off and out of the debris the planets were formed. See **NEBULAR HYPOTHESIS**.

COSMOLOGY, any theory which attempts to trace the system of things back to its first principle or primordial element or elements.

COSSACKS, a military people of mixed origin, chiefly Tartar and Slav, who fought on horseback, in their own interest as well as that of Russia, defending its interests in particular for centuries past in many a struggle, and forming an important light cavalry division of the Russian army.

COSTA, SIR MICHAEL, composer and musical conductor; born at Naples; settled in England, conducted at Philharmonic concerts and important festivals; wrote ballets and operas, and two oratorios, "Eli" and "Naaman" (1810-1884).

COSTA RICA, a small republic of Central America; it is mostly tableland; contains many volcanoes; is chiefly agricultural, though rich in minerals.

COSTARD, a clown in "Love's Labour's Lost," who spoils the affected court-wits of the time in a misappropriate style.

COSTELLO, LOUISA STUART, an English authoress; her descriptive powers were considerable, and her novels had a historical ground-work (1799-1870).

COSTER, alias LAURENS JANZSOON, born at Haarlem, to whom his countrymen, as against the claims of Gutenberg, ascribe the invention of printing (1370-1440).

COSWAY, RICHARD, a distinguished miniature portrait-painter, born at Tiverton; Correggio his model (1740-1821).

CÔTE D'OR, a range of hills in the NE. of France, connecting the Cevennes with the Vosges, which gives name to a department famed for its wines.

COTENTIN, a peninsula NW. of Normandy, France, jutting into the English Channel, now forms the northern part of the dep. La Manche, the fatherland of many of the Norman conquerors of England.

CÔTES DU NORD, a dep. forming part of Brittany; the chief manufacture is linen, but it produces a fine breed of horses.

COTIN, THE ABBÉ, a French preacher, born in Paris; a butt of the sarcasm of Molière and Boileau (1604-1682).

COTMAN, JOHN SELL, an English painter, born at Norwich; made Turner's acquaintance; produced water-colour landscapes, growing in repute; has been pronounced "the most gifted of the Norwich School" (1782-1842).

COTOPAXI, a volcano of the Andes, in Ecuador, the highest active volcano in the world, 19,613 ft. high, 35 m. SE. of Quito; it rises in a perfect cone, 4400 ft. above the plateau of Quito.

COTSWOLD HILLS, in Gloucestershire, separating the Lower Severn from the sources of the Thames; they are of limestone rock, 50 m. long, and extend N. and S.; famous for a breed of sheep.

COTTA, CAIUS, a distinguished Roman orator, 1st century B.C.; mentioned with honour by Cicero.

COTTA, JOHANN FRIEDRICH, BARON, German publisher, born at Stuttgart; established a publishing house in Tübingen; published the works of Goethe, Schiller, Jean Paul, Herder, and others of note among their contemporaries (1764-1832).

COTTIAN ALPS, the range N. of the Maritime between France and Italy.

COTTIN, SOPHIE, a celebrated French authoress; wrote, among other romances, the well-known and extensively translated "Elizabeth; or, the Exiles of Siberia," a wildly romantic but irreproachably moral tale (1770-1807).

COTTLE, JOSEPH, publisher and author, started business in Bristol; published the works of Coleridge and Southey on generous terms; wrote in his "Early Recollections" an exposure of Coleridge that has been severely criticised and generally condemned (1770-1853).

COTTON, BISHOP, born at Chester; eminent as a master at Rugby under Dr. Arnold, and as headmaster at Marlborough College; was appointed Bishop of Calcutta, an office he fulfilled zealously; was drowned in the Ganges; he figures as "the young master" in "Tom Brown's School-days" (1818-1860).

COTTON, CHARLES, a poet, born in Staffordshire; his poetry was of the burlesque order, and somewhat gross; chiefly famous for his translation of "Montaigne's Essays"; was friend and admirer of Isaac Walton, and wrote a supplement to his "Angler" (1630-1687).

COTTON, SIR ROBERT BRUCE, a distinguished antiquary, and founder of the Cottonian Library, now in the British Museum, born at Denton; was a friend of Camden, and assisted him in his great work; was a great book-collector; was exposed to persecution for his presumed share in the publica-

tion of an obnoxious book, of which the original was found in his collection; had his books, in which he prided himself, taken from him, in consequence of which he pined and died (1671-1631).

COUOY, an old noble family of Picardy, who had for device, "Rol ne suls, ne duc, ne comte auzai; je suis le sire de Couoy." Basil, a court-poet of the family in the 12th century, lost his life at the siege of Acre in the third crusade.

COULOMBE, CHARLES, a learned French physicist and engineer, born at Angoulême; the inventor of the torsion balance, to whose labours many discoveries in electricity and magnetism are due (1736-1806).

COULOMB, the unit of charge in electricity, being the quantity of electricity which passes through a conductor when a current of one ampère flows for one second.

COUNCILS, CHURCH, assemblies of bishops to decide questions of doctrine and ecclesiastical discipline. They are oecumenical, national, or provincial, according as the bishops assembled represent the whole Church, a merely national one, or a provincial section of it. Important Church Councils that have been held are: Eastern: Nice, 325 (at which Arius was anathematized), 787; Constantinople, 381 (at which Apollinaris was condemned), 553, 680, 689; Ephesus, 431 (at which Nestorius was condemned); Chalcedon, 451 (at which Eutyches was condemned). Western: Lateran, 1123, 1139, 1179, 1215, 1274; Synod of Vienne, 1311; Constance, 1414; Basel, 1431-1443; Trent, 1545-1563; Vatican, 1869.

COUNTY COUNCILS were set up in 1888. Elected by the ratepayers of the county, they control roads, education, licensing, lunatic asylums, and since 1930 the relief of the poor. Over boroughs within the county their powers are modified.

COUNTY COURTS, courts for the trial of civil cases presided over by a judge, first set up in 1847.

COURAYES, a French Roman Catholic ecclesiastic who pleaded on behalf of Anglican orders; was captured; fled to England, where he was welcomed, and received academic honours (1681-1777).

COURBET, a French vice-admiral, born at Abbeville; distinguished himself by his rapid movements and brilliant successes in the East (1827-1885).

COURET, GUSTAVE, French painter, born at Orlans; took to landscape-painting; was head of the Realistic school; joined the Commune in 1871; his property and pictures were sold to pay the damage done, and especially to restore the Vendôme Column; died an exile in Switzerland (1819-1877).

COURIER, PAUL LOUIS, a French writer, born at Paris; began life as a soldier, but being wounded at Wagram, retired from the army and gave himself to letters; distinguished himself as the author of political pamphlets, written with a scathing irony such as has hardly been surpassed, which brought him into trouble; was assassinated on his estate by his gamekeeper (1772-1825).

COURLAND, a partly wooded, and partly marshy province of Russia, S. of the Gulf of Riga; the population mostly German, and Protestants; agriculture their chief pursuit.

COURT DE GEBELIN, a French writer, born at Nîmes, author of a work entitled "The Primitive World analysed and compared with the Modern World" (1725-1784).

COURTENAY, WILLIAM, archbishop of Canterbury, a son of the Earl of Devon; attacked Wickliffe, but was no match for the latter in debate, though he had his revenge in persecuting his followers; was the first of the aristocratic primates (1241-1306).

COURTESY TITLE, that borne by the eldest son of a peer who possesses titles inferior to the one under which he takes his seat in the House of Lords; thus, an Earl who is also a Viscount may allow his heir to style himself by the latter title. Younger sons of Dukes and Marquesses may take the courtesy title of Lord, daughters similarly becoming Lady; children of Viscounts and Barons are entitled to the prefix of Honourable.

COURTOIS, JACQUES, a French painter of battle-pieces; became a Jesuit, died a monk (1621-1676).

COURTRAI, a Belgian town on the Lys, noted for linen and lace industries.

COUSIN, VICTOR, a French philosopher, born in Paris; founder of an eclectic school which derived its doctrines partly from the Scottish philosophy and partly from the German; he was a lucid expounder, an attractive lecturer, and exerted no small influence on public opinion in France; retired from public life in 1848, and died at Cannes; he left a number of philosophic works behind him, the best known being "Discourses on the True, the Beautiful, and the Good" (1793-1807).

COUSIN, MICHAËL, a disparaging nickname of the German peasant, as slow, heavy, unpolished, and ungainly.

COUSIN-MONTAUBAN, CHARLES GUILLAUME, a French general, commanded the Chinese expedition of 1860, and, after a victory over the Chinese, took possession of Peking (1796-1878).

COUSINS, SAMUEL, a mezzotint engraver, born at Exeter; engraved "Bolton Abbey," "Marie Antoinette in the Temple," and a number of plates after eminent painters; left a fund to aid poor artists (1801-1887).

COUSTON, the name of three eminent French sculptors: Nicolas (1658-1733); Guillaume, father (1678-1740); and Guillaume, son (1716-1777).

COUTON, GEORGES, a violent revolutionary, one of a triumvirate with Robespierre and St. Just, who would expel every one from the Jacobin Club who could not give evidence of having done something to merit hanging should a counter-revolution arrive; was elected on the Committee of Public Safety; became President of the Convention, but fell by the guillotine with his chief associates (1756-1794).

COUTTS, THOMAS, a banker, born in Edinburgh, his father having been Lord Provost of that city; joint-founder and eventually sole manager of the London banking house, Coutts & Co.; left a fortune of \$900,000 (1786-1822).

COUVADE, a custom among certain races in the past and practised by some primitive peoples to-day, in which a father before and after childbirth takes upon himself the duties and cares of the mother.

COUZA, PRINCE, born at Galatz, hereditary prince of Moldavia and Wallachia; reigned from 1858 to 1860; died in exile, 1873.

COVENANT, SOLEMN LEAGUE AND, an engagement with representatives from Scotland on the part of the English Parliament to secure to the Scots the terms of their National Covenant, and signed by honourable members in St. Margaret's Church, Westminster, September 25, 1643, on the condition of assistance from the Scots in their great struggle with the king.

COVENANT, THE NATIONAL, a solemn engagement on the part of the Scottish nation subscribed to by all ranks of the community, the first signature being appended to it in the Greyfriars' Churchyard, Edinburgh, on February 28, 1638, to maintain the Presbyterian Church and to resist all attempts on the part of Charles I. to tolst Episcopacy upon it; it was ratified by the Scottish Parliament in 1640, and signed by Charles II. in 1650 and 1651.

COVENANTERS, the name given to the body of strict Presbyterians who held out against the breach of the Solemn League and Covenant, in particular to those who figured in the persecutions of 1662 and later.

COVENT GARDEN, properly Convent Garden, as originally the garden of Westminster Abbey; the great fruit, flower, and vegetable market of London, dating from the 17th century; it is also the site of a famous opera house.

COVENTRY, a town in Warwickshire, 18½ m. S.E. of Birmingham; famous for the manufacture of ribbons and watches, and the chief seat of the manufacture of motor-cars and cycles. In the streets are some quaint old houses; there are some very fine churches and a number of charitable

institutions. . . a member of the Long Parliament; when, as a member of Parliament in Charles II.'s reign, he made reflections on the profligate conduct of the king, he was set upon by bullies, who slit his nose to the bone; this deed led to the passing of the Coventry Act, which makes cutting and maiming a capital offence (1640-1682).

COVERDALE, MILES, bishop of Exeter and translator of the English Bible, born in Yorkshire; his translation was the first issued under royal sanction, being dedicated to Henry VIII.; it was done at the instance of Thomas Cromwell, brought out in 1535, and executed with a view to secure the favour of the authorities in Church and State, displaying a timid hesitancy unworthy of a manly faith in the truth; both he and his translation, nevertheless, were subjected to persecution, 2500 copies of the latter printed in Paris, having been seized by the Inquisition and committed to the flames; was deposed by Mary and sought refuge in Geneva, returning to England under Elizabeth (1488-1568).

COVERLEY, SIR ROGER DE, member of the club under whose auspices the *Spectator* was professedly edited; represents an English squire of Queen Anne's reign.

COWARD, SIR HENRY, British composer. He started life as a cutter, took to teaching, and entered the music profession at the age of 39. He lectured at Sheffield University, composed anthems, cantatas, and songs, and won a name as an opponent of syncopated music (1849-).

COWELL, JOHN, an English lawyer, author of "Institutes of the Laws of England" and of a law dictionary burnt by the common hangman for matter in it derogatory to the royal authority (1554-1611).

COWEN, SIR FREDERICK HYMEN, British composer and conductor. Born in Jamaica, he came to England at the age of four, and in 1820 started conducting the Handel Festival of 1804 being entrusted to him. He has composed a number of songs, cantatas, and oratorios, and was knighted in 1911 (1852-).

COWES, a seaside town in the N. of the Isle of Wight, separated by the Medina estuary into E. and W.; engaged in yacht-building, and the headquarters of the Royal Yacht Squadron.

COWLEY, ABRAHAM, poet and essayist, born in London; a contemporary of Milton, whom he at one time outshone, but has now fallen into neglect; he was an ardent royalist, and catered to the taste of the court, which, however, brought him no pre-ferment at the Restoration; he was a master of prose, and specially excelled in letter-writing; he does not seem to have added much to the literature of England, except as an essayist, and in this capacity has been placed at the head of those who cultivated that clear, easy, and natural style which culminated in Addison (1618-1667).

COWLEY, HENRY WELLESLEY, EARL, an eminent diplomatist, brother of the Duke of Wellington; served as a diplomatist in Vienna, Constantinople, and Switzerland, and was ambassador to France from 1852 to 1867 (1804-1884).

COWPER, WILLIAM, a popular English poet, born at Great Berkhampstead, Hertford, of noble lineage; lost his mother at six, and cherished the memory of her all his days; of a timid, sensitive nature, suffered acutely from harsh usage at school; read extensively in the classics; trained for and called to the bar; was appointed at 32 a clerk to the House of Lords; qualifying for the duties of the appointment proved too much for him, and he became insane; when he recovered he retired from the world to Huntingdon, beside a brother, where he formed an intimacy with a family of the name of Unwin, a clergyman in the place; on Mr. Unwin's death he removed with the family to Olney, in Buckinghamshire, where he lived as a recluse and associated with the Rev. John Newton and Mrs. Unwin; shortly after he fell insane again, and continued so for two years; on his recovery he took to gardening and composing poems, his first the "Olney Hymns," the melancholy being charmed away by the conversation of a Lady Austin, who came to live in the neighbourhood; it was she who suggested his greatest poem, the "Task"; then followed other works, change of scene and associates, the death of Mrs. Unwin, and the gathering of a darker and darker cloud, till he passed away peacefully; it is interesting to note that it is to this period his "Lines to Mary Unwin" and his "Mother's Picture" belong (1731-1800).

COX, DAVID, an eminent landscape painter, rated by some next to Turner, born at Birmingham; began his art as a scene-painter with Macready, the actor; painted as a landscapist first in water-colour, then in oil; many of his best works are scenes in N. Wales; his works have risen in esteem and value; an ambition of his was to get £100 for a picture, and one he got only £20 for eventually brought £3602; among his chief works are the "Vale of Clwyd" and the "Hayfield" (1783-1859).

COX, SIR GEORGE, an English mythologist, especially distinguished for his studies of the several myths of Greece and the world into idealisations of solar phenomena; wrote on other subjects, all of interest, and was engaged with W. T. Brande on a "Dictionary of Science, Literature, and Art" (1827-1902).

COXE, HENRY OCTAVIUS, librarian, became assistant-librarian of the Bodleian Library, Oxford, in 1838, and ultimately head-librarian in 1860; under his direction the catalogue, consisting of 720 folio volumes, was completed; held this post till his death; has edited several works of value; is one of Dean Burdon's "Twelve Good Men" (1811-1881).

COXE, WILLIAM, a historical writer, heavy but painstaking, born in London; "History of the House of Austria," the "Memoirs of Marlborough," and "Sir Robert Walpole and the Pelham Administrations" (1747-1828).

COXIE, MICHAEL, a celebrated Flemish painter, born at Mechlin, known as the Flemish Raphael; painted mostly Biblical subjects; appointed court-painter to Philip II. of Spain.

COXWELL, HENRY TRACEY, a celebrated English aeronaut; started as a dentist; took to ballooning; made 700 ascents; reached with Glashier an elevation of 7 m. (1819-1900).

COYOTE, a wolf found on the prairies of Canada, and known, therefore, as the prairie wolf; of a yellowish-grey colour, it has thick fur and a fox-like tail.

COZENS, JOHN ROBERT, a landscape-painter; pronounced by Constable the greatest genius that ever touched landscape, and from him Turner confessed he had learned more than from any other landscapist; his mind gave way at last, and he died insane (1752-1799).

CRABBE, GEORGE, an English poet, born at Aldborough, in Suffolk; began life as apprentice to an apothecary with a view to the practice of medicine, but having poetic tastes, he gave up medicine for literature, and started for London with a capital of three pounds; his first productions in this line not meeting with acceptance, he was plunged in want; appealing in vain for assistance in his distress, he fell in with Edmund Burke, who liberally helped him and procured him high patronage, under which he took orders and obtained a living, and he was now in circumstances to pursue his bent; subsequently he inherited a fortune, and finally settled in the living of Trowbridge (1814); his principal poems are "The Library," "The Village," "The Parish Register," "The Borough," and the "Tales of the Hall," all, particularly the earlier ones, instinct with interest in the lives of the poor, "the sacrifices, temptations, loves, and crimes of humble life," described with the most "unrelenting" realism; the author in Byron's esteem, "though Nature's sternest painter, yet the best" (1764-1832).

GRACOW, 160 m. SW. of Warsaw, old capital of Poland, and restored to it in 1919, where the old Polish kings were buried, and the cathedral of which contains the graves of the most illustrious of the heroes of the country and Thorwaldsen's statue of Christ; a large proportion of the inhabitants are Jews. It was unsuccessfully attacked by the Russians in 1914, when it was the scene of severe fighting.

CRADDOCK, SIR CHRISTOPHER GEORGE FRANCIS MAURICE, British admiral. He entered the navy at the age of 13, and after seeing service in Egypt and China during the Boxer Rising, he was given command of a squadron of three cruisers in the Pacific in 1914, where he was attacked off Chile by five

German warships. He gave fight, and went down with his ship *Good Hope* (1882-1914).

CRADLE MOUNTAIN, a mountain in the W. of Tasmania.

CRAIG, JOHN, a Scottish Reformer, educated at St. Andrews, and originally a Dominican monk; had been converted to Protestantism by study of Calvin's "Institutes," and doomed to the stake by the Inquisition, but had escaped; was the coadjutor in Edinburgh of Knox, and his successor in his work, and left a confession and catechism (1512-1600).

CRAIK, SIR THOMAS, an eminent Scottish lawyer, author of a treatise on the "Jus Feudale" which has often been reprinted, as well as three others in Latin of less note; wrote in Latin verse a poem on Queen Mary's marriage to Darnley (1588-1608).

CRAIGAVON, RT. HON. VISCOUNT (Sir James Craik), British politician. He served with the Imperial Yeomanry in the Boer War, entered the House of Commons in 1906 as a Unionist for Down, held minor posts in the Coalition during the Great War, serving also with the Ulster division in France. He was made a baronet in 1918, became first Prime Minister of Northern Ireland in 1922, and was raised to the peerage in 1927 (1871-).

CRAIK, GEORGE LILLIE, an English author, born in Fife, educated at St. Andrews; settled early in London as a litterateur; was associated with Charles Knight in his popular literary undertakings; was author of the "Pursuit of Knowledge under Difficulties," and the "History of English Literature and Learning"; edited "Pictorial History of England," contributed to "Penny Cyclopaedia," and became professor of English Literature, Queen's College, Belfast (1798-1866).

CRAIK, MRS. nee MULOOCK, born at Stoke-upon-Trent; authoress of "John Halifax, Gentleman," her chief work, which has had, and maintains, a wide popularity; married in 1865 a nephew and namesake of the preceding, a partner of the publishing house of Macmillan & Co.; wrote for the magazines, besides some 14 more novels (1826-1887).

CRAIL, a little old-fashioned town near the East Neuk of Fife, where James Sharp was minister; a decayed fishing-place, now a summer resort.

CRAMER, JOHANN BAPTIST, a distinguished German composer and pianist (1771-1858).

CRANACH, LUCAS, a celebrated German painter, born at Kronach, in the bishopric of Bamberg; was patronised by Frederick the Wise, Elector of Saxony, whom he accompanied in 1537 to the Holy Land; was engraver as well as painter, skilled in portraiture, as well as in historical scenes; was intimately associated with the German reformers Luther and Melancthon, whose portraits he painted among others; the works of his that remain are chiefly altar-pieces; his chief work is the "Crucifixion" in Weimar, where he died (1472-1558).

CRANE, ICHABOD, a tall, lean, lank, Yankee school-master in Irving's "Legend of Sleepy Hollow."

CRANE, WALTER, poet and painter; published various illustrated books and poems illustrated by himself, and was an authority on decorative art (1845-1915).

CRANKER, THOMAS, archbishop of Canterbury, born in Nottinghamshire; educated at Jesus College, Cambridge; recommended himself to Henry VIII. by favouring his divorce, writing in defence of it, and pleading for it before the Pope, the latter in vain, as it proved; on his return was elevated to the archbishopric, in which capacity he proved a zealous promoter of the Reformation, by having the Bible translated and circulated and by the suppression of monasteries; pronounced sentence of divorce on Catharine, and confirmed the king's marriage with Anne Boleyn; by these and other compliances he kept the favour of Henry, but on the accession of Mary he was committed to the Tower, and persuaded to recant and even signed a recantation, but on being called to recant in public, and refusing to do so, he was dragged to the stake, where he thrust his right hand into the flames, and exclaimed, "Oh, this unworthy hand" (1484-1556).

CRANNOGS, a species of lake-dwelling and stronghold, of which remains are found in Scotland and Ireland;

are commonly made of stones bound together by logs.

CRASHAW, RICHARD, a minor poet, born in London; bred for the English Church; went to Paris, where he became a Roman Catholic; fell into pecuniary difficulties, but was befriended by Cowley and recommended to a post; was an imitator of George Herbert, and his poems were of the same class, but more fanciful; his principal poems were "Steps to the Temple" and the "Delights of the Muses"; both Milton and Pope were indebted to him (1616-1650).

CRASSUS, LUCIUS LICINIUS, the greatest Roman orator of his day, became consul 55 B.C.; during his consulship a law was passed requiring all but citizens to leave Rome, an edict which provoked the Social War (140-91 B.C.).

CRASSUS, MARCUS LICINIUS, the triumvir with Pompey and Caesar; was avaricious, and amassed great wealth; appointed to the province of Syria, provoked out of cupidity war with the Parthians, in which he was treacherously slain; Orodes, the king, cut off his head, and poured melted gold into his mouth, saying as he did so, "Now taste thyself with the metal of which thou wert so greedy when alive" (105-53 B.C.).

CRATES, a Greek cynic philosopher, disciple of Diogenes; 4th century B.C.

CRATINUS, a Greek comic poet and rival of Aristophanes, born at Athens; limited the actors in a piece to three, and the first to introduce into the drama attacks on public men; wrote also satires on vice (519-424 B.C.).

CRATIPPUS, a Peripatetic philosopher of Mytilene, contemporary of Pompey and Cicero; soothed the sunken spirit of the former after the defeat at Pharsalia with the consolations of philosophy.

CRATYLUS, a dialogue of Plato on the connection between language and thought.

CRAWFORD, FRANCIS MARION, a novelist, born in Tuscany, of American origin, son of the succeeding; spent a good deal of his early years in India; his works, which are numerous, are chiefly novels, his first "Mr. Isaacs" (1882), original and striking, followed by "Zoroaster," "The Witch of Prague," and "Dr. Claudius" (1854-1919).

CRAWFORD, THOMAS, an American sculptor, studied at Rome under Thorwaldsen; his "Orpheus in Search of Eurydice" brought him into notice, and was followed by an array of works of eminent merit; died in London from a tumour on the brain, after being struck with blindness (1814-1857).

CRAWFORD AND BALCARRES, EARL OF, better known as Lord Lindsay, and as the author of "Letters from the Holy Land," "Progression by Antagonism," and "Sketches of the History of Christian Art"; died at Florence, and was entombed at Dun Echt, whence his body was abstracted and found again in a wood near by after a seven months' search (1812-1880).

CRAYER, CASPAR DE, a celebrated Flemish painter, born at Antwerp; pictures and altar-pieces by him are to be seen in Brussels and Ghent (1584-1669).

CREAKLE, MR., a bullying schoolmaster in Dickens' "David Copperfield."

CREASY, SIR EDWARD, chief-justice of Ceylon, author of "The Fifteen Decisive Battles of the World," "Rise and Progress of the British Constitution," &c. (1812-1878).

CREATIN, a substance found in the muscles of vertebrate animals, but never in invertebrate.

CREBILLON, PROSPER JOYOT DE, a French dramatist, born at Dijon, bred to the law, devoted to literature and the composition of tragedies, of which he produced several, mostly on classical subjects, such as "Atræus and Threastes," "Electra," of unequal merit, though at times of great power; he ranked next to Voltaire among the dramatists of the time (1674-1762).

CRECY, a French village, 12 m. N.E. of Abbeville, where Edward III., with 30,000, defeated the French with 68,000, and destroyed the flower of the chivalry of France, Aug. 26, 1346.

CREDIT FONCIER, a system of credit originating in France on the security of land, whereby the loan is repayable so that principal and interest are ex-

tinguished at the same time; a similar system has been adopted by other European countries.

CREECH, WILLIAM, an Edinburgh bookseller, for 40 years the chief publisher in the city; published the first Edinburgh edition of Burns' poems (1745-1815).

CREES, a North American Indian people, of whom the Swampy Cree range between Lake Winnipeg and Hudson Bay, and the Prairie Cree formerly inhabited the country now known as Alberta and Saskatchewan until settled on reservations in Indian Territory; are of Algonquin stock.

CREIGHTON, MANDELL, bishop of London, born at Carlisle; previously bishop of Peterborough; wrote on Simon de Montfort, on Wolsey, and on the Tudors and the Reformation, but his great work is the "History of the Papacy from the Great Schism to the Sack of Rome" (1843-1901).

CREMIEUX, ISAAC MOISE (ADOLPHE), a French advocate and politician, born at Nîmes, of Jewish birth; a member of the Provisional Government of 1848, and of the National Defence in 1870; took a deep interest in the destiny of his race (1796-1880).

CREMONA, old town on the Po, in Lombardy, 46 m. S.E. of Milan; interesting for its churches, with their paintings and frescoes; noted at one time for the manufacture of violins by Amati, Stradivarius, and others.

CREMORNE, gardens in Chelsea; now closed; the site of Lott's Road Power Station which supplies the London underground railways with current.

CREOLES, West-Indian born people, or those native to Southern American States, who are of European origin, principally of Spanish or French blood, the name distinguishing them from half-castes and others with traces of negro blood (mulattoes, quadroons, and octoroons); the State of Louisiana is known as the Creole State.

CREOSOTE, the heavy oil produced in the fractional distillation of coal tar (q.v.), used extensively as a preservative for timber.

CRESCENT CITY, New Orleans, U.S., as originally occurring on the cover board of the Mississippi.

CRESCENTINI, a celebrated Italian soprano (1769-1848).

CRESCENTINUS, a patrician of Rome who, in the 10th century, sought to destroy the imperial power and restore the republic; on this he was defeated by Otto III., to whom he surrendered on promise of safety, but who hanged and beheaded him; Stephano, his widow, avenged his treachery by accepting Otto as her lover, and then poisoning him.

CRESPi, GIUSEPPE, an Italian painter; copied the works of Correggio, Caracci, and other masters (1665-1747).

CRESSWELL, SIR CRESSWELL, judge, born in Newcastle; represented Liverpool in Parliament; was raised to the bench by Peel, and, on the establishment of the Divorce Court, was in 1858 named first judge (1794-1893).

CRESWICK, THOMAS, an English landscape-painter, born in Sheffield; simple, pleasantly suggestive, and faithfully painted scenes from nature were the subjects of his art; was employed a good deal in book illustrations (1811-1869).

CRETACEOUS, the geological strata forming the upper layers of the Mesozoic. In England it consists of chalk, gault, and sands (greensand), and, except where it is hidden by later Tertiary Rocks (on the coast of Norfolk and Suffolk, the London Basin, and a small area round Southampton), it covers all the country south-east of a line drawn from King's Lynn to Portland Bill. The earliest mammals probably appeared at the end of this period.

CRETE, or CANDIA, a mountainous island, in the Mediterranean, 160 m. long and from 7 to 80 m. broad; in nominal subjection to Turkey after 1669, it was in perpetual revolt; the rising of 1895 led to the intervention of the great powers of Europe, and the Turkish troops having been withdrawn in 1896 under pressure from Great Britain, Russia, France, and Italy, Prince George of Greece was appointed High Commissioner, ruling on behalf of these powers. The island was formally annexed by Greece in 1912.

CRETINISM, a disease prevalent in valleys as those of the Alps, characterised by mental imbecility, and associated with abnormal and arrested physical

development, due to a deficiency in the secretions of the thyroid glands.

CREUSA, a wife of *Aeneas*, fell behind her husband, lost her way in escaping from Troy, and perished.

CREUSOT, LE, a town in the dep. Saône-et-Loire, near Autun, which owes its importance to the large ironworks established there; is a district rich in coal and iron.

CREUZER, GEORG FRIEDRICH, a learned German philologist, born at Marburg; became professor of Ancient History and Philology at Heidelberg; his chief work, and one by which he is most widely known, "Symbolism and Mythology of Ancient Peoples, especially the Greeks"; left an autobiography (1771-1858).

CREWE, a town in Cheshire, 43 m. S.E. of Liverpool, a great railway junction, where the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company have their works.

CREWE, 1ST MARQUIS OF, British politician. From 1892 to 1895 he was Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland; joined the Liberal Cabinet in 1906 as Lord President of the Council, and was subsequently Colonial Secretary and Secretary for India. He retired from office with Asquith in 1916 and became chairman of the L.C.C. From 1922 to 1928 he was British Ambassador in Paris (1858-1931).

CRICHTON, JAMES. See **ADMIRABLE CRICHTON**.

CRICKET, England's national summer sport. Probably a development of stoolball, which was in vogue in the Middle Ages and survives in parts of Sussex; the game had attained considerable popularity by the 18th century, and a London club was formed at Finsbury in 1700. The Hambledon club started in 1750, and at its ground at Broadhalfpenny Down county cricket originated. Thomas Lord started a ground in Dorset Square in 1787, which was moved to St. John's Wood in 1814, and became the headquarters of the Marylebone Cricket Club, the ruling authority of the game. Gentlemen v. Players, Oxford v. Cambridge, and Eton v. Harrow matches started about this time, and cricket took its present form. An England team went to Australia in 1862, and an Australian team came here in 1878, leading to a succession of international contests. These matches have also been played against South Africa, New Zealand, and the West Indies. Principal interest rests in the County Championship, for which seventeen counties compete. Among the men who have made the game famous are, as batsmen: W. G. Grace, G. H. Jessop, George Hirst, R. Abel, Ranjitsinhji, C. B. Fry, M. A. Noble, A. MacLaren, and J. B. Hobbs; and among bowlers: Lockwood, S. F. Barnes, Richardson, Kortwright, Blyth, Spofforth, and Rhodes.

CRIEFF, a town in Perthshire, at the foot of the Grampians, 18 m. W. of Perth, amid exquisite scenery; has a climate favourable for invalids.

CRILLON, LOUIS BERTON DE, a French military captain, born at Mars, in Provence; distinguished himself through five reigns, those of Henry II., Francis II., Charles IX., Henry III., and Henry IV., of the last of whom he became companion in arms; Henry designated him *Le brave des braves*, and wrote to him this famous note after the victory of Arques: "Where were you, brave Crillon? we have conquered, and you were not there (1641-1615).

CRIMEA, a peninsula in the S. of Russia, almost surrounded by the Black Sea and the Sea of Azov, being connected with the mainland by the narrow isthmus of Perekop; has a bold and precipitous coast 650 m. in length; is barren in the N., but fertile and fruitful in the S.; population chiefly Russians and Tartars.

CRIMEAN WAR, a war carried on chiefly in the Crimea, on the part of Turkey aided by Britain and France, in which Sardinia eventually joined them, against the encroachments of Russia in the E.; it was proclaimed against Russia, March 24, 1854, and ended by the fall of Sebastopol, September 8, 1855, the treaty of peace following having been signed at Paris, March, 1856.

CRINAN CANAL, a canal for vessels of light burden, 9 m. long, from Loch Fyne, in Argyllshire, constructed to avoid sailing round the Mull of Kintyre, thereby saving a distance of 115 m.

CRINOIDS, or sea lilies, are plant-like invertebrate animals that have existed from Cambrian times to

the present day. Some limestones are formed almost entirely of crinoid stems.

CRISPI, FRANCESCO, an Italian statesman, born in Sicily; co-operated with Garibaldi in the Sicilian Revolution, and afterwards active as a member of the Government in the kingdom of Italy (1819-1901).

CRISPIN, the patron saint of shoemakers, of noble birth, who with his brother had to flee from persecution in Rome to Gaul, where they settled at Soissons; preached to the people and supported themselves by shoemaking; finally suffered martyrdom in 287. Festival, Oct. 25.

CRITIAS, a pupil of Socrates, who profited so little by his master's teaching that he became the most conspicuous for his cruelty and rapacity of all the thirty tyrants set up in Athens by the Spartans (450-402 B.C.).

CRITICAL TEMPERATURE, that temperature above which a gas cannot be liquified by pressure.

CRITON, a rich Athenian, friend and disciple of Socrates; supported the latter by his fortune, but could not persuade him to leave his prison though he had procured the means of escape.

CROATIA AND SLAVONIA, part of Jugo-Slavia, lying between the Drave and Save, tributaries of the Danube, and stretching westward to the Adriatic; it is half as large as Ireland, wooded and mountainous, with marshy districts along the river courses. The soil is fertile, growing cereals, fibres, tobacco, and grapes; silkworms and bees are a source of wealth; horses, cattle, and swine are raised in large numbers. The province is poor in minerals, and lacks a harbour. The people are Slavs, of Roman Catholic faith; backward in education, but showing signs of progress.

CROCKETT, SAMUEL RUTHERFORD, novelist, born near New Galloway, Kirkcudbright; bred for the Church, and for some time Free Church minister at Fencuik, Midlothian, a charge he resigned in 1895, having previously published a volume of sketches entitled "The Sickit Minister," which was received as to induce him to devote himself to literature; his later novels include "The Raiders," "The Grey Man," and "Cleg Kelly" (1859-1914).

CROESUS, the last of the kings of Lydia, in the 6th century B.C.; celebrated for his wealth, so that his name became a synonym for a man overwhelmed by the favours of fortune; being visited by Solon, he asked him one day if he knew any one happier than he was, when the sage answered, "No man can be counted happy till after death." Of the truth of this Croesus had ere long experience; being condemned to death by Cyrus, who had defeated him and condemned him to be burnt, and about to be led to the burning pile, he called out thrice over the name of Solon, when Cyrus, having learned the reason, moved with pity, ordered his release, retained him among his counsellors, and commended him when dying to the care of his son.

CROKEE, JOHN WILSON, a politician and man of letters, born in Galway, though of English descent; bred for the bar; wrote in advocacy of Catholic emancipation; represented Downpatrick in Parliament; was in 1890 appointed Secretary to the Admiralty, a post he held for 20 years; was one of the founders of the *Quarterly Review*, to which, it is said, he contributed 200 articles; edited Boswell's "Life of Johnson," with Notes; was an obstinate Tory, satirised by Disraeli and severely handled by Macaulay; founded the Athenæum Club (1780-1857).

CROKEE, T. CROFTON, Irish folklorist, born in Cork; held a well-paid clerkship in the Admiralty; collected and published stories, legends, and traditions of the S. of Ireland; he wrote with a humour which was heartily Irish, his most original work being "The Adventures of Barney Mahoney"; he was a zealous antiquary and a brilliant conversationalist (1798-1854).

ROLL, JAMES, a geologist, born near Coupar-Angus contributed materially to geology by his study of the connection between alterations of climate and geological changes (1821-1890).

CROLY, GEORGE, a versatile author; designed for the Church; took to literature, and wrote in all branches, poetry, biography, and romance chiefly;

his best romance "Salathiel"; died rector of St. Stephen's, Walbrook (1780-1860).

CROMAGNON, name given to the race of men who lived in Europe in the later palaeolithic times, after the Neanderthal race had died out.

CROMARTY, a county in the N. of Scotland consisting of ten fragments scattered up and down Ross-shire; the county town of same name, the birthplace of Hugh Miller, is on the N. side of Cromarty Firth, which opens eastward into the Moray Firth, and forms a large harbour 1 m. long and 7 broad, protected at the mouth by two beesting rocks called Sutors, one on each side, 400 and 468 ft. high.

CROME, JOHN, usually called Old Crome, a landscape-painter, born in Norwich, of poor parents; began as a house-painter and became a drawing-master; one of the founders of the Norwich Society of Artists; took his subjects from his native county, and treated them with fidelity to nature; his pictures have risen in value since his death (1788-1821).

CROMLECH, a circle of upright stones, sometimes enclosing dolmens and barrows, each two or three topped by a large, flat stone; these megaliths are very ancient and are believed to have figured in prehistoric religious rites in connection with sun worship; in Britain prominent cromlechs are those at Kit's Coty House, Kent, and Weyland Smith's Cave, Berks., with several in Cornwall and Wales; they are found elsewhere in Brittany, Germany, and Denmark.

CROMPTON, SAMUEL, inventor of the spinning-mule, born near Bolton; for five years he worked at his project, and, as he was without means to exploit it, a sum was raised by subscription to buy it, and he got some £80 for it; the machine proved equal to producing fine muslin yarn and a great impetus was given to trade; while others became wealthy through the invention, he had to spend, and end, his days in comparative poverty, with a life annuity of £88 which some friends bought him (1758-1827).

CROMWELL, OLIVER, Lord-Protector of the Commonwealth of England, born at Huntingdon, the son of Robert Cromwell, the younger son of Sir Henry Cromwell, and of Elisabeth Steward, descended from the royal family, he believed to have the child and second boy educated at Huntingdon and afterwards at Cambridge; left college at his father's death, and occupied himself in the management of his paternal property; entered Parliament in 1629, and represented Cambridge in 1640, where to oppose the king he, by commission in 1642 from Essex, raised a troop of horse, famous afterwards as his "Ironsides"; with these he distinguished himself, first at Marston Moor in 1644, and next year at Naseby; crushed the Scots at Preston in 1645, who had invaded the country in favour of the king, now in the hands of the Parliament, and took Berwick; sat at trial of the king and signed his death-warrant, 1649; sent that same year to subdue rebellion in Ireland, he sternly yet humanely stamped it out; recalled from Ireland, he set out for Scotland, which had risen up in favour of Charles II., and totally defeated the Scots at Dunbar, Sept. 3, 1650, after which Charles invaded England and the Royalists were finally beaten at Worcester, Sept. 3, 1651, upon which his attention was drawn to affairs of government; taking up his residence at Hampton Court, his first step was to dissolve the Rump, which he did by military authority in 1653; a new Parliament was summoned, which also he was obliged to dismiss, after being declared Lord-Protector; from this time he ruled mainly alone, and wherever his power was exercised, beyond seas even, it was respected; at last his cares and anxieties proved too much for him; worn out, he fell ill with fever, and died, Sept. 3, 1658, the anniversary of his great victories at Dunbar and Worcester; they buried him in Westminster, but his body was dug up at the Restoration, hanged at Tyburn, and buried under the gallows; condemned by some as a regicide and a pitiless fanatic, he is properly placed among the nation's greatest men, ruling wisely and well in a time of extreme difficulty and being actuated throughout by the highest and purest motives (1599-1658). See "Cromwell's Letters and Speeches" edited by Carlyle.

CROMWELL, RICHARD, son of the Protector; appointed to succeed him; was unequal to the task, and compelled to abdicate, April 26, 1659; retired into private life; after the Restoration went for a time abroad; returned under a feigned name, and lived and died at Chestnut (1626-1712).

CROMWELL, THOMAS, minister of Henry VIII., and *maileus monachorum*, the "mauler of the monks," born at Putney; the son of a blacksmith; led a life of adventure for eight or nine years on the Continent; settled in England about the beginning of Henry's reign; came under notice of Wolsey, whose confidant he became, and subordinate agent in suppressing the smaller monasteries; on his master's fall rose into favour with Henry; by suggesting he should discard the supremacy of the Pope, and assume the supremacy of the Church himself; attained, in consequence, the highest rank and authority in the State, for the proposal was adopted, with the result that the Crown remains the head of ecclesiastical authority in England to this day; the authority he thus acquired he employed in so high-handed a fashion that he lost the favour of both king and people, till on a sudden he was arrested on charges of treason, was sentenced to death, and beheaded on Tower Hill (1485-1540).

CROOKES, SIR WILLIAM, an eminent chemist and physicist, born in London; distinguished in both capacities; discovered the metal thallium in 1861, and invented the radiometer. He made many researches into radioactivity and on the conductivity of electricity through gases; he discovered the kathode rays (q.v.) (1832-1919).

CROOKS, WILL, British politician. One of the earliest Labour leaders, he became mayor of Poplar in 1903, entered Parliament in the same year, and was made a Privy Councillor in 1916 (1852-1921).

CROSS, MRS., George Eliot's married name.

CROSS, SOUTHERN, a bright constellation in the southern hemisphere consisting of four stars.

CROSS, VICTORIA, a naval and military decoration instituted in 1856, and extended in 1911 and 1920; awarded for personal valour in the face of the enemy.

CROSSFELL, one of the Pennine range of mountains in the N. of England, 2892 ft., on the top of which five counties meet.

CROSS FERTILISATION, the fertilisation of a flower by pollen from another plant; insects play a large part in this process, carrying the pollen from plant to plant in the hairs of the body.

CROSSBOW, also known as Arbalest, a medieval weapon; a strongly-made bow affixed to a musket-like stock and propelling a metal-tipped shaft called a quarrel; fell into disuse after the introduction of the longbow.

CROSSE, ANDREW, electrician, born in Somersetshire; made several discoveries in the application of electricity; he was an ardent scientist (1784-1855).

CROSSELAGUEL, an abbey, now in ruins, 2 m. S.W. of Maybole, Ayrshire, where John Knox held dispute with the abbot, and of which in his "History of the Reformation" he gives a humorous account (1562).

CROUCH, WILLIAM, musical composer of precocious gifts, born in Norwich; became, in 1797, professor of Music in Oxford, and in 1822 Principal of the Royal Academy of Music; his anthems are well known (1775-1847).

CROTONA, an ancient, large, and flourishing Greek city, Magna Græcia, in Italy; the residence of the philosopher Pythagoras and the athlete Milo.

CROWE, EYRE EVANS, historian and miscellaneous writer, born in Hants; editor of the *Daily News*; author of the "History of France" and "Lives of Eminent Foreign Statesmen" (1799-1868).

CROWE, SIR JOSEPH ARBUTHNOT, writer on art and a journalist, born in London, son of the preceding; is associated with Cavalcade in several works on art and famous artists (1825-1896).

CROWN, THE, in the British constitution the oldest and central part of the organism. The King is Supreme head of the State, and without his assent no measure can become law, no Minister can be appointed, and Parliament cannot be called or

dissolved. As supreme head of the Church he appoints the bishops. Ever since Magna Charta the absolute exercise of the royal prerogative has been checked, and for two centuries it has not been used at all.

CROWNE, JOHN, playwright, born in Nova Scotia, a contemporary and rival of Dryden; supplied the piece with plays for nearly 30 years (1660-1708).

CROWTHER, SAMUEL ADJAI, bishop of the Niger Territory; an African by birth; was captured to be sold as a slave, but released by an English cruiser; baptised a Christian in 1825 and trained at a Sierra Leone Anglican mission; joined the first Niger Expedition in 1841; sent out as a missionary in 1848; appointed bishop in 1864; translated the Bible into Central African tongues and compiled valuable native grammars and dictionaries (1810-1891).

CROYDON, the largest town in Surrey, on the Wandle, 10 m. SW. of London Bridge, and practically now a suburb of London, of which it is the air port.

CRUDEN, ALEXANDER, author of a "Complete Concordance of the Holy Scriptures," with which alone his name is now associated; born in Aberdeen; intended for the Church, but from unsteadiness of intellect not qualified to enter it; was placed frequently in restraint; appears to have been a good deal employed as a press corrector; gave himself out as "Alexander the Corrector," commissioned to correct moral abuses (1701-1770).

CRUTCHANK, GEORGE, a richly gifted English artist, born in London, of Scottish descent; the first exhibition of his talent was in the illustration of books for children, but it was in the line of humorous satire that he chiefly distinguished himself; he first found scope for his gifts in this direction in the political squibs of William Hone, a faculty he exercised at length over a wide area; the works illustrated by him include, among hundreds of others, "Grimm's Stories," "Peter Schlemihl," Scott's "Demonology," Dickens' "Oliver Twist," and Ainsworth's "Jack Sheppard"; like Hogarth, he was a moralist as well as an artist, and as a total abstainer he consecrated his art at length to dramatise the downward career of the drunkard; his greatest work, done in oil, is in the National Gallery, the "Worship of Baal," which is a vigorous protestation against intemperance (1762-1878).

CRUSADES, THE, military expeditions, organised from the 11th century to the 13th, under the banner of the Cross, for the recovery of the Holy Land from the hands of the Saracens, to the number of eight. *The First* (1096-1099), preached by Peter the Hermit, and sanctioned by the Council of Clermont (1095), consisted of two divisions: one, broken into two hordes, under Peter the Hermit and Walter the Penniless respectively, arrived decimated in Syria, and was cut to pieces at Nicosa by the sultan; while the other, better equipped and more efficiently organised, laid siege to and captured in succession Nicosa, Antioch, and Jerusalem, where Godfrey of Bouillon was proclaimed king. *The Second* (1147-1149), preached by St. Bernard, consisting of two armies under Conrad III. of Germany and Louis VII. of France, laid siege in a shattered state to Damascus, and was compelled to raise the siege and return a mere remnant to Europe. *The Third* (1189-1193), preached by William, archbishop of Tyre, and provoked by Saladin's capture of Jerusalem, of which one division was headed by Barbarossa, who, after taking Iconium, was drowned while bathing in the Orontes, and the other headed by Philippe Augustus and Richard Cœur de Lion, who jointly captured Acre and made peace with Saladin. *The Fourth* (1202-1204), under sanction of Pope Innocent III., and undertaken by Baldwin, count of Flanders, having got the length of Venice, was preparing to start for Asia, when it was called aside to Constantinople to restore the emperor to his throne, when, upon his death immediately afterwards, the Crusaders elected Baldwin in his place, pillaged the city, and left, having added it to the domain of the Pope. *The Fifth* (1217-1221), on the part of John of Brienne, king of Jerusalem, and Andrew II., king of Hungary, who made a raid upon Egypt against the Saracens there, but without any result. *The Sixth* (1228-

1229), under conduct of Frederick II. of Germany, as heir through John of Brienne to the throne of Jerusalem, who made a treaty with the sultan of Egypt whereby the holy city, with the exception of the Mosque of Omar, was made over to him as king of Jerusalem. *The Seventh* (1248-1254), conducted by St. Louis IX. of France, in the fulfilment of a vow, in which Louis was defeated and taken prisoner, and only recovered his liberty by payment of a heavy ransom. *The Eighth* (1270), also undertaken by St. Louis, who lay dying at Tunis as the towns of Palestine fell one after another into the hands of the Saracens. The Crusades terminated with the fall of Ptolemais in 1291.

CRUSOE, ROBINSON, the hero of Defoe's story of the name, a shipwrecked sailor who spent years on an uninhabited island in the mouth of the Orinoco, and is credited with many original devices in providing for his wants. The story is founded on the adventures of Alexander Selkirk, who spent four solitary years on the island of Juan Fernandez. See **SELKIRK** and **DOVER**.

CRUSTACEANS, mainly aquatic animals, abundant as fossils; they include lobsters, cray-fish, crabs, and the snail turricles, which had a wide geographical distribution in Lower Palaeozoic times.

CRUTCHED FRIARS, a monastic order of the 13th century, so called as being the "Cross-bearers," from the sacred emblem borne on their staves and their gowns; suppressed in England in 1566, their name survives in a part of the City of London.

CRYSTAL PALACE, THE, place of entertainment erected at Sydenham in 1852, after it had housed the Great Exhibition of 1851 in Hyde Park. For many years the football Cup Final was played here.

CSOMA DE KÖRÖS, ALEXANDER, a Hungarian traveller and philologist, born in Körös, Transylvania; in the hope of tracing the origin of the Magyar race, set out for the East in 1820, and after much hardship by the way arrived in Tibet, where, under great privations, though aided by the English Government, he devoted himself to the study of the Tibetan language; in 1831 settled in Calcutta, where he compiled his Tibetan Grammar and Dictionary, and catalogued the Tibetan works in the library of the Asiatic Society; died at Darjeeling just as he was setting out for fresh discoveries (1798-1842).

CTESIAS, Greek physician and historian of Persia; was present with Artaxerxes Mnemon at the battle of Cunaxa, 401 B.C., and stayed afterwards at the Persian court, where he got the materials for his history, of which only a few fragments are extant.

CTESIPHON, an Athenian who, having proposed that the city should confer a crown of gold on Demosthenes, was accused by Aeschines of violating the law in so doing, but was acquitted after an eloquent oration by Demosthenes in his defence.

CUBA, the largest of the West Indian Islands, 700 m. long and from 27 m. to 90 m. in breadth; belonged to Spain, but is now under the protection of the United States; is traversed from E. to W. by a range of mountains wooded to the summit; abounds in forests—ebony, cedar, mahogany, &c.; soil very fertile; exports sugar and tobacco; principal town, Havana.

CUBIC EQUATION, an equation in which the unknown quantity occurs in the third degree.

CUBITT, SIR WILLIAM, an eminent English engineer, born in Norfolk; employed in most of the great engineering undertakings of his time (1786-1861).

CUGHALIN, the greatest mythical hero of the Celtic race, celebrated in Irish folklore; known as the Bound of Ulster.

CUDWORTH, RALPH, an eminent English divine and philosopher, born in Somerset; his chief work, a vast and discursive one, and to which he owes his fame, "The True Intellectual System of the Universe," in which he teaches a philosophy of the Platonic type, which ascribes more to the abiding inner than the fugitive outer of things; he defends revealed religion on grounds of reason against both the atheist and the materialist; his candour and liberality exposed him to much misconception, and on that account he was deemed a latitudinarian (1617-1688).

CUENCA, a fine old city in Spain, 83 m. E. of Madrid; also a high-lying city of Ecuador, over 100 m. S. of Quito, with a delightful climate; both in provinces of the same name.

CUJAS, or **CUJACIUS**, a celebrated French jurist, born at Toulouse; devoted to the study of Roman law in its historical development, and the true founder of the Historical school in that department (1622-1690).

CULDEES, fraternities of uncertain origin and character scattered up and down Ireland, and especially Scotland, hardly at all in England, from the 9th or 10th to the 14th century; instituted, as would appear, to keep alive a religious spirit among themselves and disseminate it among their neighbours, until on the establishment of monastic orders in the country they ceased to have a separate existence and lost their individuality in the new communities, as well as their original character; they appear to have been at first something like those fraternities we find later on at Deventer, in Holland, with which Thomas à Kempis was connected, only whereas the former sought to plant Christianity, the latter sought to purify it. The name disappears after 1832, but traces of them are found at Dunkeld, St. Andrews, Brechin, and elsewhere in Scotland; in Ireland they continued in Armagh to the Reformation, and were resuscitated for a few years in the 17th century.

CULLEN, **PAUL**, Cardinal, Catholic primate of Ireland, born in Kildare; was an extreme ultramontanist; vigorously opposed all secret societies in the country with revolutionary aims, as well as the system of mixed education then in force (1803-1878).

CULLEN, **WILLIAM**, physician, born at Hamilton; studied in Glasgow; held successively the chairs of Chemistry and Medicine in Edinburgh University; author of several medical works; did much to advance the science of medicine; the celebrated Dr. Black was one of his pupils in chemistry (1710-1790).

CULLODEN, a moor, 5 m. NE. of Inverness, where the Duke of Cumberland defeated Prince Charles in 1746, and finally wrecked the Stuart cause in the country.

CULPEPER, **NICHOLAS**, a herbalist, born in London, who practised medicine and associated therewith the art of the astrologer as well as the faith of a Puritan; was a character and a phenomenon of his time (1616-1654).

CULVERWEL, **NATHANIEL**, an English author, born in Middlesex; educated at Cambridge, and one of the Platonist school there; wrote "Light of Nature," "Spiritual Optics," "Worth of Souls," &c., works which evince vigour of thinking as well as literary power (*circa* 1635-1681).

CUMÆ, a considerable maritime city of Campania, now in ruins; alleged to be the earliest Greek settlement in Italy; famous as the residence of the Sibyl (*q.v.*), and a place of luxurious resort for wealthy Romans.

CUMBERLAND, a county in N. of England, of mountain and dale, with good agricultural and pasture land, and a rich coalfield on the coast, as well as other minerals in the interior.

CUMBERLAND, **DR. RICHARD**, bishop of Peterborough, born in London, educated at Cambridge, wrote several works, the chief "An Inquiry into the Laws of Nature, in reply to Hobbes, in which he elevates the tendency to produce happiness into something like a moral principle; wrought hard, lived to a great age, and is credited with the saying, "Better wear out than rust out" (1681-1718).

CUMBERLAND, **RICHARD**, dramatist, great-grandson of the preceding; was a prolific writer for the stage; the play "The West Indian" which established his reputation, was his best (1732-1811).

CUMBERLAND, **WILLIAM AUGUSTUS**, DUKE OF, second son of George II., was defeated at Fontenoy by the French in 1745; defeated the Pretender next year at Culloden; earned the title of "The Butcher" by his cruelties afterwards; was beaten in all his battles except this one (1721-1765).

CUMERIA, a country of the Northern Britons which, in the 8th century, extended from the Clyde to the Dee, in Cheshire.

CUMMING, **JOHN**, a Scottish clergyman, popular in London, born at Fintray, in Aberdeenshire; of a

highly combative turn, and somewhat foolhardy in his interpretations of prophecy (1807-1881).

CUMMING, **ROUALSEYN GEORGE GORDON**, the African lion-hunter, of Celtic origin; served for a time in the army; wrote an account of his hunting exploits in his "Five Years of a Hunter's Life" (1820-1866).

CUNARD, **SIR SAMUEL**, founder of Cunard Line of steamships, born in Halifax, Nova Scotia (1787-1865).

CUNAXA, a town in Babylonia, on the Euphrates, 60 m. N. of Babylon.

CUNCTATOR, a name given to Fabius Maximus on account of the tantalising tactics he adopted to wear out his adversary Hannibal.

CUNEIFORM, the name applied to the wedge-shaped characters in which the Assyrian and other ancient monumental inscriptions are written.

CUNNINGHAM, **SIR ALEXANDER**, a son of the following; authority on Indian archaeology; served in Indian army; wrote important volumes on the country (1814-1898).

CUNNINGHAM, **ALLAN**, poet and man of letters, born in the parish of Keir, Dumfriesshire; bred to the mason craft, but devoted his leisure hours to study and the composition of Scottish ballads, which, when published, gained him the notice of Sir Walter Scott; in 1810 he went to London, where he wrote for periodicals, and obtained employment as assistant to Chantry the sculptor, in which post he found leisure to cultivate his literary proclivities, collating and editing tales and songs, editing Burns with a Life, and writing the Lives of famous artists (1784-1842).

CUNNINGHAM, **PETER**, son of the preceding, author of the "Life of Drummond of Hawthornden," "Handbook of London," &c. (1816-1869).

CUNNINGHAM, **WILLIAM**, a Scottish divine, born in Hamilton, well read in the Reformation and Puritan theology, a vigorous defender of Scottish orthodoxy, and a staunch upholder of the independence of the Church of State control; was a powerful debater, and a host in any controversy in which he embarked (1805-1861).

CUPID, or **AMOR**, the Roman god of love, viewed as a chubby little boy, armed with bow and arrows, and often with eyes bandaged; represented in fable as the son of Mercury and Venus.

CUPID AND PSYCHE, an allegorical representation of the trials of the soul on its way to the perfection of bliss, being an episode in the "Golden Ass" of Apuleius. See **PSYCHE**.

CURACAO, one of the Antilles, in the West Indies, belonging to the Dutch, 36 m. long by about 8 broad; yields, along with other West Indian products, an orange from the peel of which a liqueur is made in Holland.

CURARE, or **WOORAIL**, an extract from certain plants used as a poison for arrow-tips by South American Indians, particularly on the Amazon and Orinoco; is used in medicine in cases of tetanus.

CURE OF MEUDON, **Rabelais**.

CURETES, priests of Cybele, in Crete, whose rites were celebrated with clashing of cymbals.

CURETON, **WILLIAM**, Syriac scholar, born in Shropshire, assistant-keeper of MSS. at the British Museum; applied himself to the study and collation of Syriac MSS., and discovered, among other relics, a version of the Epistle of Ignatius; was appointed canon of Westminster (1808-1864).

CURIATI, three Alban brothers who fought with the three Horatii Roman brothers, and were beaten, to the subjection of Alba to Rome.

CURIE, **MARIE** (*née* **SKLODOVSKA**), wife of Pierre Curie, whom she succeeded as professor of Physics at Paris in 1906. With her husband she was the first to isolate radium and polonium, obtaining a small quantity from a large mass of pitchblende, a task demanding great skill and labour (1867-).

CURIE, **PIERRE**, professor of Physics at Paris. Carried out many researches in electricity and magnetism, and with his wife Marie (*q.v.*) isolated radium salts. He was killed in a street accident in Paris in 1906 (1859-1906).

CURLING, a Scottish game played between rival clubs, belonging generally to different districts, by means of cheese-shaped stones hurled along smooth

ice, the rules of which are pretty much the same as those in bowling.

CURLL, EDMUND, a London bookseller, notorious for the issue of libellous and of obscene publications, and for prosecutions to which he was subjected in consequence (1675-1747).

CURRAGE, THE, a wide stretch of common land in Kildare, Ireland, used as a military camp; originally intended for races.

CURREAN, JOHN PHILIPOT, an Irish orator and wit, born in co. Cork; became member of Parliament in 1784; though a Protestant, employed all his eloquence to oppose the policy of the Government towards Ireland, together with the Union; retired on the death of Pitt; was Master of the Rolls for a time (1750-1817).

CURRIE, JAMES, a Liverpool physician, born in Kirkpatrick-Fleming, Dumfriesshire; was the earliest biographer and editor of Burns, in 4 vols., a work which he undertook for the poet's widow and family, and which realised £1400, involved no small labour, was done *con amore*, and done well (1756-1805).

CURTIS, GEORGE WILLIAM, an American writer, born in Rhode Island, distinguished as contributor or editor in connection with several American journals and magazines (1824-1892).

CURTIS, a noble youth of Roman legend who leapt on horseback full-armed into a chasm in the Forum, which the soothsayers declared would not close unless at the sacrifice of what Rome held dearest; judging that the wealth of Rome lay in its citizens, he offered himself, and tradition says the chasm thereupon immediately closed.

CURTIS, ERNST, a German archaeologist and philosopher, born at Lübeck; travelled in Greece and Asia Minor; contributed much by his researches to the history of Greece and of its legends and works of art; his jubilee as a professor was celebrated in 1891, when he received the congratulations of the Emperor William II., to whose father he at one time had acted as tutor (1814-1896).

CURTIS, GEORG, German philologist, born at Lübeck, brother of the preceding; held professorial appointments in Prague, Kiel, and Berlin; one of the best Greek scholars in Germany; and contributed largely to the etymology and grammar of the Greek language (1820-1885).

CURTIS, QUINTUS RUFUS, a Roman historian of the 1st or 2nd century; wrote a history of Alexander the Great in ten books, two of which have been lost, the rest surviving in a very fragmentary state.

CURTMAINTLE, a surname of Henry II. from the fact that the robe he wore, the Anjou mantle, was shorter than that of his predecessors.

CURULE CHAIR, a kind of ivory camp-stool, mounted on a chariot, on which a Roman magistrate, if consul, pretor, censor, or chief edile, sat as he was conveyed in state to the senate-house or some public function.

CURWEN, JOHN, an Independent clergyman, born in Yorkshire; the founder of the Tonic Sol-fa system in music; from 1864 gave himself up to the advocacy and advancement of his system (1816-1880).

CURZON, GEORGE NATHANIEL, MARQUESS CURZON OF KEDLESTON, British politician. Educated at Oxford, he entered the House of Commons as a Conservative in 1886, was Under-Secretary for India in 1891 and Viceroy from 1898 to 1905, resigning over a dispute with Kitchener. He was made an Earl in 1911, and served in both Coalition Governments during the Great War. He succeeded Balfour as Foreign Secretary, a post he held again in the Conservative Governments of 1922 and 1924 (1859-1925).

CUSHING, CALEB, an American jurist and diplomatist (1800-1879).

CUSHMAN, CHARLOTTE, an American actress, born in Boston; represented, among other characters, Lady Macbeth, Rosalind, Meg Merrilees, and Romeo (1816-1876).

CUSTER, GEORGE ARMSTRONG, American general; after service in the Civil War fought several campaigns against the Indians, and was killed in Dakota in the engagement known as the "Custer Massacre" (1839-1876). See **SITTING BULL**.

CUSTINE, COUNT DE, a French general, born at Metz; seized and occupied Mayence, 1792; was forced out of it by the Prussians and obliged to retreat; was called to account and sent to the guillotine; "unsuccessfulness," his crime; had fought in America with no little distinction (1746-1798).

CÜSTRIN, a strong little town, 68 or 70 m. E. of Berlin, where young Frederick the Great was kept in close confinement by his father.

CUTCH, a native State in the Bombay Presidency, in the country called Gujarāt.

CUTCH, RANN OF, a salt-water morass between Gujarāt and Scinde, which becomes a lake during the SW. monsoon.

CUTBERT, a monk of Jarrow, a disciple of Bede; was with him when he died, and wrote in a letter a graphic and touching account of his death.

CUTBERT, ST., born in Northumbria; originally a shepherd; saw a vision in the night-watches of the soul of St. Aidan ascending to heaven, which determined his destiny, and he became a monk; entered the monastery of Melrose, and eventually became prior, but devoted most of his time to mission-work in the surrounding districts; left Melrose to be prior of Lindisfarne, but, longing for an austere life, he retired to, and led the life of a hermit on, one of the Farne Islands; being persuaded to come back, acted as bishop of Lindisfarne, and continued to act as such for two years, but his previous longings for solitude returned, and he went back to a hermit life, to spend a short season, as it happened, in prayer and meditation until he died; what he did, and the memory of what he did, left an imperishable impression for good in the whole N. of England and the Scottish borders; his remains were conveyed to Lindisfarne, and ere long to Durham (635-687).

CUTTACE, capital of a district in S. of Bengal, at the apex of the delta formed by the Mahanuddy; noted for its gold and silver filigree work.

CUVIER, GEORGES, a celebrated naturalist, born at Montebellard, of Burgundian ancestry, the creator of comparative anatomy and palaeontology; was educated at Stuttgart, where he studied natural science; but the observation of marine animals on the coast of Normandy, where he held a tutorship, first led him to the systematic study of anatomy, and brought him into correspondence with Geoffroy St. Hilaire and others, who invited him to Paris, where he prosecuted his investigations, matured his views, and became professor of Comparative Anatomy at the Jardin des Plantes, a member of the French Institute, and Permanent Secretary of the Academy of Sciences, and eventually a peer of France; his labours in the science to which he devoted his life were immense, but he continued to the last a determined opponent of the theory, then being broached, of a common descent; was made a baron by Louis Philippe (1769-1832).

CUXHAVEN, a German watering-place at the mouth of the Elbe, on the southern bank.

CUYP, ALBERT, a celebrated Dutch landscape-painter, son of Jacob Cuypp, commonly called Old Cuypp, also a landscapist, born at Dort; painted scenes from the banks of the Meuse and the Rhine; is now reckoned a rival of Claude, though he was not so in his lifetime, his pictures selling now for a high price; he has been praised for his sunlights, but these, along with Claude's, have been pronounced depreciatively by Ruskin as "colourless" (1620-1691).

CUZCO, a town in Peru, about 11,440 ft. above the sea-level, the ancient capital of the Incas; captured by Pizarro, 1534; still retains traces of its former extent and greatness, the inhabitants reckoned as then numbering 200,000, and the civilisation advanced.

CYBELE, a nature-goddess worshipped in Phrygia and W. Asia, whose worship, like that of the nature divinities generally, was accompanied with noisy, more or less licentious, revelry; identified by the Greeks with Rhea (q.v.), their nature-goddess.

CYCLADES, islands belonging to Greece, on the east or the Ægean Sea, so called as forming a circle round Delos, the most famous of the group.

CYCLIO POETS, poets who after Homer's death caught the contagion of his great poem and wrote continuations, additions, &c.

CYCLOPEAN WALLS, a name given to structures found in Greece, Asia Minor, Italy, and Sicily, built of large masses of unburnt stone and without cement, such as it is presumed a race of gigantic strength like the Cyclops (8) must have reared.

CYCLOPS, a name given to three distinct classes of mythological beings: (1) a set of one-eyed savage giants infesting the coasts of Sicily and preying upon human flesh; (2) a set of Titans, also one-eyed, belonging to the race of the gods, three in number, viz., Cronos, Eteopos, and Ares—three great elemental powers of nature, subjected by and subject to Zeus; and (3) a people of Thrace, famed for their skill in building.

CYMBELINE, a legendary British king (Cunobelinus), and the hero of Shakespeare's play of the name.

CYNÆGIUS, a brother of Æschylus; distinguished himself at Marathon; is famed for his desperate attempt to seize a retreating ship.

CYNEWULF, a Saxon poet, flourished in the second half of the 8th century; seems to have passed through two phases, first as a glad-hearted child of nature, and then as a devout believer in Christ; at the former stage wrote "Riddles" and "Ode to the West Wind," at the latter his themes were the lives of Christ and certain Saints.

CYNICS, a sect of Greek philosophers, disciples of Antisthenes, who was a disciple of Socrates, but carried away with him only part of Socrates' teaching and enforced that as if it were the whole, dropped all regard for humanity and the universal reason, and taught that "virtue lay wholly in the avoidance of evil, and those desires and greeds that bind us to enjoyments," so that his disciples were called the "Capuchins of the Old World." These in time went further than their master, and conceived a contempt for everything that was not self-derived; they took their name from the gymnasium in Athens where their master taught.

CYPRIAN, ST., one of the Fathers of the Church, born at Carthage, about the year 200, converted to Christianity in 245; devoted himself thereafter to the study of the Bible, with the help of Tertullian, his favourite author; became bishop of Carthage in 248; on the outbreak of the Decian persecution had to flee for his life, ministering to his flock the while by substitutes; on his return, after two years, he was involved in the discussion about the reception of the lapsed; under the Valerian persecution was banished; being recalled, he refused to sacrifice to the gods, and suffered martyrdom in 258; he was a zealous bishop of the High Church type, and the father of such, only on broader lines. Festival, Sept. 16.

CYPRUS, a fertile, mountainous island in the Levant, capital Nicosia; geographically connected with Asia, and the third largest in the Mediterranean, being 140 m. long and 60 m. broad; government ceded to Great Britain in 1878 by the Sultan on condition of an annual tribute; is a British colony under a colonial governor or High Commissioner; is of considerable strategic importance to Britain; yields cereals, wines, cotton, &c., and has 400 m. of good roads, and a large transit trade. It was annexed by Great Britain in November, 1914.

CYRENAICS, a sect of Greek philosophers, disciples of Aristippus, who was a disciple of Socrates, but who broke away from his master by divorcing virtue from happiness, and making "pleasure, moderated by reason, the ultimate aim of life, and the supreme good."

CYRENE, a town and Greek colony in Africa, E. of Egypt, extensive ruins of which still exist, and which was the capital of the State, called Cyrenaica after it, and the birthland of several illustrious Greeks.

CYRIL, ST., surnamed the **PHILOSOPHER**, together with his brother Methodius, the "Apostle of the Slavs," born in Thessalonica; invented the Slavonic alphabet, and, with his brother's help, translated the Bible into the language of the Slavs; d. 868. Festival, March 9.

CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA, ST., born at Alexandria,

and bishop there; an ecclesiastic of a violent, militant order; persecuted the Novatians, expelled the Jews from Alexandria, quarrelled with the governor, excited a fanaticism which led to the seizure and shameful murder of Hypatia; had a lifelong controversy with Nestorius, and got him condemned by the Council of Ephesus, while he himself was condemned by the Council at Antioch (608), both being cast into prison; after release lived at peace (376-444). Festival, Jan. 28.

CYRIL OF JERUSALEM, ST., patriarch of Jerusalem, elected 351, and a Father of the Greek Church; in the Arian controversy then raging was a Semi-Arian, and was persecuted by the strict Arians; joined the Nicene party at the Council of Constantinople in 381; was an instructor in Church doctrine to the common people by his catechisms (315-386). Festival, March 18.

CYROPÆDIA, a work by Xenophon, being an idealistic account of the "education of Cyrus the Great."

CYRUS, surnamed the **GREAT**, or the **ELDER**, the founder of the Persian empire; began his conquests by overthrowing his grandfather Astyages, king of the Medes; subdued Croesus, king of Lydia; laid siege to Babylon and took it, and finished by being master of all Western Asia; was a prince of great energy and generosity, and left the nations he subjected and rendered tributary free in the observances of their religions and the maintenance of their institutions. This is the account of the historians, but it has since been considerably modified by study of the ancient monuments (560-529 B.C.).

CYRUS, surnamed the **YOUNGER**, second son of Darius II.; conspired against his brother Artaxerxes Mnemon, was sentenced to death, pardoned, and restored to his satrapy in Asia Minor; conspired anew, raised a large army, including Greek mercenaries, marched against his brother, and was slain at Cunaxa, of which last enterprise and its fate an account is given in the "Anabasis" of Xenophon; d. 401 B.C.

CYTHERRA, the ancient name of Cerigo; had a magnificent temple to Venus, who was hence called Cythera.

CYTOPLASM, name given to the fluid containing the particles which surrounds the nucleus of the living cell of protoplasm.

CYTOLOGY, name given to that part of biology which deals with the cell-structure of plants and animals.

CZARTORYSKI, ADAM GEORG, a Polish prince, born at Warsaw; passed his early years in England; studied at Edinburgh University; fought under Kosciuszko against the Russians, and was for some time a hostage in Russia; gained favour at the Court there and even a high post in the State; in 1880 threw himself into the revolutionary movement, and devoted all his energies to the service of his country, becoming head of the government; on the suppression of the revolution his estates were confiscated; he escaped to Paris, and spent his old age there, dying at 90 (1770-1861).

CZECHOSLOVAKIA, a central European republic with its capital at Prague, at one time part of Austria-Hungary, and declaring its independence in October, 1918. It is bounded by Austria, Hungary, Germany, Poland, and Rumania, and contains a total area of 54,000 sq. m., including Bohemia, Moravia, and parts of Silesia and Northern Hungary. Government is in the hands of a President, Senate, and Chamber of Deputies elected by universal adult suffrage. The country is rich in coal, iron, lead, graphite, gold, and silver, has many mineral springs, vast quantities of timber, makes Pilsen beer, but is not self-supporting in agricultural products.

CZERNOVITZ, the capital of the Bukovina, on the Pruth.

CZERNY, CHARLES, a musical composer and pianist, born at Vienna; had Liszt and Thalberg for pupils (1791-1857).

CZERNY, GEORGE, leader of the Serbians in their insurrection against the Turks; assisted by Russia, carried all before him; when that help was withdrawn the Turks gained the advantage, and he had to flee; returning after the independence of Serbia was secured, he was murdered at the instigation of Prince Milosch (1766-1817).

D'ABERNON

D'ABERNON, 1ST VISCOUNT, British diplomat. After serving in the army from 1877-1882 he joined the diplomatic service and was British Ambassador in Berlin from 1920 to 1926 (1887-).

DAOGA, a city 160 m. NE. of Calcutta, on a branch of the Brahmaputra, once the capital of Bengal, and a centre of Mohammedanism; famous at one time for its muslins; the remains of its former grandeur are found scattered up and down the environs and half buried in the jungle; it is also the name of a district, well watered, both for cultivation and commerce.

DACIA, a Roman province, N. of the Danube and S. of the Carpathians.

DACIER, ANDRÉ, a French scholar and critic, born at Caestre, in Languedoc; assisted by his wife, executed translations of various classics and produced an edition of them known as the "Delphin Edition" (1651-1722).

DACIER, MADAME, distinguished Hellenist and Latinist, wife of the preceding, born in Saumur (1651-1720).

DACOITS, gangs of semi-savage brigands and robbers in India and Burma, often 40 or 50 in a gang.

DA COSTA, ISAAC, a Dutch poet, born at Amsterdam of Jewish parents; turned Christian, and after the death of Bilderdijk was chief poet of Holland (1798-1860).

DEDALUS, an architect and mechanic in the Greek mythology; inventor and constructor of the Labyrinth of Crete, in which the Minotaur was confined, and in which he was also imprisoned himself by order of Minos, a confinement from which he escaped by means of wings fastened on with wax; was regarded as the inventor of the mechanical arts.

DAGHESTAN, a Russian province W. of the Caspian Sea, traversed by spurs of the Caucasus Mountains; chief town, Derbent.

DAGO, a marshy Russian island, N. of the Gulf of Riga, near the entrance to the Gulf of Finland.

DAGOBERT I., king of the Franks, son of Clovis II., reformed the laws of the Franks; was the last of the Merovingian kings who knew how to rule with a firm hand; the sovereign power as it passed from his hands was seized by the mayor of the palace; d. 688.

DAGON, the national god of the Philistines, represented as half-man or half-woman, and half-fish; appears to have been a symbol to his worshippers of the fertilising power of nature, familiar to them in the fruitfulness of the sea; later research identifies him with agriculture.

DAGUERRETYPE, a process, named after its inventor, Louis Daguerre (1789-1851), a Frenchman, of producing pictures by means of the camera on a surface sensitive to light and shade, and interesting as the first step in photography.

DAHL, JOHANN CHRISTIAN, a Norwegian landscape painter, born at Bergen; died professor of Painting at Dresden (1798-1857).

DAHLGREN, JOHN ADOLPH, a U.S. naval officer and commander; invented a small heavy gun named after him; commanded the blockading squadron at Charleston (1860-1870).

DAHLMANN, FRIEDRICH CHRISTOPH, a German historian and politician, born at Wismar; was in favour of constitutional government; wrote a "History of Denmark," "Histories of the French Revolution and of the English Revolution"; left an unfinished "History of Frederick the Great" (1785-1860).

DAHN, FELIX, a German jurist, historian, novelist, and poet, born in Hamburg; a man of versatile ability and extensive learning; became professor of German jurisprudence at Königsberg (1834-1912).

DAHNA DESERT, the central division of the Arabian Desert.

DAHOMEY, a negro kingdom of undefined limits, and a French protectorate, in W. Africa, N. of the

DALMATIA

Slave Coast; the natives were, and mostly still are, fetish worshippers, their religious rites formerly involving human sacrifice; is an agricultural country, yields palm-oil and gold dust, and was once a great centre of the slave-trade.

DAIL, MURRAN, the official Erse name for the Parliament of the Irish Free State.

DAILMEER, GOTTLIEB, German engineer, inventor of the petrol motor-car; he did much work on the improvement of the internal combustion engine both in Germany, with Dr. Otto, and in Manchester (1834-1900).

DAIRI, the Mikado's palace or his court, and sometimes the Mikado himself.

DAKOTA, NORTH and SOUTH, three times as large as England, forming two States of the U.S.A.; consist of prairie land, and extend N. from Nebraska as far as Canada, traversed by the Missouri; yield cereals, especially wheat, and raise cattle.

DAKOTAHS, a North American Indian people allied to the Sioux; once ranged over a wide area of the U.S.A. and formed a powerful confederacy; are now settled on reservations.

DALAI-LAMA, chief priest of Lamaism, revered as a living incarnation of deity, always present on earth in him. See LAMAISM.

DALAYRAC, celebrated French composer; author of a number of comic operas (1758-1809).

DALBERG, DUC VON, nephew of the preceding; contributed to political changes in France in 1814, and accompanied Talleyrand to the Congress of Vienna (1792-1833).

DALBERG, KARL VON, an eminent member of a noble German family; trained for the Church; was a prince-bishop; a highly cultured man, held in high esteem in the Weimar Court circles, and a friend of Goethe and Schiller (1744-1817).

D'ALBERT, JEANNE, queen of Navarre, and mother of Henry IV. of France; came to Paris to treat about the marriage of her son to Charles IX.'s sister; died suddenly, not without suspicion of foul-play, after signing the treaty; she was a Protestant (1528-1572).

D'ALEMBERT, JEAN LE ROND, a French philosopher, devoted to science, and especially to mathematics; along with Diderot established the celebrated "Encyclopédie," wrote the Preliminary Discourse, and contributed largely to its columns, editing the mathematical portion of it. He enunciated the principle named after him, which helped to solve many problems in rigid dynamics, especially that of the compound pendulum (1717-1783).

DALHOUSIE, JAMES ANDREW BROWN RAMSAY, MARQUIS OF, Governor-General of India, third son of the ninth Earl; as Lord Ramsay served in Parliament as member for Haddingtonshire; on his father's death in 1838 entered the House of Lords; held office under Sir Robert Peel and Lord Russell; went to India as Governor-General in 1848; ruled vigorously, annexed territory, developed the resources of the country, projected and carried out important measures for its welfare; his health, however, gave way at the end of eight years, and he came home to receive the thanks of the Parliament, elevation in the peerage, and other honours, but really to end his days in pain and prostration; dying without male issue, he was succeeded in the earldom by Fox Maule, Lord Panmure (1812-1860).

DALKETH, a grain-market town in Midlothian, 6 m. SE. of Edinburgh, with a palace adjoining, a seat of the Duke of Buccleuch.

DALLAS, GEORGE MIFFLIN, an American diplomatist, born in Philadelphia; represented the United States as ambassador at St. Petersburg and at London, and was from 1844 to 1849 Vice-President (1792-1864).

DALMATIA, part of Jugo-Slavia lying along the NE. coast of the Adriatic; half the land is pasture, only one-ninth of it arable, which yields cereals, wine, oil, honey, and fruit.

DALRI'ADES, a Celtic race who came over from Ireland to Argyllshire, and established a kingdom in the SW. of Scotland, till King Kenneth Macalpin succeeded in 843, who obtained rule both over it and the northern kingdom of the Picts, and became the first king of Scotland.

DALRYMPLE, ALEXANDER, hydrographer to the Admiralty and the East India Company, born at New Hailes, and brother of Lord Hailes; produced many good maps (1737-1808).

DALTON, JOHN, chemist and physicist, born near Cookermouth, of a Quaker family; took early an interest in meteorology, and kept through life a record of meteorological observations; taught mathematics and physics in Manchester; made his first appearance as an author in 1793 in a volume of his observations and essays, and in 1808 published "A New System of Chemical Philosophy," which he finished in 1810; famous for his experiments on the elastic force of steam, for his researches on the proportional weights of elements, and for his discovery of the law of multiple proportions which led him to publish his atomic theory, the starting point of modern chemistry. He also carried out investigations on colour-blindness by experimenting on himself and his brother who, like himself, was colour-blind (1766-1844).

DALTONISM, colour-blindness (q.v.). See **DALTON, JOHN**.

DALZIEL, THOMAS, general, born in Linlithgowshire; entered the Russian service against the Turks; returning at the request of Charles II., was appointed commander-in-chief in Scotland; suppressed a rising of the Covenanters at Pentland in 1666, and was notorious for his severity in persecuting the Conventicle men (1699-1685).

DAMAN, a Portuguese settlement with a port of the same name in Gujarat, India, 100 m. N. of Bombay.

DAMARALAND, part of the SW. Africa Protectorate, N. of Namaqualand; the chief industry is pastoral; the mountain districts, which are rich in minerals, particularly copper, are inhabited by Damaras, who are nomads and cattle-rearers; it was a German protectorate from 1890 till the Great War.

DAMAS, COLONEL COMTE DE, a devoted adherent of Louis XVI., and one of his convoys on his attempt at flight (1765-1823).

DAMASUS, the capital of Syria, one of the oldest cities in the world; stands 2280 ft. above the sea-level; is a great centre of the caravan trade; is embosomed in the midst of gardens and orchards, hence its appearance as the traveller approaches it is most striking; its history goes as far back as the days of Abraham; it was the scene of two great events in human destiny—the conversion of St. Paul, and, according to Moslem tradition, a great decisive moment in the life of Mohammed, when he resolutely turned his back once for all on the pleasures of the world. It was captured from the Turks by British troops under Allenby in 1918.

DAMASUS, ST., Pope from 366 to 384, a Spaniard; a zealous opponent of the Arians and a friend of St. Jerome, who, under his sanction, executed his translation of the Bible into the Vulgate; there was a Damasus II., Pope in 1048.

DAME AUX CAMELIAS, LA, a romance and a drama by Alexander Dumas *fil.*, one of his best creations.

DAMIEN, FATHER, a French priest, born at Louvain; devoted his life to nurse and instruct the lepers in Molokai, an island of the Hawaiian group, and, though after 12 years infected with the disease himself, continued to minister to them till his death (1841-1889).

DAMIENS, ROBERT FRANÇOIS, the would-be assassin of Louis XV., born near Arras; aimed at the king as he was entering his carriage at Trianon, but failed to wound him mortally; was mercifully tortured to death; was known before as *Robert le Diable*; his motive for the act was never known (1715-1757).

DAMIETTA, a town, the third largest, in Egypt, on an eastern branch of the Nile, 8 m. from its mouth; has a trade in grain, rice, hides, fish, &c.; was taken by St. Louis in 1249, and restored on payment of his ransom from captivity.

DAMOCLES, a flatterer at the court of the elder Dionysius, tyrant of Syracuse, whom, after one day

extravagantly extolling the happiness of kings Dionysius set down to a magnificent banquet; when seated at it, he looked up and saw a sword hanging over his head suspended by a single hair; a lesson, this, which admonished him, and led him to change his views of the happiness of kings.

DAMON AND PYTHIAS, two Pythagoreans of Syracuse of the days of Dionysius I., celebrated for their friendship; upon the latter having been condemned to death, and having got leave to go home to arrange his affairs beforehand, Damon pledged his life for his return, when just as, according to his promise, he presented himself at the place of execution, Pythias turned up and prepared to put his head on the block; this behaviour struck the tyrant with such admiration that he not only extended pardon to the offender but took them both into his friendship.

DAMPIER, WILLIAM, an English navigator and buccaneer; led a roving and adventurous life, and, parting company with his comrades, set off on a cruise in the South Seas; in 1698 reached Australia and explored part of its coastline; came home and published a "Voyage Round the World"; this led to his employment in further adventures, in one of which Alexander Selkirk accompanied him, but was wrecked on Juan Fernandez; in his last adventure, it is said, he served under Captain Woodes Rogers, who rescued Selkirk and brought him home (1682-1715).

DAMPIER-WHETHAM, W. C., Cambridge scientist; has written many books on physical science and on the application of science to human affairs; served on Home Office and Ministry of Agriculture Committees (1867-).

DANA, JAMES DWIGHT, American mineralogist and geologist, born at Utica, New York State; was associated as scientific observer with Commodore Wilkes on his Arctic and Antarctic exploring expeditions, on the results of which he reported; became geological professor in Yale College; author of works on mineralogy and geology, as also on South Sea volcanoes (1813-1895).

DANA, RICHARD HENRY, an American poet and critic; editor of the *North American Review*, author of the "Dying Raven," the "Buccaneer," and other poems (1757-1879).

DANA, RICHARD HENRY, a son of the preceding, lawyer; author of "Two Years before the Mast" and other nautical works (1815-1882).

DANAE, daughter of Acrisius, king of Argos, confined by her father in an inaccessible tower of brass to prevent the fulfilment of an oracle that she should be the mother of a son who would kill him, but Zeus found access to her in the form of a shower of gold, and she became the mother of Perseus, by whose hand Acrisius met his fate. See **PERSEUS**.

DANAIDES, daughters of Danaos, who, for murdering their husbands on the night after marriage, were doomed in the nether world to the impossible task of filling with water a vessel pierced with holes. See **DANAUS**.

DANAUS, son of Belus, and twin-brother of Ægyptus, whom fearing, he fled from with his fifty daughters to Argos, where he was chosen king; by-and-by the fifty sons of Ægyptus, his brother, came to Argos to woo, and were wedded to their cousins, whom their father provided each with a dagger to murder her husband, which they did, all except Hypermetra, whose husband, Lynceus, escaping, succeeded her father as king, to the defeat of the old man's purpose in the crime.

DANBY, FRANCIS, painter, born near Wexford; settled for a time in Bristol, then in Switzerland, and finally at Exmouth; his works are mostly landscape, instinct with feeling, but some of them are historical, the subjects being taken from Scripture, as the "Passage of the Red Sea," or from pagan sources, as "Marius among the Ruins of Carthage" (1793-1861).

DANCE, GEORGE, English architect; was architect to the City of London, and designed the Mansion House, his chief work (1700-1768). George, his son, built Newgate Prison (1740-1825).

DANCE OF DEATH, an allegorical representation in a dramatic or pictorial form of Death, figuring

originally as a skeleton, and performing his part as a chief actor all through the drama of life, and often amid the gayest scenes of it; a succession of woodcuts by Holbein in representation of this dance is well known.

DANCOURT, FLORENT CARTON, French dramatist and a prolific author; a favourite of Louis XIV.; wrote comedies, chiefly on the follies of the middle classes of the time (1661-1726).

DANDIN, GEORGE, one of Molière's comedies, illustrative of the folly a man commits when he marries a woman of higher rank than his own, George being his impersonation of a husband who has permitted to endure all the extravagant whims and fancies of his dame of a wife.

DANDIN, PERRIN, a simple citizen in the "Pantagruel" of Rabelais, who seats himself judge-wise on the first stump that offers, and passes offhand a sentence in any matter of litigation; a character who figures similarly in a comedy of Racine, and in a fable of La Fontaine.

DAN DOLO, a Venetian family that furnished four Doges to the Republic, Enrico being the most illustrious; chosen Doge in his eighty-fourth year, assisted the Crusaders of the Fourth Crusade with ships; joined them, when blind and aged 90, in laying siege to Constantinople; led the attack by sea, and was the first to leap ashore; was offered the Imperial crown, but declined it; died instead "despot" of Rumania in 1205, at 97.

DANEGLD, originally a tax imposed on land by Ethelred the Unready, to buy off the Danes from the shores of England, and subsequently for other objects, such as the defence of the coast; abolished by Henry II., though reimposed subsequently under other names.

DANELAGH, a district in the N. and E. of England, dominated at one time more or less by the Danes; of vague extent, owing to several colonisations.

DANGEAU, MARQUIS, author of "Memoirs affecting the court of Louis XIV. and its manners" (1698-1720).

D'ANGOULÊME, DUCHESSE, daughter of Louis XVI. and Marie Antoinette; was released from restraint after the execution of her parents in exchange for prisoners of the Royalists; fled to Vienna, where she was driven forth; married her cousin, to whom she was early betrothed; could find no place of safe refuge, but in England; returned to France on Napoleon's exile to Elba, and headed a body of troops against him on his return; after Waterloo, returned to France and stayed till July, 1830, and lived to see Louis Philippe, in 1848, driven from the throne; Napoleon called her "the only man of her family"; left "Memoirs" (1778-1851).

DANGS, THE, a forest district in the N. of the Presidency of Bombay, occupied by fifteen wild tribes, each under a chief.

DANIEL, a Hebrew of fine physique and rare endowment, who was, while but a youth, carried captive to Babylon, and trained for office in the court of the king; was found, after three years' discipline, to excel "in wisdom and understanding" all the magicians and enchanters of the realm, of which he gave such proof that he rose step by step to the highest official positions, first in the Babylonian and then in the Persian empire. He was a Hebrew prophet of a new type, for whereas the old prophet had, for the most part, more regard to the immediate present and its outlooks, his eye reached forth into the future and foresaw in vision, as his book has foretold in symbol, the fulfilment of the hope for which the fathers of his race had lived and died.

DANIEL, SAMUEL, English poet, born near Taunton; wrote dramas and sonnets; his principal production a "History of the Civil Wars" of York and Lancaster, a poem in seven books, is called the "Well-Englashed Daniel," and is much admired for his style; in prose he wrote a "History of England," and a "Defence of Rhyme," which Swinburne pronounced to be "one of the most perfect examples of sound sense, of pure style, and of just judgment in the literature of criticism"; he is associated with Warner and Drayton as having given birth to "a poetry which has devoted itself to extol the glory of England" (1562-1619).

DANIELL, JOHN FREDERICK, a distinguished

chemist, born in London; professor of 'in King's College, London; wrote "Metaphysical Essays," and "Introduction to Chemical Philosophy"; invented a hygrometer and an electric battery (1790-1845).

DANIELL, WILLIAM, an eminent draughtsman; spent his early life in India; author of "Oriental Scenery," in six folio vols. (1769-1837).

DANTES, or Destroying Angels, a band of Mormons organised to prevent the entrance into Mormon territory of other than Mormon immigrants, but whose leader, for a massacre they perpetrated, was in 1827 convicted and shot.

DANNÖCKER, JOHANN HEINRICH VON, a distinguished German sculptor, born near Stuttgart, and educated by the Duke of Württemberg, who had become his patron; became professor of Sculpture in the Academy at Stuttgart; his earlier subjects were from the Greek mythology, and his later Christian, the principal of the latter being a colossal "Christ," which he took eight years to complete; he executed also busts of contemporaries, which are wonderful in expression, such as those of Schiller, Lavater, and Gluck; "Ariadne on the Panther" is regarded as his masterpiece (1758-1841).

D'ANNUNZIO, GABRIELE, Italian poet, playwright, and novelist. Born in Pescara, on the Adriatic coast, he went to Rome in his twenties after publishing a book of poems at the age of 18. He took to political writing about 1900, and urged the expansion of Italy and entered Parliament. During the Great War he served in the Italian Air Force, and dropped thousands of pamphlets of his own composition on Vienna. In 1920 he became internationally famous by capturing Fiume (q.v.), and he then retired into private life (1864-).

DANTE ALIGHIERI, the great poet of Italy, "the voice of ten silent centuries," born in Florence; was of noble birth; showed early a great passion for learning; learned all that the schools and universities of the time could teach him "better than most"; fought as a soldier; did service as a citizen; at thirty-five filled the office of chief magistrate of Florence; had, while but a boy of ten, met a certain Beatrice Portinari, a beautiful girl of his own age and rank, and had grown up in partial sight of her, in some distant intercourse with her, "who became to him the ideal of all that was pure and noble and good; "made a great figure in his poem and a great figure in his life"; she died in 1290; he married another, "Gemma di Donati; in some civic Guelph-Ghibelline strife he was expelled the city, and his property confiscated; tried hard to recover it, but could not, and was doomed, 'whenever caught, to be burned alive'; invited to confess his guilt, and return, he sternly answered: 'If I cannot return without calling myself guilty, I will never return.' From this moment he was without home in this world; and 'the great soul of Dante, homeless on earth, made its home more and more in that awful other world . . . over which this time-world, with its Florences and banishments, flutters as an unreal shadow.' Dante's heart, brooding over it in speechless thought and awe, burst forth at length into "Mystic unfathomable song," and his "Divine Comedy" (q.v.), the most remarkable of all modern books, was the result. He died after finishing it, not yet very old, at the age of 56. He lies buried in his death-city, Ravenna. The Florentines begged back his body in a century after, but the Ravenna people would not give it. Of the poet's other works the "Vita Nuova," a love poem in prose and verse, and "De Monarchia," a political treatise, are the best known (1265-1321). See Carlyle's "Heroes and Hero-Worship," and Dean Plumptre's "Life of Dante."

DANTON, GEORGES JACQUES, "The Titan of the French Revolution," an advocate by profession, born at Arcis-sur-Aube; a devotee by profession, found Paris and his country in revolt, rose to the front of the strife, and threw himself again and again into the breach; founded the Cordeliers' Club in 1790, and with Marat and Robespierre formed the famous triumvirate; Robespierre (q.v.) viewed him with jealousy, held him suspect, had him arrested, brought before the Revolutionary Tribunal, the severity of whose proceedings under him Danton had condemned,

and sentenced him to the guillotine; a saying of his in prison has been recorded: "Oh, it were better to be a poor fisherman than to meddle with governing of men." No weakness, Danton, he said to himself on the scaffold, as his heart began to sink within him as he thought of his wife. His last words were to Sanson the headman: "Thou wilt show my head to the people, it is worth showing" (1793-1794). See Carlyle's "French Revolution."

DANTZIC, or **DANZIG**, a free city under the protectorate of the League of Nations, once a Hanse town, on the Vistula, 4 m. from the mouth; one of the great ports and trading centres of the Baltic and N. of Europe; it is traversed by canals, and many of the houses are built on piles of wood; exports grain brought down the river on timber rafts from the great grain country in the S.; it is the port by which Poland obtains access to the sea.

DANUBE, THE, the great south-eastward-flowing river of Europe, 1760 m. in length, rises in the Black Forest, and is divided into Upper, Middle, and Lower; the Upper extends as far as Pressburg, begins to be navigable at Ulm, flows NE. as far as Ratisbon, and then bends SE. past Vienna; the Middle extends from Pressburg to the Iron Gate, enclosing between its gorges a series of rapids, below Orsova; and the Lower extends from the Iron Gate to the Black Sea. It receives numerous tributary rivers, 60 of them navigable, in its course; forms with them the great water highway of the SE. of Europe, and is of avail for traffic to all the races and nations whose territories it traverses.

DANUBE COMMISSION, an international body maintaining the liberty of navigation on the Danube from Ulm to Braila, set up under the treaty of Versailles and including representatives of Great Britain, France, Austria, Bavaria, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Jugo-Slavia, and Rumania.

DAPHNE (H. a laurel), a nymph chased by Apollo, transformed into a laurel as he attempted to seize her; the tree was thus sacred to the god.

DAPHNIS, a Sicilian shepherd, the mythical inventor of pastoral poetry.

DARFANG, the highest of the Karakorum Mountains.

D'ARBLAY, MADAME (Frances Burney), a distinguished novelist, daughter of Dr. Burney, the historian of music; authoress of "Evelina," and "Cecilia," the first novels of the time, which brought her into connection with all her literary contemporaries, Johnson in chief; left "Diary and Letters" (1752-1840).

DARBOY, GEORGES, archbishop of Paris; was a defender of the Gallican liberties of the Church; had been assiduous in offices of benevolence during the siege of Paris; was arrested as a hostage by the Communists, and shot (1813-1871).

DARBY AND JOAN, a married couple celebrated for their mutual attachment, who figured in a popular ballad entitled "The Happy Old Couple," published in 1736.

DARBYITES, the Plymouth Brethren (q.v.), from the name of one of their founders, a man of scholarly ability and culture, and the chief expounder of their views (1800-1882).

DARDANELLES, a strait extending between the Archipelago and the Sea of Marmora, anciently called the Hellespont, 40 m. long, from 1 to 4 broad. British troops landed here in the spring of 1915 after a naval bombardment, but were forced to evacuate at the end of the year.

DARDANUS, a son of Zeus and Electra, mythical ancestor of the Trojans; originally a king in Greece.

DARFUR, a district in the Egyptian Sudan, in which vegetation is for the most part dormant all the year round, except from June to September, when it is rank and rich; was snatched from Egypt by the Mahdi, but since restored.

D'ARGENS, MARQUIS, born at Aix; disinherited owing to his misconduct; turned author and wrote on philosophy; became a protégé of Frederick the Great, but lost caste with him too, and was deprived of his all once more (1704-1771).

D'ARSENON, GOMME, an eminent French statesman, head of the police in Paris; introduced *lettres de cachet*, and was a patron of the French philosophes; had the "Encyclopédie" dedicated to him; fell

out of favour at Court, and had to leave Paris, but returned to die there (1698-1764).

DARIO, a gold coin or stater, current in ancient Persia, stamped with an archer kneeling, and weighing little over a sovereign; takes its name from Darius I., in whose reign it was coined.

DARIEN, GULF OF, an inlet of the Caribbean Sea, NW. of S. America. For Isthmus of see **PANAMA**.

DARIEN SCHEME, a project to plant a colony on the Atlantic side of the Isthmus, which was so far carried out that some 1200 left Scotland in 1698 to establish it, but it ended in disaster owing to unhealthy climatic conditions and Spanish opposition; William Paterson, the originator of the scheme, returned to Scotland with many of his followers.

DARIUS I., eldest son of Hytaspas, king of the Persians; subdued subject places that had revolted, reorganised the empire, carried his conquests as far as India, subdued Thrace and Macedonia, declared war against the Athenians; in 492 B.C. sent an expedition against Greece, which was wrecked in a storm off Athos; sent a second, which succeeded in crossing over, but was defeated in a famous battle at Marathon, 490 B.C. (521-485 B.C.).

DARIUS II., called **OCHUS** or **NOTHUS**, king of the Persians; subject to his eunuchs and his wife Parysatis; his reign was a succession of insurrections; he supported the Spartans against the Athenians, to the ascendancy of the former in the Peloponnese; d. 405 B.C.

DARIUS III., surnamed **CODOMANNUS**, king of the Persians, a handsome man and a virtuous; could not cope with Alexander of Macedonia, but was defeated by him in successive engagements at Granicus, Issus, and Arbela; was assassinated on his flight by Bessus (q.v.), one of his satraps, in 330 B.C.; with him the Persian empire came to an end.

DARJEELING, a sanitary station and health resort in the Lower Himalayas, and the administrative headquarters of the district, 7167 ft. above the level of the sea; it has greatly increased of late years; tea is extensively cultivated in the district.

DARLEY, GEORGE, poet and critic, born in Dublin; author of "Sylvia" and "Nepenthe"; wrote some good songs, among them "I've been Roaming," once very popular; much belauded by Coleridge; contributed to the *Edinburgh* (1795-1848).

DARLING, a tributary of the Murray River, in Australia, with a length of over 1000 m.

DARLING, GRACE, daughter of the lighthouse keeper of one of the Farne Islands, who with her father, amid great peril, saved the lives of nine people from the wreck of the *Forfarshire*, on Sept. 7, 1838; died of consumption (1816-1842).

DARLING, LORD, British judge. He took silk in 1885, and from 1888 to 1897 he was M.P. for Deptford. As a King's Bench judge he was famous for his wit. He retired in 1924 and was raised to the peerage; is the author of several books (1849-).

DARLINGTON, a town in S. of Durham, on the Tees, with large iron and other works; a considerable number of the inhabitants belong to the Society of Friends. It is an important railway centre.

DARMESTER, JAMES, Orientalist, born in Lorraine, of Jewish descent; a distinguished Zend scholar and authority on Zend literature; in the interpretation of the Zend and other ancient literatures was of the modern critical school (1849-1894).

DARMSTADT, the capital of the grand-duchy of Hesse, on the Darm, an affluent of the Rhine, 15 m. S. of Frankfurt; is divided into an old and a new town; manufactures tobacco, paper, carpets, chemicals, &c.

DARNLEY, HENRY STUART, LORD, eldest son of the Earl of Lennox and grand-nephew of Henry VIII.; husband of Queen Mary; was murdered on Feb. 5, 1567, in Kirk-o'-Field, which stood on the site of the present University of Edinburgh.

D'ARTAGNAN, the romantic hero of Alexandre Dumas's novels, "The Three Musketeers," "Twenty Years After," and "The Vicomte de Bragelonne."

DARTMOOR, moor in Devonshire, a tableland of an average height of 1200 ft. above the sea-level, and of upwards of 120,000 acres in extent; incapable of cultivation, but affording pasturage for sheep, of which it breeds a small hardy race; it has rich veins

of minerals; abounds in British remains, and contains a large convict prison at Princetown.

DARU, COMTE, a French administrator and littérateur, born at Montpellier; translated Horace when in prison during the Reign of Terror; served as administrator under Napoleon; on the return of the Bourbons devoted himself to letters, and wrote the "History of the Republic of Venice" (1767-1820).

DARWIN, CHARLES GALTON, mathematical physicist, son of Sir C. R. Darwin (q.v.) and grandson of C. R. Darwin (q.v.). He published many papers on mathematical and physical subjects; appointed Tait professor at Edinburgh University in 1923 (1887-).

DARWIN, CHARLES ROBERT, great English naturalist and biologist, born at Shrewsbury, grandson of Erasmus Darwin on his father's side, and of Josiah Wedgwood on his mother's; studied at Edinburgh and Cambridge; in 1881 accompanied as naturalist without salary the *Beagle* in her voyage of exploration in the Southern Seas, on the condition that he should have the entire disposal of his collections, which he ultimately distributed among various public institutions; he was absent from England for five years, and on his return published his "Naturalist's Voyage Round the World." In 1859-1848 accounts of the fruits of his researches and observations in the departments of geology and natural history during that voyage. In 1842 his treatise on the "Structure and Distribution of Coral Reefs," and in 1859 his work on the "Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection," a work which proved epoch-making and went far to revolutionise thought in the scientific study of life; this work was followed by others more or less confirmatory, finishing off with "The Descent of Man" in 1871, in which he traced the human race to an extinct animal related to that which produced the orang-outang, the chimpanzee, and the gorilla. He may be said to have taken evolution out of the region of pure imagination, and, by giving it a basis of fact, to have set it up as a reasonable working hypothesis. Prof. A. R. Wallace claimed for Darwin "that he is the Newton of natural history, and has . . . by his discovery of the law of natural selection and his demonstration of the great principles of the preservation of useful variations in the struggle for life, not only thrown a flood of light on the process of development of the whole organic world, but also established a firm foundation for the future study of nature." He was buried in Westminster Abbey (1809-1882).

DARWIN, ERASMUS, physician and natural philosopher, born in Nottinghamshire; studied at Cambridge and Edinburgh; practised medicine in Lichfield, and finally settled in Derby; occupied his mind with the study of fanciful analogies in the different spheres of nature, and committed his views to verse, often not without genuine poetic sentiment and melody of expression, while in the views themselves there have been recognised occasional glimpses of true insight, and at times a foreshadow of the doctrine developed on strict scientific lines by his illustrious grandson, Charles. His chief works were the "Botanic Garden" and the "Zoonomia; or, The Laws of Organic Life," deemed, in the philosophy of them, not unworthy of criticism by such sane thinkers as Paley and Dugald Stewart (1781-1802).

DARWIN, SIR FRANCIS, botanist, third son of C. R. Darwin (q.v.). Carried out researches and wrote many papers on botanical subjects (1848-1925).

DARWIN, SIR GEORGE HOWARD, mathematical physicist and astronomer; second son of C. R. Darwin (q.v.). He carried out much work upon tides, rotating masses, and the moon; appointed Plumian professor at Cambridge in 1898; president of the British Association at the meeting in South Africa in 1905 (1845-1912).

DARWIN, SIR HORACE, British scientist, fifth son of C. R. Darwin (q.v.); he was intimately connected with the work of the Cambridge Scientific Instrument Company, of which he was chairman (1851-1923).

DARWIN, LEONARD, fourth son of C. R. Darwin; took part in several scientific expeditions; engaged

for some time in army intelligence work; M.P. for a short period (1880-).

DARWINIAN THEORY, the theory established by Darwin that the several species of plants and animals now in existence were not created in their present form but have been evolved by natural law of descent, with modifications of structure, from cruder forms. See **DARWIN, C. R.**

DASENT, SIR GEORGE WHEEL, Icelandic scholar, born at St. Vincent, West Indies; studied at Oxford; from 1845 to 1870 was assistant-editor of the *Times*; translated "The Frogs, or Kongsur, Edna" and Norse tales and sagas; wrote also novels, and contributed to reviews and magazines (1817-1896).

DASH, COUNTESS, the *nom de plume* of the Viscountess de Saint-Mars, a French novelist, born at Poitiers; in straits for a living, took desperately to writing; treated of aristocratic life and its hollow artificialities and immoralities (1804-1872).

DASHKOFF, PRINCESS, a Russian lady of note; played a part in the conspiracy which ended in the elevation of Catharine II. to the throne; was a woman of culture; founded the Russian Academy; projected and assisted in the compilation of a Russian dictionary; died at Moscow (1744-1810).

DASYURE, the scientific name for a small Australasian marsupial, known popularly as the Native Cat; derives its name from its thick grey and white coat and bushy tail; of nocturnal habits; found in Australia, Tasmania, New Guinea, and adjacent islands.

DAUBENTON, LOUIS JEAN MARIE, a French naturalist, born at Montbard; associated with Buffon in the preparation of the first 15 vols. of his "Histoire Naturelle," and helped him materially by the accuracy of his knowledge, as well as his literary qualifications; contributed largely to the "Encyclopédie," and was 50 years curator of the Cabinet of Natural History at Paris (1716-1790).

DAUBENY, CHARLES, English chemist and botanist, author of "A Description of Active and Extinct Volcanoes," an "Introduction to the Atomic Theory," and other works related to chemistry; he was president of the British Association in 1866 (1796-1867).

D'AUBIGNÉ, JEAN HENRI MERLE, a popular Church historian, born near Geneva; studied under Neander at Berlin; became pastor at Hamburg, court-preacher at Brussels, and professor of Church History at Geneva; his reputation rests chiefly on his "History of the Reformation in the Sixteenth Century" (1794-1872).

D'AUBIGNÉ, THÉODORE AGRIPPA, a historian, bred to the military profession; held appointments under Henry IV., on whose assassination he returned to Geneva, where he wrote his "Histoire Universelle," which had the honour to be burned by the common hangman in Paris; was a satirical writer; grandfather to Mme. de Maintenon (1550-1680).

DAUBIGNY, CHARLES FRANÇOIS, a French landscape-painter and skilful etcher, born in Paris, attained distinction as an artist late in life (1817-1878).

D'AUBUSSON, PIERRE, grand-master of the order of St. John of Jerusalem, of French origin; served under the Emperor Sigismund against the Turks; went to Rhodes; became a knight of St. John, and was chosen grand-master; defended Rhodes against 100,000 Turks, and thus stayed the career of Mohammed II., who, after establishing himself in Constantinople, was threatening to overrun Europe (1428-1503).

DAUDET, ALPHONSE, a noted French novelist of great versatility, born at Nîmes, of poor parents; early selected literature as his career in life; wrote poems and plays, and contributed to the *Figaro* and other journals; worked up into his novels characters and situations that had come under his own observation, often in too satirical a vein to become universally popular; has been likened to Dickens in his choice of subjects and style of treatment; among his most popular works are "Tartarin of Tarascon," "Jack," and "Kings in Exile" (1840-1897).

- D'AULNOY, THE COUNTESS**, authoress of charmingly written "Contes des Fées" (Fairy Tales), on which her reputation rests (1650-1705).
- DAUMIER, HONORÉ**, a French caricaturist of great fertility and playfulness of genius, born at Marseilles; became blind in his old age (1808-1879).
- DAUN, KARL**, German theologian, born at Cassel, professor at Heidelberg; sought to ground theology on a philosophic basis, and found what he sought in the philosophy of Hegel (1765-1836).
- DAUN, LEOPOLD, GRAF VON**, an able Austrian general, born at Vienna; distinguished himself by his prudence and valour in the Seven Years' War, gained a victory over Frederick the Great at Kolin in 1757, and another at Hochkirch in 1758; could prevail little or not at all against Frederick afterwards as soon as Frederick saw through his tactics (1705-1766).
- DAUPHIN**, a name originally given to the *Seigneurs* of the province of Dauphiné, in allusion to the dolphin which several members of the family wore as a badge, but in 1349 given to the heir-presumptive to the crown of France, when Humbert II., dauphin of Vienno, ceded Dauphiné to Philippe of Valois, on condition that the eldest son of the king of France should assume the name, a title which was abolished after the Revolution of 1830. The word signifies dolphin in French.
- DAUPHINE**, a SW. province of France, of which the capital was Grenoble; annexed to the French crown under Philippe II. in 1349.
- DAURAT, JEAN**, French scholar, a member of the *Piétiste* (q.v.), who figures as one of the leading spirits in the *fraternité* (1607-1688).
- DAVENANT, SIR WILLIAM**, an English playwright, born at Oxford, who succeeded Ben Jonson as poet-laureate, and was for a time manager of Drury Lane; was knighted by Charles I. for his zeal in the Royalist cause; his theatrical enterprise had small success during the Commonwealth, but interest in it revived with the Restoration, at which time the drama broke loose from the restrictions imposed upon it by Puritanism to indulge in shameless licence (1606-1668).
- DAVID, FELICIEN**, a French composer, born at Vauchuse; author, among other compositions, of the "Desert," a production which achieved an instant and complete triumph; was in his youth an ardent disciple of St. Simon (1810-1876).
- DAVID, GERHARD**, a Flemish painter; painted religious subjects, several from the life of Christ (1450-1523).
- DAVID, JACQUES LOUIS**, a French historical painter, born in Paris; studied in Rome and settled in Paris; was carried away with the Revolution; joined the Jacobin Club, swore eternal friendship with Robespierre; designed "a statue of Nature with two *mamelles* spouting out water" for the deputies to drink to, and another of the sovereign people, "high as Salisbury steeple"; was sentenced to the guillotine, but escaped out of regard for his merit as an artist; appointed first painter by Napoleon, but on the Restoration was banished and went to Brussels, where he died; among his paintings are "The Oath of the Horatii," "The Rape of the Sabinæ," "The Death of Socrates," and "The Coronation of Napoleon" (1748-1825).
- DAVID, KING OF ISRAEL**, 11th century B.C., born in Bethlehem; tended the flocks of his father; slew Goliath with a stone and a sling; was anointed by Samuel, succeeded Saul as king; conquered the Philistines; set up his throne in Jerusalem, and reigned thirty-three years; suffered much from his sons, and was succeeded by Solomon; the book of *Psalms* was till recently accepted as wholly his by the Church, but that hypothesis no longer stands the test of criticism.
- DAVID, PIERRE JEAN**, known as David of Angers, a French sculptor, born at Angers; came to Paris and was pupil of Jacques Louis David (q.v.); afterwards proceeded to Rome and associated with Canova; executed in Paris a statue of the Great Condé, and thereafter the pediment of the Pantheon, his greatest work, as well as numerous medallions of great men; on a visit to Weimar he modelled a bust of Goethe (1788-1856).
- DAVID I.**, king of Scotland, youngest son of Malcolm Canmore and Queen Margaret; was brought up at the English court; was prince of Cumbria under the reign of his brother Alexander, on whose decease he succeeded to the throne in 1124; on making a raid in England to avenge an insult offered to his son Henry, was defeated at Northallerton in the Battle of the Standard; addressed himself after this to the unification of the country and civilisation of his subjects; founded and endowed bishoprics and abbays at the expense of the crown; the death of his son Henry was a great grief to him, and shortened his days (1084-1153).
- DAVID II.**, king of Scotland, son of King Robert the Bruce, born at Dunfermline; succeeded his father when a boy of four; spent from 1334 to 1341 in France; was taken prisoner by the English at the battle of Neville's Cross, and was afterwards, till his death, dependent on England (1324-1371).
- DAVID, ST.**, or DEWI, the patron saint of Wales, lived about the 5th century; archbishop of Caerleon; transferred his see to St. David's; founded churches, opposed Pelagianism, and influenced many by the odour of his good name. Festival, March 1.
- DAVIDSON, ANDREW BRUCE**, Hebrew scholar and professor, born in Aberdeenshire; a most faithful, clear, and effective interpreter of the spirit of Hebrew literature, and influential for good as few men of the time have been in matters of Biblical criticism (1831-1902).
- DAVIDSON, JOHN**, poet and journalist, born at Barrhead, Renfrewshire; wrote novels and plays as well as poems (1859-1909).
- DAVIDSON, LORD** (Dr. Randall Davidson), Archbishop of Canterbury. As a young man he acted as domestic chaplain to Queen Victoria; married a daughter of Archbishop Tait, and was made Dean of Windsor. Successively Bishop of Rochester and Winchester, he became Archbishop of Canterbury in 1903, resigning in 1928, in which year he was elected to the temporal peerage (1848-1930).
- DAVIDSON, SAMUEL**, Biblical scholar and exegete, born near Ballymena; wrote Introductions to the Old and the New Testaments; was pioneer in the higher criticism (1807-1898).
- DAVIES, BEN**, a popular tenor vocalist, born near Swansea (1858-).
- DAVIES, SIR H. WALFORD**, composer and conductor, organist of St. George's Chapel, Windsor (1869-).
- DAVIES, SIR JOHN**, poet and statesman, born in Wiltshire; wrote two philosophic poems, "The Orchestra," a poem in which the world is exhibited as a dance, and "Nosce Teipsum" (Know Thyself), a poem on human learning and the immortality of the soul; became a favourite with James I., and was sent as Attorney-General to Ireland (1569-1628).
- DAVIES, TUDDOR**, British singer. Of Welsh birth, he made his debut with the British National Opera Company in Bradford, and sang subsequently at the principal English festivals and in Paris and America.
- DAVIES, WILLIAM HENRY**, British poet. Born in Newport (Mon.), he, to quote his own words, "picked up knowledge among tramps in America, on cattle boats and in common lodging-houses of England." He acted as a hawker on coming back from America, sang hymns in the street, and published his first volume of poems in 1904 at the age of 34, publishing several subsequently (1870-).
- DAVILA, ARRIGO**, a celebrated historian, born near Padua, brought up in France; served in the French army under Henry IV.; did military and other service in Venice; was assassinated; his great work "The History of the Civil War in France" (1576-1631).
- DAVIS, JEFFERSON**, President of the Confederate States, born in Kentucky; entered the army; fought against the Indians; turned cotton-planter; entered Congress as a Democrat; distinguished himself in the Mexican war; defended slaveholding and the interests of slave-holding States; was chosen President of the Confederate States; headed the conflict with the North; fled on defeat, which he was the last to admit; was arrested and imprisoned; released after two years; retired into private life, and wrote a "History of the Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government" (1869-1889).

DAVIS, JOHN, an English navigator, born near Dartmouth; took early to the sea; conducted (1585-1587) three expeditions to the Arctic Seas in quest of a NW. passage to India and China, as far N. as 78°; discovered the strait which bears his name; sailed as pilot in two South Sea expeditions, and was killed by Japanese pirates near Malacca; wrote the "Seaman's Secrets" (1550-1605).

DAVIS, THOMAS, an Irish patriot, born at Mallow; educated at Trinity College, Dublin, and called to the Irish bar; took to journalism in the interest of Irish nationality; founded the *Nation* newspaper, and by his contributions to it did much to wake up the intelligence of the country to national interests; was the author of "An Essay on Irish Songs" (1814-1845).

DAVIS CUP, a lawn tennis trophy competed for internationally, presented in 1900 by Dwight Davis, a wealthy American player, who represented his country in the first two contests.

DAVIS STRAIT, strait connecting Baffin Bay with the Atlantic, discovered by John Davis (q.v.).

DAVITT, MICHAEL, a noted Irish patriot, born in co. Mayo, son of a peasant, who, being evicted, settled in Lancashire; joined the Fenian movement, and was sentenced to 15 years' penal servitude; released on ticket-of-leave after seven years; founded the Land League; was for over a year imprisoned again for breaking his ticket-of-leave; published in 1885 "Leaves from a Prison Diary"; entered Parliament in 1895 for co. Mayo (1846-1906).

DAVOS-PLATZ, a village 5105 ft. above the sea-level, in a valley of the East Grisons; a place frequented in winter by invalids suffering from chest disease, the dry air and sunshine that prevail being favourable for patients of that class; also a good centre for winter sports.

DAVOUT, LOUIS NICOLAS, Duke of Auerstädt, Prince of Eckmühl, marshal of France, born at Annoux, in Burgundy; was fellow-student with Napoleon at the military school in Brienne; entered the army in 1788, served in the Revolutionary wars under Dumouriez and Desaix, and became general; served under Bonaparte in Italy; distinguished himself at Austerlitz, Auerstädt, Eckmühl, and Wagram; was made governor of Hamburg; accompanied Napoleon to Moscow; returned to Hamburg, and defended it during a siege; was made Minister of War in 1815, and assisted Napoleon in his preparations for the final struggle at Waterloo; commanded the remains of the French army which capitulated under the walls of Paris; adhered to the Bourbon dynasty on its return, and was made a peer; was famous before all the generals of Napoleon for his rigour in discipline (1770-1823).

DAVY, SIR HUMPHRY, a great English chemist, born at Pensance; professor at the Royal Institution, London, 1802-1812; conceived early in life a passion for the science in which he made so many discoveries; made experiments on gases and the respiration of them, particularly nitrous oxide and carbonic acid gas; discovered the function of plants in decomposing the latter in the atmosphere, prepared sodium and potassium by electrolysis of their fused hydroxides, proved chlorine to be an element and showed its affinity with iodine; invented the safety-lamp, his best-known achievement; he held appointments and lectured in connection with all these discoveries and their applications, and received knighthood and numerous other honours for his services; died at Geneva (1778-1829).

DAVY JONES'S LOCKER, the sailors' familiar name for the sea as a place of safe-keeping, though why called of Davy Jones is uncertain.

DAVY-LAMP, a lamp encased in gauze wire which, while it admits oxygen to feed the flame, prevents communication between the flame and any combustible or explosive gas bubble.

DAWES, BRIGADIER-GENERAL CHARLES GATES, American politician and soldier. Working at the bar, he was comparatively unknown till he went to France in 1917 with the American troops. On his return he was made Director of the Budget in 1921, and elected Vice-President of the U.S.A. in 1925, after the Reparations Commission had called on him to preside in 1923 over a committee which re-established German finances after the collapse of

the mark. In 1929 he came to London as American Ambassador and took an active part in negotiations for naval disarmament (1865-).

DAWES PLAN, THE, a scheme to stabilise German currency and reparations payments drawn up in 1924 by a committee over which Gen. C. G. Dawes (q.v.) presided.

DAWKINS, SIR WILLIAM BOYD, geologist and paleontologist, born in Montgomeryshire; has written "Cave Hunting," and "Early Man in Britain," and in 1882 was employed by the Channel Tunnel Committee to make a survey of the French and English coasts (1838-1920).

DAWSON, GEOFFREY, journalist. He was private secretary to Lord Milner in South Africa from 1901 to 1905, became editor of the *Times* in 1912, resigned in 1919, and was reappointed four years later (1874-).

DAWSON, GEORGE, a popular lecturer, born in London; educated in Aberdeen and Glasgow; bred for the ministry by the Baptist body, and pastor of a Baptist church in Birmingham, but resigned the post for ministry in a freer atmosphere; took to lecturing on a purely secular platform, and was for thirty years the most popular lecturer of the day; did much to popularise the views of Carlyle and Emerson (1821-1878-1890).

DAWSON, SIR JOHN WILLIAM, geologist and naturalist, born in Pictou, Nova Scotia; studied in Edinburgh; distinguished himself as a paleontologist; president of the British Association in 1886; published in 1872, "Story of the Earth and Man"; in 1877, "Origin of the World"; and later, "Geology and History"; called in question the Darwinian theory as to the origin of species (1820-1899).

DAY, JOHN, a 17th-century English dramatist, contemporary of Ben Jonson; author of the "Parliament of Bees," a comedy in which all the characters are bees.

DAY, THOMAS, an eccentric philanthropist, born in London; author of "Sandford and Merton"; he was a disciple of Rousseau; was a slave-abolitionist and a parliamentary reformer (1748-1789).

DAYAKS. See **DYAKS**.

DAYTON, a prosperous town in Ohio, U.S.A., a great railway centre, with a court-house of marble, after the Parthenon in Athens.

DAYTONA, town in Florida, U.S.A., with a long stretch of firm sand used for motor speed trials.

D'AZARA, FELIX, a Spanish naturalist, born in Aragon; spent 20 years in South America; wrote a "Natural History of the Quadrupeds in Paraguay" (1781-1811).

DEADMAN'S HANDLE, a device attached to the control gear of an electric train which ensures that the train is automatically brought to rest if the driver releases his grip through sudden illness.

DEAD SEA, called also the Salt Sea and the Asphalt Lake, a sea, or lake, in Palestine, formed by the waters of the Jordan, 46 m. long, 10 m. broad, and in some parts 1800 ft. deep, while its surface is 1312 ft. below the level of the Mediterranean, just as much as Jerusalem is above it; has no outlet; its waters, owing to the great heat, evaporate rapidly, and are intensely salt; it is enclosed E. and W. by steep mountains, which often rise to a height of 6000 ft.

DEAK, FERENCZ, an eminent Hungarian statesman, born at Kehida, of an ancient noble Magyar family; his aim for Hungary was the same as that of Cavour (q.v.) for Italy, the establishment of constitutional government, and he succeeded; standing all along as he did from Hungarian republicanism on the one hand and Austrian tyranny on the other, he urged on the Emperor of Austria the demand of the Diet, of which he had become leader, at first without effect, but after the humiliation of Austria in 1866, all that he asked for was conceded, and the Austrian Emperor received the Hungarian crown (1803-1876).

DEAL, a town, 18 m. ESE. of Canterbury, on the E. of Kent, opposite the Goodwin Sands, 89 m. from London, with a fine sea-beach; much resorted to for sea-bathing.

DEAN, FOREST OF, a forest of 22,000 acres in the W. of Gloucestershire, between the Severn and the Wye; the property of the Crown for the most part;

the inhabitants are chiefly miners, who at one time enjoyed special privileges.

DEAN OF GUILD, a burgh magistrate in Scotland who has the care of buildings, originally the head of the Guild brethren of the town.

DEAUVILLE, seaside resort in Normandy, largely frequented by the wealthy and fashionable.

DEBORAH, a Hebrew prophetess; reckoned one of the judges of Israel by her enthusiasm to free her people from the yoke of the Canaanites; celebrated for her song of exultation over their defeat, instinct at once with pious devotion and with revengeful feeling (see Judges, 4 and 5); Coleridge calls her "this Hebrew Boadicea."

DEBRECEN, a Hungarian town, 180 m. E. of Buda-Pesth; is the headquarters of Protestantism in the country, and has an amply equipped and a largely attended Protestant College; is a seat of manufactures and enjoys a large trade.

DECAMERON, a collection of a hundred tales, conceived of as related in ten days at a country-house during the plague at Florence; are of a licentious character, but told with great humour and literary skill; were written by Boccaccio; published in 1552; the tales have been drawn upon by generations of writers, including Chaucer, Shakespeare, Keats, and Tennyson.

DECAMPE, ALEXANDRE GABRIEL, a distinguished French painter, born in Paris; brought up as a boy among the peasants of Picardy; studied under David and Ingres; represented nature as he in his own way saw it, and visited Switzerland and the East, where he found materials for original and powerful pictures; his paintings since his death have brought great prices (1808-1860).

DE CANDOLLE, AUGUSTIN PYRAME, an eminent botanist, born at Geneva, of Huguenot descent; studied in Paris; attracted the attention of Cuvier and Lamarck, whom he assisted in their researches; published his "Flora Française," in six vols.; became professor at Montpellier, and then at Geneva; is the historical successor of Jussieu; his great contribution to botanical science is connected with the classification of plants (1778-1841).

DECATUR, STEPHEN, an American naval commander; distinguished for his feats of valour displayed in the war with Tripoli and with England (1779-1820).

DECCAN, a triangular plateau of from 8000 to 8000 ft. of elevation in the Indian peninsula, extending S. of the Vindhya Mountains; is densely peopled, and contains some of the richest soil in the globe.

DECEMBER, the twelfth month of the year, so called, i.e. tenth, by the Romans, as their year began with March.

DECEMVIRI, the patricians of Rome, with Consular powers, appointed in 450 B.C. to prepare a code of laws for the Republic, which, after being agreed upon, were committed first to ten, then to twelve tables, and set up in the Forum that all might read and know the law they lived under.

DECIUS, Roman emperor from 249 to 251; was a cruel persecutor of the Christians; perished in a morose fighting with the Goths, who were a constant thorn in his side all through his reign.

DECIUS MUS, the name of three Romans, father, son, and grandson, who on separate critical emergencies (340, 295, 279 B.C.) devoted themselves in sacrifice to the infernal gods in order to secure victory to the Roman arms; the name is mostly employed by.

ON OF RIGHTS, THE, was passed by Parliament in 1689; it declared William and Mary King and Queen in England in succession to James II., and laid down regulations for their successors; in declaring the rights and liberties of the English people it provided for the supremacy of the Parliament in all matters affecting religion and law.

DECLINATION, the name given in astronomy to what corresponds to latitude in geography; it is measured in degrees north or south of the celestial equator.

DECLINATION, MAGNETIC, the angle between the true north and the direction in which the compass needle points. In this country the declination was 12° degrees west in 1890, and is decreasing at the rate of about two-fifths of a degree per year. In the

year 2189 a compass needle set up in London will point due north (as it did in 1859), and subsequently will move to the east. The complete cycle of changes takes 960 years. A line drawn on a map joining all places where the declination is the same is called isogonic line.

DECLINE AND FALL OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE, the immortal work of Gibbon, of which the first volume was published in 1776.

DECRETALS, THE, a collection of laws added to the canon law of the Church of Rome, being judicial replies of the Popes to cases submitted to them from time to time for adjudication.

DEE, DOCTOR JOHN, an astrologer and alchemist, he claimed to have the power of transmuting base metal into gold and of invoking spirits; became warden of Manchester College (1527-1608).

DEEMSTER, the title of a judge in the Isle of Man, one such officiating for the northern part and one for the southern.

DEFAUCONPRET, French littérateur; translator of the novels of Sir Walter Scott and Fenimore Cooper (1767-1849).

DEFENDER OF THE FAITH, a title conferred by Pope Leo X. in 1521 upon Henry VIII. for his defence of the Catholic faith in a treatise against Luther, and retained ever since by the sovereigns of England, though revoked by Pope Paul III. in 1535 in consequence of Henry's apostasy.

DEFFAND, MARIE, MARQUISE DU, a woman of society, famed for her wit and gallantry; corresponded with the eminent philosophers of the time, in particular Voltaire, as well as with Horace Walpole; her letters are especially brilliant, and display great shrewdness; she is characterised by Prof. Saintsbury as "the typical French lady of the eighteenth century"; she became blind in 1763, but retained her relish for society, though at length she entered a convent, where she died (1697-1780).

DEFOE, DANIEL, author of "Robinson Crusoe," born in London; trained for the Dissenting ministry; turned to business, but took chiefly to politics; was a zealous supporter of William III.; his ironical treatise, "The Shortest Way with Dissenters" (1703), which, treated seriously, was burned by order of the House of Commons, led to his imprisonment and exposed him for three days to the pillory, amidst the cheers, however, not the jeers, of the mob; in prison wrote a "Hymn to the Pillory," and started his *Review*; on his release he was employed on political missions, and wrote a "History of the Union," which he contributed to promote. The closing years of his life were occupied mainly with literary work, and it was then, in 1719, he produced his world-famous "Robinson Crusoe"; has been described as "master of the art of forging a story and imposing it on the world for truth." Wrote also "Captain Singleton," "A Journal of the Plague Year," and "A Tour through Great Britain" (1661-1731).

DE FOREST, LEE, American scientist, who devoted his time to the study of wireless, employed by the U.S. navy to design the first high-power station; invented the triode valve, thus making possible the later developments in radio-telegraphy; carried out experiments on phonograms, later known as talkies (1872-).

DEGAS, EDGAR HILAIRE GERMAIN, French painter. Born in Paris, son of a banker, he was educated for law, but took to art, and became friendly with Manet and other impressionists. He abandoned his historical line of work and started depicting modern life, the racetracks, cafés, and theatres providing him with ample material. He lived to see his "Dancers" originally sold for £20, go to America for £17,400, a record price for the work of a living artist (1849-1917).

DEGETRANDE, BARON, a French philanthropist and philosopher, born at Lyons, of Italian descent; wrote "History of Philosophy," long in repute as the best French work on the subject (1772-1842).

DE GREFF, ARTHUR, Belgian pianist. After touring in most of the chief cities of Europe he made his London debut in 1888; he also composed several pieces for piano and orchestra (1862-).

DELANEIRA, the wife of Hercules, whose death she

had been the unwitting cause of by giving him the poisoned robe which Nessus (q.v.) had sent her as potent to preserve her husband's love; on hearing the fatal result she killed herself in remorse and

DEIPHOBUS, a son of Priam and Hecuba, second in bravery to Hector; married Helen after the death of Paris, and was betrayed by her to the Greeks.

DEIR-AI-KAMAR, a town in Syria, once the capital of the Druses, on a terrace in the heart of the Lebanon Mountains.

DEISM, belief on purely rational grounds in the existence of God, and distinguished from theism as denying His providence.

DEISTS, a set of freethinkers of various shades, who in England, in the 17th and 18th centuries, discarded revelation and the supernatural generally, and sought to found religion on a purely rational basis.

DEJAZET, VIRGINIE, a celebrated French actress, born in Paris; made her debut at five years of age (1798-1875).

DEKKER, THOMAS, a dramatist, born in London; was contemporary of Ben Jonson, Ford, Rowley, Webster, and Middleton, with some of whom he collaborated in play-writing; wrote lyrics as well as tragedies and light comedies, and prose as well as poetry; the most famous among his prose works, "The Gull's Hornbook," a pamphlet, in which he depicts the life of a young gallant; his pamphlets are valuable (1570-1641).

DE LA BECHE, SIR HENRY THOMAS, geologist, born in London; wrote the "Depth and Temperature of the Lake of Geneva," and published a "Manual of Geology" and the "Geological Observer"; was appointed head of the Geological Survey in England (1798-1855).

DELAGROIX, EUGENE, a French painter, born at Charenton, dep. of Seine; one of the greatest French painters of the 19th century; was the head of the French Romantic school, a brilliant colourist and a daring innovator; his very first success, "Dante crossing Acheron in Charon's Boat," forms an epoch in the history of contemporary art; besides his pictures, which were numerous, he executed decorations and produced lithographic illustrations of "Hamlet," "Macbeth," and Goethe's "Faust" (1798-1863).

DELAGOA BAY, an inlet in the SE. of Africa, E. of the Transvaal, subject to Portugal; stretches from 26° 30' to 26° 20' S.; extends 52 m. inland, where the Transvaal frontier begins, and between which and it a railway of 52 m., constructed by an English company, extends.

DELABRE, JEAN JOSEPH, an eminent French astronomer, born at Amiens, a pupil of Lalande; measured with Méchain the arc of the meridian between Dunkirk and Barcelona towards the establishment of the metric system; produced numerous works of great value, among others "Theoretical and Practical Astronomy" and the "History of Astronomy" (1749-1822).

DELANE, JOHN TRADDEW, editor of the *Times, born in London; studied at Oxford; after some experience as a reporter was put on the staff of the *Times*, and in 1841 became editor, a post he continued to hold for 36 years; was the inspiring and guiding spirit of the paper, but wrote none of the articles (1817-1879).*

DELABOCHÉ, PAUL, a French historical painter and one of the greatest, born in Paris; was the head of the modern Eclectic school, so called as holding a middle place between the Classical and Romantic schools of art; among his early works were "St. Vincent de Paul preaching before Louis XIII." and "Joan of Arc before Cardinal Beaufort"; the subjects of his latest pictures are from history, English and French, such as "The Prince in the Tower" and "Cromwell contemplating the corpse of Charles I.," a great work; but the grandest monument of his art is the group of paintings with which he adorned the wall of the semicircle of the Palais des Beaux Arts in Paris, which he completed in 1841 (1797-1856).

DELAUNAY, LE VICOMTE, the *nom de plume* of Mme. Delphine, under which she published her "Parisian Letters."

DELAUNAY, LOUIS ARNÉ, a great French actor, born in Paris; made his debut in 1840, retired 1887 (1828-1908).

DELAUVIGNE, CASIMIR, a popular French lyric poet and dramatist, born at Havre; his verse was conventional and without originality (1798-1848).

DELAWARE, one of the Atlantic and original States of the American Union, as well as the smallest of them; the soil is rather poor, but porcelain clay abounds; so named from Lord De la Warr, who settled there in 1610.

DELAWARES, a once powerful North American Indian people in whose confederacy of the Five Nations were included the Mohicans; their power broken by the Iroquois; now settled, like other tribes, in the Indian Territory.

DELCASSE, THEOPHILE, French Minister of Foreign Affairs, born at Pamiers; began life as a journalist; was elected to the Chamber in 1889; became Colonial Minister; advocated colonial expansion; dealt skilfully with the Fashoda affair as Foreign Minister (1852-1923).

DELESTABLE MOUNTAINS, mountains covered with sheep in the "Pilgrim's Progress," from which the pilgrim obtains a view of the Celestial City.

DELESCOUZE, LOUIS CHARLES, a French Communist, born at Dreux; was imprisoned and transported for his extreme opinions; started a journal, the *Réveil*, in 1868, to advocate the doctrines of the International; was mainly answerable for the atrocities of the Paris Commune; was killed at the barricades (1809-1871).

DELFT, a Dutch town, 8 m. NW. of Rotterdam, once famous for its pottery; is intersected by canals; has an important polytechnic school.

DELGADO, a cape of E. Africa, on the border between Zanzibar and Mozambique.

DELHI, or the Jumna, the capital of India, once the capital of the Mogul empire and the centre of the Mohammedan power in India; it contains the famous palace of Shah Jehan, and the Jama Masjid, which occupies the heart of the city and is the largest and finest mosque in India, and also owes its origin to Shah Jehan; the old city is walled, is 5½ m. in circumference, and divided into Hindu, Mohammedan, and European quarters; it was captured by Lord Lake in 1803, and during the Mutiny by the Sepoys, but after a siege of seven days retaken in 1857. Proclaimed capital of the Indian Empire at the Coronation Durbar in 1911.

DELIBES, LEO, French composer. He studied at the Paris conservatoire at the age of 12, sang in the Madeleine choir, and then became jointly church organist and theatre accompanist. He composed several short comic operas, of which the best known are "Coppélia," "Lakmé," and "Le Roi Pa Dît" (1836-1901).

DELLAH, the Philistine woman who beguiled and betrayed Samson.

DELLILE, JACQUES, a French poet, born at Algues Perse, in Auvergne; during the Revolution found sanctuary in London; translator of the "Georgics" of Virgil into verse, afterwards the "Æneid" and "Paradise Lost," besides producing also certain didactic and descriptive works; was a good versifier, but properly no poet, and much overrated; died blind (1738-1818).

DELTZSCH, FRANZ, a learned Biblical scholar and exegete, born at Leipzig; his commentaries, which are numerous, are of a conservative tendency; he wrote on Jewish antiquities, Biblical psychology, and Christian apologetics; was professor at Erlangen and Leipzig successively, where his influence on the students was distinctly marked (1818-1890).

DELIUS, FREDERICK, British composer. Born in Bradford, he left England at 21 for Florida, where he stayed two years, returning to Europe to study music at Leipzig. He then settled in France at Grer-sur-Loing, where he became blind. His best known works are "A Village Romeo and Juliet" and the incidental music to Flecker's "Hassan" (1868-).

DELIUS, NICOLAUS, a German philologist, born at Bremen; distinguished especially as a student of Shakespeare and for his edition of Shakespeare's works (1818-1888).

DELLA CRUSCANS, a set of English sentimental poetasters, the leaders of them hailing from Florence, that appeared in England towards the close of the 18th century, and that for a time imposed on many by their extravagant panegyrics of one another, the founder of the set being one Robert Merry, who signed himself *Della Crusca*; he first announced himself by a sonnet to Love, in praise of which Anne Matilda wrote an incomparable piece of nonsense; "the epidemic spread for a term from fool to fool, but was soon exposed and laughed out of existence; James Boswell, Mrs. Piossi, Sheridan, and Colman the younger were members of this school."

DELLYS, a seaport in Algeria, 49 m. E. of Algiers.

DELOLME, JOHN LOUIS, a writer on State polity, born at Geneva, bred to the legal profession; spent some six years in England as a refugee; wrote a book on the "Constitution of England," and in praise of it, which was received for a time with high favour in the country, but is now no longer regarded as an authority; wrote a "History of the Flagellants," and on "The Union of Scotland with England" (1740-1806).

DELOREME, a French architect, born at Lyons; studied in Rome; was patronised by Catherine de' Medici; built the palace of the Tuileries, and contributed to the art of building (1618-1677).

DELOREME, MARION, Frenchwoman celebrated for her wit and fascination, born at Châlons-sur-Marne; came to Paris in the reign of Louis XIII., where her drawing-room became the rendezvous of all the celebrities of the time, many of whom were bewitched by her charms; she gave harbour to the chiefs of the Fronde, and was about to be arrested when she died; the story that her death was a feint, and that she had subsequent adventures, is distrusted; she is the subject of a drama by Victor Hugo (1612-1660).

DELOS, the smallest and central island of the Cyclades, the birthplace of Apollo and Artemis, and where the former had a famous oracle; it was, according to the Greek mythology, a floating island, and was first fixed to the spot by Zeus to provide Leda with a place, denied her elsewhere by Hera, in which to bring forth her twin offspring; it was at one time a centre of Apollo worship, but is now uninhabited, and only frequented at times by shepherds with their flocks.

DELPHI, a town of ancient Greece in Phocis, at the foot of Parnassus, where Apollo had a temple, and whence he was wont to issue his oracles by the mouth of his priestess the Pythia, who when receiving the oracle used to sit on a tripod over an opening in the ground through which an intoxicating vapour exhaled, which was deemed the breath of the god, and which proved the vehicle of her inspiration; the Pythian games were celebrated here.

DELPHIN CLASSICS, an edition of the Greek and Roman classics, edited by Bossuet and Huet, assisted by thirty-nine scholars, for the use of the dauphin of Louis XIV.; of little use now.

DELPHINE, a novel by Mme. de Staël; presumed to be an idealised picture of herself.

DELUGE, name given to the tradition, common to several races, of a flood of such universality as to sweep the land, if not the earth, of all its inhabitants, except the pair by whom the land was re-peopled. Geological and archaeological discoveries this century tend to give support to the tradition in the main.

DELVILLE WOOD, a district in France, officially part of the Union of South Africa, being presented to the latter on account of the severe losses among the South African troops there in the Great War.

DEMADES, an Athenian orator, a bitter enemy of Demosthenes, in the interest of Philip of Macedon; put to death for treason by Antipater, 318 B.C.; was a man of no principle, but a great orator.

DEMARA TUS, king of Sparta from 510 to 491 B.C.; dispossessed of his crown, fled to Persia and accompanied Xerxes into Greece.

DEMAVEND MOUNT, an extinct volcano, the highest peak (18,600 ft.) of the Elburz chain, in Persia.

DEMBEA, a lake, the largest in Abyssinia, being 60 m. long and 6000 ft. above the sea-level; from it the Blue Nile issues.

DEMBENSKI, HENRYK, a Polish general, born near

Cracow; served under Napoleon against Russia, under Kossuth against Austria; fled to Turkey on the resignation of Kossuth; died in Paris (1791-1864).

DEMERRARA, a division of British Guiana; takes its name from the river, which is 200 m. long and falls into the Atlantic at Georgetown.

DEMETER (Mt. Earth-mother), the great Greek goddess of the earth, daughter of Kronos and Rhea, and sister of Zeus, and ranks with him as one of the twelve great gods of Olympus; is specially the goddess of agriculture, and the giver of all the earth's fruits; known to the Romans as Ceres.

DEMETRIUS, the name of two kings of Macedonia who ruled over the country, the first from 290 to 289 B.C., and the second from 240 to 229 B.C.

DEMETRIUS, or **DIMITRI**, the name of several sovereigns of Russia, and of four adventurers called the four false Dimitri.

DEMETRIUS I., Soter (i.e. saviour), king of Syria from 162 to 150 B.C.; was grandson of Antiochus the Great. D. II., Nicator (i.e. conqueror), king of Syria from 143 to 125 B.C. D. III., Euceros (i.e. the happy), king of Syria in 95, died in 84 B.C.

DEMETRIUS PHALEREUS, an eminent Athenian orator, statesman, and historian, born at Phalerus, a seaport of Athens; was held in high honour in Athens for a time as its political head, but fell into dishonour, after which he lived in retirement and gave himself up to literary pursuits; died from the bite of an asp; left a number of works (345-283 B.C.).

DEMIDOFF, a Russian family distinguished for their wealth, descended from a serf of Peter the Great, who amassed a large fortune by manufacturing firearms for the Emperor, and was raised by him to the rank of nobility; his successors were distinguished in the arts, in arms, and literature; Anatol in particular, who travelled over the SE. of Europe, and wrote an account of his travels, a work magnificently illustrated.

DEMIURGUS, a name employed by Plato to denote the world-soul, the medium by which the idea is made real, the spiritual made material, the many made one, and adopted by the Gnostics to denote the world-maker as a being derived from God, but estranged from God, being environed in matter, which they regarded as evil, and so incapable as such of redeeming the soul from matter, from evil, such as the God of the Jews, and the Son of that God, conceived of as manifest in flesh.

DEMOCRACY, defined by Abraham Lincoln to be government of the people by the people and for the people, has found in Great Britain its main home, the British race seeming to have a natural genius for self-government. It was in the words of Woodrow Wilson, "to make the world safe for democracy" that the Great War was fought; but in the years that followed many nations in Europe replaced the system with autocracies.

DEMOCRATS, a political party in the United States that contends for the rights of the several States to self-government as against undue centralisation.

DEMOCRITUS, a Greek philosopher, born in Abdera, Thrace, of wealthy parents; spent his patrimony in travel, gathered knowledge from far and near, and gave the fruits of it in a series of writings to his contemporary compatriots, only fragments of which remain, though they must have come down comparatively entire to Cicero's time, who compares them for splendour and music of eloquence to Plato's; his philosophy was called the *Atomic*, as he traced the universe to its ultimate roots in combinations of atoms, in quality the same but in quantity different, and referred all life and sensation to movements in them, while he regarded quiescence as the *summum bonum*; he has been called the Laughing Philosopher from, it is alleged, his habit of laughing at the follies of mankind (460-370 B.C.).

DEMOCRITUS JUNIOR, a pseudonym under which Burton published his "Anatomy of Melancholy."

DEMOGOT, French litterateur, born at Paris; wrote a history of literature, chiefly French (1808-1894).

DEMOGORGON, a terrible deity, the tyrant of the elves and fairies, who must all appear before him once every five years to give an account of their doings; referred to in the poems of Milton and Spenser.

DEMOIVRE, ABRAHAM, a mathematician, born in Champagne; lived most of his life in England to escape, as a Protestant, from persecution in France; became a friend of Newton, and a Fellow of the Royal Society, and was of such eminence as a mathematician that he was asked to arbitrate between the claims of Newton and Leibnitz to the invention of fluxions (1667-1754).

DEMON, or **DAIMON**, a name which Socrates gave to an inner divine instinct which corresponds to one's destiny, and guides him in the way he should go to fulfil it, and is more or less potent in a man according to his purity of soul.

DEMONOLOGY, that branch of learning which deals with the existence and character of evil spirits; among many primitive races the belief in such takes the form of animism.

DE MORGAN, AUGUSTUS, an eminent mathematician, born in Madura, S. India; was professor of Mathematics in London University from 1828 till his death, though he resigned the appointment for a time in consequence of the rejection of a candidate, James Martineau, for the chair of logic, on account of his religious opinions; wrote treatises on almost every department of mathematics, on arithmetic, algebra, trigonometry, differential and integral calculus, the last pronounced to be "the most complete treatise on the subject ever produced in England"; wrote also "Formal Logic" (1896-1871).

DEMOSTHENES, the great Athenian orator, born in Athens; had many impediments to overcome to succeed in the profession, but by ingenious methods and indomitable perseverance he subdued them all, and became the first orator not of Greece only, but of all antiquity; a stammer in his speech he overcame by practising with pebbles in his mouth, and a natural diffidence by declaiming on the sea-beach amid the noise of the waves; while he acquired a perfect mastery of the Greek language by binding himself down to copy five times over in succession the "History of the Peloponnesian War" by Thucydides; he employed 15 years of his life in denunciation of Philip of Macedon, who was bent on subjugating his country; pronounced against him his immortal "Philippics" and "Olynthics"; took part in the battle of Cheronea, and continued the struggle even after Philip's death; on the death of Alexander he gave his services as an orator to the confederated Greeks, and in the end made away with himself by poison so as not to fall into the hands of Antipater (385-322 B.C.). See **CITESIPHON**.

DEMPSTER, THOMAS, a learned Scotsman, born in Aberdeenshire; held several professorships on the Continent; was the author of "Historia Ecclesiastica Gentis Sootorum," a work of great learning, but of questionable veracity, which has been reprinted by the Bannatyne Club; his last days were embittered by the infidelity of his wife (1579-1625).

DENARIUS, a silver coin among the Romans, first coined in 269 B.C., and worth 84d.; originally equal to 10 of the copper coins called *as*.

DENBIGH, the county town of Denbighshire, in the Vale of the Clwyd, 30 m. W. of Chester; manufactures shoes and leather.

DENBIGHSHIRE, a county in North Wales, of rugged hills and fertile vales, 40 m. long and 17 m. on an average broad, with a coalfield in the N.E., and with mines of iron, lead, and slate.

DENDERA, a village in Upper Egypt, on the left bank of the Nile, 28 m. N. of Thebes, on the site of ancient Tentyra, with the ruins of a temple of Hathor in almost perfect preservation; on the ceiling of a portion of the building was found a zodiac, now in the museum of the Louvre in Paris; the temple dates from the period of Cleopatra and the early Roman emperors, and has sculptured portraits of that queen and her son Caesarion.

DENGUE, a fever peculiar to the tropics, occurs in hot weather and attacks one suddenly with high temperature and violent pains, and after a relapse returns in a milder form and leaves the patient very weak.

DENHAM, DIXON, an English traveller, companion of Clapperton; visited Bornu and Lake Chad (1785-1828).

DENHAM, SIR JOHN, an English poet, born at

Dublin, the son of an Irish judge; took to gambling and squandered his patrimony; was unhappy in his marriage, and his mind gave way; is best known as the author of "Cooper's Hill," a descriptive poem, interspersed with reflections, and written in smooth flowing verse (1616-1649).

DENINA, CARLO, an Italian historian, born in Piedmont; banished from Italy for a cynical remark injurious to the monks; paid court to Frederick the Great in Berlin, where he lived a good while, and became eventually imperial librarian in Paris under Napoleon (1731-1813).

DENIS, a king of Portugal from 1279 to 1325; the founder of the University of Coimbra and the Order of Christ.

DENIS, ST. the apostle of the Gauls, the first bishop of Paris, and the patron saint of France; suffered martyrdom in 270.

DENIS, ST. a town 6 m. N. of Paris, within the line of the fortifications, with an abbey which contains the remains of St. Denis, and became the mausoleum of the kings of France.

DENISON, EDWARD, philanthropist; distinguished by his self-denying benevolent labours in the East End of London (1840-1870).

DENISON, GEORGE ANTHONY, archdeacon of Taunton, born in Norfolk; was charged with holding views on the eucharist inconsistent with the teaching of the Church of England, first condemned and then acquitted on appeal; a staunch High Churchman, and equally opposed to Broad Church and Low (1805-1896).

DENISON, JOHN EVELYN, Speaker of the House of Commons from 1858 to 1872, brother of the above; created Viscount Ossington on retirement (1800-1873).

DENMAN, LORD, Lord Chief Justice of England from 1832 to 1850, born in London; with Brougham was counsel for Queen Caroline (1779-1854).

DENMARK, the smallest of the three Scandinavian kingdoms, consisting of Jutland, the northern part of Sleswig, and an archipelago of islands in the Baltic Sea; divided into 13 counties, and is less than half the size of Scotland; is a low-lying country, no place in it is more than 500 ft. above the sea-level than 500 ft. and as a consequence has no river to speak of, only meres or lakes; the land is laid out in cornfields and grazing pastures; there are very few minerals but abundance of clay for porcelain; while the exports consist chiefly of horses, cattle, swine, hams, and butter; the government is constitutional, and the established religion Lutheran.

DENNENWITZ, a village in Brandenburg, 40 m. SW. of Berlin, where Marshal Ney with 70,000 was defeated by Marshal Blücher with 50,000 in 1813.

DENNIS, JOHN, a would-be dramatist and critic, born in London, in constant broils with the wits of his time; his productions were worth little, and he is chiefly remembered for his attacks on Addison and Pope, and for the ridicule these attacks brought down at their hands on his own head, from Pope in "Narrative of the Frenzy of John Dennis," and "damnation to everlasting fame" in the "Dunolad"; he became blind, and was sunk in poverty, when Pope wrote a prologue to a play produced for his benefit (1657-1734).

DENS, PETER, a Catholic theologian, born at Boom, near Antwerp; author of a work entitled "Theologia Moralis et Dogmatica," a minute and caustic vindication in catechetical form of the tenets of the Catholic Church, and in use as a text-book in Catholic colleges (1690-1776).

DENTATUS, MANLIUS CURTIUS, a Roman of the old stamp; consul gained two victories over rival States and two triumphs in one year; drove Pyrrhus out of Italy (275 B.C.), and brought to Rome immense booty, of which he would take nothing to himself; in his retirement took to tilling a small farm with his own hand.

DENVER, the capital of Colorado, U.S., on a plain 5196 ft. above the sea-level; originally founded as a mining station in 1858, now a large and flourishing and well-appointed town; is the centre of a large trade, and a great mining district.

DEODAR, a small protected independent State in the N.W. of Gujarat, India.

DEODORAKI, a glacier in the Caucasus Mountains.

DEPARTMENT, a territorial division in France instituted in 1790, under which the old division into provinces was broken up; each department, of which there are now 87, is broken up into arrondissements.

DEPPING, a learned French historian, born at Münster; wrote a "History of Normandy," and on "Trade of Europe with the Levant" (1784-1853).

DEPRESSION, or cyclone, an area of low pressure round which the wind circulates in an anti-clockwise direction in the northern hemisphere; at the centre there is an upward current of air which frequently gives rise to rain fall. As a rule cyclones move across the British Isles in an eastward or south-eastward direction.

DEPTFORD, a suburb of London on the S. bank of the Thames; once with an extensive Government dockyard and arsenal, the site of it purchased by the Corporation of London as a market for foreign cattle.

DE QUINCEY, THOMAS, a great English prose writer, born in Manchester; son of a merchant called Quincey; his father dying, he was placed under a guardian, who put him to school, from which in the end he ran away, wandered about in Wales for a time, and by-and-by found his way to London; in 1808 was sent to Oxford, which in 1807 he left in disgust; it was here as an opium addict he took to opium, and acquired that habit which was the bane of his life; on leaving Oxford he went to Bath beside his mother, where he formed a connection by which he was introduced to Wordsworth and Southey, and led to settle to literary work at Gramere, in the Lake District; here he wrote for the reviews and magazines, particularly *Blackwood's*, till in 1821 he went up to London and published his "Confessions" under the nom de plume of "The English Opium-Eater"; leaving Gramere in 1828 he settled in Edinburgh, and at Polton, near Lase-wade, where he died; is characterised by Stopford Brooke as "owing to the overlapping and involved melody of his style, one of our best, as he is one of our most various, miscellaneous writers"; he was a writer of very varied ability and acquirement (1785-1859).

DERATING ACT, a measure passed in 1929 under which a large part of local rates on industry were transferred to the State, and which at the same time effected reform of local government, chiefly the abolition of Boards of Guardians.

DERBEND, capital of Russian Daghestan, on the W. of the Caspian Sea, 140 m. NW. of Baku.

DERBY, county town of Derbyshire, on the Derwent, with manufactures of silk, cotton, hosiery, lace, porcelain, &c.; it is the centre of a great railway system.

DERBY, CHARLOTTE, COUNTESS OF, wife of the 7th Earl, who was taken prisoner at Worcester in 1651, and was beheaded at Bolton; famous for her gallant defence of Lathom House against the Parliamentary forces, which she was obliged to surrender; lived to see the Restoration; d. 1663.

DERBY, 14TH EARL OF, British statesman, born at Knowsley Hall, Lancashire; entered Parliament in 1820 in the Whig interest, and was hailed as an accession to their ranks by the Whigs; supported the cause of reform; in 1830 became Chief Secretary for Ireland under Earl Grey's administration; introduced a coercive measure against the Repeal agitation of O'Connell; contributed to the passing of the Reform Bill in 1832; succeeded from the Whigs in 1834, and became Colonial Secretary in 1845 under Peel brought in a bill to repeal the Corn Laws, he retired from the Cabinet, and in 1848 became the head of the Protectionist party as Earl of Derby, to which title he succeeded in 1851; was after that Prime Minister three times over, and it was with his sanction Disraeli carried his Reform Act of 1867; he resigned his Premiership in 1868, and the last speech he made was against the Irish Disestablishment Bill; was distinguished for his scholarship as well as his oratory, and gave proof of this by his scholarly translation of the "Iliad" of Homer (1799-1869).

DERBY, 15TH EARL OF, eldest son of the preceding; entered Parliament as Lord Stanley in 1848; was

a member of the three Derby administrations, in the first and third in connection with foreign affairs, and in the second as Secretary for India; at the time when the government of India passed from the Company to the Crown; became Earl in 1869; was Foreign Secretary under Disraeli in 1874, but retired in 1878; in 1885 joined the Liberal party, and held office under Gladstone, but declined to follow him in the matter of Home Rule, and joined the Unionist ranks; was a man of sound and cool judgment, and took a deep interest in economic questions (1826-1895).

DERBY, 17TH EARL OF, British politician. After serving in the Guards he entered the House of Commons in 1892, and was Lord Roberts' private secretary during part of the Boer War. In 1900 he became financial secretary to the War Office, in 1903 Postmaster-General, and succeeded to the earldom in 1908. During the Great War he organised the Derby Scheme (q.v.), and from 1918 to 1920 was British Ambassador in Paris. He is also well known as an owner of racehorses (1865-).

DERBY DAY, usually held on the first Wednesday in June, being the second day of the Summer Meeting at Epsom, on which the Derby Stakes for colts and fillies three years old are competed for, so called as having been started by the 12th Earl of Derby in 1780; the day used to be held as a London holiday, and the race is still remarkable for the enormous crowd of spectators. The stakes range between £5000 and £8000, though in total several millions of pounds are at stake.

DERBY SCHEME, a method of recruiting introduced in 1915, whereby a man could "attest" and wait for his "group" to be called up. "Groups" were divided according to age and whether the recruit was married or single.

DERBYSHIRE, a northern midland county of England, hilly in the N., undulating and pastoral in the S., and with coalfields in the E.; abounds in minerals, and is more a manufacturing and mining county than an agricultural.

DERG, LOUGH, an expansion of the waters of the Shannon, Ireland, 24 m. long, from 2 to 6 broad; also a small lake in the S. of Donegal, with small islands, one of which, Station Island, was, as the reputed entrance to St. Patrick's Purgatory, a place of pilgrimage to thousands at one time.

DE ROBECQ, SIR JOHN MICHAEL, British admiral. He entered the navy at the age of 15, and in 1915 was given command of the naval forces at Gallipoli; he was made an admiral in 1920 and given charge of the Mediterranean Fleet (1862-1928).

DERRICK, a temporary crane used on board ships; so named after a Tyburn hangman of the 17th century.

DE RUYTER. See RUYTER.

DERVISHES, a name given to members of certain mendicant orders connected with the Mohammedan faith in the East. Of these there are various classes, under different regulations, and wearing distinctive costumes, with their special observances of devotion, and all presumed to lead an austere life; some live in monasteries, and others go wandering about, while some of them show their religious fervour in excited whirling dances, and others in howlings; all are religious fanatics in their way, held sacred by the Moslems.

DERWENTWATER, one of the most beautiful of the Cumberland lakes, in the S. of the county, formed by the river Derwent; extends 8. from Keswick; is over 3 m. long, and over 1 m. broad; is dotted with wooded islands, and is overlooked by Scafell; it abounds with perch.

DERWENTWATER, EARL OF, a Jacobite leader; was 3rd Earl and the last; several warrants were issued for his apprehension in 1714; he joined the Jacobite rising in 1715; was taken prisoner at Preston, and beheaded on Tower Hill, London, next year, after trial in Westminster Hall, confession of guilt, and pleadings on his behalf with the king (1689-1716).

DERZHAVEN, GABRIEL, a Russian lyric poet, born at Kasan; rose from the ranks as a common soldier to the highest offices in the State under the Empress Catherine II. and her successors; retired into private life, and gave himself up to poetry; the

ode by which he is best known is his "Address to the Deity" (1743-1816).

DESAIX, LOUIS CHARLES ANTOINE, a distinguished French general, born at the Château d'Avat, Auvergne, of a noble family; entered the army at 16; commanded a division of the Army of the Rhine in 1796, and after the retreat of Moreau defended Kehl against the Austrians for two months; accompanied Bonaparte to the East, and in 1799 conquered Upper Egypt; contributed effectively to the success at Marengo, and fell dead at the moment of victory, shot by a musket-ball; he was an upright and a chivalrous man, known in Egypt as "the Just Sultan," and in Germany as "the good general" (1768-1800).

DESAUGIERS, MARC, a celebrated French composer of songs and vaudevilles; "stands second to Béranger as a light song-writer," and is by some preferred to him (1772-1827).

DESAULT, PIERRE JOSEPH, a French surgeon, born in dep. of Haute-Saône; his works contributed largely to the progress of surgery (1744-1795).

DESBARRES, JOSEPH FREDERICK, military engineer and hydrographer, aide-de-camp of General Wolfe at Quebec; fortified Quebec; surveyed the St. Lawrence; revised the maps of the American coast at the outbreak of the American war; died at Halifax, Nova Scotia, aged 102 (1722-1824).

DESGAMPS, a French painter, born at Dunkirk; painted village scenes (1714-1791).

DESCARTES, RENE, the father of modern philosophy, born at La Haye, in Touraine; was educated at the Jesuit College of La Flèche, where he made rapid progress in all that his masters could teach him, but soon grew sceptical as to their methods of inquiry; "resolved, on the completion of his studies, to bid adieu to all school and book learning, and henceforth to gain knowledge only from himself, and from the great book of the world, from nature and the observation of man"; in 1610 he entered the army of the Prince of Orange, and after a service of five years quitted it to visit various centres of interest on the Continent; made a considerable stay in Paris; finally abandoned his native land in 1629, and betook himself to seclusion in Holland in order to live there, unknown and undisturbed, wholly for philosophy and the prosecution of his scientific projects; here, though not without vexatious opposition from the theologians, he lived twenty years, till in 1649, at the invitation of Christina of Sweden, he left for Stockholm, where, the severe climate proving too much for him, he was carried off by pneumonia next year; Descartes' philosophy starts with Doubt, and by one single step it arrives at Certainty; "If I doubt, it is plain I exist," and from this certainty, that is, the existence of the thinking subject, he deduces his whole system; it all comes from the formula *Cogito, ergo sum*, "I think, therefore I exist," that is, the thinking ego exists; in which thinking philosophy ere long sums the universe up, regarding it as a void, without thought; Descartes' philosophy is all comprehended in two works, his "Discourse on Method," and his "Meditations." His mathematical contributions included the introduction of co-ordinates and the method of undetermined coefficients (1596-1650).

DESCHAMPS, EMILE, a French poet, born at Bourges, one of the chiefs of the Romantic school (1795-1871).

DESCHAMPS, EUSTACHE, a French poet, born at Vertus, in Champagne; studied in Orleans University; travelled over Europe; had his estate pillaged by the English, whom, in consequence, he was never weary of abusing; his poems are numerous, and, except one, all short, consisting of ballads, as many as 1175 of them, a form of composition which he is said to have invented; his works deal extensively in satire (1828-1815).

DESDERMONA, the wife of Othello the Moor, who, in Shakespeare's play of that name, kills her on a groundless insinuation of infidelity, to his bitter remorse.

DESEZE, a French advocate, had the courage, along with advocate Tronchet, to defend Louis XVI. when dragged to judgment by the Convention; he was imprisoned for a time, but escaped the scaffold;

on the return of the Bourbons he was made a peer (1750-1828).

DES MONNES, the largest city in Iowa, U.S., and the capital, founded in 1846.

DESMOULINS, CAMILLE, one of the most striking figures in the French Revolution, born at Gules, in Picardy; studied for the bar in the same college with Robespierre, but never practised, owing to a stutter in his speech; was early seized with the revolutionary fever, and was the first to excite the same fever in the Parisian mob; was one of the ablest advocates of the levelling principles of the Revolution; associated himself first with Mirabeau and then with Danton in carrying them out, and even supported Robespierre in the extreme course he took; but his heart was moved to relent when he thought of the misery the guillotine was working among the innocent families of its victims; with Danton he would fain have brought the Reign of Terror to a close; for this he was treated as a renegade, put under arrest at the instance of Robespierre, subjected to trial, sentenced to death, and led off to the place of execution; his young wife, for interfering in his behalf, was arraigned and condemned, and sent to the guillotine a fortnight after him (1760-1794).

DE SOTO, FERNANDO, a Spanish adventurer; served under Pizarro in Peru; was sent by the Emperor Charles V. of Spain to conquer Florida, penetrated as far as the Mississippi; worn out with fatigue in quest of gold, died of fever, and was buried in the river (1496-1542).

DES PERIERS, BONAVENTURE, a French humanist and story-teller, born in Burgundy; valet-de-chambre of Margaret of Valois; wrote "Cymbalum Mundi," a satirical production, in which, as a disciple of Lucian, he holds up to ridicule the religious beliefs of his day; also "Novelles Recréations et Joyeux Devs," a collection of some 129 short stories admirably told; was one of the first prose-writers of the century, and is presumed to be the author of the "Heptameron," ascribed to him (1540-1594).

DESPEREAUX. See **BOILLER**.

DESSALINES, JEAN JACQUES, emperor of Hayti, born in Guinea, W. Africa, a negro imported into Hayti as a slave; on the emancipation of the slaves there he acquired great influence among the insurgents, and by his cruelties compelled the French to quit the island, upon which he was raised to the governorship, and by-and-by was able to declare himself emperor, but his tyranny provoked a revolt, in which he perished (1700-1806).

DESSAU, a North German town, the capital of Anhalt, on the Mulde, affluent of the Elbe, some 70 m. SW. of Berlin; it is at once manufacturing and trading.

DESTOUCHES, PHILIPPE, a French dramatist, born at Tours; his plays were comedies, and he wrote 17, all excellent (1680-1754); also a French painter (1790-1834).

DETAILLE, JEAN BAPTISTE EDOUARD, an eminent French painter of military subjects; born in Paris; studied under Meissonier; painted "The Conquerors," "The Passing Regiment," and "Saluting the Wounded" (1848-1912).

DETMOLD, capital of Lippe, 47 m. SW. of Hanover, with a bronze colossal statue of Arminius near by.

DETROIT, the largest city in Michigan, U.S., a great manufacturing and commercial centre, situated on a river of the same name, which connects Lake St. Clair with Lake Erie; is one of the oldest places in the States, and dates from 1670, at which time it came into the possession of the French; is a well-built city, with varied manufactures and a large trade, particularly in grain and other natural products.

DETTINGEN, a village in Bavaria, where an army of English, Hanoverians, and Austrians under George II., in 1748, defeated the French under Duc de Noailles.

DEUCALION, in Greek mythology the son of Prometheus, who, with his wife Pyrrha, by means of an ark which he built, was saved from a flood which for nine days overwhelmed the land of Hellas. On the subsidence of the flood they consulted the oracle at Delphi as to re-peopling the land with inhabitants, when they were told by Themis, the

Pythia at the time, to throw the bones of their mother over their heads behind them. For a time the meaning of the oracle was a puzzle, but the reader wit of the wife found it out; upon which they took stones and threw them over their heads, when the stones he threw were changed into men and those she threw were changed into women.

DEUTERONOMY (i.e. the Second Law), the fifth book of the Pentateuch, and so called as the re-statement and re-enforcement, as it were, by Moses of the Divine law proclaimed in the wilderness. The Mosaic authorship of this book has been called in question, though it is allowed to be instinct with the spirit of the religion instituted by Moses, and it is considered to have been conceived at a time when that religion with its ritual was established in Jerusalem, in order to confirm faith in the Divine origin and sanction of the observances there.

DEUTSCH, EMANUEL, a distinguished Hebrew scholar, born at Neisse, in Silesia, of Jewish descent; was trained from his boyhood to familiarity with the Hebrew and Chaldean languages; studied under Boeckh at the university of Berlin; came to England, and in 1855 obtained a post in the library of the British Museum; had made a special study of the "Talmud," on which he wrote a brilliant article for the *Quarterly Review*, to the great interest of many; his ambition was to write an exhaustive treatise on the subject, but he did not live to accomplish it; died at Alexandria, whither he had gone in the hope of prolonging his days (1829-1873).

DEUTZ, a Prussian town on the Rhine, opposite Cologne, now incorporated with the latter.

DEUX FONTS, French name for Zweibrücken (q.v.).

DEVA, the original Hindu name for the deity, meaning the shining one.

DE VALERA, EAMON, Irish politician. Born in New York of an Irish mother and Spanish father, he went to Ireland as a boy, took a degree there, and in 1917 became President of the Gaelic League. Arrested for revolutionary propaganda, he was released in 1918, returned to the House of Commons, though never taking his seat, and as leader of Sinn Féin (q.v.) proclaimed himself President of the Irish Republic. Several times arrested, he escaped to New York to raise funds, and returned to carry on guerrilla warfare against England, outrages being committed in London as well as in Ireland. He refused to acknowledge the Irish Treaty (q.v.) and carried on a campaign against the Irish Free State without success (1880-).

DEVANAG'ARI, the characters in which Sanskrit words are printed.

DEVENTER, a town in Holland, in the province of Overijssel, 55 m. S.E. of Amsterdam; has carpet manufactures; is celebrated for its ginger-bread; was the locality of the Brotherhood of Common Life, with which the life and work of Thomas à Kempis are associated.

DE VERE, SIR AUBREY, poet, born in co. Limerick, Ireland; author of "Julian the Apostate" and other dramatic and historical poetical dramas; a master of the sonnet (1788-1846).

DE VERE, THOMAS AUBREY, poet and prose writer, born in co. Limerick, son of the preceding; educated at Trinity College, Dublin; wrote poetical dramas of "Alexander the Great," and "St. Thomas of Canterbury"; his first poem "The Waldenses"; also published critical essays (1814-1902).

DEVIL, THE, a being regarded in Scripture as having a personal existence, and, so far as this world is concerned, a universal spiritual presence, as everywhere thwarting the purposes of God and marred the destiny of man; only since the introduction of Christianity, which derives all evil as well as good from within, he has come to be regarded less as an external than an internal reality, and is identified with the ascendancy in the human heart of passions native to it, which when subject ennobles it, but when supreme debases it. He is properly the spirit that deceives man, and decoys him to his eternal ruin from truth and righteousness.

DEVIL'S ISLAND, a famous penal settlement in French Guiana.

DEVIL-WORSHIP, a homage paid by primitive tribes to the devil or spirit of evil in the simple-hearted belief that he can be bribed from doing them evil.

DEVONIAN, the name given to the geological strata overlying the Silurian and below the Carboniferous; it includes the rocks of marine origin found in Devon and the Old Red Sandstone, which was laid down in lakes or inland seas. The earliest known fishes are found as fossils in rocks of this age.

DEVONPORT, a town in Devonshire, adjoining Plymouth to the W., and the seat of the military and naval government of the three towns, originally called Plymouth Dock, and established as a naval arsenal by William III.

DEVONSHIRE, a county in the S. of England, with Exmoor in the N. and Dartmoor in the S.; is fertile in the low country, and enjoys a climate favourable to vegetation; it has rich pasture-grounds, and abounds in orchards.

DEVONSHIRE, DUKE OF. See CAVENTISH.

DEVRIENT, LUDWIG, a popular German actor, born in Berlin, of exceptional dramatic ability, the ablest of a family with similar gifts (1784-1832).

DEWAR, SIR JAMES, physicist, professor at Cambridge and at the Royal Institution; he invented the vacuum flask and was the first to liquefy hydrogen; he carried out much research on low temperature work; president of the British Association at Belfast in 1902 (1842-1923).

DEWES, SIR EDMOND, antiquary, born in Dorsetshire; bred for the bar; was a member of the Long Parliament; left notes on its transactions; took the Puritan side in the Civil War; his "Journal of all the Parliaments of Elizabeth" is of value; left an "Autobiography and Correspondence" (1602-1650).

DE WET, CHRISTIAN RUDOLF, Boer soldier. He won some battles in Natal in 1899, was made commander-in-chief of the Orange Free State army and showed brilliant ability in guerrilla warfare. From 1907 to 1914 he was a member of the Orange Free State government. In 1914 he was a leader of the rebellion fermented by Germany (1854-1922).

DE WETTE, WILHELM MARTIN LEBERSCHT, a German theologian, born near Weimar; studied at Jena, professor of Theology ultimately at Basel; was held in high repute as a Biblical critic and exegete; contributed largely to theological literature; counted a rationalist by the orthodox, and a mystic by the rationalists; his chief works "A Critical Introduction to the Bible" and a "Manual to the New Testament" (1780-1849).

DE WITT, JAN, a Dutch statesman, born at Dort; elected grand pensionary in 1652; like his father, Jacob de Witt, before him, was a declared enemy of the House of Orange, and opposed the Stadtholdership, and for a time carried the country along with him, but during a war with England his influence declined, the Orange party prevailing and electing the young Prince of Orange, our William III., Stadtholder. He and his brother Cornelius were murdered at last by the populace (1625-1672).

DEWSBURY, a town in the West Riding of Yorkshire, 8 m. S.W. of Leeds; engaged in the manufacture of woollens, blankets, carpets, and yarns, and with dye works and iron foundries.

DEKTEIN, a soluble matter into which the interior substance of starch globules is converted by acids or diastase, so called because when viewed by polarised light it has the property of turning the plane of polarisation to the right. It is used as a gum.

DEKTRÖSE, a name given to glucose or grape sugar, on account of the fact that the plane of polarisation of polarised light is turned to the right on passing through it.

DEYSTER, LOUIS DE, a Flemish painter, born at Bruges; was of a deeply religious temper, and his character was reflected in his choice of subjects, such as "The Death of the Virgin," "The Resurrection of Christ," &c.; he was a recluse (1656-1711).

DEZOBBY, CHARLES, a French writer, born at St. Denis; author of "Rome in the Time of Augustus" (1798-1871).

DHAGORA, a mound with a dome-shaped top, found to contain Buddhist relics.

DHARMA, the name given to the law of Buddha, as distinct from the Sangha, which is the Church.

DEARWAR, a town in the S. of the Bombay Presidency, a place of considerable trade in a district noted for its cotton-growing.

DHWALAGIRI (white mountain), one of the peaks of the Himalayas, in Nepal, the third highest, with an altitude of 26,826 ft.

DIABETES, a disease characterised by an excessive discharge of urine, and accompanied with great thirst; there are two forms of this disease.

DIABLERETS, a mountain of the Bernese Alps, between the Cantons de Vaud and de Valais, 10,850 ft. high.

DIAPYRUS, THOMAS, the name of two pedantic doctors, father and son, who figure in Molière's "Malade Imaginaire."

DIAGORAS, a Greek philosopher, born in Melos, one of the Cyclades, 5th century B.C., surnamed the Atheist, on account of the scorn with which he treated the gods of the popular faith, from the rage of whose devotees he was obliged to seek safety by flight; died in Corinth.

DIALOGUES OF PLATO, philosophical dialogues, in which Socrates figures as the principal interlocutor, although the doctrine expounded is rather Plato's than his master's; they discuss theology, psychology, ethics, aesthetics, politics, physics, and related subjects.

DIALYSIS, the process of separation of colloids (q.v.) from crystalline substances in a solution, by means of a membrane which allows free passage to the latter but not to the former.

DIAMANTE, a Spanish dramatic poet, who plagiarised Corneille's "Cid" and passed it off as original. Little is known of his life. He was born in 1626.

DIAMANTINA, a district in Brazil, in the province of Minas Geraes, rich in diamonds.

DIAMOND, one of the allotropic forms of carbon, of extreme hardness, which has been crystallised in the earth by great heat. Most of the world's supply comes from South Africa and Brazil. Famous diamonds are: the Hope blue, Koh-i-noor, Orloff, Star of the South, and Cullinan.

DIAMOND, the name of Newton's favourite dog that, by upsetting a lamp, set fire to MSS. containing notes of experiments made over a course of years, an irreparable loss.

DIAMOND NECKLACE AFFAIR. A necklace consisting of 500 diamonds, and worth £80,000, which one Madame de la Motte induced the jeweller who "made" it to part with for Marie Antoinette, on security of Cardinal de Rohan, and which madame made away with, taking it to pieces and disposing of the jewels in London; the swindle was first discovered when the jeweller presented his bill to the queen, who denied all knowledge of the matter; this led to a trial which extended over nine months, gave rise to great scandal, and ended in the punishment of the swindler and her husband, the exile of De Rohan, and the disgrace of the unhappy, and it is believed innocent, queen. See Carlyle's "Miscellanies."

DIAMOND NET, a name given in the Hegelian philosophy to "the connective tissue, so to speak, that not only supports, but even in a measure constitutes, the various organs" of the universe. See **HEGELIANISM**.

DIAMOND STATE, Delaware, U.S., from its small size and great wealth.

DIANA, originally a Roman deity, dispenser of light, identified at length with the Greek goddess Artemis, and from the first with the moon; she was a virgin goddess, and spent her time in the chase, attended by her maidens; her temple at Ephesus was one of the seven wonders of the world. See **ARTEMIS**.

DIANA DE PONTIERS, the mistress of Henry II. of France, for whom he built the magnificent Château d'Anet, in Eure-et-Loir; she had a great influence over him, and the cruel persecutions of the Huguenots in his reign were due to her instigation (1499-1566).

DIANA OF FRANCE, the Duchess of Angoulême, the natural daughter of Henry II. and the Duchesse de Castro (1538-1619).

DIARBEKIR, the largest town in the Kurdistan Highlands, on the Tigris, 194 m. N.E. of Aleppo, and on the highway between Bagdad and Constantinople, with a large and busy bazaar.

DIARMID, the name of three kings in Ireland who

flourished between the 6th and 11th centuries and are conspicuous in Irish legend.

DIASTASE, a nitrogenous substance developed during the germination of grain, and having the property of converting starch into dextrine and maltose or malt sugar, which undergoes further changes into alcohol; this is the essential process in the manufacture of beer.

DIATOMS, microscopic plants having skeletons of silica covering a jelly-like mass; they live and die on the bottom of the seas in such numbers that thick strata of their remains are formed, as in the Miocene beds of the western states of America.

DIABOLO, FRA (*Hi, Brother Devil*), Michele Pozza, a Calabrian, originally a monk, who left his monastery and joined a set of bandits, who lent themselves to and conducted insurrectionary movements in Italy; taken prisoner by the French, was hanged at Naples; Auber's opera, "Fra Diavolo," has no connection with him except the name (1760-1806).

DIAZ, BARTHELEMY, a Portuguese navigator, sent on a voyage of discovery by John II., in the command of two ships; sailed down the W. coast of Africa and doubled the Cape of Good Hope, which, from the storm that drove him past it, he called the Cape of Storms; returning to Lisbon he was superseded by Vasco da Gama, or rather subordinated to him; subsequently accompanied Cabral on his voyage to Brazil, and was lost in a storm in 1500.

DIAZ, MIGUEL, governor of Porto Rico, born in Aragon; friend and companion of Columbus; suffered from the usual jealousies in enterprises of the kind, but prevailed in the end; d. 1514.

DIAZ, PORFIRIO, Mexican politician. He was as a young man one of the leaders of the 1857 revolt against the French, and after the 1875 revolt against Juarez he became President, remaining in office till 1911 (1830-1915).

DIAZ DE LA PEÑA, NARCISSE, a French painter, born at Bordeaux, of Spanish descent; a landscapist of the Romantic school, eminent as a colourist (1809-1876).

DIAZ DEL CASTILLO, BERNAL, historian; accompanied Cortes to Mexico; took part in the conquest, and left a graphic, trustworthy account of it; died in Mexico, 1539.

DIAZO COMPOUNDS, organic compounds formed by the action of sodium nitrite on aniline and similar substances; discovered by Griess, a German chemist, in 1860, and are the starting point in the manufacture of the azo-dyes.

DIBDIN, CHARLES, musician, dramatist, and song-writer, born in Southampton; began life as an actor; invented a dramatic entertainment consisting of music, songs, and recitations, in which he was the sole performer, and of which he was for most part the author; wrote some 30 dramatic pieces, and it is said 1400 songs; his celebrity is wholly due to his sea-songs, which proved of the most inspiring quality, and did much to man the navy during the war with France; was the author of "Tom Bowling"; left an account of his "Professional Life" (1745-1814).

DIBDIN, THOMAS, dramatic author and song-writer, son of the preceding; was a versatile actor as well as an author; wrote a variety of plays, as well as numerous songs (1771-1841).

DIBDIN, THOMAS FROGNALL, bibliographer, nephew of Charles Dibdin, born in Calcutta; took orders in the Church of England; held several preferments; wrote several works, all more or less of a bibliographical character, which give proof of extensive research, but are lacking often in accuracy and critical judgment; was one of the founders of the Roxburghe Club (1778-1847).

DIGEARCHUS, an ancient geographer, born at Messina, 3rd century B.C.; a disciple of Aristotle.

DICK, JAMES, a West Indian and London merchant, born in Forres; bequeathed £113,787 to encourage learning and efficient teaching among the parish schoolmasters of Elgin, Banff, and Aberdeen shires; it is known as the Dick Bequest, and the property is vested in a governing body of thirteen duly elected (1743-1828).

DICKENS, CHARLES, celebrated English novelist, born at Landport, Portsmouth; son of a navy

clerk, latterly in great straits: was brought up amid hardships: was sent to a solicitor's office as a clerk, learned shorthand, and became a reporter, a poet in which he learned much of what afterwards served him as an author: wrote sketches for the *Monthly Magazine* under the name of "Boz" in 1834, and the "Pickwick Papers" in 1836-1837, which established his popularity: these were succeeded by "Oliver Twist" in 1838, "Nicholas Nickleby" in 1839, "David Copperfield," partly autobiographical, in 1849, and others which it is needless to enumerate, as they are all known wherever the English language is spoken: they were all written with an aim, and as Ruskin witnesses, "he was entirely right in his main drift and purpose in every book he has written," though he thinks we are apt "to lose sight of his wit and insight, because he chooses to speak in a circle of stage fire. . . . Allowing for his manner of telling them, the things he tells us are always true": in 1850 he established the magazine *Household Words*, followed 9 years later by *All the Year Round*; being a born actor, he latterly gave public readings from his works, which were immensely popular, visiting the United States in this capacity; but the strain proved too much for him: he was seized with a fit at his residence, Gad's Hill, near Rochester, on June 9, 1870, and died the following morning (1812-1870).

DICKENS, SIR HENRY FIELDING, lawyer and son of the novelist. From 1892 to 1918 he was Recorder of Maldstone, and in 1918 became Common Serjeant for the City of London (1849-).

DICTATOR, a magistrate invested with absolute authority in ancient republican Rome in times of exigence and danger: the constitution obliged him to resign his authority at the end of six months, till which time he was free without challenge afterwards to do whatever the interest of the commonwealth seemed to him to require: the most famous dictators were Cincinnatus, Camillus, and Sulla, with Caesar, who was the last to be invested with this power: the office ceased with the fall of the republic, or rather, was merged in the perpetual dictatorship of the emperor.

DICTATOR OF LETTERS, Voltaire.

DICTYS CRETENSIS (i.e. of Crete), the reputed author of a narrative of the Trojan war from the birth of Paris to the death of Ulysses, extant only in a Latin translation: the importance attached to this narrative and others ascribed to the same author is that they are the source of many of the Greek legends we find inwoven from time to time in the mediæval literature that has come down to us.

DIDEROT, DENIS, a French philosopher, born at Langres, the son of a cutter there; a zealous propagator of the philosophic ideas of the 18th century, and the protector of the famous "Encyclopédie," which he edited with D'Alembert, and which made a great noise in its day, but did not enrich its founder, who was in the end driven to offer his library for sale to get out of the pecuniary difficulties it involved him in: he would have been ruined had not Catherine of Russia bought it, left it with him, and paid him a salary as librarian. Diderot fought hard to obtain a hearing for his philosophical opinions: his first book was burnt by order of the Parlement de Paris, while for his second he was clapped in jail; and all along he had to front the most formidable opposition, so formidable that all his fellow-workers were ready to yield, and were only held to their task by his indomitable resolution and unquenchable ardour (1713-1784).

DIDIUS, JULIANUS, a Roman emperor who in 193 purchased the imperial purple from the pretorian guards, and was after two months murdered by the soldiers when Severus was approaching the city.

DIDO, the daughter of Beus, king of Tyre, and the sister of Pygmalion, who, having succeeded to the throne on the death of his father, put Sichæus, her husband, to death for the sake of his wealth, whereupon she secretly took ship, sailed away from the city with the treasure, accompanied by a body of disaffected citizens, and founded Carthage, having picked up by the way 80 virgins from Cyprus to make wives for her male attendants: a neighbouring chief made suit for her hand, encouraged by her subjects, upon which, being bound by an oath of

eternal fidelity to Sichæus, she erected a funeral pile and stabbed herself in presence of her subjects: Virgil makes her ascend the funeral pile out of grief for the departure of Aineas, with whom she was passionately in love.

DIDOT, the name of a French family of paper-makers, printers, and publishers, of which the most celebrated is Ambroise Firmin, born in Paris, a learned Hellenist (1790-1876).

DIDYMUS (twin), a surname of St. Thomas; also the name of a grammarian of Alexandria, a contemporary of Cleero, who wrote commentaries on Homer.

DIEBITZSCH, COUNT VON, a Russian general, born in Silesia; commander-in-chief in 1829 of the Russian army against Turkey, over the forces of which he gained a victory in the Balkans: commissioned to suppress a Polish insurrection, he was baffled in his efforts, and fell a victim to cholera (1785-1831).

DIEFFENBACH, LORENZ, a distinguished philologist and ethnologist, born at Ostheim, in the grand-duchy of Hesse: was for 11 years a pastor; in the end, until his death, librarian at Frankfurt-on-the-Main: his literary works were numerous and varied, chiefly on philological and ethnological subjects, and are monuments of learning (1806-1893).

DIEGO SUAREZ, BAY OF, is situated on the NE. of Madagascar, and has been ceded to France.

DIELECTRIC, electrical term for the insulating material separating the plates of a condenser.

DIEMEN, ANTONY VAN, governor of the Dutch possessions in India, born in Holland: was a zealous coloniser; at his instance Abel Tasman was sent to explore the South Seas, when he discovered the island which he named after him Van Diemen's Land, now Tasmania after the discoverer (1593-1645).

DIEPENBECK, ABRAHAM VAN, a Flemish painter and engraver (1599-1675).

DIEPPE, a French seaport on the English Channel, at the mouth of the river Arques, 93 m. NW. of Paris: a watering and bathing place, with fisheries and a good foreign trade.

DIES IRAE (*the Day of Wrath*), a Latin hymn on the Last Judgment, so called from its first words, based on Zeph. i. 14-18; it is ascribed to a monk of the name of Thomas de Celano, who died in 1255, and there are several translations of it in English, besides a paraphrastic rendering in the "Lay of the Last Minstrel," by Scott, and it is also the subject of a number of musical compositions.

DIESEL, RUDOLF, engineer, professor at Munich; inventor of the Diesel engine (1858-1913).

DIESEL ENGINE, an internal combustion engine using heavy oil as a fuel: the heat necessary to ignite oil is supplied by the compression of air in the cylinder.

DIEET, a convention of the princes, dignitaries, and delegates of the German empire, for legislative or administrative purposes, of which the most important historically are those diets which were held at Augsburg in 1518, at Worms in 1521, at Nuremberg in 1523, 1524, at Spire in 1526, 1529, at Augsburg in 1530, at Cologne in 1530, at Worms in 1536, at Frankfurt in 1539, at Ratisbon in 1541, at Spire in 1544, at Augsburg in 1547, 1548, 1550, and at Ratisbon in 1622.

DIETRICH, mayor of Strasburg, at whose request Couret de Lisle composed the "Marseillaise"; was guillotined (1748-1793).

DIETRICH OF REEN, a favourite hero of German legend, who in the "Nibelungen" avenges the death of Siegfried, and in the "Heldenbuch" figures as a knight-errant of invulnerable prowess, from whose challenge even Siegfried shrinks, hiding himself behind Chriemhilda's veil; has been identified with Theodorich the Great, king of the Ostrogoths.

DIEU ET MON DROIT (God and my Right), the British royal motto, first used by Henry VI. Its origin was a parole used at the battle of Glouen in 1198.

DIEZ, FRIEDRICH CHRISTIAN, a German philologist born at Glæsen; after service as a volunteer against Napoleon, and a tutorship at Utrecht, went to Bonn, where, advised by Goethe, he commenced the study of the Romance languages, and in 1830 became

- professor of them, the philology of which he is the founder; he left two great works bearing on the grammar and etymology of these languages (1794-1876).
- DIEZ, JUAN MARTIN**, a Spanish brigadier-general of cavalry, born at Valladolid, the son of a peasant; had, as head of guerilla bands, done good service to his country during the Peninsular war and been promoted; offending the ruling powers, was charged with conspiracy, tried, and executed (1775-1825).
- DIFRACTION**, the name given to the effect produced by the slight bending of a ray of light round an obstacle; in the early days of the wave theory of light it was urged against it that if light were a wave motion, it should pass round obstacles as sound does and not leave a shadow; experiment showed that light did bend round an obstacle to an extent consistent with its small wave-length.
- DIGBY**, a seaport on the Bay of Fundy, Nova Scotia; noted for the curing of pilchards, called from it *digbies*.
- DIGBY, SIR EVERARD**, member of a Roman Catholic family; concerned in the Gunpowder Plot, and executed (1581-1606).
- DIGBY, SIR KENNELM**, a son of the preceding; was knighted by James I.; served under Charles I.; as a privateer defeated a squadron of Spaniards and fought against the Algerines; was imprisoned for a time as a Royalist; paid court afterwards to the Protector; was well received at the Restoration; was one of the first members of the Royal Society, and a man of some learning; wrote treatises on the Nature of Bodies and Man's Soul (1603-1665).
- DIHONG**, the name given to the Brahmaputra as it traverses Assam; in the rainy season it overflows its channel and floods the whole lowlands of the country.
- DIJON**, the ancient capital of Burgundy, and the principal town in the dep. of Côte d'Or, 195 m. S.E. of Paris, on the canal of Bourgogne; one of the finest towns in France, famous for its buildings, particularly its churches, and its situation; is a centre of manufacture and trade, and a seat of learning; the birthplace of many illustrious men, including Charles the Bold, Duke of Burgundy, Bossuet, and St. Bernard of Clairvaux.
- DIKE** (i.e. Justice), a Greek goddess, the daughter of Zeus and Themis; the guardian of justice and judgment, the foe of deceit and violence, and the accuser before Zeus of the unjust judge.
- DIKTYS**, the fisherman of Seriphos; saved Perseus and his mother from the perils of the deep.
- DILETTANTI SOCIETY, THE**, a society of noblemen and gentlemen founded in England in 1734, which contributed to correct and purify the public taste of the country; their labours were devoted chiefly to the study of the relics of ancient Greek art, and resulted in the production of works in illustration.
- DILKE, CHARLES WENTWORTH**, English critic and journalist; served for 20 years in the Navy Pay Office; contributed to the *Westminster* and other reviews; was proprietor and editor of the *Athenaeum*; started the *Daily News*; left literary Papers, edited by his grandson (1789-1864).
- DILKE, SIR CHARLES WENTWORTH**, English publicist and politician, grandson of the preceding, born at Chelsea; called to the bar; travelled in America and the English colonies, and wrote a record of his travels in his "Greater Britain"; entered Parliament as an extreme Liberal; held office under Gladstone; from exposures in a divorce case had to retire from public life, but returned after a time (1843-1911).
- DILLMANN, CHRISTIAN**, a great German Orientalist, born at Illingen, a village of Württemberg; studied under Ewald at Tübingen; became professor at Kiel, at Göttingen, and finally at Berlin; as professor of Old Testament exegesis made a special study of the Ethiopic languages, and is the great authority upon them; wrote a grammar and a lexicon of these, as well as works on theology (1823-1894).
- DILLON**, a general in the service of France, born in Dublin; was butchered by his troops near Lille (1745-1792).
- DILLON, JOHN**, an Irish patriot, born in New York; entered Parliament in 1880 as a Parnellite; was once suspended and four times imprisoned for his over-zeal; sat at first for Tipperary, and later for East Mayo; in 1891 threw in his lot with the M'Carthyites, and in 1915 succeeded John Redmond as leader of the Irish Parliamentary Party (1851-1927).
- DIMANCHE, M. (Mr. Sunday)**, a character in Molière's "Don Juan," the type of an honest merchant, whom, on presenting his bill, his creditor appeases by his politeness.
- DIME**, a U.S. silver coin, worth the tenth part of a dollar, or about fivepence.
- DINAN**, an old town in the dep. of Côtes du Nord, France, 14 m. S. of St. Malo; most picturesque situated on the top of a steep hill, amid romantic scenery, of great archaeological interest; the birthplace of Ducloux.
- DINANT**, an old town on the Meuse, 14 m. S. of Namur, Belgium; noted for its gingerbread, and formerly for its copper wares, called *Dinanderie*. The town was almost completely destroyed by the Germans during the 1914 invasion, but was later rebuilt. The Germans entered on August 23, and declaring that the civil population had fired on them, they burnt the town and shot 665 of the inhabitants, including 70 women and 40 babies.
- DINAPUR**, a town and military station on the right bank of the Ganges, 12 m. N.W. of Patna.
- DINARCIUS**, the name of the orator of the Phocion party in Athens, born at Corinth.
- DINARIO ALPS**, a range of the Eastern Alps between Dalmatia and Bosnia; runs S.E. and parallel with the Adriatic, connecting the Julian Alps with the Balkans.
- DINDORF, CARL WILHELM**, a German philologist, born at Leipzig; devoted his life to the study of the ancient Greek classics, particularly the dramatists, and edited the chief of them, as well as the "Iliad" and "Odyssey" of Homer, with notes; was joint-editor with his brothers Ludwig and Hase of the "Thesaurus Graeco Linguae" of Stephanus (1802-1853).
- DINGELSDT, FRANZ FERDINAND VON**, a German poet, novelist, and essayist, born near Marburg; was the Duke of Württemberg's librarian at Stuttgart, and theatre superintendent at Munich, Weimar, and Vienna successively; his poems show delicacy of sentiment and graphic power (1814-1881).
- DINGO**, the Australian wild dog, usually of a yellow colour; fox-like in appearance, but more powerfully built; has been tamed by the aborigines for hunting purposes.
- DINGWALL**, the county town of Ross-shire, at the head of the Cromarty Firth.
- DINKAS**, an African pastoral people occupying a flat country traversed by the White Nile; of good stature, clean habits, and semi-civilised manners, but ferocious in war.
- DINOCRATES**, a Macedonian architect, who, in the time of Alexander the Great, rebuilt the Temple of Ephesus destroyed by the torch of Erostratus; was employed by Alexander in the building of Alexandria.
- DINOSAURS**, reptiles which dominated the land in the Mesozoic Period; most of them were bipeds, but some, like the *Brontosaurus* and *Diplodocus*, were quadrupeds; this group includes the largest land animals that ever lived.
- DIODOTIAN**, Roman emperor from 284 to 305, born at Salona, in Dalmatia, of obscure parentage; having entered the Roman army, served with distinction, rose rapidly to the highest rank, and was at Chalcedon, after the death of Numerianus, invested by the troops with the imperial purple; in 286 he associated Maximianus with himself as joint emperor, with the title of Augustus, and in 292 resigned the Empire of the West to Constantius Chlorus and Galerius, so that the Roman world was divided between two emperors in the E. and two in the W.; in 303, at the instance of Galerius, he commenced and carried on a fierce persecution of the Christians, the tenth and fiercest; but in 305, weary of ruling, he abdicated and retired to Salona, where he spent his remaining eight years in rustic simplicity of life, cultivating his garden; bating his persecution of the Christians, he ruled the Roman world wisely and well (245-313).
- DIODATI, JEAN**, a Calvinistic theologian, born at Lucca; was taken while a child with his family to

Geneva; distinguished himself there in the course of the Reformation as a pastor, a preacher, professor of Hebrew, and a professor of theology; translated the Bible into Italian and into French; a nephew of his (Charles) was a schoolfellow and friend of Milton, who wrote an elegy on his untimely death (1678-1649).

DIODORUS SICULUS, historian, born in Sicily, of the age of Augustus; conceived the idea of writing a universal history; spent 80 years at the work; produced what he called "The Historical Library," which embraced the period from the earliest ages to the end of Caesar's Gallic war, and was divided into 40 books, of which only a few survive entire, and some fragments of the rest.

DIOGENES LAERTIUS, a Greek historian, born at Laerte, in Cilicia; flourished in the 2nd century A.D.; author of "Lives of the Philosophers," a work written in 10 books; is full of interesting information regarding the men, but is destitute of critical insight into their systems.

DIOGENES OF APOLLONIA, a Greek philosopher of the Ionic school, and an adherent of Anaximenes (q.v.), if of any one, being more of an eclectic than anything else; took more to physics than philosophy; contributed nothing to the philosophic movement of the time.

DIOGENES THE CYNIC, born in Sinope, in Pontus, came to Athens, was attracted to Antisthenes (q.v.), and became a disciple; dressed himself in the coarsest garb, lived on the plainest diet, slept in the porches of the temples, and finally took up his dwelling, it is related, in a tub; would not have anything to do with what did not contribute to the enhancement of life; despised every one who sought satisfaction in anything else; is said to have gone through the highways and byways of the city at noon with a lantern in quest of an honest man; a man himself not to be laughed at or despised; visiting Corinth, he was accosted by Alexander the Great: "I am Alexander," said the king, and "I am Diogenes" was the prompt reply: "Can I do any thing to serve you?" continued the king: "Yes, stand out of the sunlight," rejoined the cynic; upon which Alexander turned away saying, "If I were not Alexander, I would be Diogenes"; while on a voyage to Aegina he fell into the hands of pirates and, being sold as a slave, was taken to Corinth; died at the latter place (412-323 B.C.).

DIOGENES THE STOIC, born in Seleucia; a successor of Zeno, and head of the school at Athens, 2nd century B.C.

DIOMEDES, king of Argos, called Tydides, from his father; was, next to Achilles, the bravest of the Greeks at the Trojan war; fought under the protection of Athens against both Hector and Aeneas, and even wounded both Aphrodite and Ares; dared along with Ulysses to carry off the palladium from Troy; was first in the chariot race in honour of Patroclus, and overcame Ajax with the spear.

DIOMEDES, king of Thrace; fed his horses with human flesh, and was killed by Hercules for his inhumanity.

DION CASSIUS, a Greek historian, born at Nicæa, in Bithynia, about A.D. 155; went to Rome, and served under a succession of emperors; wrote a "History of Rome" from Aeneas to Alexander Severus in 80 books, of which only 18 survive entire; it is of great value, and often referred to.

DION CHRYSOSTOMUS (Dion with the golden, or eloquent, mouth), a celebrated Greek rhetorician, born at Prusa, in Bithynia, about the middle of the 1st century; inclined to the Platonic and Stoic philosophies; came to Rome, and was received with honour by the Emperors Nerva and Trajan; is famous as an orator and as a writer of pure Attic Greek.

DION OF SYRACUSE, a pupil of Plato, and an austere man; was from his austerity obnoxious to his pleasure-loving nephew, Dionysius the Younger; subjected to banishment; went to Athens; learned his estates had been confiscated, and his wife given to another; took up arms, drove his nephew from the throne, usurped his place, and was assassinated in 353 B.C., the citizens finding that in getting rid of one tyrant they had but saddled themselves with another, and greater.

DIONE, a Greek goddess of the earlier mythology; figures as the wife of the Dodonian Zeus and mother of Aphrodite; drops into subordinate place after the god's nuptials with Hera.

DIONYSIUS THE ELDER, tyrant of Syracuse from 430 to 367 B.C.; at first a private citizen; early took interest in public affairs, and played a part in them; entered the army, and rose to be head of the State; subdued the other cities of Sicily, and declared war against Carthage; was attacked by the Carthaginians, and defeated them three times over; concluded a treaty of peace with them, and spent the rest of his reign, some 20 years, in maintaining and extending his territory; was distinguished, it is said, both as a poet and a philosopher; tradition represents him as in perpetual terror of his life, and taking every precaution to guard it from attack.

DIONYSIUS THE YOUNGER, tyrant of Syracuse, son of the preceding, succeeded him in 367 B.C. at the age of thirty; had never taken part in public affairs; was given over to vicious indulgences, and proved incapable of amendment, though Dion (q.v.) tried hard to reform him; was unpopular with the citizens, who with the help of Dion, whom he had banished, drove him from the throne; returning after 10 years, was once more expelled by Timoleon of Sicily; betook himself to Corinth, where he associated himself with low people, and supported himself by keeping a school.

DIONYSIUS OF ALEXANDRIA, patriarch from 348, a disciple of Origen, and his most illustrious pupil; a firm but judicious defender of the faith against the heretics of the time, in particular the Sabellians and the Chilistae; d. 264.

DIONYSIUS, ST., THE AREOPAGITE (i.e. judge of the Areopagus, according to Acts xvii. 34, a convert of St. Paul's; became bishop of Athens, and died a martyr; in 95; was long regarded as the father of mysticism in the Christian Church; on the false assumption that he was the author of writings of a much later date imbued with a pantheistic idea of God and the universe.

DIONYSIUS OF HALICARNASSUS, a Greek historian and rhetorician of the age of Augustus; came to Italy in 29 B.C., and spent 27 years in Rome, where he died; devoted himself to the study of the Roman republic, its history and its people, and recorded the result in his "Archæologia," written in Greek, which brings down the narrative to 264 B.C.; it consisted of 20 books, of which only 9 have come down to us entire; he is the author of works in criticism of the orators, poets, and historians of Greece.

DIONYSIUS PERIEGETES, a Greek geographer who lived about the 4th century, and wrote a description of the whole earth in hexameters and in a terse and elegant style.

DIONYSUS, the god of the vine or wine; the son of Zeus and Semele (q.v.), the "twice born," as plucked first from the womb of his dead mother and afterwards brought forth from the thigh of Zeus, which served to him as his "incubator." See **BACCHUS**.

DIOPHANTUS, a Greek mathematician, born in Alexandria; lived presumably about the 4th century; left works in which algebraic methods are employed, and is therefore credited with being the inventor of algebra.

DIOPTRE, the unit used for measuring the power of a lens; it is the reciprocal of its focal length expressed in metres.

DIOSCORIDES, a Greek physician, born in Cilicia, lived in the 1st century; left a treatise in 5 books on materia medica, a work of great research, and long the standard authority on the subject.

DIOSCURI, twin sons of Zeus, Castor and Pollux, a stalwart pair of youths, of the Doric stock, the former great as a horse-breaker and the latter as a boxer; were worshipped at Sparta as guardians of the State, and pre-eminently as patrons of gymnastics; protected the hearth, led the army in war, and were the convoy of the traveller by land and the voyager by sea, which, as the constellation Gemini, they are still held to be.

DIP, the angle which a magnetic needle makes with the horizontal, when it is suspended so that it can swing freely in a vertical plane at right angles to the magnetic meridian; at the magnetic poles the dip

is ninety degrees and on the magnetic equator zero.

DIPHILUS, a Greek comic poet, born at Sinope; contemporary of Menander; was the forerunner of Terence and Plautus, the Roman poets.

DIPHTHERIA, a contagious disease characterised by the formation of a false membrane on the back of the throat. The disease has been much less deadly since antitoxin treatment was introduced. See **ANTITOXIN**.

DIPLODOCUS, a large reptile of the Dinosaur family, about 50 or 60 feet in length, remains of which have been found in America in strata of Jurassic age; it was an herbivorous quadruped.

DIPPEL, JOHANN KONRAD, a celebrated German alchemist; professed to have discovered the philosopher's stone; did discover Prussian blue, and an animal oil that bears his name (1672-1734).

DIPPEL'S OIL, an oil obtained from the distillation of horn bones.

DIOCE, the wife of Lycus, king of Thebes, who for her cruelty to Antiope, her divorced predecessor, was, by Antiope's two sons, Zethos and Amphion, tied to a wild bull and dragged to death, after which her carcass was flung by them into a well; the subject is represented in a famous antique group by Apollonius and Tauriscus.

DIRECTORY, THE, the name given to the government of France, consisting of a legislative body of two chambers, the Council of the Ancients and the Council of Five Hundred, which succeeded the fall of the Convention, and ruled France from October 27, 1795, till its overthrow by Bonaparte on the 18th Brumaire (November 9, 1799). The Directors proper were five in number, and were elected by the later council from a list presented by the former, and the chief members of it were Barras and Carnot.

DIRSCHAU, a thriving town on the Vistula, 21 m. SE. of Danzig, with ironworks and a timber trade.

DIRT TRACK RACING, the sport of riding motorcycles round tracks made of loose earth; first introduced from Australia in 1927, it soon attracted large crowds of spectators.

DIS, a name given to Pluto and the nether world over which he rules.

DISCIPLINE, THE TWO BOOKS OF, books of dates 1581 and 1581, regulative of ecclesiastical order in the Presbyterian churches of Scotland, of which the ground-plan was drawn up by Knox on the Geneva model.

DISCOBOLUS, THE, an antique statue representing the thrower of the discus, in the Louvre, and executed by the sculptor Myron.

DISCORD, THE GODDESS OF, a mischief-making divinity, daughter of Night and sister of Mars, who on the occasion of the wedding of Thetis with Peleus, threw into the hall where all the gods and goddesses were assembled a golden apple inscribed "To the most Beautiful," which act gave rise to dissensions that both disturbed the peace of Olympus and the impartial administration of justice on earth. See **PARIS**.

DISESTABLISHMENT, the withdrawal of State aid from the Church. The question was a political one in England at the end of the 19th century, and talk of it was revived when the House of Commons twice rejected the revised Prayer Book of 1927. The Church of Ireland was disestablished in 1869 and the Church of Wales in 1920.

DISMAS, ST., the good thief to whom Christ promised Paradise as he hung on the cross beside Him.

DISPERSION. When white light is refracted at the surface between two media, the red rays are deviated less than the blue, and the resultant image has a coloured border. This is corrected in optical instruments by using two lenses of different glass, one compensating for the dispersion of the other.

ISRAELI, BENJAMIN. See **BEACONSFIELD**.

D'ISRAELI, ISAAC, a man of letters, born at Enfield, Middlesex; only son of a Spanish Jew settled in England, who left him a fortune, which enabled him to cultivate his taste for literature; was the author of several works, but is best known by his "Curiosities of Literature," a work published in six vols., full of anecdotes on the quarrels and calamities of authors; was never a strict Jew; finally cut the

connection, and had his children baptised as Christians (1766-1848).

DITHYRAMB, a hymn in a lofty and vehement style, originally in honour of Bacchus, in celebration of his sorrows and joys, and accompanied with flute music.

DITMARSH, a low-lying fertile district in West Holstein, between the estuaries of the Elbe and the Eider; defended by dykes; it had a legal code of its own known as the "Ditmarsches Landbuch."

DITTON, HUMPHREY, author of a book on fluxions (1675-1715).

DIU, a small Portuguese island, with a port of the same name, in the Gulf of Cambay, S. of the peninsula of Gujarat, India; was a flourishing place once, and contained a famous Hindu temple; inhabited now chiefly by fishermen.

DIVAN, THE, a collection of poems by Hafiz, containing nearly 600 odes; also a collection of lyrics in imitation of Goethe, entitled "Westöstlicher Divan."

DIVES, the name given, originally in the Vulgate, to the rich man in the parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus.

DIVIDING RANGE, a range of mountains running E. from Melbourne, and then N., dividing the basin of the Murray from the plain extending to the coast.

DIVINE COMEDY, THE, the great poem of Dante Alighieri, consisting of three compartments, "Inferno," "Purgatorio," and "Paradiso"; "three kingdoms . . . Dante's World of Souls . . . all three making up the true Unseen World, as it figured in the Christianity of the Middle Ages"; the poem describes how, in a vision, Dante passes through hell, purgatory, and heaven, led by Virgil, Beatrice, and St. Bernard. See **DANTE**, and Carlyle's "Heroes and Hero-Worship."

DIVINE DOCTOR, Jean de Ruysbroek, the mystic (1294-1381).

DIVINE PAGAN, Hypatia (q.v.).

DIVINE RIGHT, a claim on the part of kings, now all but extinct, though matter of keen debate at one time, that they derive their authority to rule direct from the Almighty, and are responsible to no inferior power, a right claimed especially on the part of and in behalf of the Bourbons in France and the Stuart dynasty in England, and the denial of which was regarded by them and their partisans as an outrage against the ordinance of very Heaven.

DIXIE LAND, nigger land in U.S.

DIXMUDE, town in the province of W. Flanders, Belgium, on the river Yser 12 m. N. of Ypres. It was the scene of much fighting in the autumn of 1914, and was finally recaptured by the Belgians in Sept., 1918.

DIXON, WILLIAM HEPPWORTH, an English writer and journalist, born in Manchester; called to the bar, but devoted himself to literary work; wrote *Lives of Howard*, Penn. Robert Blake, and Lord Bacon. "New America," "Spiritual Wives," &c.; was editor of the *Athenaeum* from 1853 to 1869; died suddenly (1821-1879).

DIZIER, ST., a flourishing French town, 30 m. from Chalons-sur-Marne.

DJEZZAR (i.e. Butcher), the surname of Achmed Pasha, of Acre; was born in Bosnia; was sold as a slave, and raised himself by his servility to his master to the length of executing his cruellest wishes; in 1799 withstood a long siege of Acre by Bonaparte, and obliged him to retire (1785-1804).

DNIEPER, a river of Russia, anciently called the Borysthenes, the third largest for volume of water in Europe, surpassed only by the Danube and the Volga; rises in the province of Smolensk, and flowing in a generally southerly direction, falls into the Black Sea below Kherson after a course of 1330 m.; it traverses some of the finest provinces of the country, and is navigable nearly its entire length.

DNIESTER, a river which takes its rise in Austria, in the Carpathians, enters Russia, flows generally in a SE. direction past Bender, and after a rapid course of 650 m. falls into the Black Sea at Akermans.

DOAB, THE, a richly fertile, densely peopled territory in the Punjab, between the Jumna and Ganges, and extending 500 m. N., that is, as far as the Himalayas; it is the granary of Upper India.

- DOBELL, SIDNEY**, poet, born at Cranbrook, in Kent; wrote, under the pseudonym of Sidney Yendys, the "Roman," a drama, "Balder," and, along with Alexander Smith, sonnets on the war (the Crimean); suffered much from weak health (1824-1874).
- DÖBEREINER'S LAME**, a light caused by a jet of hydrogen passing over spongy platinum; named after Johann Döbereiner, a German chemist (1780-1849).
- DOBROVSKÍ, JOSEPH**, a philologist, born in Gyarmet, in Hungary; devoted his life to the study of the Bohemian language and literature; wrote a history of them, the fruit of immense labour, under which his brain gave way more than once; was trained among the Jesuits (1768-1829).
- DÖBENTZ, HUNGARIAN** archaeologist; devoted 80 years of his life to the study of the Magyar language; author of "Ancient Monuments of the Magyar Language" (1786-1851).
- DOBRUDJA**, the part of Rumania between the Danube and the Black Sea, a barren, unwholesome district; rears herds of cattle.
- DOBBON, AUSTIN**, poet and prose writer, born at Plymouth, held appointment in a department of the Civil Service; wrote "Vignettes in Rhyme," "Proverbs in Prose," "Old World Idylls," in verse, and in prose Lives of Fielding, Hogarth, Steele, and Goldsmith; contributed extensively to the magazines (1840-1921).
- DOBSON, WILLIAM**, portrait-painter, born in London; succeeded Vandryk as king's serjeant-painter to Charles I.; painted the king and members of his family and court; supreme in his art prior to Sir Joshua Reynolds; died in poverty (1610-1646).
- DOCTE**, a sect of heretics in the early Church who held that the humanity of Christ was only seeming, not real, on the Gnostic or Manichean theory of the essential impurity and defiling nature of matter or the flesh.
- DOCTOR SYNTAX**. See COMBE, WILLIAM.
- DOCTORS' COMMONS**, a college of doctors of the civil law in London, where they used to eat in common, and where eventually a number of the courts of law were held.
- DOCTRINAIRES**, mere theorists, particularly on social and political questions; applied originally to a political party that arose in France in 1815, headed by Royer-Collard and represented by Guizot, which stood up for a constitutional government that should steer clear of acknowledging the divine right of kingship on the one hand and the divine right of democracy on the other.
- DODABETTA**, the highest peak, 8700 ft., in the Nilgherries.
- DODD, FRANCIS**, British artist. He was one of the official artists of the Great War, and connected with the New English Art Club (1874-).
- DODD, DR. WILLIAM**, an English divine, born at Bourne, Lincolnshire; was one of the royal chaplains; attracted fashionable audiences as a preacher in London, but lived extravagantly, and fell hopelessly into debt, and into disgrace for the nefarious device he adopted to get out of it; forged a bond for £4500 on the Earl of Chesterfield, who had been a pupil of his; was arrested, tried, convicted, and sentenced to death, a sentence which was carried out notwithstanding the great exertions made to procure a pardon; wrote a "Commentary on the Bible," and compiled "The Beauties of Shakespeare" (1729-1777).
- DODDRIDGE, PHILIP**, a Nonconformist divine, born in London; was minister at Keworth, Market Harborough, and Northampton successively, and much esteemed both as a man and a teacher; suffered from pulmonary complaint; went to Lisbon for a change, and died there; was the author of "The Family Expositor," but is best known by his "Rise and Progress of Babel in the Soul," and perhaps also by his "Life of Colonel Gardiner" (1702-1751).
- DÖDERLEIN, LUDWIG**, a German philologist, born at Jena; became professor of Philology at Erlangen; edited Tacitus, Horace, and other classic authors, but his principal works were on the etymology of the Latin language (1791-1863).
- DODGER, THE ARTFUL**, a young expert in theft and other villainies in Dickens' "Oliver Twist."
- DODGSON, CHARLES LUTWIDGE**, English writer and man of genius, with the *nom de plume* of Lewis Carroll; distinguished himself at Oxford in mathematics; author of "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," with its sequel, "Through the Looking Glass," besides other works, mathematical, poetic, and humorous; mingled humour and science together (1833-1898).
- DODINGTON, GEORGE BUBE**, an English politician, notorious for his sickleness, siding now with this party, now with that; worked for and won a peerage as Lord Melcombe before he died; with all his pretensions, and they were many, a mere dunkey at bottom (1691-1762).
- DODO**, an ungainly bird larger than a turkey, with short scaly legs, a big head and bill, short wings and tail, and greyish down plumage, now extinct, though it is known to have existed in the Mauritius some 200 years ago.
- DODONA**, an ancient oracle of Zeus, in Epirus, close by a grove of oak trees, from the agitation of the branches of which the mind of the god was construed, the interpreters being at length three old women; it was more or less a local oracle, and was ere long superseded by the more widely known oracle of Delphi (q.v.).
- DODS, MEG**, an old landlady of consistently inconsistent qualities in "St. Roman's Well"; also the pseudonym of the authoress of a book on cookery.
- DODSLEY, ROBERT**, an English poet, dramatist, and publisher; wrote a drama called "The Toyshop," which, through Pope's influence, was acted in Drury Lane with such success as to enable the author to commence business as a bookseller in Pall Mall; projected and published the *Miscellany*, and continued to write plays, the most popular "Cleone"; is best known in connection with his "Collection of Old Plays"; he was a patron of Johnson, and much esteemed by him (1708-1764).
- DOEG**, a herdman of Saul (1 Sam. xxi. 7); a name applied by Dryden to Elkanah Settle in "Absalom and Achitophel."
- DOGBERRY**, a self-satisfied night constable in "Much Ado about Nothing."
- DOG-DAYS**, 20 days before and 20 days after the rising of the dog-star Sirius, at present from July 3 to August 11.
- DOGE**, the name of the chief magistrate of Venice and Genoa, elected at first annually and then for life in Venice, with, in course of time, powers more and more limited, at a length becoming little more than a figure-head; the office ceased with the fall of the republic in 1797, as it did in Genoa in 1804.
- DOGGER BANK**, a sandbank in the North Sea; a great fishing-field extending between Jutland in Denmark and Yorkshire in England, though distant from both shores, 170 m. long, over 60 m. broad, and from 8 to 10 fathoms deep. It was the scene of a British naval victory over the Germans in January, 1915.
- DOGGETT'S COAT AND BADGE**, a prize competed for annually by the watermen of the Thames, inaugurated in 1715 by Thomas Doggett, a Drury Lane actor of George I.'s reign.
- DOGS, ISLE OF**, a low-lying projection of a square mile in extent from the left bank of the Thames, opposite Greenwich, and 5½ m. E. of St. Paul's.
- DOLABELLA, PUBLIUS**, son-in-law of Cicero, a profligate man, joined Caesar, and was raised by him to the consulship; joined Caesar's murderers after his death; was declared from his profligacy a public enemy; driven to bay by a force sent against him, ordered one of his soldiers to kill him.
- DOLCI, CARLO**, a Florentine painter, came of a race of artists; produced many fine works, the subjects of them chiefly madonnas, saints, &c. (1616-1686).
- DOLOMO**, a heresiarch and martyr of the 14th century, of the Apostolic Brethren, a sect which rose in Piedmont who made themselves obnoxious to the Church; was driven to bay by his persecutors, and at last caught and tortured and burnt to death; a similar fate overtook others of the sect, to its extermination.
- DOLDRUMS**, a zone of the tropics where calms lasting for some weeks prevail, broken at times by squalls and baffling winds.

DOLE, a town in the dep. of Jura, on the Doubs, and the Rhône and Rhine Canal, 28 m. SE. of Dijon, with ironworks, and a trade in wine, grain, &c.

DOLE, a charitable grant of money or food. The word came to be applied loosely both to outdoor relief paid by the guardians and the weekly benefit paid under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

DOLÉ, STIENNE, a learned French humanist, born in Orleans, became, by the study of the classics, one of the lights of the Renaissance, and one of its most zealous propagandists; suffered persecution after persecution at the hands of the Church, and was burned in the Place Maubert, Paris, a martyr to his philocephic zeal and opinions (1509-1546).

DOLGELLY, county town of Merioneth, Wales, with woollen manufactures; Cader Idris, 2920 ft., is in the vicinity.

DOLGOROUKI, the name of a noble and illustrious Russian family.

DOLLART ZEE, a gulf in Holland into which the Ems flows, 8 m. long by 7 broad, and formed by inundation of the North Sea.

DOLLINGER, JOHANN JOSEPH IGNAZ VON, a Catholic theologian, born in Bamberg, Bavaria, professor of Church History in the University of Munich; head of the Old Catholic party in Germany; was at first a zealous Ultramontanist, but changed his opinions and became quite as zealous in opposing first, the temporal sovereignty, and then the infallibility of the Pope, to his excommunication from the Church; he was a polemic, and as such wrote extensively on theological and ecclesiastical topics; lived to a great age, and was much honoured to the last (1790-1890).

DOLLOND, JOHN, a mathematical instrument-maker, born in Spitalfields, London, of Dutch descent; began life as a silk-weaver; made good use of his leisure hours in studies bearing mainly on physics; went into partnership with his son, who was an optician; made a study of the telescope, suggested improvements which commended themselves to the Royal Society, and in particular how, by means of a combination of lenses, to get rid of the coloured fringe in the image (1708-1761).

DOLMEN, a rude structure of prehistoric date in France, equivalent to the cromlech (q.v.), consisting of upright unburnt stones supporting one or more heavy slabs; long regarded as altars of sacrifice, but now believed to be sepulchral monuments; found in great numbers in Brittany especially.

DOLOMITTE, a double carbonate of lime and magnesia, common in some limestones such as the magnesian limestone of Permian age of Yorkshire and Durham, and the rocks of the Dolomites of the Eastern Alps.

DOLOMITTE ALPS, a limestone mountain range forming the S. of the Eastern Alps, in the Tyrol, Italy, famous for the remarkable and fantastic shapes they assume; named after Dolomieu, a French mineralogist, who studied the geology of them.

DOLAT, JEAN, a learned French jurist and friend of Pascal, regarded laws and customs as the reflex of political history (1625-1696).

DOMBAULE, an eminent French agriculturist, born at Nancy (1771-1818).

DOM-BOKÉ (i.e. Doom-book), a code of laws compiled by King Alfred from two prior Saxon codes, to which he prefixed the Ten Commandments of Moses, and rules of life from the Christian code of ethics.

DOMBROWSKI, JAN HENRYK, a Polish general, served in the Polish campaigns against Russia and Prussia in 1792-1794; organised a Polish legion which did good service in the wars of Napoleon; covered the retreat of the French at the Beresina in 1812 (1765-1818).

DOMDAMEN, a hall under the ocean, near Tunis, where the evil spirits and magicians hold council under their chief and pay him homage, according to the Continuation of the "Arabian Nights."

DOMENICHI NO, DOMENICO ZAMPIERI, a celebrated Italian painter, born at Bologna; studied under Calvaert and Carracci; was of the Bolognese school, and reckoned one of the first of them; his principal works are his "Communion of St. Jerome," now in the Vatican, and the "Martyrdom of St. Agnes," at Bologna, the former being regarded as his master-

piece; he was the victim of persecution at the hands of rivals; died at Naples, not without suspicion of having been poisoned (1581-1641).

DOMESDAY BOOK, the record (since printed in 2 vols.) of the survey of all the lands of England made between 1084 and 1086 at the instance of William the Conqueror for purposes of taxation; the survey included the whole of England, except the four northern counties and part of Lancashire, and was made by commissioners appointed by the king and sent to the different districts of the country, where they held courts and registered everything on evidence.

DOMETT, ALFRED, New Zealand politician and poet; born in Surrey, went to New Zealand and ultimately became a member of the Government; published "Ranolf and Amohia" and other verse; was the original of "Waring" in Browning's poem (1811-1887).

DOMINANCE, term used in biology to express the fact that when an offspring receives the genes (g.p.) of two contrasting characters from its two parents in many cases, one of the characters (the dominant) will develop to the exclusion of the other, instead of combining; the repressed character (the recessive) may reappear in the next generation; for example, a cross between pure-bred, horned and hornless cattle produces offspring which are all hornless, but if these were mated some horned animals might be found among their descendants.

DOMINIO DE GUZMAN, ST., saint of the Catholic Church, born in Old Castile; distinguished for his zeal in the conversion of the heretic; essayed the task by simple preaching of the Word; sanctioned persecution when persuasion was of no avail; countenanced the crusade of Simon de Montfort against the Albigenses for their obstinate unbelief, and thus established a precedent which was all too relentlessly followed by the agents of the Spanish Inquisition, the chiefs of which were of the Dominican order, so that he is ignominiously remembered as the "burner and slayer of heretics" (1170-1221). Festival, Aug. 4.

DOMINICA or DOMINIQUE, the largest and most southerly of the Leeward Islands, belonging to Britain; one-half of the island is forest, and parts of it have never been explored; was discovered by Columbus on Sunday, November 3, 1493, whence its name.

DOMINICAL or SUNDAY LETTER, is used for calendar purposes; each year is given one of the letters A to G corresponding to the date of the first Sunday in the year; if Jan. 1 falls on a Sunday, A; on a Saturday, B; on a Friday, C, etc. A leap year will have two letters, one for the first two months and a second for the remainder of the year.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, or SAN DOMINGO, a republic forming the E. part of the island of Hayti, and consisting of two-thirds of it; it belonged alternately to France and Spain till 1865, when, on revolt, the Spaniards were expelled, and a republic established; the capital is San Domingo, and the chief port Puerto Plata.

DOMINICANS, a religious order of preaching friars, founded at Toulouse in 1215 by St. Dominic, to aid in the conversion of the heretic Albigenses to the faith, and finally established as the order whose especial charge it was to guard the orthodoxy of the Church. The order was known by the name of Black Friars in England, from their dress; and Jacobins in France, from the street of Paris in which they had their headquarters.

DOMINIONS OFFICE, TER, the government department dealing with the self-governing Dominions, instituted in 1925, till when its work had been done since 1854 by the Colonial Office.

DOMINUS MARCO ANTONIO DE, a vacillating ecclesiastic, born in Dalmatia; was educated by the Jesuits; taught mathematics in Padua; wrote a treatise in which an explanation was for the first time given of the phenomenon of the rainbow; became archbishop of Spalatro; falling under suspicion he passed over to England, professed Protestantism, and was made dean of Windsor; reconciled to the Papacy, returned to the Church of Rome, and left the country; his sincerity being distrusted, was cast into prison, where he died, his

body being afterwards disinterred and burned (1506-1624).

DOMITIAN, Roman emperor, son of Vespasian, brother of Titus, whom he succeeded in 81, the last of the twelve Cæsars; exceeded the expectations of every one in the beginning of his reign, as he had given proof of a licentious and sanguinary character beforehand, but soon his conduct changed, and fulfilled the worst fears of his subjects; his vanity was wounded by the non-success of his arms, and his vengeful spirit showed itself in a wholesale murder of the citizens; many conspiracies were formed against his life, and he at length murdered by an assassin, who had been hired by his courtiers and abetted by his wife Domitia, in 96.

DOMREMY, a small village on the Meuse, in the dep. of Voeges; the birthplace of Joan of Arc.

DON, a Russian river, the ancient Tanais; flows southward from its source in the province of Tula, and after a course of 1163 m. falls into the Sea of Azov; also the name of a river in Aberdeenshire, and another in Yorkshire.

DON JUAN, the member of a distinguished family of Seville, who seduces the daughter of a noble, and when confronted by her father stabs him to death in a duel; he afterwards prepares a feast and invites the stone statue of his victim to partake of it; the stone statue turns up at the feast, compels Don Juan to follow him, and delivers him over to the abyss of hell, for the depths of which he had qualified himself by his depravity. The story has provided plays by Molière and Cornelle, and an opera by Mozart.

DON QUIXOTE, the title of a world-famous book written by Miguel Cervantes, in satire of the romances of chivalry with which his countrymen were so fascinated; the chief character of the story gives title to it, a worthy gentleman of La Mancha, whose head is so turned by reading tales of knight-errantry, that he fancies he is a knight-errant himself, sallies forth in quest of adventures, and encounters them in the most commonplace incidents, among his most ridiculous extravaganzas being his tilting with the wind-mills, and his over-weening regard he has for his Dulcinea del Toboso.

DONALDSON, JOHN WILLIAM, a philologist, born in London; Fellow of Cambridge and tutor of Trinity College; author of "New Cratylus; or Contributions towards a more Accurate Knowledge of the Greek Language," a work of great erudition and of value to scholars; contributed also to the philological study of Latin, and wrote a grammar of both languages; he failed when he intruded into the field of Biblical criticism (1811-1861).

DONATELLO, a great Italian sculptor, born at Florence, where he was apprenticed to a goldsmith; tried his hand at carving in leisure hours; went to Rome and studied the monuments of ancient art; returned to Florence and executed an "Annunciation," still preserved in a chapel in Santa Croce, which was followed by marble statues of St. Peter, St. Mark, and St. George, before one of which, that of St. Mark, Michael Angelo exclaimed, "Why do you not speak to me?" he executed tombs and figures, or groups in bronze as well as marble; his schoolmasters were the sculptors of Greece, and the real was his ultimate model (1386-1460).

DONATI, GIOVANNI BATTISTA, an Italian astronomer, born at Pisa; discoverer of the comet of 1858, called Donati's comet (1826-1873).

DONATISTS, a sect in N. Africa, founded by Donatus, bishop of Carthage, in the 4th century, that separated from the rest of the Church and formed itself into an exclusive community, with bishops and congregations of its own, on the ground that no one was entitled to be a member of Christ's body, or an overseer of Christ's flock, who was not of divine election, this stand being taken in the face of an attempt, backed by the Emperor Constantine, to thrust a bishop on the Church at Carthage, consecrated by an authority that had betrayed and sold the Church to the world; Donatus, a rival bishop, gave his name to the party; the members of it were subject to cruel persecutions in which they gloried, and were annihilated by the Saracens in the 7th century.

DONATUS, ZELIUS, a Latin grammarian and rheto-

rician of the 4th century, the teacher of St. Jerome; the author of treatises in grammar known as *Donats*, which, with the sacred Scriptures, were the earliest examples of printing by means of letters cut on wooden blocks; they were so appreciated as elementary works that they gave name to treatises of the kind on any subject; he wrote also *scholia* to the plays of Terence.

DONAU, the German name for the Danube.

DONCASTER, a manufacturing town and important coal centre in the West Riding of Yorkshire, well built, in a pleasant country, on the Don, 33 m. S. of York; famous for its races, the St. Leger in particular, called after Colonel St. Leger, who instituted them in 1776.

DONDRA HEAD, the southern extremity of Ceylon, once the site of the capital.

DONEGAL, a county in the NW. of Ireland, in the Irish Free State, the most mountainous in the country; is mossy and boggy, and is indented along the coast with bays, and fringed with islands.

DONETZ, a tributary of the Russian Don, the basin of which forms one large coalfield, reckoned to be as large as all Yorkshire, and one of the largest of any in the world.

DONGOLA, NEW, a town in Nubia, on the left bank of the Nile, above the third cataract, 20th N. and over 700 m. from Cairo; was founded by the Mamelukes.

DONIZETTI, GAETANO, a celebrated Italian composer, born at Bergamo, Lombardy, and studied at Bologna; devoted himself to dramatic music; produced over 60 operas, among the number "Lucia di Lammermoor," the "Daughter of the Regiment," "Lucrezia Borgia," and "La Favorita," all well known, and all possessing a melodious quality of the first order (1797-1848).

DONNE, JOHN, English poet and divine, born in London; a man of good degree; brought up in the Catholic faith; after weighing the claims of the Romish and Anglican communions, joined the latter; married a young lady of sixteen without consent of her father, which involved him in trouble for a time; was induced to take holy orders by King James; was made his chaplain, and finally became Dean of St. Paul's; wrote sermons, some 200 letters and essays, as well as poems, the latter, amid many defects, revealing a soul instinct with true poetic fire (1573-1631).

DONNYBROOK, a village now included in Dublin, long celebrated for its fairs and the fights of which it was the scene on such occasions.

DONON, the highest peak of the Vosges Mountains.

DOO, GEORGE THOMAS, a celebrated English line-engraver, and one of the best in his day (1800-1896).

DOON, a river rendered classic by the muse of Burns, which after a course of 30 m. joins the Clyde 2 m. S. of Ayr.

DOORN CASTLE, a Dutch mansion, the residence of ex-Kaiser William II. of Germany after his exile.

DOPLER EFFECT, the apparent change in frequency when there is a relative movement between the source of a wave motion, such as light or sound, and the observer; for example, the whistle of an approaching express train appears to be of higher pitch than when it is stationary, and of lower when it is moving away; a star which is moving away from the earth has the lines in its spectrum displaced towards the red end, one which is approaching towards the violet end; this effect is utilised for measuring the velocity of a star in the line of sight.

D.O.R.A., Defence of the Realm Act, a measure passed in 1916 curtailing the liberty of the subject in many ways in order to assist in the prosecution of the Great War. Increased powers were given to the executive, and hours of shop closing were fixed.

DORA D'ISTRIA, the pseudonym of Helena Ghika, born in Wallachia, of noble birth; distinguished for her beauty and accomplishments; was eminent as a linguist; translated the "Iliad" into German; wrote works, the fruits of travels (1829-1888).

DORAN, JOHN, an English man of letters, born in London, of Irish descent; wrote on miscellaneous subjects; became editor of the *Athenæum* and *Notes and Queries* (1807-1878).

DORAT, JEAN, a French poet, born at Limoges; a Greek scholar; contributed much to the revival of

classical literature in France, and was one of the French Pleiade (q.v.); d. 1598.

DORCAS SOCIETY, a society for making clothing for the poor. See Acts ix. 36.

DORCHESTER, the county town of Dorset, on the Frome; was a Roman town, and contains the ruins of a Roman amphitheatre. It was the home of Thomas Hardy.

DORDOGNE, a river in the S. of France, which, after a course of 300 m., falls into the estuary of Garonne; also a dep. through which it flows.

DORÉ, GUSTAVE, a French painter and designer, born in Strasbourg; grained great power and fertility of invention, having, it is alleged, produced more than 50,000 designs; had a wonderful faculty for seizing likenesses, and would draw from memory groups of faces he had seen only once; among the books he illustrated are the "Contes Drolatiques" of Balzac, the works of Rabelais and Montaigne, Dante's "Inferno," also his "Purgatorio" and "Paradiso," "Don Quixote," Tennyson's "Idylls," Milton's works, and Coleridge's "Ancient Mariner"; among his paintings were "Christ Leaving the Pætorium" and "Christ's Entry into Jerusalem"; he left behind him works of sculpture as well as drawings and pictures; his art has been severely handled by the critics, and most of all by Ruskin (1833-1883).

DORIA, ANDREA, a naval commander, born in Genoa, of noble descent, though his parents were poor; a man of patriotic instincts; adopted the profession of arms at the age of 19; became commander of the fleet in 1513; attacked with signal success the Turkish corsairs that infested the Mediterranean; served under Francis I. to free his country from a faction that threatened its independence, and, by his help, succeeded in expelling it; next, in fear of the French supremacy, served under Charles V., and entering Genoa was hailed as its liberator, and received the title of "Father and Defender of his country"; the rest of his long life was one incessant wrestle with his great rival Barbarossa, the chief of the corsairs, which ended in his defeat (1466-1560).

DORIANS, one of the four divisions of the Hellenic race, the other three being the Achæans, the Æolians, and the Ionians; at an early period they overran the whole Peloponnese; they were a hardy people, of staid habits and earnest character.

DORIC, the oldest, strongest, and simplest of the four Grecian orders of architecture; characterised by massive fluted columns without ornament.

DORIS, a small mountainous country of ancient Greece, S. of Thessaly, and embracing the valley of the Pindus.

DORIS, the wife of Nereus, and mother of the Nereids.

DORISLAUS, ISAAC, a lawyer, born at Alkmaar, in Holland; came to England, and was appointed Judge-Advocate; acted as such at King Charles's trial, and was for that latter offence assassinated at the Hague one evening by Royalist cut-throats; his portrait represents him as a man of heavy, deep-winkled, elephantine countenance, pressed down by the labours of life and law (1596-1649).

DORKING, a market-town picturesquely situated in the heart of Surrey, 24 m. S.W. of London; gives name to a breed of fowls; contains a number of fashionable villas.

DORN, JOHANN ALBRECHT, a distinguished German orientalist; wrote a History of the Afghans, and works on their language (1805-1881).

DORNER, ISAAK AUGUST, a German theologian, born at Württemberg; studied at Tübingen; became professor of Theology in Berlin, after having held a similar post in several other German universities; his principal works were the "History of the Development of the Doctrine of the Person of Christ," and the "History of Protestant Theology" (1809-1884).

DORNOCH, the county town of Sutherland, a small place, but a royal burgh; has a good golf-course.

DOROS, a son of Helen and grandson of Deucali; the father of the Dorians, as his brother Æolis of the Æolians.

DOBOTHEA, ST., a virgin of Alexandria, martyrdom by being beheaded in 311. Feb. 6.

DORPAT, a town on the Embach, in Livonia, Russia, 150 m. N.E. of Riga, with a celebrated university founded by Gustavus Adolphus in 1632, which has a well-equipped staff, and is well attended; the majority of the population is German.

D'ORSAY, COUNT, a man of fashion, born in Paris; entered the French army; forsook it for the society of Lord and Lady Blessington; married Lady B.'s daughter by a former marriage; came to England with her ladyship on her husband's death; started a joint establishment in London, which became a rendezvous for all the literary people and artists about town; was "Phœbus Apollo of Dandyism"; having shown kindness to Louis Napoleon when in London, the Prince did not forget him; having some pretensions to art as a painter and sculptor, he was appointed Director of Fine Arts in Paris by the Prince after the *coup d'État*, but he did not live to fill the position (1801-1852).

DORSET, maritime county in the S. of England, with a deeply indented coast; it consists of a plain between two eastward- and westward-reaching belts of downs; is mainly a pastoral county; rears sheep and cattle, and produces butter and cheese.

DORT, or DORDRECHT, a town on an island in the Maas, in the province of South Holland, 12 m. S.E. of Rotterdam; admirably situated for trade, connected as it is with the Rhine as well, on which rafts of wood are sent floating down to it; is famous for a Synod held here in 1618-1619, at which the tenets of Arminius were condemned, and the doctrines of Calvin approved and endorsed as those of the Reformed Church.

DORTMUND, a town in Westphalia; a great mineral and railway centre, with large iron and steel forges, and a number of breweries.

DOSTOEVSKI, FEDOR MIKHAILOVITCH, Russian novelist and author of "Crime and Punishment," one of the greatest realistic novels ever written. Always poor, he was an epileptic, and served four years in a Siberian prison for attending Socialist gatherings, later escaping abroad (1821-1881).

DOTHEBOYS HALL, a scholastic establishment in "Nicholas Nickleby" conducted by the grasping, mean, avaricious Squeers.

DOUAY, a town on the Scarpe, in the dep. of Nord, France, 20 m. S. of Lille, and one of the chief military towns of the country; has a college founded in 1568 for the education of Catholic priests intended for England, and is the place where a version of the Bible in English for the use of Catholics was issued.

DOUBS, a tributary of the Saône, which it falls into below Dole; gives name to the dep., which it traverses.

DOUBTING CASTLE, a castle belonging to Giant Despair in the "Pilgrim's Progress," which only one key could open, the key Promise.

DOUCE, FRANCIS, a learned antiquary, born in London; for a time keeper of MSS. in the British Museum; author of "Illustrations of Shakespeare," and an illustrated volume, "The Dance of Death," left to the Bodleian Library a chest of books and MSS. (1757-1834).

DOUGLAS, the largest town and capital as well as chief port, of the Isle of Man, 74 m. from Liverpool; much frequented as a bathing-place; contains an old residence of the Dukes of Atholl, entitled Castle Mona, now a hotel. See MAN, ISLE OF.

DOUGLAS, the name of an old Scottish family, believed to be of Celtic origin, that played a conspicuous part at one time in the internal and external struggles of the country; they figure in Scottish history in two branches, the elder called the Black and the later the Red Douglasses or the Angus branch, now represented by the houses of Hamilton and Hume. The eldest of the Douglasses, William, was a kinsman of the house of Murray, and appears to have lived about the end of the 12th century. One of the most illustrious of the family was the

a castlet to bury it in Palestine, but died fighting in Spain, 1830.

DOUGLAS, GAWIN or GAVIN, a Scottish poet and bishop of Dunkeld, third son of Archibald, Earl of Angus, surnamed "Bell-the-Cat"; political troubles

obliged him to leave the country and take refuge at the Court of Henry VII., where he was held in high regard; died here of the plague, and was buried by his own wish in the Savoy; besides Ovid's "Art of Love," now lost, he translated (1512-1513) the "Æneid" of Virgil into English verse, to each book of which he prefixed a prologue, in certain of which there are descriptions that evince a poet's love of nature combined with his love as a Scotsman for the scenery of his native land; besides this translation, which is his chief work, he indited two allegorical poems, entitled the "Palace of Honour," addressed to James IV., and "King Hart" (1474-1522).

DOUGLAS, SIR HOWARD, an English general and writer on military subjects, born at Gosport; saw service in the Peninsula; was Governor of New Brunswick and Lord High Commissioner of the Ionian Islands (1776-1861).

DOUGLAS, JOHN, bishop of Salisbury, born at Pittenweem, Fife; wrote "The Criterion of, or a Discourse on, Miracles" against Hume; was a friend of Samuel Johnson (1721-1807).

DOUGLAS, STEPHEN ARNOLD, an American statesman, born in Brandon, Vermont; a lawyer by profession, and a Judge; a member of Congress and the Senate; was a Democrat; stood for the Presidency, when Lincoln was elected; was a leader in the Western States; a splendid monument is erected to his memory in Chicago (1813-1861).

DOUGLASS, FREDERICK, American orator, born a slave in Maryland; wrought as a slave in a Baltimore shipbuilder's yard; escaped at the age of 21 to New York; attended an anti-slavery meeting, where he spoke so eloquently that he was appointed by the Anti-Slavery Society to lecture on its behalf, which he did with success and much appreciation in England as well as America; appointed U.S.A. minister to Hayti, 1889; published an Autobiography, which gives a thrilling account of his life (1817-1895).

DOULTON, SIR HENRY, the reviver of art pottery, born in Lambeth; knighted in the Jubilee year for his eminence in that department (1820-1897).

DOUMERGUE, GASTON, President of the French Republic, who assumed office in 1924 (1863-).

DOURO, a river, and the largest, of the Spanish Peninsula, which rises in the Cantabrian Mountains; forms for 40 m. the northern boundary of Portugal, and after a course of 500 m. falls into the Atlantic at Oporto; is navigable only where it traverses Portugal.

DOUSTER-SWIVEL, a German swindling schemer in the "Antiquary."

DOVE, in Christian art the symbol of the Holy Ghost, or of a pure, or a purified soul, and with an olive branch, the symbol of peace and the gospel of peace.

DOVER, THOMAS, a physician of George II.'s reign, who after an adventurous career as a buccaner settled in London and established a fashionable practice; accompanied Captain Woodes Rogers and Dampier on the voyage when Alex. Selkirk was rescued from Juan Fernandez; introduced the well-known Dover's Powder, used as a sudorific and sedative (c. 1680-1742).

DOVER, a seaport on the E. coast of Kent, and the nearest in England to the coast of France, 60 m. S.E. of London, and with a mail service to Calais and Ostend; is strongly fortified, and the chief station in the S.E. military district of England; was the chief of the Cinque Ports.

DOVER PATROL, THE, an arm of the fleet set up during the Great War to maintain communication in the Channel; its monitors made frequent attacks on the Belgian coast.

DOVER, STRAIT OF, divides France from England and connects the English Channel with the North Sea; at the narrowest is 20 m. across; forms a busy sea highway; is called by the French *Pas de Calais*.

DOVERFELD, a range of mountains in Norway, stretching N.E. and extending between 62° and 63° N. lat., average height 3000 ft.

DOW, or DOUW, GERARD, a distinguished Dutch genre-painter, born at Leyden; a pupil of Rembrandt; his works, which are very numerous, are the fruit of a devoted study of nature, and are

remarkable for their delicacy and perfection of finish; examples of his works are found in all the great galleries of Europe (1613-1675).

DOWDEN, EDWARD, literary critic, professor of English Literature in Dublin University, born in Cork; distinguished specially as a Shakespearean; author of "Shakespeare: a Study of his Mind and Art," "Introduction to Shakespeare," and "Shakespearean Sonnets, with Notes"; wrote "Studies in Literature," and a "Life of Shelley"; also a critical appreciation of Goethe (1843-1913).

DOWNS, a maritime county in the S.E. of Ulster, Ireland, with a mostly level and fairly fertile soil, and manufactures of linen.

DOWNS, THE, a safe place of anchorage, 8 m. long by 6 m. broad, for ships between Goodwin Sands and the coast of Kent; the scene of several sea-fights between the Dutch and British.

DOWNS, THE NORTH AND SOUTH, two divergent ranges of broad hills and plateaux of cretaceous age with a valley between, called the Weald, that extend eastward from Hampshire to the sea-coast, the North terminating in Dover cliffs, Kent, and the South in Beachy Head, Sussex; the South famous for the breed of sheep that pastures on them.

DOYLE, SIR ARTHUR CONAN, novelist, nephew of Richard Doyle (q.v.), born in Edinburgh; studied and practised medicine, but gave it up after a time for literature, in which he had already achieved no small success; several of his productions soon attracted universal attention, especially his "White Company," "The Refugees," and the Sherlock Holmes series; wrote a short play "A Story of Waterloo," produced with success by Sir Henry Irving; later gave increasing attention to spiritualism (1859-1930).

DOYLE, SIR FRANCIS HASTINGS, an English poet, born near Tadcaster; bred to the bar, but devoted to poetry and horse-racing; became professor of Poetry at Oxford; author of "Miscellaneous Verses," "Two Destinies," "Retreat of the Guards," "The Thread of Honour," and "The Private of the Buffs" (1810-1858).

DOYLE, JOHN, an eminent caricaturist, of Irish origin, under the initials H. B. (1797-1868).

DOYLE, RICHARD, eminent caricaturist, born in London, son of the preceding; contributed to *Punch*, of which he designed the cover, but left the staff in 1850 owing to the criticisms in the journal adverse to the Catholic Church; devoted himself after that chiefly to book illustration and water-colour painting (1824-1883).

DOZY, REINHART, an Orientalist and linguist, born at Leyden, where he became professor of History; devoted himself to the study of the history of the Arabs or Moors in North-Western Africa and Spain, his chief work being "The History of the Mussulmans of Spain"; wrote also a "Detailed Dictionary of the Names of the Dress of the Arabs" (1820-1884).

DRACHENFELS (Dragon's Rock), one of the Siebenbrügg, 8 m. S.E. of Bonn, 1056 ft. above the Rhine, and crowned by a castle with a commanding view; the legendary abode of the dragon killed by Siegfried in the "Lay of the Nibelungen."

DRAO, a celebrated Athenian lawgiver, who first gave stability to the State by committing the laws to writing, and establishing the Epheta, or court of appeal, 621 B.C.; he punished every transgressor of his laws with death, so that his code became unbearable, and was superseded ere long by a milder, instituted by Solon, who affixed the penalty of death to murder alone; he is said to have justified the severity of his code by maintaining that the smallest crime deserved death, and he knew no severer punishment for greater; is said to have been smothered to death in the theatre by the hats and cloaks showered on him as a popular mark of honour; he was archon of Athens.

DRAGON, a fabulous monster, being a hideous impersonation of some form of deadly evil, which only preternatural heroic strength and courage can subdue, and on the subdual and slaying of which depends the achievement of some conquest of vital moment to the human race or some members of it; is represented in mediæval art as a large, lizard-like animal, with the claws of a lion, the wings of an

eagle, and the tail of a serpent, with open jaws ready and eager to devour, which some knight high-mounted thrusts at to pierce to death with a spear; in the Greek mythology it is represented with eyes ever on the watch, in symbol of the evil that waylays us to kill, as in guarding the "Apples of the Hesperides" and the "Golden Fleece," because these are prizes that fall only to those who are as watchful of him as he is of them; and it is consecrated to Minerva to signify that true wisdom, as sensible of the ever-watchful dragon, never goes to sleep, but is equally ever on the watch.

DRAGONNADES, the name given to the persecution at the instance of Louis XIV. to force the Huguenots of France back into the bosom of the Catholic Church by employment of dragons.

DRAGON'S TEETH, the teeth of the dragon that Cadmus slew, and wholen when sown by him sprang up as a host of armed men, who killed each other excepting the five who became the ancestors of the Thebans, hence the phrase to "sow dragon's teeth," to breed and foster strife.

DRAKE, SIR FRANCIS, a great English seaman of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, born near Tavistock, in Devon; served in the Royal Navy under his relative, Sir John Hawkins, and distinguished himself with signal success by his valour and daring against the pride of Spain, towards which, as the great Catholic persecuting power, he had been taught to cherish an invincible hatred; swooped down on its ports across seas, and despoiled them; in 1577 sailed for America with five ships, passed through the Strait of Magellan, the first Englishman to do so; plundered the W. coast as far as Peru; lost all his ships save one; crossed the Pacific, and came home by way of the Cape—the first to sail round the world—with spoil to the value of £300,000, his successes contributing much to embolden his countrymen against the arrogance of the Catholic king; he was vice-admiral in the fleet that drove back the Armada from our shores (1540-1598).

DRAKE, FRIEDRICH, a German sculptor, born at Fyrnont; studied under Rauch; executed numerous statues and busts, among others busts of Oken and Ranke, Bismarck and Moltke; his chief works are the "Eight provinces of Prussia," represented by large allegorical figures, and the "Warrior crowned by Victory" (1805-1882).

DRAKENBERG MOUNTAINS, a range of mountains in S. Africa, 6500 ft. high, between Natal and the Orange Free State.

DRAMATIC UNITIES, three rules of dramatic construction prescribed by Aristotle, observed by the French dramatists, but ignored by Shakespeare, that (1) a play should represent what takes place within eight hours, (2) there must be no change of locality, and (3) there must be no minor plot.

DRAMMEN, a Norwegian seaport on a river which falls into Christiania Bay, 30 m. SW. of Christiania; trade chiefly in timber.

DRAPEL, JOHN WILLIAM, a chemist, scientist, and man of letters, born at St. Helena, Lancs.; settled in the United States; wrote on chemistry, physiology, and physics generally, as well as works of a historical character, such as the "History of the Intellectual Development of Europe" and the "History of the Conflict between Science and Religion," an able book. He carried out important work in connection with photography (1811-1882).

DRAPIER, a pseudonym adopted by Swift in his letters to the people of Ireland against Wood's pence, a protest which led to the cancelling of the patent.

DRAVE, a river from the Eastern Alps which flows eastward, and after a course of 380 m. falls into the Danube 10 m. below Essek.

DAVIDIANS, races of people who occupied India before the arrival of the Aryans, and being driven S. by them came to settle chiefly in the S. of the Dekkan; they are divided into numerous tribes, each with a language of its own, but of a common type or group, some of them literary and some of them not, the chief being the Tamil; the tribes together number over 20 millions.

DRAWCANSIE, a blustering, bullying boaster in Buckingham's play the "Rehearsal"; he kills every one of the combatants, "sparing neither friend nor foe."

DRAYTON, MICHAEL, an English poet, born in Warwickshire, like Shakespeare; was one of the three chief patriotic poets, Warner and Daniel being the other two, who arose in England after her humiliation of the pride of Spain, although he was no less distinguished as a love poet; his great work is his "Polyolbion," in glorification of England, consisting of 30 books and 100,000 lines; it gives in Alexandrines "the tracts, mountains, forests, and other parts of this renowned isle of Britain, with intermixture of the most remarkable stories, antiquities, wonders, pleasures, and commodities of the same digested in a poem"; this was preceded by other works, and succeeded by a poem entitled "The Ballad of Agincourt," pronounced one of the most spirited martial lyrics in the language (1583-1631).

DREISER, THEODORE, American realistic novelist; wrote "Sister Carrie," a tale of a fallen woman, in 1900, and followed it with numerous works of which the best known are "The Financier," "The Titan," and "An American Tragedy" (1871-).

DREINICOURT, a French Protestant divine, born at Sedan; author of "Consolations against the Fear of Death" (1595-1669).

DRENTHE, a province of Holland lying between Hanover and the Zuider Zee; the soil is poor, low, and marshy, and the population sparse.

DRESDEN, the capital of Saxony, on the Elbe, 116 m. SE. of Berlin; a fine city, with a museum rich in all kinds of works of art, and called in consequence the "Florence of Germany"; here the Allies were defeated by Napoleon in 1813, when he entered the city, leaving behind him 30,000 men, who were besieged by the Russians and compelled to surrender as prisoners of war the same year.

DREYFUS, L'AFFAIRE. On December 23, 1894, Alfred Dreyfus, an Alsatian Jew, captain of French Artillery, was by court-martial found guilty of revealing to a foreign power secrets of national defence, and sentenced to degradation and perpetual imprisonment; he constantly maintained his innocence, and, in time, the belief that he had been unjustly condemned became prevalent, and a revision of the trial being at length ordered, principally through the exertions of Colonel Picquart and Zola, the well-known author, Dreyfus was brought back from Cayenne, where he had been kept a close prisoner and cruelly treated, and a fresh trial at Rennes began on August 6, 1899, and lasted till September 9; the proceedings—marked by scandalous "scenes," and by an attempt to assassinate one of prisoner's counsel—disclosed an alarmingly corrupt condition of affairs in some lines of French public life under the Republic of the time, and terminated in a majority verdict of "guilty"; Dreyfus, however, was set at liberty on September 20, the sentence of ten years' imprisonment being remitted; in 1906 he was entirely exonerated and restored to rank as a general in the army (1860-).

DREYSE, NICHOLAS W.N., inventor of the needle-gun, born at Sommerda, near Erfurt, the son of a locksmith, and bred to his father's craft; established a large factory at Sommerda for a manufactory of firearms; was ennobled 1864 (1787-1867).

DRINKWATER, JOHN, British poet and playwright. Educated at Oxford and Birmingham he spent twelve years as an insurance clerk and founded what became the Birmingham Repertory Theatre. His first volume of verse was published in 1908, and in 1918 came his first play "Abraham Lincoln," followed by "Mary Stuart," "Oliver Cromwell," and "Robert E. Lee." In 1924 he married Daisy Kennedy the violinist (1882-).

DROGHEDA, a seaport in co. Louth, near the mouth of the Boyne, 32 m. N. of Dublin, with manufactures and a considerable export trade; was stormed by Cromwell in 1649 "after a stout resistance," and the garrison put to the sword; surrendered to William III. after the battle of the Boyne in 1690.

DROMORE, a cathedral town in co. Down, Ireland, 17 m. SW. of Belfast, of which Jeremy Taylor was bishop.

DROOGS, steep rocks which dot the surface of Mysore, in India, and resemble hay-ricks, some of these

1500 ft. high, many with springs on the top, and scalable only by steps cut in them.

DROSTE-HULSHOFF, FRAULEIN VON, a German poetess, born near Münster; was of delicate constitution; wrote tales as well as lyrics in record of deep and tender experiences (1797-1848).

DROUET, JEAN BAPTISTE, notable king-taker, a violent Jacobin and member of the Council of the Five Hundred; had been a dragoon soldier; was postmaster at St. Menchould when Louis XVI., attempting flight, passed through the place, and by whisper of surmises had the progress of Louis and his party arrested at Varennes, June 21, 1791, for which service he received honourable mention and due reward in money; was taken captive by the Austrians at last; perched on a rock 100 ft. high, descended one night by means of a paper kite he had constructed, but was found at the foot helpless with a leg broken (1763-1824).

DROUET, JEAN BAPTISTE, COMTE D'ERLON, marshal of France, born at Rhelms; distinguished in the wars of the Republic and the Empire; on Napoleon's return from Elba seized on the citadel of Lille, and held it for the emperor; commanded the first corps d'armée at Waterloo; left France at the Restoration; returned after the July Revolution; became governor of Algiers, and was created marshal (1765-1844).

DROUOT, a French general, son of a baker at Nancy; Napoleon, whom, as commander of artillery, he accompanied over all his battlefields in Europe and to Elba, used to call him the *Sage de la Grande Armée* (1774-1847).

DROUYN DE LHUYS, EDOUARD, French statesman and diplomatist, born in Paris; was ambassador at the Hague and Madrid; distinguished himself by his opposition to Gutzot; served as Minister of Foreign Affairs under Louis Napoleon; withdrew into private life after the collapse at Sedan (1805-1881).

DROYSEN, JOHANN GUSTAV, a German historian, born in Pomerania; professor in Berlin; author of the "History of Prussian Policy," "History of Alexander the Great," and "History of Hellenism" (1808-1884).

DROZ, the name of a Swiss family of mechanicians, one of them, Jean Pierre, an engraver of medals (1746-1833); also of a French moralist and historian, author of "History of Louis XVI." (1773-1850).

DROZ, GUSTAV, a highly popular and brilliant novelist, born in Paris; author of "Monsieur, Madame, et Bébé," "Entre Nous," and "Le Cahier bleu de Mlle. Cibot" (1832-1895).

DRUIDS, a sacred order of learned men under a chief called the Archdruid, among the ancient Celtic nations, particularly of Gaul and Britain, who, from their knowledge of the arts and sciences of the day, were the ministers of religion and justice, as well as the teachers of youth to the whole community, and exercised an absolute control over the unlearned people whom they governed; they worshipped in oak groves, and the oak tree and the mistletoe were sacred to them; the heavenly bodies appear to have been also objects of their worship, and they presumably believed in the immortality and transmigration of the soul; but they committed nothing to writing, and for our knowledge of them we have to depend on legend and the reports of outsiders.

DRUMCLOGG MOSS, a flat wilderness of broken bog and quagmire in Lanarkshire, where the Covenanters defeated Claverhouse's dragoons in 1679.

DRUMMOND, HENRY, popular scientist and Christian teacher, born in Strirling; was educated at Edinburgh and Tübingen; studied for the Free Church; lectured on natural science in Glasgow and appointed professor at the Free Church College; became famous by the publication of "Natural Law in the Spiritual World," a book which took with the Christian public at once, and had an enormous sale, being succeeded by "Tropical Africa," a charmingly written book of travel, and by a series of booklets, commencing with "The Greatest Thing in the World," intended to expound and commend the first principles of the Christian faith; his last work except one, published posthumously, entitled the "Ideal Life," was the "Ascent of Man," in which

he posits an altruistic element in the process of evolution, and makes the goal of it a higher and higher life (1851-1897).

DRUMMOND, CAPTAIN THOMAS, civil engineer, born in Edinburgh; inventor of the Drummond Light; was employed in the trigonometrical survey of Great Britain and Ireland; became Under-Secretary for Ireland, and was held in high favour by the Irish (1797-1840).

DRUMMOND, WILLIAM, of Hawthornden, a Scottish poet, named the "Petrarch of Scotland," born in Hawthornden; studied civil law at Bourges, but poetry had more attractions for him than law, and on the death of his father he returned to his paternal estate, and devoted himself to the study of it and the indulgence of his poetic tastes. "His work was done," as Stopford Brooke remarks, "in the reign of James I., but is the result of the Elizabethan influence extending to Scotland. Drummond's sonnets and madrigals have some of the grace of Sidney, and he rose at intervals into grave and noble verse, as in his sonnet on John the Baptist." He was a devoted Royalist; his first poem was "Tears" on the death of James I.'s eldest son Henry, and the fate of Charles I. is said to have cut short his days; the visit of Ben Jonson to him at Hawthornden is well known (1585-1649).

DRUMMOND LIGHT, an intensely brilliant and pure white light produced by the play of an oxyhydrogen flame upon a ball of lime, so called from the inventor, Captain Thomas Drummond.

DRURY LANE, a celebrated London theatre founded in 1683, in what was then a fashionable quarter of the city; has since that time been thrice burnt down; was the scene of Garrick's triumphs, and of those of many of his illustrious successors, as Kemble, Kean, and Macready, though it is now given up chiefly to spectacular musical plays.

DRUSES, a peculiar people, numbering some 80,000, inhabiting the S. of Lebanon and Antilebanon, with the Maronites on the N. whose origin is very uncertain, only it is evident, though they speak the Arab language, they belong to the Aryan race; their religion, a mixture of Christian, Jewish, and Mohammedan beliefs, is grounded on faith in the unity and the incarnation of God; their form of government is half hierarchical and half feudalistic; in early times they were under emirs of their own, but in consequence of the sanguinary, deadly, and mutually exterminating strife between them and the Christian Maronites in 1860, they were put under a Christian governor appointed by the Porte.

DRUSUS, MARCUS LIVIUS, a tribune of the people at Rome in 122 B.C., but a supporter of the aristocracy; after passing a veto on a popular measure proposed by Gracchus his democratic colleague, proposed the same measure himself in order to show and prove to the people that the patricians were their best friends; the success of this policy gained him the name of "patron of the senate."

DRUSUS, MARCUS LIVIUS, Roman tribune, 91 B.C., son of the preceding, and an aristocrat; pursued the same course as his father, but was baffled in the execution of his purpose, which was to broaden the constitution, in consequence of which he formed a conspiracy, and was assassinated, an event which led to the Social War (q.v.).

DRUSUS, NERO CLAUDIUS, surnamed "Germanicus," younger brother of Tiberius and son-in-law of Mark Antony; distinguished himself in four successive campaigns against the tribes of Germany, but stopped short at the Elbe, scared by the apparition of a woman of colossal stature who defied him to cross, so that he had to "content himself with erecting some triumphal pillars on his own safe side of the river and say that the tribes across were conquered"; when he fell ill of a mortal malady, his brother the emperor hastened across the Alps to close his eyes, and brought home his body, which was burned, the ashes being buried in the tomb of Augustus.

DRYADS, nymphs of forest trees, which were conceived of as born with the tree they were attached to and dying with it; they had their abode in wooded mountains away from men; held their revels among themselves, but broke them off at the approach of a human footstep.

DRYAS, the father of Lycurgus, a Thracian king, and slain by him, who, in a fit of frenzy against the Bacchus worshippers, mistook him for a vine and cut him down. See **LYCURGUS**.

DRYASDUST, a name of Sir Walter Scott's invention, and employed by him to denote an imaginary character who supplied him with dry preliminary historical details, and since used to denote a writer who treats a historical subject with all due diligence and research, but without any appreciation of the human interest in it, still less the soul of it.

DRYBURGH, an abbey, now a ruin, founded by David I., on the Tweed, in Berwickshire, 3 m. S.E. of Melrose; the burial-place of Sir Walter Scott.

DRYDEN, JOHN, a celebrated English poet, "glorious John," born in Northamptonshire, of a good family of Puritan principles; educated at Westminster School and Cambridge; his first poetic production of any merit was a set of "heroic stanzas" on the death of Cromwell; at the Restoration he changed sides and wrote a poem which he called "Astræa Redux" in praise of the event, which was ere long followed by his "Annus Mirabilis," in commemoration of the year 1666, which revealed at once the poet and the royalist, and gained him the appointment of poet-laureate; prior to this and afterwards he produced a succession of plays for the stage, which won him great popularity, after which he turned his mind to political affairs and assumed the rôle of political satirist by production of his "Absalom and Achitophel," intended to expose the schemes of Shaftesbury, represented as Achitophel, and Monmouth, as Absalom, to oust the Duke of York from the succession to the throne; on the accession of James II. he became a Roman Catholic, and wrote "The Hind and the Panther," in defence of the Church of Rome; at the Revolution he was deprived of his posts, but it was after that event he executed his translation of Virgil, and produced his celebrated odes and "Fables" (1681-1700).

DUALISM, or **MANICHEISM**, the doctrine that there are two opposite and independently existing principles which go to constitute every concrete thing throughout the universe, such as principle of good and a principle of evil, light and darkness, life and death, spirit and matter, ideal and real, yea and nay, God and Devil, Christ and Antichrist, Ormuzd and Ahriman.

DU BARRY, COUNTESS, mistress of Louis XV., born at Vaucouleurs, daughter of a dressmaker; came to Paris, professing millinery; had fascinating attractions, and was introduced to the king; governed France to its ruin and the dismissal of all Louis' able and honourable advisers; after Louis' death lived in retirement until the Revolution, when she fled to England, but on returning thence was arrested, brought before the tribunal, condemned for wasting the finances of the State, and guillotined (1741-1793).

DU BELLAY, a French general, born at Montmirail; served under Francis I. (1541-1590).

DUBLIN, the capital of the Irish Free State, at the mouth of the Liffey, which divides it in two, and is crossed by 12 bridges; the principal and finest street is Sackville Street, which is about 700 yards long and 40 wide; it has a famous university and two cathedrals, besides a castle, the residence of the Lord-Lieutenant; and a park, the Phoenix, one of the finest in Europe; manufactures porter, whisky, and poplin.

DUBOIS, GUILLAUME, cardinal and prime minister of France; notorious for his ambition and his debauchery; appointed tutor to the Duke of Orleans; encouraged him in vice, and secured his attachment and patronage in promotion, so that in the end he rose to the highest honours, and even influence, in both Church and state; notwithstanding his debauchery he was an able man and an able minister (1656-1723).

DU BOIS-REYMOND, EMIL, a German physiologist, born in Berlin, of French descent; professor of Physiology at Berlin; distinguished for his researches in animal electricity (1818-1896).

DUBOIS DE CRANCE, a violent French revolutionary, born at Charleville; besieged and captured Lyons, giving no quarter; was Minister of War under the

Directory; secured the adoption of the principle of conscription in recruiting the army (1747-1814).

DUBOURG, a French magistrate, member of the Parlement de Paris; burnt as a heretic for recommending clemency in the treatment of the Huguenots (1521-1559).

DUBUFE, a distinguished French portrait-painter (1820-1883).

DUBUQUE, a town in Iowa, U.S., on the Mississippi, with lead-mines and a trade in grain, timber, &c.

DUCAMP, MAXIME, a French littérateur, born in Paris; wrote "Travels in the East"; was the author of "Paris," its civic life, as also an account of its "Convulsions" (1822-1894).

DU GANGE, CHARLES, one of the most erudite of French scholars, born at Arles, and educated among the Jesuits; wrote on language, law, archaeology, and history; devoted himself much to the study of the Middle Ages; contributed to the rediscovery of old French literature, and wrote a history of the Latin empire; his greatest works are his Glossaries of the Latin and Greek of the Middle Ages (1810-1868).

DUCAT, a coin, generally in gold, that circulated in Venice, and was current in Germany after 1559. It was worth ten shillings.

DU CHAILLU, PAUL BELLONI, an African traveller, born in Louisiana; his principal explorations confined to the equatorial region of West Africa, and the result an extension of our knowledge of its geography, ethnology, and zoology, and particularly of the character and habits of the ape tribes, and above all the gorilla; he acted as chief of General Gordon's staff (1837-1903).

DUCHESNE, ANDRÉ, French historian and geographer, born in Touraine; styled the "Father of French History"; famous for his researches in it and in French antiquities, and for histories of England, Scotland, and Ireland respectively; his industry was unwearied; he left more than 100 folios in MS. (1584-1640).

DUCHOBOTZ, A., a religious community in Russia of Quaker principles, and of a creed that denied the doctrine of the Trinity and the divinity of Christ; they became a cause of trouble to the empire by their fanaticism, and were removed to a high plateau in Transcaucasia, where they live by cattle-rearing; known as Doukhobors, there are communities of this sect in Western Canada, where their peculiar views frequently bring them into conflict with the authorities.

DUOIS, JEAN, a French dramatist, born at Versailles; took Shakespeare for his model; declined Napoleon's patronage, thinking it better, as he said, to wear rags than wear chains (1733-1816).

DUCK-BILLED PLATYPUS. See **ORNITHORHYNCHUS**.

DUCKING STOOL, a stool or chair in which a scolding woman was confined and set before her own door to be pelted at, or borne in a tumble through the town to be jeered at, or placed at the end of a see-saw and ducked in a pool.

DUCLOS, CHARLES, a witty and satirical French writer, born at Dinan; author of "Observations," and "A History of the Manners of the Eighteenth Century," and "Mémoires of the Reigns of Louis XIV. and Louis XV."; he mingled much in French society of the period, and took studious note of its passing whims (1704-1772).

DUCORNET, a French historical-painter, born at Lille; being born without arms, painted with his foot (1805-1856).

DUOOS, ROGER, French politician, born at Bordeaux, member of the National Convention and of the Directory (1764-1816).

DUGROT, a French general, born at Nivers; served in Algeria, in the Italian campaign of 1859, and as head of a division in the German war, was imprisoned for refusing to sign the capitulation treaty of Sedan, but escaped and took part in the defence of Paris when besieged by the Germans (1817-1882).

DUITLESS GLANDS, those glands which secrete hormones which pass into the blood stream and circulate over the body. See **HORMONES**.

DUDLEY, the largest town in Worcestershire, 8½ m. N.W. of Birmingham, in the heart of the "Black Country," with coal-mines, ironworks, and hardware manufactures.

- DUDLEY, EDMUND**, an English lawyer and privy-councillor; was associated with Empson as an agent in carrying on the obnoxious policy of Henry VII. and beheaded along with him at the instance of Henry VIII. on a charge of high treason in 1510.
- DUDLEY, JOHN**, grand-marshal of England, son of the preceding, father-in-law of Lady Jane Grey; beheaded in 1558 for his part in an insurrection in her favour.
- DUFF, ALEXANDER**, an eminent Indian missionary, born at Moulin, near Pitlochry, Perthshire; a man of Celtic blood, apostolic zeal, and fervid eloquence; was the first missionary sent out to India by the Church of Scotland; sailed in 1830, returned in 1840, in 1849, and finally in 1863, stirring up each time the missionary spirit in the Church; he was the originator of a new method of missionary operations in the East by the introduction of English as the vehicle of instruction in the Christian faith, which met at first with much opposition, but was finally crowned with conspicuous success; died in Edinburgh (1806-1878).
- DUFF, JAMES GRAFT**, Indian soldier and statesman, born at Banff; conspicuous as a soldier for his services in subduing the Mahratta chiefs, and as a statesman for establishing friendly relations between the Mahrattas and the East India Company (1789-1858).
- DUFFERIN, MARQUIS OF, and EARL OF AVA**, statesman and diplomatist; held office under Lord John Russell and Mr. Gladstone; was in succession Governor-General of Canada, ambassador first at St. Petersburg, then at Constantinople, and Governor-General of India; later he was ambassador at Rome and Paris (1826-1902).
- DUFFY, SIR CHARLES CAVAN**, an Irish patriot, born in co. Monaghan; bred for the bar; took to journalism in the interest of his country's emancipation; was one of the founders of the *Nation* newspaper; was twice over tried for sedition, but acquitted; emigrated at length to Australia, where he soon plunged into Colonial politics, and in his political capacity rendered distinguished services to the Australian colonies, especially in obtaining important concessions from the mother-country; wrote "The Ballad Poetry of Ireland" and an interesting record of his early experiences in "Young Ireland" (1816-1903).
- DUFLORE, a Swiss general**, born at Constance; commanded the army directed against the Sonderbund (q.v.), and brought the war there to a close (1787-1875).
- DUFRENY, French painter and poet**, born at Paris (1765-1826).
- DUFRENY, CHARLES RIVIERE**, French dramatist, a universal genius, devoted to both literature and the arts; held in high esteem by Louis XIV.; wrote a number of comedies, revealing a man of the world, instinct with wit, and careless of style (1648-1724).
- DUGDALE, SIR WILLIAM**, antiquary, born in Warwickshire; was made Chester herald, accompanied Charles I. throughout the Civil War; his chief work was the "Monasticon Anglicanum," which he executed conjointly with Roger Duckworth; wrote also on the antiquities of Warwickshire and heraldry; left 27 folio MSS. now in the Bodleian Library (1605-1686).
- DUGOMMIER, French general**, pupil of Washington, born at Guadeloupe; distinguished himself in Italy; commanded at the siege of Toulon, which he took; fell at the battle of Sierra-Negra, in Spain, which he had invaded (1736-1794).
- DUGUAY-TROUIN, RENE**, a celebrated French sea-captain, born at St. Malo; distinguished at first in privateer warfare during the reign of Louis XIV., and afterwards as a frigate captain in the royal navy, to which the royal favour promoted him; was much beloved by the sailors and subordinate officers; died poor (1673-1736).
- DU GUESCLIN, BERTRAND**, constable of France, born in Cotes du Nord; one of the most illustrious of French war-captains, and distinguished as one of the chief instruments in expelling the English from Normandy, Guienne, and Poitou; was taken prisoner at the battle of Auray in 1364, but ransomed for 100,000 francs, and again by the Black Prince, but soon liberated; he was esteemed for his valour by foe and friend alike, and was buried at St. Denis in the tomb of the Kings of France (1314-1380).
- DULACRE, GEORGE**, French novelist. By profession a doctor, he made his mark in literature with "Vie des Martyrs," published in 1816, and "Civilisation" in 1817, calm dispassionate revelations of modern war.
- DUESSENE, a French general**; covered with wounds at Waterloo, he was cruelly massacred by the Brunswick hussars in the house to which he had fled for refuge (1760-1815).
- DULIUS, GAULUS**, a Roman consul; distinguished for having on the coast of Sicily gained the first naval victory recorded in the annals of Rome, 280 B.C.
- DUKERIES, THE**, a district near Workop where are situated Clumber Park and Welbeck Abbey, residences of the Dukes of Newcastle and Portland, as well as Workop Manor and Thoresby Hall.
- DULCE DOMUM** (i.e. Sweet Home), a song sung by the pupils at Winchester College on the approach of and at the break-up of the school for the summer holidays.
- DULCINO DEL TOBOSO**, the name Don Quixote gave to his beloved Aldonza Lorenzo, a coarse peasant-girl of Toboso, conceived by him as a model of all feminine perfection, and as such adored by him.
- DULIA**, an inferior kind of worship paid to angels and saints, in contradistinction to Latria (q.v.).
- DULONG, PIERRE**, a French chemist, born at Rouen; discoverer, by accidental explosion, of the chloride of nitrogen (1785-1838).
- DULUTH**, a port on Lake Superior, with a fine harbour, and a great centre of commerce.
- DULWICH**, a southern Surrey suburb of London, with a flourishing college founded in 1619, and a picture gallery attached, rich especially in Dutch paintings. See ALLEYN, EDWARD.
- DUMACHEUS**, the impatient thief, figures in Longfellow's "Golden Legend" as one of a band of robbers who attacked St. Joseph on his flight into Egypt.
- DUMAS, ALEXANDRE, THE ELDER**, a celebrated French author, born at Villers-Cotterets, son of General Dumas, a Creole; lost his father at four, and led for a time a miscellaneous life, till, driven by poverty, he came to Paris to seek his fortune; here he soon made his mark, and became the most popular dramatist and romancer of his time; his romances are numerous, and he reached the climax of his fame by the production of "Monte Cristo" in 1844, and the "Three Musketeers" the year after; he was unhappy in his marriage and squandered his fortune in reckless extravagance; before the end it was all spent, and he died at Dieppe, broken in health and impaired in intellect, ministered to by his son and daughter (1802-1870).
- DUMAS, ALEXANDRE, THE YOUNGER**, or *fils*, dramatist and novelist, born in Paris, son of the preceding; he made his debut as a novelist with "La Dame aux Camélias" in 1848, which was succeeded by a number of other novels; he eventually gave himself up to the production of dramas, in which he was more successful than in romance (1824-1896).
- DUMAS, JEAN BAPTISTE ANDRE**, a distinguished French chemist, born at Alais; was admitted to the Académie Française at the age of 25; at the Revolution of 1848 he became a member of the National Assembly; was created a senator under the Empire, but retired into private life after Sedan; he was distinguished for his studies in chemistry, both theoretical and practical, and ranks among the foremost in the science. He invented a method of obtaining vapour densities at high temperature and applied it to mercury, iodine, phosphorus, and sulphur; he also discovered chloracetic acid (1800-1884).
- DU MAURIER, GEORGE LOUIS**, born in Paris; started in London as a designer of wood engravings; did illustrations for *Once a Week*, the *Cornhill Magazine*, &c., and finally joined the staff of *Punch*, to which he contributed numerous clever sketches; he published a novel, "Peter Ibbotson" in 1891, which was succeeded in 1895 by "Tilbury," which

had such a phenomenal success in both England and America (1834-1896).

DUMB OX, Thomas Aquinas (q.v.), so called by his fellow students at Cologne University from his taciturnity before he opened his mouth and began, as predicted, to fill the world with his loving.

DUMBARON, the county town of Dumbartonshire, and a royal burgh, at the mouth of the Leven, on the Clyde, 15 m. from Glasgow; shipbuilding the chief industry; it was the capital of the kingdom of Strathclyde, adjoining is a castle of historic interest, 250 ft. high, kept up as a military fortress; the country, which is fertile, and was originally part of Lennox, is traversed by the Leven, with its bleach-fields and factories.

DUM-DUM, a town in Bengal, 6 m. N.E. of Calcutta; a military post with small arms factory whence came the dum-dum bullet; it was here in 1867 that the sepoy first mutinied.

DUMESNIL, MARIE FRANÇOISE, a celebrated French tragedienne, born near Alençon; like Mrs. Siddons, surpassed all others at the time in the representation of dignity, pathos, and strong emotion; made her first appearance in 1737, retired in 1775 (1711-1803).

DUMFRIES, an agricultural market-town, county town of Dumfriesshire and a seaport, stands on the left bank of the Nith, with Maxwelltown as suburb on the right, 90 m. S.W. of Edinburgh; manufactures tweeds and hosiery, and trades in cattle; here Robert Burns spent the last five years of his life, and his remains lie buried.

DUMFRIESSHIRE, a south-western Border county of Scotland; an agricultural district, which slopes from a northern pastoral region to the Solway, and is traversed by the fertile valleys of Nithsdale and Annandale.

DUMNORIX, a chief of the Ædian nation in Gaul, who gave some trouble to Cæsar in his conquest of that country.

DUMONT, AUGUSTIN-ALEXANDRE, a sculptor, born in Paris (1801-1884).

DUMONT, JEAN, an eminent French publicist, who settled in Austria and served the emperor; wrote on international law (1860-1728).

DUMONT, LOUIS, a French publicist, born at Geneva, a friend of Mirabeau, memoirs of whom he wrote, and who, coming to England, formed a close intimacy with Jeremy Bentham, and became his disciple and expounder (1759-1829).

DUMONT D'URVILLE, JULES, a celebrated French navigator, born at Condé-sur-Noireau; made a three years' voyage round the world, and visited the Antarctic regions, of which he made a survey; he was distinguished as a scientist no less than as a sea-captain; lost his life in a railway accident at Versailles (1790-1842).

DUMOULIN, a celebrated French jurist, born at Paris; did for French law what Cujas (q.v.) did for Roman (1500-1560).

DUMOURIEZ, CHARLES FRANÇOIS, a French general, born at Cambrai; after service abroad joined the Revolution and fought on its behalf; gained the battles of Valmy and Jemappes; conquered Belgium, but on the death of Louis withdrew from the Revolutionary wars; died an exile in England (1730-1823). See Carlyle's "French Revolution."

DUNA, a river of Russia, which rises near the source of the Volga, and after a W. and NW. course of 650 m. falls into the Gulf of Riga; it is connected with the Dnieper by the Beresina Canal.

DUNBAR, an ancient seaport and town of Haddingtonshire, on the coast of the Forth, 29 m. E. of Edinburgh; is a fishing station, and manufactures agricultural implements and paper; was, with its castle, which has stood many a siege, a place of importance in early Scottish history; near it Cromwell beat the Scots under Leslie on September 3, 1650.

DUNBAR, WILLIAM, a Scottish poet, entered the Franciscan order and became an itinerant preaching friar, in which capacity he wandered over the length and breadth of the land, enjoying good cheer by the way; was some time in the service of James IV., and wrote a poem, his most famous piece, entitled "The Thistle and the Rose," on the occasion of the King's marriage with the Princess Margaret Tudor, daughter of Henry VII. His poems were of three

classes—allegorical, moral, and comic, the most remarkable being "The Dance," in which he describes the procession of the seven deadly sins in the infernal regions. Scott says he "was a poet unrivalled by any that Scotland has produced" (1480-1520).

DUNBLANE, a town in Perthshire, 5 m. N. of Stirling, with a beautiful cathedral, which dates back as far as 1240; of the diocese the saintly Leighton was bishop.

DUNCAN, ADAM, VISCOUNT, a British admiral, born at Dundee; entered the navy in 1746; steadily rose in rank till, in 1795, he became admiral of the Blue and commander of the North Sea fleet; kept watch over the movements of the Dutch squadron for two years, till, at the end of that term, it put to sea, and came up with it off Camperdown, and totally defeated it, June 11, 1797 (1751-1804).

DUNCAN, THOMAS, a Scottish artist, born at Kinclaven, Perthshire; painted fancy and historical subjects, and a number of excellent portraits; his career, which was full of promise, was cut short by an early death (1807-1845).

DUNCIAL, THE, a satire by Pope in four books, the "fiercest" as well as the best of his satires, in which, with merciless severity, he applies the lash to his critics, and in which Colley Cibber figures as the King of Dunce.

DUNCER, MAX, a historical writer, born in Berlin; held a professorship at Halle and Tübingen, and became a minister of State; wrote among other works, in seven vols., the "History of Antiquity" (1811-1860).

DUNCOMBE, THOMAS SLINGSBY, an English politician, M.P. for Finsbury, one of the extreme Liberal party of the time, presented to the House of Commons the Chartist petition in 1842; denounced Sir James Graham, the Home Secretary of the day, for opening Mazzini's letter, and advocated Jewish emancipation (1794-1861).

DUNDALK, capital of co. Louth, Ireland, 20 m. N. of Dublin; a place of considerable trade and manufactures; is an ancient city; Edward Bruce, the last king of all Ireland, was crowned and resided here; it was besieged and taken more than once, by Cromwell for one.

DUNDAS (of Armliston), the name of a Scottish family, many of the members of which have distinguished themselves at the bar and on the bench.

DUNDAS, HENRY, VISCOUNT MELVILLE, a junior member of the above family; trained for the bar; rose to be Lord Advocate for Scotland and M.P. for the county of Edinburgh; opposed at first to Pitt, he became at last his ablest coadjutor in Parliament, and did important services in connection with the military and naval defences of the country; his power was sovereign in Scotland; his statue, mounted on a lofty column, adorns one of the principal squares of the New Town of Edinburgh (1742-1811).

DUNDEE, the third largest city in Scotland, stands on the Firth of Tay, 10 m. from the mouth; has a large seaport; is a place of considerable commercial enterprise; among its numerous manufactures the chief is the jute; it has a number of valuable institutions, and sends two members to Parliament.

DUNDONALD, THOMAS COCHRANE, EARL OF, entered the navy at the age of 17; became captain of the *Speedy*, a sloop-of-war of 14 guns and 64 men; captured in ten months 33 vessels; was captured by a French squadron, but had his sword returned to him; signalled himself afterwards in a succession of daring feats; selected to burn the French fleet lying at anchor in the Basque Roads, he was successful by means of fireships in destroying several vessels, but complained he was not supported by Lord Gambler, the admiral, a complaint which was fatal to his promotion in the service; disgraced otherwise, he went abroad and served in foreign navies, and materially contributed to the establishment of the republic of Chile and the empire of Brazil; in 1880 he was restored by his party, the Whigs, to his naval rank, as a man who had been the victim of the opposite party, and made a vice-admiral of the Blue in 1841; he afterwards vindi-

- cated himself in his "Autobiography of a Seaman" (1775-1860).
- DUNEDIN**, the capital of Otago, in New Zealand, situated well south on the E. side of the South Isle, at the head of a spacious bay, and the largest commercial city in the colony; founded by Scottish emigrants in 1848, one of the leaders a nephew of Robert Burns.
- DUNES**, low hills of sand extending along the coast of the Netherlands and the N. of France.
- DUNFERMLINE**, an ancient burgh in the W. of Fife; a place of interest as a residence of the early kings of Scotland, and as the birthplace of David II., James I., and Charles I., and for its abbey; it stands in the middle of a coalfield, and is the seat of extensive linen manufactures.
- DUNKELD**, a town in Perthshire, 15 m. NW. of Perth, with a fine 14th-century cathedral.
- DUNKERS**, a sect of Quakerist Baptists in the United States, who settled there from Germany in 1719.
- DUNKIRK**, the most northern seaport and fortified town of France, on the Strait of Dover; has manufactures and considerable trade.
- DUNNET HEAD**, a rocky peninsula, the most northerly point in Scotland, the rocks from 100 to 600 ft. high.
- DUNNOTAR CASTLE**, an old castle of the Keiths now in ruins, on the flat summit of a precipitous rock, 1½ m. S. of Stonehaven, Kincardineshire, Scotland, and connected with the mainland by a neck of land called the "Fiddle Head"; famous in Scottish history as a State prison, and as the place of safe-keeping at a troubled period of the Scottish regalia, now in Edinburgh Castle.
- DUNOIS, JEAN**, a French patriot, called the Bastard of Orleans, born in Paris, natural son of Louis of Orleans, brother of Charles VI.; one of the national heroes of France; along with Joan of Arc, compelled the English to raise the siege of Orleans, and contributed powerfully, by his sword, to all but expel the English from France after the death of that heroine (1402-1490).
- DUNRAVEN, EARL OF**, Irish politician and soldier. He acted as war correspondent at the siege of Paris in 1870, and fought in the Boer War. On the establishment of the Irish Free State he became a senator. As a yachtsman he twice attempted to win the America Cup (1841-1926).
- DUNS SCOTUS, JOHANNES**, one of the most celebrated of the scholastics of the 14th century, whether he was native of England, Scotland, or Ireland is uncertain; entered the Franciscan order, and from his acuteness got the name of "Doctor Subtilis"; lectured at Oxford to crowds of auditors, and also at Paris; was the contemporary of Thomas Aquinas, and the head of an opposing school of Scotists, as against Thomists, as they were called; whereas Aquinas "proclaimed the Understanding as principle, he proclaimed the Will, from whose spontaneous exercise he derived all morality; with this separation of theory from practice and thought from thing (which accompanied it) philosophy became divided from theology, reason from faith; reason took a position above faith, above authority (in modern philosophy), and the religious consciousness broke with the traditional dogma (at the Reformation)" (1265-1308).
- DUNSTAN, ST.**, an English ecclesiastic, born at Glastonbury; a man of high birth and connection as well as varied accomplishments; began a religious life as a monk living in a cell by himself, and prevailed in single combat on one occasion with the devil; became abbot of Glastonbury, in which capacity he adopted the rôle of statesman, and rose to great authority during the reign of Edgar, becoming archbishop of Canterbury, ruling the nation with vigour and success, but with the death of Edgar his power declined, and he retired to Canterbury, where he died of grief and vexation; he is the patron saint of goldsmiths (924-988).
- DUPANLOUP, FELIX ANTOINE**, a French prelate, bishop of Orleans, born at St. Felix in Savoy; a singularly able and eloquent man; devoted himself to educational emancipation and reform; protested vigorously against papal infallibility; yielded at length, and stood up in defence of the Church (1802-1878).
- DUPERRE**, a French admiral, born at La Rochelle; contributed with Marshal Bournat to the taking of Algiers (1775-1846).
- DUPERON**, cardinal, a Swiss by birth and a Calvinist by religious profession; went to Paris, turned papist, and rose to ecclesiastical eminence in France under Henry IV. (1556-1618).
- DUPIN, ANDRÉ**, French jurist and statesman; distinguished at the time of the revolution of the three days as a supporter of Louis Philippe, and of the house of Orleans after him (1783-1865).
- DUPLEX, JOSEPH**, a French merchant, head of a factory at Chandernagore, who rose to be governor of the French settlements in India (1742), in the management of which he displayed conspicuous ability, defending them against the English and receiving the dignity of marquis; jealousy at home and Clive's victories, however, led to his recall, and he was left to end his days in neglect and poverty, though he pleaded hard with the cabinet at Versailles to have respect to the sacrifices he made for his country (1697-1783).
- DUPLESSIS MORNAY**, a soldier, diplomatist, and man of letters; a leader of the Huguenots, who, after the massacre of St. Bartholomew, visited England, where he was received with favour by Elizabeth in 1575; entered the service of the King of Navarre, afterwards Henry IV. of France, but on Henry's reconciliation with the Church of Rome, retired into private life and devoted himself to literary pursuits; he was called the "Pope of the Huguenots"; 1628.
- DUPONT, PIERRE**, French song-writer; his songs, "Le Chant des Ouvriers" and "Les Bœufs," the delight of the young generation of 1848 (1821-1870).
- DUPONT DE L'ÈURE**, a French politician, born at Neubourg; filled several important offices in the successive periods of revolution in France; was distinguished for his integrity and patriotism, and made President of the Provisional Government in 1848 (1767-1855).
- DUPONT DE NEMOURS**, French political economist; took part in the Revolution; was opposed to the excesses of the Jacobin party, but escaped with his life; wrote a book entitled "Philosophie de l'Univers" (1739-1817).
- DUPUIS, CHARLES FRANÇOIS**, a French savant; was a member of the Convention of the Council of the Five Hundred, and President of the Legislative Body during the Revolution period; devoted himself to the study of astronomy in connection with mythology, the result of which was published in his work in 12 vols., entitled "Origine de tous les Cultes, ou la Religion Universelle"; he advocated the unity of the astronomical and religious myths of all nations (1742-1809).
- DUFUYTREN, BARON**, a celebrated French surgeon, born at Pierre-Buffière; he was a man of firm nerve, signally sure and skilful as an operator, and contributed greatly, both by his inventions and discoveries, to the progress of surgery; a museum of pathological anatomy, in which he made important discoveries, bears his name (1777-1835).
- DUQUESNE, ABRAHAM, MARQUIS**, an illustrious naval officer of France, born at Dieppe; distinguished himself in many a sea engagement, and did much to enhance the naval glory of the country; among other achievements plucked the laurels from the brow of his great rival, De Ruyter, by, in 1676, defeating the combined fleets of Spain and Holland under his command; Louis XIV. offered him a marshal's baton if he would abjure Calvinism, but he declined; he was the only one of the Huguenots excepted from proscription in the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes, but his last days were saddened by the banishment of his children (1610-1688).
- DURA DEN**, a glen near Cupar-Pfife, famous for the number of ganoid fossil fishes entombed in its sandstone.
- DURANCE**, a tributary of the Rhône, which, after a rapid course of 190 m., falls into that river by its left bank 3 m. below Avignon.
- DURAND**, an Indian officer; served in the Afghan and Sikh wars, and became Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab (1828-1871).
- DURANDAL**, the miraculous sword of Orlando, with which he could cleave mountains at a blow.

DURBAN, the port of Natal, largest town in the province, with a landlocked harbour.

DURBAR, a ceremonious State reception in India.

DÜRER, ALBERT, the great early German painter and engraver, born at Nürnberg, son of a goldsmith, a good man, who brought him up to his own profession, but he preferred painting, for which he early exhibited a special aptitude, and his father bound him apprentice for three years to the chief artist in the place, at the expiry of which he travelled in Germany and other parts; in 1506 he visited Venice, where he met Bellini, and painted several pictures; proceeded thence to Bologna, and was introduced to Raphael; his fame spread widely, and on his return he was appointed court-painter by the Emperor Maximilian, an office he held under Charles V., he was of the Reformed faith, and a friend of Melancthon as well as an admirer of Luther, on whose incarceration in Warburg he uttered a long lament; he was a prince of painters, his drawing and colouring perfect, and the inventor of etching, in which he was matchless; he carved in wood, ivory, stone, and metal; was an author as well as an artist, and wrote, among other works, an epoch-making treatise on proportion in the human figure; "It could not be better done" was his quiet, confident reply as a sure workman to a carper on one occasion (1471-1528).

D'URFEY, TOM, a facetious poet; author of comedies and songs; a great favourite of Charles II. and his court; of comedies he wrote some 30, which are all now discarded for their licentiousness, and a curious book of sonnets, entitled "Pills to Purge Melancholy"; came to poverty in the end of his days; Addison pleaded on his behalf, and hoped that "as he had made the world merry, the world would make him easy" (1628-1723).

DURGA, in the Hindu mythology the consort of Siva. **DURHAM**, an ancient city on the Wear, with a noble cathedral and a castle, once the residence of the bishop, now a university seat, in the heart of a county of the same name, rich in coalfields, and with numerous manufacturing towns.

DURHAM, ADMIRAL, entered the navy in 1777; was officer on the watch when the *Royal George* went down off Spithead, and the only one with Captain Waghorn who escaped; served as acting-lieutenant of a ship under Lord Howe at the relief of Gibraltar, and commanded the *Defence*, a ship of 74 guns, at the battle of Trafalgar (1763-1815).

DURHAM, JOHN GEORGE LAMETON, EARL OF, statesman, born in Durham Co.; a zealous Liberal and reformer, and a member of the Reform Government under Earl Grey, which he contributed much to inaugurate; was ambassador in St. Petersburg, and was sent governor-general to Canada in 1839, but owing to some misunderstanding took the extraordinary step of voluntarily returning within the year (1792-1840).

DURWARD, QUENTIN, a Scottish archer in the service of Louis XI., the hero of a novel by Scott of the name.

DÜSSELDORF, a well-built town of Rhenish Prussia, on the right bank of the Rhine; it is a place of manufactures, and has a fine picture-gallery with a famous school of art associated.

DUTENS, LOUIS, a French savant, born at Tours; after being chaplain to the British minister at Turin, settled in England, and became historiographer-royal; was a man of varied learning, and well read in historical subjects and antiquities (1730-1812).

DUTROCHET, RENÉ JOACHIM HENRI, a French physiologist and physicist, known for his researches on the passage of fluids through membranous tissues (1776-1847).

DUUMVIRS, the name of two Roman magistrates who exercised the same public functions.

DUVAL, CLAUDE, a French numismatist, and writer on numismatics; keeper of the imperial cabinet of Vienna; was originally a shepherd boy (1695-1776).

DUYEN, SIR JOSEPH JOEL, Anglo-Dutch art dealer and patron. He gave several works to national collections and built the Turner wing of the Tate Gallery (1843-1908).

DVOŘÁK, ANTONÍN, Bohemian composer. It was his "Stabat Mater," composed in 1880 that won him international fame. His work shows great originality (1841-1904).

DWARF STARS are those of comparatively small volume and brightness and of high density, like our sun. See **STELLAR EVOLUTION**.

DWIGHT, TIMOTHY, an American theologian, grandson of Jonathan Edwards, and much esteemed in his day both as a preacher and a writer; his "Theology Explained and Defended," in 5 vols., was very popular at one time, and was frequently reprinted (1762-1817).

DWINA, a Russian river, distinguished from the Dna (q.v.) also called Duna, which flows N. to the White Sea.

DYAKS, the native name of tribes of Malays of a superior class aboriginal to Borneo.

DYCE, ALEXANDER, an English literary editor and historian, born in Edinburgh; edited several of the old English poets and authors, some of them little known before; also the poems of Shakespeare, Pope, &c.; was one of the founders of the Percy Society, for the publication of old English works (1798-1869).

DYCE, WILLIAM, a distinguished Scottish artist, born in Aberdeen, studied in Rome; settled for a time in Edinburgh, and finally removed to London; painted portraits at first, but soon took to higher subjects of art; his work was such as to commend itself to both German and French artists; he gave himself to fresco-painting, and as a fresco-painter was selected to adorn the walls of the Palace of Westminster and the House of Lords; his "Baptism of Ethelbert," in the latter, is considered his best work (1806-1864).

DYCK, VAN. See **VANDYCK**.

DYER, JOHN, English poet; was a great lover and student of landscape scenery, and his poems, "Grongar Hill" and the "Fleece," abound in descriptions of these, the sea in 8. Wales (1700-1758).

DYKES, veins of igneous rock traversing sedimentary strata in a vertical direction, which originated through molten lava, being forced out through the cracks in the overlying rocks and solidifying. These dykes are often harder than the surrounding rock, and, consequently, they stand out above the surface when the latter has been removed by denudation.

DYNAMICS, the branch of mechanics which deals with the relations between forces and the motions caused by those forces.

DYNAMITE, a powerful explosive substance, intensely local in its action; formed by impregnating a porous siliceous earth or other substance with some 70 per cent. of nitro-glycerine.

DYNAMO, a machine by which mechanical work is transformed into electricity by the inductive action of magnets on coils of copper wire in motion.

DYNASTS, THE, an epic poem by Thomas Hardy, produced in three parts in 1903, 1906, and 1908.

DYNE, the unit of force on the metric system; that force which gives a mass of one gram an acceleration of one centimetre per second per second.

DYSON, SIR FRANK WATSON, astronomer, appointed astronomer-royal at Greenwich in 1910 (1868-).

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EADMER, a celebrated monk of Canterbury; flourished in the 12th century; friend and biographer of St. Anselm, author of a "History of his Own Times," as also of many of the Lives of the Saints; elected to the bishopric of St. Andrews in 1120; resigned on account of Alexander I. of Scotland refusing to admit the right of the English Archbishop of Canterbury to perform the ceremony of consecration.

EADRIC, a Saxon, notorious for his treachery, fighting now with his countrymen against the Danes and now with the Danes against them, till put to death by order of Canute in 1017.

EADS, JAMES BUCHANAN, an American engineer, born in Laurensburg, Indiana; designed ingenious boats for floating submerged ships; built with remarkable speed warships for the Federalists in 1861; constructed a steel bridge spanning the Mississippi at St. Louis, noteworthy for its central span of 620 ft. (1820-1887).

EAGLE, the king of birds, and bird of Jove; was adopted by various nations as the emblem of dominant power, as well as of nobility and generosity; in Christian art it is the symbol of meditation, and the attribute of St. John; is represented now as fighting with a serpent, and now as drinking out of a chalice or a communion cup, to strengthen it for the fight.

EAGLE, ORDER OF THE BLACK, an order of knighthood founded by the Elector of Brandenburg in 1701; with this order was ultimately incorporated the Order of the Red Eagle, founded in 1734 by the great of Bayreuth.

OF BRITANNY, Du Guesclin (q.v.).

OF MEAUX, Besset (q.v.).

E, a name given in England to a tidal wave rushing up a river or estuary on the top of another, called also a Bore (q.v.).

EARL, a title of nobility, ranking third in the British peerage; originally election to the dignity of earl carried with it a grant of land held in feudal tenure, the discharge of judicial and administrative duties connected therewith, and was the occasion of a solemn service of investiture. In course of time the title lost its official character, and since the reign of Queen Anne all ceremony of investiture has been dispensed with, the title being conferred by letters patent. The word is derived from the Anglo-Saxon *eorl* which signified the "gentle folk," as distinguished from the *ceorls*, the "churls" or "simple folk."

EARL MARSHAL, a high officer of State, an office of very ancient institution, now the head of the college of arms, and hereditary in the family of the Dukes of Norfolk; formerly one of the chief officers in the court of chivalry, a court which had to do with all matters of high ceremonial, such as coronations.

EARLOM, RICHARD, a mezzotint engraver, born in London; celebrated for his series of 200 prints after the original designs of Claude de Lorraine (1743-1822).

EARLSTON, or EROLDOUNE, a village in Berwickshire, with manufactures of gingham and other textiles. In its vicinity stand the ruins of the "Rhymer's Tower," alleged to have been the residence of Thomas the Rhymer.

EARLY ENGLISH, a term in architecture used to designate that particular form of Gothic architecture in vogue in England in the 13th century, whose chief characteristic was the pointed arch.

EARTH, name given to that wire of a wireless set or other electrical apparatus, which connects a certain part with the earth and therefore keeps it at zero potential.

EARTH HOUSES, known also as Yird Houses, Weems and Piots' Houses, underground dwellings in use in Scotland, extant even after the Roman evacuation of Britain. Entrance was effected by a passage not much wider than a fox burrow, which sloped downwards 10 or 12 ft. to the floor of the house; the inside was oval in shape, and was walled with

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overlapping rough stone slabs; the roof frequently reached to within a foot of the earth's surface; they probably served as storehouses, winterquarters, and as places of refuge in times of war. Similar dwellings, styled Caves, are found in Ireland.

EARTHLY PARADISE, poem by William Morris, published in 1868; his greatest effort, considered his masterpiece; consists of 24 tales by 24 Norwegian travellers in quest of an earthly paradise.

EARTHQUAKES, disturbances of the earth's surface such as are recorded from early times. Of modern times the most disastrous has been that of 1755 at Lisbon when 50,000 lives were lost; Jamaica suffered in 1907, South Mexico in 1911, Tokyo and Yokohama in 1923 and 1924, and the Azores in 1927.

EAST INDIA COMPANY, founded in 1600; erected its first factories on the mainland in 1612 at Surat, but its most profitable trade in these early years was with the Spice Islands, Java, Sumatra, &c.; driven from these islands by the Dutch in 1822, the Company established itself altogether on the mainland; although originally created under royal charter for purely commercial purposes, it in 1689 entered upon a career of territorial acquisition, which culminated in the establishment of British power in India; gradually, as from time to time fresh renewals of its charter were granted, it was stripped of its privileges and monopolies, till in 1858, after the Mutiny, all its powers were vested in the British Crown. See CLIVE.

EAST RIVER, the strait which separates Brooklyn and New York cities, lying between Long Island Sound and New York Bay, about 10 m. long; is spanned by a bridge.

EASTBOURNE, a watering-place and health resort on the Sussex coast, between Brighton and Hastings and 66 m. S. of London; has Roman remains, and is described in Domesday Book; the famous cliff, Beachy Head, is included in the borough.

EASTER, an important festival of the Church commemorating the resurrection of Christ; held on the first Sunday after the first full moon of the calendar which happens on or next after March 21, and constituting the beginning of the ecclesiastical year; the date of it determines the dates of other movable festivals; derives its name from Eostre, a Saxon goddess, whose festival was celebrated about the same time, and to which many of the Easter customs owe their origin.

EASTER ISLAND, a volcanic island in the SE. Pacific, so named by the Dutch when discovered in 1722; remarkable for remains of ancient stone statues of great size, the origin of which has given rise to much conjecture; the island, visited by Captain Cook in 1774, belongs to Chile.

EASTERN STATES, the six New England States in N. America—Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut.

EASTLAKE, SIR CHARLES LOCK, artist and author, born at Plymouth; studied painting in London and in Paris; produced the last portrait of Napoleon, which he executed from a series of sketches of the emperor on board the *Bellevue* in Plymouth harbour; he travelled in Greece, and from 1816 to 1830 made his home at Rome; "Christ Weeping over Jerusalem," his greatest work, appeared in 1841; was President of the Royal Academy; wrote several works on subjects relating to his art, and translated Goethe's "Farbenlehre" (1793-1865).

EASTMAN, GEORGE, American scientist, inventor of the roll-film for photography and designer of the Kodak cameras; founder of the Kodak company (1854-).

EASTWICK, EDWARD BACKHOUSE, Orientalist and diplomatist, born at Warfield, in Berkshire; went to India as a cadet, acquired an extensive knowledge of Indian dialects and Eastern languages, and passed an Interpretship examination, gaining the high proficiency reward of 1000 rupees; carried

through peace negotiations with China in 1842; inviolable home, he became professor of Hindustani at Haileybury College; afterwards studied law and was called to the bar; entered Parliament, and held various political appointments, including a three years' embassy in Persia; was a fellow of many antiquarian and philological societies; amongst his numerous literary productions his "Gulistān" and "Life of Zoroaster" from the Persian are noted (1814-1893).

EAU-DE-COLOGNE, a perfume originally manufactured at Cologne by distillation from certain essential oils with rectified spirit.

ERAI, **MOUNT**, a mountain with a level summit, which rises to the height of 3077 ft. on the N. side of the narrow Vale of Shechem, in Palestine, and from the slopes of which the people of Israel responded to the curses which were pronounced by the Levites in the valley.

ESSEBARD, JOHANN AUGUST, German philosophical writer, born at Halberstadt; professor at Halle; rationalistic in his theology, and opposed to the Kantian metaphysics; was a disciple of Leibnitz; wrote a "New Apology of Socrates," in defence of rationalism in theology, as well as a "Universal History of Philosophy," and a work on German synonyms (1789-1809).

ESSER, GEORGE MORITZ, German Egyptologist, born at Berlin; discovered an important papyrus; was professor successively at Jena and Leipzig; laid aside by ill-health, betook himself to novel-writing as a pastime; was the author of "Uarda, a Romance of Ancient Egypt," translated by Clara Bell (1837-1898).

ESBERT, FRIEDRICH, German statesman. Educated at an elementary school he became a saddler in Heidelberg; at 22 he edited a Socialist newspaper, but was practically an unknown man when on the revolution of 1918 he was made Chancellor in succession to Prince Max of Baden. In 1919 he became first President of the German Republic (1870-1925).

ESBERT, KALL EGON, a Bohemian poet, born at Prague; his poems, dramatic and lyric, are collected in 7 vols., and enjoy a wide popularity in his country (1801-1882).

EBIONITES, a sect that in the 2nd century sought to combine Judaism and the hopes of Judaism with Christianity, and rejected the authority of St. Paul and of the Pauline writings; they denied the divinity of Christ, and maintained that only the poor as such were the objects of salvation.

EBLIS, in Mohammedan tradition the chief of the fallen angels, who was consigned to perdition for refusing to worship Adam at the command of his Creator, and who gratified his revenge by seducing Adam and Eve from innocence.

EBRO, a river of Spain, rises in the Cantabrian Mountains, flows SE. into the Mediterranean 80 m. SW. of Barcelona, after a course of 422 m.

ECBATANA, the ancient capital of Media, situated near Mount Orontes (now Elvend); was surrounded by seven walls of different colours that increased in elevation towards the central citadel; was a summer residence of the Persian and Parthian kings. The modern town of Hamadan now occupies the site of it.

ECE HOMO (i.e. Behold the Man), a representation of Christ as He appeared before Pilate crowned with thorns and bound with ropes, as in the painting of Correggio, a subject which has been treated by many of the other masters, such as Titian and Vandreyk.

ECHYMOISIS, a discoloration of the skin produced by extravasated blood under or in the texture of the skin, the result of a blow or of disease.

ECCLESTREHAN, a market-town of Dunfriesshire, consisting for the most part of the High Street, 5 m. S. of Lockerbie, on the main road to Carlisle, 18 m. to the S.; noted as the birth and burial place of Thomas Carlyle.

ECCLESIASTES (i.e. the Preacher), a book of the Old Testament, questionably ascribed to Solomon, and now deemed of more recent date as belonging to a period when the reflective spirit prevailed; it is written apparently in depreciation of mere reflection as a stepping-stone to wisdom. The standpoint of

the author is a religious one; the data on which he rests is given in experience, and his object is to expose the vanity of every source of satisfaction which is not founded on the fear, and has not supreme regard for the commandments, of God, a doctrine which is the very ground-principle of the Jewish faith; but if vanity is written over the whole field of human experience, he argues, this is not the fault of the system of things, but due, according to the author, to the folly of man (chap. vii. 29).

ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSIONERS, the body which looks after Church property and estates; first appointed by Queen Elizabeth, they were subsequently abolished and revived and finally put on their present basis in 1835.

ECCLESIASTICAL POLITY, THE LAW OF, a vindication of the Anglican Church against the Puritans, written by Richard Hooker; the most splendid and stately piece of literary prose that exists in the language.

ECCLESIASTICAL STATES, territories in Italy once subject to the Pope as a temporal prince as well as ecclesiastically. They were taken by Italy in 1870 and a small part around the Vatican was restored in 1929 by the Lateran Treaty (q.v.).

ECCLESIASTICUS, one of the books of the Apocrypha, ascribed to Jesus, the son of Sirach, admitted to the sacred canon by the Council of Trent, though excluded by the Jews. It contains a body of wise maxims, in imitation, as regards matter as well as form, of the Proverbs of Solomon, and an appendix on the men who were the disciples of wisdom. Its general aim, as has been said, is "to represent wisdom as the source of all virtue and blessedness, and by warnings, admonitions, and promises to encourage in the pursuit of it." It was originally written in Hebrew, but was extant only in a Greek translation executed in Egypt, professedly by the author's grandson, until in 1896 portions of the original Hebrew MSS. were discovered.

ECCHEBERT, archbishop of York; was a pupil of Bede, and the heir to his learning; founded a famous school at York, which developed into a university; flourished in 766.

ECHEGARAY, JOSE, Spanish dramatist and politician; born in Madrid; prominent as a leader of the reform party in Spain (1833-1916).

ECHIDNA, a fabulous monster that figures in the Greek mythology, half-woman, half-serpent, the mother of Cerberus, the Lernean Hydra, the Chimæra, the Sphinx, the Gorgons, the Nemean Lion, and the vulture that gnawed the liver of Prometheus.

ECHINODERMS, a group of marine invertebrates including star fishes, sea-urchins (echinoids), sea-lilies (crinoids), and extinct fossil forms like blastoids and cystideans.

ECHINOIDS, or sea-urchins, invertebrate animals of the echinoderm group.

ECHO, a wood-nymph in love with Narcissus, who did not return her love, in consequence of which she pined away till all that remained of her was only her voice.

ECK, JOHN, properly **MAIER**, a German theologian, of Swabian birth, professor at Ingolstadt; a violent, blistering antagonist of Luther and Luther's doctrines; in his zeal went to Rome, and procured a papal bull against both; undertook at the Augsburg Diet to controvert Luther's doctrine from the Fathers, but not from the Scriptures; was present at the conferences of Worms and Regensburg (1496-1543).

ECKERMANN, JOHANN PETER, a German writer, born at Wismen, in Hanover; friend of Goethe, and editor of his works; the author of "Conversations with Goethe in the Last Years of his Life, 1823-1832," a record of wise reflections and of Goethe's opinions on all subjects, of the utmost interest to all students of the German sage (1792-1854).

ECKHART, MEINSTER, a German philosopher and divine, profoundly speculative and mystical; entered the Dominican Order, and rapidly attained to a high position in the Church; arraigned for heresy in 1295, and was acquitted, but two years after his death his writings were condemned as heretical by a papal bull (1260-1329).

ECKMÜHL, a village in Bavaria where Napoleon defeated the Austrians in 1809, and which gave the title of Duke to Davout (*q.v.*), one of Napoleon's generals.

ELECTICIS, so-called philosophers who attach themselves to no system, but select what, in their judgment, is true out of others. In antiquity the Eclectic philosophy is that which sought to unite into a coherent whole the doctrines of Pythagoras, Plato, and Aristotle, such as that of Plotinus and Proclus was. There is an eclecticism in art as well as philosophy, and the term is applied to an Italian school which aimed at uniting the excellencies of individual great masters.

ECLIPSES, phenomena caused by the sun, earth and moon being in one straight line; a solar eclipse occurs when the moon passes between the sun and the earth, when it may obscure the whole of the sun's disc (total eclipse), a portion of the disc (partial eclipse), or the whole of the central part leaving a bright rim (annular eclipse). The last total eclipse visible in England was in June, 1927, and the next will occur in 1999. A lunar eclipse takes place when the moon passes into the earth's shadow; it may be either total or partial; in every year there are at least two and at most seven eclipses, either solar or lunar.

ECLIPTIC, the name given to the circular path in the heavens round which the sun appears to move in the course of the year, an illusion caused by the earth's annual circuit round the sun, in a plane inclined at an angle of $23\frac{1}{2}$ degrees to the equator; is the central line of the Zodiac (*q.v.*), so called because it was observed that eclipses occurred only when the moon was on or close upon this path.

ELOGUE, poetry of a pastoral nature written in a refined style; applied to some of the work of Virgil and Horace, and in later times to poems by Spenser, Dryden, Fletcher, and others.

EKOLOGY, the branch of biology which studies the relations between animals and plants and their environment.

ECORCHEURS (*lit.* flayers properly of dead bodies), armed bands who desolated France in the reign of Charles VII., stripping their victims of everything, often to their very clothes.

ECSTATIC DOCTOR, Jean Ruysbroek, a schoolman given to mysticism (1294-1381).

ECUADOR, a republic of S. America, of Spanish origin, created in 1822; derives its name from its position on the equator; lies between Colombia and Peru; is traversed by the Andes, several of the peaks of which are actively volcanic; the population consists of Peruvian Indians, negroes, Spanish Creoles; exports cacao, coffee, hides, oil, and medicinal plants; the administration is vested in a president, a vice-president, two ministers, a senate of 18, and a house of deputies of 30, elected by universal suffrage.

ECUMENICAL COUNCIL, an eclesiastical council representative, or accepted as representative, of the Church universal or Catholic. See **COUNCILS**.

ECZEMA, a common skin disease, which may be either chronic or acute; develops in a red rash of tiny vesicles, which usually burst and produce a characteristic scab; is not contagious, and leaves no scar.

EDDA (*lit.* grandmother), the name given to two collections of legends illustrative of the Scandinavian mythology; the Elder, or Poetic, Edda, collected in the 11th century by Sæmund Sigfusson, an early Christian priest, with perhaps a lingering fondness for paganism, and the Younger, or Prose, Edda, collected in the next century by Snorri Sturluson, an Icelandic gentleman (1178-1241); the former consists of over 30 poems, mostly in alliterative verse, the latter contains legends as related by Odin with treatises on poetry and prosody.

EDDINGTON, SIR ARTHUR STANLEY, astronomer, director of the Cambridge Observatory; devoted himself to the study of astrophysics, in which sphere he has produced important results; wrote many books on astronomical subjects and on the application of the relativity theory of Einstein to astronomy; he was knighted in 1930 (1882-).

EDDY, MRS. MARY BAKER, the American woman founder of Christian Science and the Church of

Christ, Scientist; in 1875 she produced the sect's standard work "Science and Health in Key to the Scriptures" (1882-1910).

EDDYSTONE LIGHTHOUSE, situated on a low reef of rocks submerged at high tide, 14 m. SW. of Plymouth; first built of wood by Winstanley, 1696; destroyed by a storm in 1703; rebuilt of wood on a stone base by Rudyard; burnt in 1758, and reconstructed by Smeaton of solid stone, this structure lasting for over 100 years before being dismantled; the present edifice, on a different site, was completed by Sir James Douglas in 1882, is 133 ft. in height, and has a light visible 17½ m. off.

EDELINCK, GERARD, a Flemish copperplate engraver, born at Antwerp; invited to France by Colbert, and patronised by Louis XIV.; executed in a masterly manner many works from historical subjects (1640-1707).

EDEN (*i.e.* place of delight), Paradise, the original spot referred to uncertain, though believed to have been in the East around the rivers Tigris and Euphrates; identified in Moslem tradition with the moon.

EDERLE, GERTRUDE, the first woman to swim the English Channel, which she did from France to England in 14 hrs. 35 mins., then a record, in 1926. She was the daughter of a New York butcher (1906-).

EDESSA, an ancient city in Mesopotamia; figures in early Church history, and is reputed to have contained at one time 300 monasteries; it fell into the hands of the Turks in 1515; is regarded as the sacred city of Abraham by Orientals.

EDFU, a town in Upper Egypt, on the left bank of the Nile; has unique ruins of two temples, the larger founded by Ptolemy IV. Philopater before 200 B.C.

EDGAR, a king of Saxon England from 959 to 975, surnamed the Peaceful; promoted the union and consolidation of the Danish and Saxon elements within his realm; cleared Wales of wolves by exacting of its inhabitants a levy of 300 wolves' heads yearly; eight kings are said to have done him homage by rowing him on the Dee; St. Dunstan, the archbishop of Canterbury, was the most prominent figure of the reign.

EDGAR THE ATHELING, a Saxon prince, the grandson of Edmund Ironside; was hurriedly proclaimed king of England after the death of Harold in the battle of Hastings, but was amongst the first to offer submission on the approach of the Conqueror; spent his life in a series of feeble attempts at rebellion, and lived into the reign of Henry I.

EDGEHILL, in the E. of Warwickshire, the scene of the first battle in the Civil War, in 1642, between the royal forces under Charles I. and the Parliamentary under Essex; though the Royalists had the worst of it, no real advantage was gained by either side.

EDGEWORTH, HENRY ESSEX, known as the "Abbé" Edgeworth, born in Ireland, son of a Protestant clergyman; educated at the Sorbonne, in Paris; entered the priesthood, and became the confessor of Louis XVI., whom he attended on the scaffold; exclaimed as the guillotine came down, "Son of St. Louis, ascend to heaven!" left France soon after; was subsequently chaplain to Louis XVIII. (1745-1807).

EDGEWORTH, MARIA, novelist, born at Black-bourton, Berks; from her fifteenth year her home was in Ireland; she declined the suit of a Swedish count, and remained till the close of her life unmarried; amongst the best known of her works are "Moral Tales," "Tales from Fashionable Life," "Castle Rackrent," "The Absentee," and "Ormond"; her novels are noted for their animated pictures of Irish life, and were acknowledged by Scott to have given him the first suggestion of the Waverley series; the Russian novelist, Turgenev, acknowledged a similar indebtedness; "In her Irish stories she gave," says Stopford Brooke, "the first impulse to the novel of national character, and in her other tales to the novel with a moral purpose" (1766-1849).

EDGEWORTH, RICHARD LOVELL, an Irish landlord, father of Maria Edgeworth, with a genius for mechanics, in which he displayed a remarkable

talent for invention; was member of the last Irish Parliament; educated his son in accordance with the notions of Rousseau; wrote some works on mechanical subjects in collaboration with his daughter (1744-1817).

EDICT OF NANTES, an edict issued in 1598 by Henry IV. of France, granting toleration to the Protestants; revoked by Louis XIV. in 1685.

EDINBURGH, the capital of Scotland, on the Firth of Forth, picturesquely situated amid surrounding hills; derives its name from Edwin, king of Northumbria in the 7th century; was created a burgh in 1329 by Robert the Bruce, and recognised as the capital in the 15th century, under the Stuarts; it has absorbed in its growth adjoining municipalities; is noted as an educational centre; is the seat of the Supreme Courts; has a university, castle, and royal palace, and the old Scottish Parliament House, now utilised by the Law Courts; brewing and printing are the chief industries, but the upper classes of the citizens are for the most part either professional people or living in retirement.

EDINBURGH REVIEW, a celebrated quarterly review started in October, 1802, in Edinburgh to further the "Whig" interest; amongst its founders and contributors were Horner, Brougham, Jeffrey, and Sidney Smith, the latter being editor of the first three numbers; Jeffrey assumed the editorship in 1803, and in his hands it became famous for its incisive literary critiques, Carlyle and Macaulay contributing some of their finest essays to it.

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY, founded in 1583; was the last of the Scottish Universities to receive its charter; was raised to an equal status with the others in 1821; its site was the famous Kirk o' Field, the scene of the Darnley tragedy; now consists of two separate buildings, one entirely devoted to medicine, and the other to arts and training in other departments.

EDISON, THOMAS ALVA, a celebrated American inventor, born at Milan, Ohio; started life as a newsboy; early displayed his genius and enterprise by producing the first newspaper printed in a railway train; turning his attention to telegraphy, he revolutionised the whole system by a series of inventions, to which he has since added others, to the number of 500, the most notable being the megaphone, phonograph, kinoscope, which was the forerunner of the cinema, a carbon telegraph transmitter, and improvements in electric lighting (1847-).

EDITH, the alleged name of Lot's wife.

EDITH, ST., an English princess, the natural daughter of Edgar, king of England (961-984). Festival, Sept. 16.

EDMUND, ST., king or "landlord" of East Anglia from 855 to 870; refused to renounce Christianity and accept heathenism at the hands of a set of invading Danes, and suffered martyrdom; rather; was made a saint and had a monastery called "Bury St. Edmunds," in Suffolk, raised to his memory over his grave (841-870).

EDMUND, ST., Edmund Rich, archbishop of Canterbury, born at Abingdon; while still at school made a vow of celibacy and wedded the Virgin Mary; sided as archbishop with the popular party against the tyranny of both Pope and king; coming into disfavour with the papal court retired to France, where, on his arrival, the mother of St. Louis with her sons met him to receive his blessing, and where he spent his last days in a monastery; died in 1240, and was canonised six years after by Innocent IV., somewhat reluctantly it is said (1170-1240).

EDMUND IRONSIDE, succeeded to the throne of England on the death of his father Ethelred the Unready in 1016, but reigned only seven months; he struggled bravely, and at first successfully, against Canute the Dane, but, being defeated, the kingdom ultimately was divided between them (981-1016).

EDOM, or IDUMEA, a mountainous but not unfertile country, comprising the S. of Judaea and part of the N. of Arabia Petraea, 100 m. long by 20 m. broad, peopled originally by the descendants of Esau, who were ruled by "dukes," and were bitterly hostile to the Jews.

EDRED, king of the Anglo-Saxons, son of Edward

the Elder; subdued Northumbria; had in the end of his reign St. Dunstan for chief adviser; d. 955.

EDRISI, MOHAMMED, an Arabian geographer, born at Ceuta, in Spain; by request of Roger II. of Sicily wrote an elaborate description of the earth, which held a foremost place amongst medieval geographers (1099-1170).

EDUCATION ACTS were passed in 1870 making education compulsory, and in 1891 making it free in elementary schools.

EDUL, an ancient Gallic tribe, whose capital was Bibrace (Autun).

EDWARD, THOMAS, naturalist, born at Gosport; bred a shoemaker; settled in Bangor where he devoted his leisure to the study of animal nature, and collected numerous specimens of animals, which he stuffed and exhibited, but with pecuniary loss; the Queen's attention being called to his case, she settled on him an annual pension of £50, while the citizens of Aberdeen presented him in March, 1877, with a gift of 130 sovereigns (1814-1886).

EDWARD I., Longshanks, king of England (1272-1307), born in Westminster, son of Henry III., married Eleanor (q.v.) of Castile; came first into prominence in the Barons' War; defeated the nobles at Evesham, and liberated his father; joined the last Crusade in 1270, and distinguished himself at Acre; returned to England in 1274 to assume the crown, having been two years previously proclaimed king; during his reign the ascendancy of the Church and the nobles received a check, the growing aspiration of the people for a larger share in the affairs of the nation was met by an extended franchise, while the right of Parliament to regulate taxation was recognised; under his reign Wales was finally subdued and annexed to England, and a temporary conquest of Scotland was achieved (1239-1307).

EDWARD II., king of England (1307-1327), son of the preceding; was first Prince of Wales, being born in Carnarvon; being a weakling was governed by favourites, Gaveston and the Spencers, whose influence, as foreigners and unpatriotic, offended the barons, who rose against him; in 1314 Scotland rose in arms under Bruce, and an ill-fated expedition under him ended in the crushing defeat at Bannockburn; in 1327 he was deposed, and was brutally murdered in Berkeley Castle (1284-1327).

EDWARD III., king of England (1327-1377), son of the preceding, married Philippa of Hainault; during his boyhood the government was carried on by a council of regency; in 1328 the independence of Scotland was recognised, and nine years later began the Hundred Years' War with France, memorable in this reign for the heroic achievements of Edward the Black Prince (q.v.), the king's eldest son; associated with this reign are the glorious victories of Crécy and Poitiers, and the great naval battle at Sluys, one of the earliest victories of English arms at sea; these successes were not maintained in the later stages of the war, and the treaty of Bretigny involved the withdrawal of Edward's claim to the French crown; in 1376 the Black Prince died (1312-1377).

EDWARD IV., king of England (1461-1483), son of Richard, Duke of York, and successor to the Lancastrian Henry VI., whom he defeated at Towton; throughout his reign the country was torn by the Wars of the Roses, in which victory rested with the Yorkists at Hedgeley Moor, Hexham, Barnet, and Tewkesbury; in this reign little social progress was made, but a great step towards it was made by the introduction of printing by Caxton (1442-1483).

EDWARD V., king of England for three months in 1483, son of the preceding; deposed by his uncle, Richard, Duke of Gloucester; was ultimately murdered in the Tower, along with his young brother (1470-1483).

EDWARD VI., king of England (1547-1553), son of Henry VIII. and Jane Seymour; his reign, which was a brief one, was marked by a victory over the Scots at Pinkie (1547), Catholic and agrarian risings, and certain ecclesiastical reforms (1537-1553).

EDWARD VII., king of Great Britain and Ireland, and Emperor of India, succeeded his mother, Queen Victoria, Jan. 22, 1901. On March 10, 1863, he married Princess Alexandra, eldest daughter of

Christian IX. of Denmark. He left four surviving children: George, who succeeded him, b. 1845; Louise, Duchess of Fife, b. 1847; Victoria, b. 1848; and Maud, b. 1860, who married Prince Charles of Denmark. The king's eldest son, Albert Victor, b. 1844, died January 14, 1892. He was known as the Peacemaker, as his reign saw the birth of the Entente Cordiale (1841-1910).

EDWARD, PRINCE OF WALES. Born in Richmond; the eldest son of the then Duke and Duchess of York, afterwards King George and Queen Mary, he went to Osborne at the age of 18, and on to Dartmouth. In 1910 he was created Prince of Wales at Carnarvon, and went to Oxford in 1913. During the Great War he served in France, Egypt, and Italy, and after 1918 undertook a series of tours throughout the Empire (1894-).

EDWARD THE CONFESSOR, king of England, married Edith, daughter of the great Earl Godwin (q.v.); was a feeble monarch of ascetic proclivities; his appeal to the Duke of Normandy precipitated the Norman invasion, and in him perished the royal Saxon line; was canonised for his piety (1004-1066).

EDWARD THE ELDER, king of the Anglo-Saxons from 901 to 925; was the son and successor of Alfred the Great; extended the Anglo-Saxon dominions.

EDWARDES, SIR HERBERT BENJAMIN, soldier and administrator in India, born in Frodesley, Shropshire; was actively engaged in the first Sikh war and in the Mutiny; served under Sir Henry Lawrence, whose life he partly wrote (1819-1868).

EDWARDS, BRYAN, historian, born in Westbury; traded in Jamaica; wrote a "History of British Colonies in the West Indies" (1749-1800).

EDWARDS, JOHN PASMORE, philanthropist; born in Cornwall; as newspaper proprietor owned the *Echo*; founded libraries, hospitals, and other institutions in poor quarters of London, and established many clubs for working men and women (1823-1911).

EDWARDS, JONATHAN, a celebrated divine, born in F. Windsor, Connecticut; graduated at Yale; minister at Northampton, Mass.; missionary to Housatonic Indians; was elected to the Presidency of Princeton College; wrote an acute and original work, "The Freedom of the Will," a masterpiece of cogent reasoning; has been called the "Spinoza of Calvinism" (1703-1758).

EDWIN, king of Northumbria in the 6th century; through the influence of his wife Ethelburga Christianity was introduced into England by St. Augustine; founded Edinburgh; was defeated and slain by the Mercian King Penda in 634.

EDWY, king of the Anglo-Saxons from 955 to 957; offended the clerical party headed by Dunstan and Odo, who put his wife Elgiva to death, after which he soon died himself at the early age of 19 (938-957).

ECKHOUT, a Dutch portrait and historical painter, born in Antwerp; the most eminent disciple of Rembrandt, whose style he successfully imitated (1621-1674).

EFFEN, VAN, a Dutch author, who wrote chiefly in French; imitated the *Spectator* of Addison, and translated into French Swift's "Tale of a Tub" and Defoe's "Robinson Crusoe" (1694-1735).

EFFENDI, a title of honour among the Turks, applied to State and civil officials, frequently associated with the name of the office, as well as applied to men of learning or high position.

EFFICIENCY, a term used by engineers to denote the ratio of the output to input of energy of an engine, motor, dynamo, etc.

EFFLORESCENT SUBSTANCES, those crystalline substances which lose their water of crystallisation when exposed to the air and become amorphous, e.g. washing soda.

EGALITÉ, PHILIPPE, Duke of Orleans, born April 18, 1787, father of Louis Philippe; so called because he sided with the Republican party in the French Revolution, whose motto was "Liberté, Fraternité, et Égalité." See ORLEANS, DUKE OF.

EGAN, PIERCE, author of several books on the Bohemian life of London; notably "Boxiana" and "Life in London" (1772-1849).

EGATES, three islands on the W. coast of Sicily.

EGBERT, king of Wessex, a descendant of Cedric the founder; after an exile of 18 years at the court of Charlemagne ascended the throne in 800; reigned till 859, governing his people in tranquillity, when, by successful wars with the other Saxon tribes, he in two years became virtual king of all England, and received the revived title of Bretwalda; d. 887.

EGEDE, HANS, a Norwegian priest, founder of the Danish mission in Greenland, whither he embarked with his family and a small colony of traders in 1721; leaving his son to carry on the mission, and returning to Denmark, he became head of a training school for young missionaries to Greenland (1686-1758).

EGEDE, PAUL, son of Hans; assisted his father in the Greenland mission, and published a history of the same; translated part of the Bible into the language of the country, and composed a grammar and a dictionary of it (1708-1789).

EGER, a town in Bohemia, on the river Eger, 91 m. W. of Prague, a centre of railway traffic; Wallenstein was murdered here in 1634; the river flows into the Elbe after a N.E. course of 190 m.

EGERIA, a nymph who inhabited a grotto in a grove in Latium, dedicated to the Camene, some 16 m. from Rome, and whom, according to tradition, King Numa was in the habit of consulting when engaged in framing forms of religious worship for the Roman community; she figures as his spiritual adviser, and has become the symbol of such.

EGERTON, FRANCIS. See BRIDGEWATER, EARL OF.

EGGER, EMILE, a French Hellenist and philologist (1818-1885).

EGHAM, a small town in Surrey, on the Thames, 20 m. W. of London; has in its vicinity Runnymede, where King John signed *Magna Charta* in 1215.

EGINHARD, or EINHARD, a Frankish historian, born in Mainray, in East Franconia; a collection of his letters and his *Annals of the Franks*, as well as his famous "Life of Charlemagne," are extant; was a favourite of the latter, who appointed him superintendent of public buildings, and took him with him on all his expeditions; after the death of Charlemagne he continued at the Court as tutor to the Emperor Louis's son; died in retirement (770-840).

EGlantine, MADAME, the prioress in the "Canterbury Tales" of Chaucer.

EGMONT, LAMORAL, COUNT OF, born in Hainault; became attached to the Court of Charles V., by whom, for distinguished military and diplomatic services, he was appointed governor of Flanders; fell into disfavour for espousing the cause of the Protestants of the Netherlands, and was beheaded in Brussels by the Duke of Alva; his career and fate form the theme of Goethe's tragedy "Egmont," a play poor as a drama, but charming as a picture of the two chief characters in the piece, Egmont and Clarench (1525-1568).

EGMONT, MOUNT, the loftiest peak in the North Island, New Zealand, is 8270 ft. in height, and of volcanic origin.

EGO and NON-EGO (i.e. I and Not-I, or Self and Not-Self), are terms used in philosophy to denote respectively the subjective and the objective in cognition, what is from self and what is from the external to self, what is merely individual and what is universal.

EGOISM, the philosophy of those who, uncertain of everything but the existence of the Ego or I, resolve all existence as known into forms or modifications of its self-consciousness.

EGYPT, a country occupying the N.E. corner of Africa, lies along the W. shore of the Red Sea, has a northern coast-line on the Mediterranean, and stretches S. as far as Wady Halfa; the area is nearly 400,000 sq. m.; its chief natural features are uninhabitable desert on the E. and W., and the populous and fertile valley of the Nile. Cereals, sugar, cotton, and tobacco are important products. Mohammedan Arabs constitute the bulk of the people, but there is also a remnant of the ancient Coptic race. The country became a British Protectorate on November 18, 1914, when Hussein Kamil was made the first Sultan, the last Khadive being Abbas II. This removed Egypt from the suzerainty of Turkey. Hussein Kamil died in October, 1917, and was succeeded by Fuad. In

March, 1922, Egypt was made an independent kingdom. The noble monuments and relics of her ancient civilisation, chief amongst which are the Pyramids, as well as the philosophies and religions she inherited, together with the arts she practised, and her close connection with Jewish history, give her a peculiar claim on the interested regard of mankind. Nothing, perhaps, has excited more wonder in connection with Egypt than the advanced state of her civilisation when she first comes to play a part in the history of the world. There is evidence that 4000 years before the Christian era the arts of building, pottery, sculpture, literature, even music and painting, were highly developed, her social institutions well organised, and that considerable advance had been made in astronomy, chemistry, medicine, and anatomy. Already the Egyptians had divided the year into 365 days and 12 months, and had invented an elaborate system of weights and measures, based on the decimal notation.

EGYPTIAN NIGHT, such as in Egypt when, by judgment of God, a thick darkness of three days settled down on the land. See Exodus x. 22.

EGYPTOLOGY, the science, in the interest of ancient history, of Egyptian antiquities, such as the monuments and their inscriptions, and one in which of late years great interest has been taken and much progress made.

EGYPTUS, the brother of Danaus, whose 50 sons, all but one, were murdered by the daughters of the latter. See **DANAUS**.

EKKILI, a dialect of S. Arabia, interesting to philologists as one of the oldest of Semitic tongues.

EHRENBERG, CHRISTIAN GOTTFRIED, a German naturalist, born in Deltzsch; intended for the Church; devoted himself to medical studies, and graduated in medicine in 1818; acquired great skill in the use of the microscope, and by means of it made important discoveries, particularly in the department of Infusoria; contributed largely to the literature of science (1785-1876).

EHRENBREITSTEIN (i.e. broad stone of honour), a strongly fortified town in Prussia, on the Rhine, opposite Coblenz, with which it has communication by a bridge of boats and a railway viaduct; the fortress occupies the summit of the rock, which is precipitous; is about 600 ft. high, and has large garrison accommodation.

EICHHORN, JOHANN GOTTFRIED, a German theologian and Orientalist, born in Dörrenzimmern, Franconia; a man of extensive scholarship; held the chair of Oriental languages in Jena, and afterwards at Göttingen; was the first to apply a bold rationalism to the critical treatment of the Scriptures; he was of the old school of rationalists, now superseded by the historico-critical; his chief works are a Universal Library of Biblical Literature, in 10 vols., Introductions to the Old and to the New Testament, each in 5 vols., and an Introduction to the Apocrypha (1762-1827).

EICHTHAL, GUSTAVE D', a French publicist, born in Nancy; an adherent of St. Simonianism; wrote "Les Evangiles" (1804-1886).

EICHWALD, CHARLES EDWARD, an eminent Russian naturalist, born in Mitau, Russia; studied science at Berlin and Vienna; held the chairs of Zoology and Midwifery at Kasan and Wilna, and of Paleontology at St. Petersburg; his explorations, which led him through most of Europe, Persia, and Algeria, and included a survey of the Baltic shores, as well as expeditions into the Caucasus, are described in his various works, and their valuable results noted (1795-1876).

EIFFEL, GUSTAVE, an eminent French engineer, born in Dijon; early obtained a reputation for bridge construction; designed the great Garabit Viaduct, and also the enormous locks for the Panama Canal; his most noted work is the gigantic iron tower in Paris which bears his name; in 1893 became involved in the Panama scandals, and was fined and sentenced to two years' imprisonment (1823-1923).

EIFFEL TOWER, a structure erected on the banks of the Seine in Paris, the loftiest in the world, being 985 ft. in height, and visible from all parts of the city; it consists of three platforms, of which the first is as high as the towers of Notre Dame; the second as high as Strasburg Cathedral spire,

and the third 363 ft.; it was designed by Gustave Eiffel, and erected in 1887-1889; there are cafes and restaurants on the first landing, and the ascent is by powerful lifts.

EIGG, or EGG, a rocky islet among the Hebrides, 5 m. SW. of Skye; St. Donnan and 50 monks from Iona were massacred here in 617 by the queen, notwithstanding a remonstrance on the part of the islanders that it would be an irreligious act; here also the Macleods of the 10th century suffocated in a cave 300 of the Macdonalds, including women and children.

EIGHTS WEEK, the annual inter-collegiate boat races at Oxford University held at the end of the summer term, when the college balls also take place.

EIKON BASILIKE (i.e. the Royal Likeness), a book containing an account of Charles I. during his imprisonment, and ascribed to him as author, but really written by Bishop Gauden, though the MS. may have been perused and corrected by the king; it gives a true picture of his character and possible state of mind.

EILDONS, THE, a "triple-crested eminence" near Melrose, 1385 ft., and overlooking Teviotdale to the S., associated with Sir Walter Scott and Thomas the Rhymer; they are of volcanic origin, and are said to have been cleft in three by the wizard Michael Scott, when he was out of employment.

ELMOE, one of the French Society Islands; is hilly and woody, but well cultivated in the valleys; missionary enterprise in Polynesia first found a footing here.

EMMEDELN, a town in the canton of Schwyz, Switzerland; has a Benedictine abbey, containing a famous black image of the Virgin, credited with miraculous powers, which attracts, it is said, 200,000 pilgrims annually.

EINSTEIN, ALBERT, German scientist, famous for his researches in mathematical physics in connection with the quantum theory (q.v.), and more especially with relativity; his "General Theory of Relativity," published in 1916, caused a revolutionary change in the scientific views of gravitation (1879-). See **RELATIVITY**.

EISENACH, a flourishing manufacturing town in Saxony, close to the Thuringian Forest and 48 m. W. of Weimar; is the birthplace of Sebastian Bach; in the vicinity stands the castle of Wartburg, the hiding-place for 10 months of Luther after the Diet of Worms.

EISELEBN, a mining town in Prussian Saxony, 24 m. NW. of Halle; the birthplace and burial-place of Luther.

EISTEDDFOOD, a gathering of Welsh bards and others, now annual, to which, out of a patriotic motive, prizes are awarded for the encouragement of Welsh literature and music and the preservation of the Welsh language and ancient national customs.

EKATERINEBURG, a Russian town on the Isset, on the E. side of the Ural Mountains, of the mining industry in which it is the chief centre; has various manufactures, and a trade in the cutting and sorting of precious stones.

EKKRON, a town in N. Palestine, 80 m. N. from Gaza and 9 m. from the sea.

ELAINE, a lady of the court of King Arthur in love with Lancelot, whose story is related by Malory in his "History" and by Tennyson in his "Idylls of the King."

ELASTICITY, the property of changing in size or shape under the influence of a stress and of regaining the original size or shape when the stress is removed.

ELBA, a small and rocky island in the Mediterranean between Corsica and Tuscany, with a bold precipitous coast; belongs to Italy; has trade in fish, fruits, and iron ore; famous as Napoleon's place of exile from May, 1814, to February, 1815.

ELBE, the most important river in N. Germany; rises in the Riesengebirge, in Austria, flows NW. through Germany, and enters the North Sea at Cuxhaven, 725 m. long, navigable 520 m.; abounds in fish.

ELBERFELD, an important manufacturing commercial centre, 18 m. NE. of Düsseldorf; noted for its textiles and dyeworks.

ELBEUF, a town on the Seine, 75 m. NW. of Paris; has flourishing manufactures in cloths, woollens, etc.

ELBURZ, a lofty mountain range in N. Persia, S. of the Caspian; also the name of the highest peak in the Caucasus (18,571 ft.).

ELDER, a name given to certain office-bearers in the Presbyterian Church, associated with the minister in certain spiritual functions short of teaching and administering sacraments; their duties embrace the general oversight of the congregation, and are of a wider nature than those of the deacons, whose functions are confined strictly to the secular interests of the church; they are generally elected by the church members, and ordained in the presence of the congregation; their term of office is in some cases for a stated number of years, but more generally for life.

ELDON, JOHN SCOTT, LORD, a celebrated English lawyer, born in Newcastle, of humble parentage; educated at Oxford for the Church, but got into difficulties through a runaway marriage; he betook himself to law, rose rapidly in his profession, and, entering Parliament, held important legal offices under Pitt; was made a Baron and Lord Chancellor, 1801, an office which he held for 26 years; retired from public life in 1835, and left a large fortune at his death; was noted for the shrewd equity of his judgments and his delay in delivering them (1751-1838).

EL DORADO (*lit.* the Golden One), a country which Orellana, the lieutenant of Pizarro, pretended to have discovered in S. America, between the Amazon and Orinoco, and which he represented as abounding in gold and precious gems; the actual "city of gold" which was the conquistadors' quest was Manoa, in Guiana, and El Dorado, whose name was applied to the country and is now a synonym for fabulous wealth, was the cacique, or chief, of it.

ELEANOR, queen of Edward I. of England and sister of Alfonso X. (*q.v.*) of Castile, surnamed the Wise, accompanied her husband to the Crusade in 1269, and is said to have saved him by sucking the poison from a wound inflicted by a poisoned arrow; was buried at Westminster (1244-1290).

ELEATIC, a school of philosophy in Greece, founded by Xenophanes of Elea, of which Parmenides and Zeno, both of Elea, were the two leading adherents and advocates, the former developing the system and the latter completing it, the ground-principle of which was twofold—the affirmation of the unity, and the negative of the diversity, of being—in other words, the affirmation of pure being as alone real, to the exclusion of everything finite and merely phenomenal.

ELECTION, THE DOCTRINE OF, the doctrine that the salvation of a man depends on the election of God for that end, of which there are two chief phases—the one is election to Christ's, or unconditional election, and the other that it is election in Christ, or conditional election.

ELECTORS, THE, or KURFÜRSTES, OF GERMANY, German princes who enjoyed the privilege of disposing of the imperial crown, ranked next the emperor, and were originally six in number, but grew to eight and finally nine; three were ecclesiastical—the Archbishops of Mayence, Cologne, and Treves, and three secular—the Electors of Saxony, the Palatinate, and Bohemia, to which were added at successive periods the Electors of Brandenburg, of Bavaria, and Hanover. The Holy Roman Empire, which was a grand object once, but had gone about in a superannuated state for some centuries, was at last put to an end by Napoleon, August 6, 1806.

ELECTRA (*i.e.* the Bright One), an ocean nymph, the mother of Ials (*q.v.*).

ELECTRA, the daughter of Agamemnon and Clytemnestra, who, with her brother Orestes, avenged the death of her father on his murderers.

ELECTRICITY manifests itself as *static electricity* which is produced when certain materials, *e.g.* glass or amber, are rubbed; the substance when electrified in this way has the property of attracting small objects, such as scraps of paper; experiment shows that a body may acquire a charge of two different kinds, positive and negative, and that two bodies similarly charged repel one another, whilst two with unlike charges attract one another; electricity appears as a flowing current or *voltic electricity* when

two plates in certain liquids are connected by a wire (see **BATTERY**); when a coil of wire is rotated in the neighbourhood of a magnet, as in a dynamo; and when the junction of two different metals is heated; for practical purposes currents are produced by the first two methods; the most important effects of the current flowing in a conductor are (1) the heating of the conductor, utilised in lamps, electric fires, &c.; (2) the induction of a current in a neighbouring circuit, as in a transformer and the coil of a wireless set; (3) its influence upon a magnetic needle, made use of in the construction of instruments for measuring currents, *e.g.* galvanometer; (4) the motion given to a coil through which a current is flowing when placed between the poles of a powerful magnet; this is the fundamental principle of all electric motors; (5) electrolysis (*q.v.*); and (6) production of electromagnetic waves. The second and sixth effects only appear when the current is alternating, and in the case of the last named it must be of high frequency. Electricity was originally looked upon as an invisible fluid contained in all bodies, a positive or negative charge being due to an excess or deficiency of the fluid; this was followed by the theory which postulated two fluids, negative and positive. Modern investigation has shown that a negative charge is due to electrons, which may be considered as the disembodied "atoms" of negative electricity and a current is due to the movement of these along the conductor.

ELECTRICITY, UNIT OF. The unit of electrical supply is the kilowatt-hour or Board of Trade Unit, and is equivalent to 1000 watts for one hour; 746 watts are equivalent to one horse-power.

ELECTRODE, name given to the plate or wire where an electric current enters or leaves a liquid, which is being electrolysed; the positive electrode is known as the anode, the negative as the cathode; the name is also applied to the plates of a vacuum tube, X-ray bulb, or wireless valve.

ELECTROLYSIS, the analysis of compounds in solution into their component parts by means of an electric current; this effect is utilised in the processes of electroplating and electrotyping; an electrolytic process is used for refining copper and for many industrial purposes.

ELECTROMAGNETIC THEORY, the theory put forward by James Clerk Maxwell (*q.v.*) that light can be explained as electromagnetic waves in the ether; his mathematical analysis showed that such waves would have properties similar to those observed in the case of light. Though the real nature of these waves is uncertain, it is now generally held that light is an electromagnetic phenomenon, and that the waves given out by electric oscillators (as in wireless telegraphy) are of the same nature as light waves, differing from them only in their wave-length. The original theory has been modified somewhat by the new ideas introduced by the quantum theory.

ELECTRON, the unit, fundamental charge of negative electricity; electrons emitted from an X-ray tube are known as cathode particles or rays, and those from radioactive substances as Beta particles (*q.v.*).

ELEGY, a song expressive of sustained earnest yearning, or mild sorrow after loss.

ELEMENT, name given to the simple substances of which all chemical compounds are formed; all elements are composed of atoms, identical with one another in the case of the same elements; the old definition that they cannot be split up into anything simpler has had to be modified, as the study of radioactivity (*q.v.*) has shown that the atom of an element can throw off an alpha particle, which may be considered as an atom of helium, leaving the atom of a new element with entirely different properties, *e.g.* uranium changes by a number of stages to radium, and finally to lead; the artificial disintegration of some atoms has been achieved on a small scale, but there is no evidence that synthesis of more complicated elements ever takes place; for ordinary non-radioactive substances the idea of an element being a fundamental unchanging entity is satisfactory for most purposes, but must not be taken as a rigid definition.

ELEMENTAL SPIRITS, a general name given in the Middle Ages to salamanders, undines, sylphs, and gnomes, spirits superstitiously believed to have dominion respectively over, as well as to have had their dwelling in, the four elements—fire, water, air, and earth.

ELEMENTS, originally the four forms of matter so deemed—fire, air, earth, and water, and afterwards the name for those substances that cannot be resolved by chemical analysis, and which are now found to amount to 92.

ELEPHANT, a genus of mammals, of which there are two species, the Indian and the African; the latter attains a greater size, and is hunted for the sake of its tusks, which may weigh as much as 70 lbs.: the former is more intelligent, and easily capable of being domesticated; the white elephant is a variety of this species; of Indian elephants only the males have tusks.

ELEPHANT, ORDER OF THE WHITE, a Danish order of knighthood, restricted to 30 knights, the decoration of which is an elephant supporting a tower; it was instituted by Canute IV., king of Denmark, at the end of the 12th century.

ELEPHANTA, an island 6 m. in circuit in Bombay harbour, so called from its colossal figure of an elephant which stood near the landing-place; it contains three temples cut out of solid rock and covered with sculptures, which, along with the figure at the landing, are rapidly decaying.

ELEPHANTIASIS, a peculiar skin disease, accompanied with abnormal swelling; so called because the skin becomes hard and stiff like an elephant's hide; attacks the lower limbs and scrotum; is chiefly confined to India and other tropical countries.

ELEPHANTINE, a small island below the first cataract of the Nile; contains interesting monuments and ruins of the ancient Roman and Egyptian civilisations.

ELEUSINIAN MYSTERIES, rites, initiation into which, as religiously conducive to the making of good men and good citizens, was compulsory on every free-born Athenian, celebrated annually at Eleusis in honour of Demeter and Persephone, and lasting nine days.

ELEUSIS, a town in ancient Attica, NW. of Athens, with a temple for the worship of Demeter, the largest in Greece; designed by the architect of the Parthenon (q.v.).

ELEUTHERIA, the goddess of liberty, as worshipped in ancient Greece.

ELEVATOR, the rudder-like movable plane at the tail of an aeroplane used for raising or lowering the nose of the machine.

ELF-ARROWS, arrow-heads of flint used in hunting and war by the aborigines of the British Isles and of Europe generally, as they still are among savages elsewhere; derived their name from the superstitious belief that they were used by the fairies to kill cattle and sometimes human beings in their mischief; they were sometimes worn as talismans, occasionally set in silver, as a charm against witchcraft.

ELGAR, SIR EDWARD, British composer, well-known for his song, "Land of Hope and Glory." He started as a music teacher at Malvern and composed his first cantata in 1892; it was not till "Caractacus" was produced in 1898 that he became famous. "The Dream of Gerontius" is perhaps his most popular work. He was knighted in 1904, and made Master of the King's Musick in 1924 (1859-).

ELGIN, now **MORAY**, a northern Scottish county, fronting the Moray Firth and lying between Banff and Nairn, mountainous in the S. but flat to the N., watered by the Spey, Lossie, and Findhorn; agriculture, stone-quarrying, distilling, and fishing are the staple industries; has some imposing ruins and interesting antiquities.

ELGIN, the county town of above, on the Lossie; created a royal burgh by David I.; has ruins of a fine Gothic cathedral and royal castle.

ELGIN, a city in Illinois, on the Fox, 35 m. NW. of Chicago; watchmaking the chief industry.

ELGIN, JAMES BRUCE, 5TH EARL OF, statesman and diplomatist, born in London; governor of Jamaica and Canada; negotiated important treaties

with China and Japan; rendered opportune assistance at the Indian Mutiny by diverting to the succour of Lord Canning an expedition that was proceeding to China under his command; after holding office as Postmaster-General he became Viceroy of India (1861), where he died; his Journal and Letters are published (1811-1868).

ELGIN MARBLES, a collection of ancient sculptured marbles brought from Athens by the 7th Earl of Elgin in 1812, and now deposited in the British Museum, after purchase of them by the Government for £35,000; these sculptures adorned certain public buildings in the Acropolis, and consist of portions of statues, of which that of Theseus is the chief, of alto-reliefs representing the struggle of the Centaurs and Lapithæ, and of a large section of a frieze.

ELIA, the *nom de plume* adopted by Charles Lamb in connection with his Essays.

ELIAS, MOUNT, a mountain in NW. coast of N. America; conspicuous far off at sea, being about 18,000 ft. above it.

ELIJAH, a Jewish prophet, born in Tishbe, in Gilead, near the desert; prophesied in the reign of Ahab, king of Israel, in the 10th century B.C.; revealed himself as the deadly enemy of the worship of Baal, 400 of whose priests he is said to have slain with his own hand; his zeal provoked persecution at the hands of the king and his consort Jezebel, but the Lord protected him, and he was translated from the earth in a chariot of fire, "went up by a whirlwind into heaven." See **PROPHETS**, THE.

ELIOT, GEORGE, the *nom de plume* of Mary Ann Evans, distinguished English novelist, born in Arbury, in Warwickshire; was bred on evangelical lines, but by-and-by lost faith in supernatural Christianity; began her literary career by a translation of Strauss's "Life of Jesus"; became in 1851 a contributor to the *Westminster Review*, and formed acquaintance with George Henry Lewes, with whom she lived, and who it would seem discovered her latent faculty for fiction; her first work in that line was "Scenes from Clerical Life," contributed to *Blackwood* in 1855; the stories proved a signal success, and they were followed by a series of seven novels, beginning in 1858 with "Adam Bede," and ending with the "Impressions of Theophrastus Such" in 1879; these, with two volumes of poems, make up her works; Lewes died in 1878, and two years after she married an old friend, John Cross, and after a few months of wedded life died of inflammation of the heart (1819-1880).

ELIOT, JOHN, the apostle to the Indians, born in Hertfordshire; entered the Church of England, but seceded and emigrated to New England; became celebrated for his successful evangelistic expeditions amongst the Indians during his life-long occupancy of the pastorate at Roxbury, Massachusetts; translated the Bible into the Indian tongue (1604-1690).

ELIS, a district of Greece, on the W. coast of the Peloponnese, sacred to old Hellas as the seat of the greatest of the Greek festivals in connection with the Olympian Games, a circumstance which imparted a prestige to the inhabitants.

ELISA, or ELISSA, Dido, queen of Carthage, in love with Aneas.

ELISHA, a Jewish prophet, the successor of Elijah, who found him at the plough, and consecrated him to his office by throwing his mantle over him, which he again let fall on him as he ascended to heaven; exercised his office for 55 years, but showed none of the zeal of his predecessor against the worship of Baal; was, however, accredited as a prophet of the Lord by the miracles he wrought in the Lord's name.

ELIZABETH, sister of Louis XVI.; was guillotined (1764-1794).

ELIZABETH FARNSESE, queen of Spain, a daughter of Odoardo II. of Parma; in 1714 she married Philip V. of Spain, when her bold and energetic nature soon made itself felt in the councils of Europe, where she carried on schemes for territorial and political aggrandisement; was an accomplished linguist; is called by Carlyle "the Termagant of Spain"; her Memoirs are published in four volumes (1692-1766).

ELIZABETH, EMPRESS OF RUSSIA, daughter of Peter the Great and Catherine I.; assisted Maria

Theresa in the war of the Austrian Succession; opposed Frederick the Great in the Seven Years' War; indolent and licentious, she left the affairs of the State mainly in the hands of favourites (1709-1762).

ELIZABETH, QUEEN OF BOHEMIA, daughter of James VI. of Scotland and I. of England; married Frederick V., Elector Palatine, who for a brief time held the throne of Bohemia; her daughter Sophia, by marrying the Elector of Hanover, formed a tie which ultimately brought the crown of England to the House of Brunswick (1596-1682).

ELIZABETH, QUEEN OF ENGLAND (1558-1603), daughter of Henry VIII. and Anne Boleyn, born in Greenwich Palace; was an indefatigable student in her youth; acquired Greek and Latin, and a conversational knowledge of German and French; the Pope's opposition to her succession on the ground of being judged illegitimate by the Church strengthened her attachment to the Protestant faith, which was her mother's, and contributed to its firm establishment through her reign; during it the power of Spain was crushed by the defeat of the Armada; maritime enterprise flourished under Drake, Raleigh, and Frolicher; commerce was extended, and literature carried to a pitch of perfection never before or since reached; masterful and adroit, Elizabeth yet displayed the weakness of vanity and vindictiveness; the execution of Mary, Queen of Scots, is a blot upon her fame, and her intrigues with Seymour, Leicester, and Essex detract from her dignity; her wisdom was manifested in her wise choice of counsellors and leaders, and her patriotism won her a secure place in the hearts of her people (1558-1603).

ELIZABETHAN ARCHITECTURE, a term applied to the style of architecture which flourished in the reigns of Elizabeth and James I., and was characterized by a revival of classic designs wrought into the decadent Gothic style. Lord Salisbury's house at Hatfield is a good specimen of this mixed style.

ELKARGH, a town in the great oasis in the Libyan Desert; has ancient remains, and is an important resting place in crossing the desert.

ELLENBOROUGH, EDWARD LAW, EARL OF, an English Conservative statesman, son of Baron Ellenborough, Lord Chief Justice of England; entered Parliament in 1813; held office under the Duke of Wellington and Sir Robert Peel; appointed Governor-General of India (1841); recalled in 1844; subsequently First Lord of the Admiralty and Indian Minister under Lord Derby (1790-1871).

ELLENRIEDER, MARIE, a painter of great excellence, born in Constance; studied in Rome; devoted herself to religious subjects, such as "Christ Blessing Little Children," "Mary and the Infant Jesus," &c. (1771-1868).

ELLENBERG, FRANCIS EGERTON, EARL OF, statesman and author, born in London, second son of the Duke of Sutherland; was Secretary for Ireland and War Secretary; author of some books of travel, and a translation of "Faust" (1800-1857).

ELLIOTT, GEORGE AUGUSTUS. See **HEATHFIELD**.
ELLIOTSON, JOHN, an English physician, born in London; lost his professorship in London University on account of employing mesmerism for medical purposes; promoted clinical instruction and the use of the stethoscope; founded the Phenological Society (1791-1868).

ELLIOTT, EBENEZER, poet, known popularly as the "Corn-Law Rhymers," born in Rotherham parish, Yorkshire; an active worker in iron; devoted his leisure to poetic composition; proved a man who could handle both pen and hammer like a man; wrote the "Corn-Law Rhymes" and other pieces (1781-1846).

ELLIS, ALEXANDER JOHN, an eminent philologist, born in Horton; published many papers on phonetics and early English pronunciation; was president of the Philological Society; his name, originally Sharpe, changed by royal licence (1814-1890).

ELLIS, GEORGE, literary critic, born in London; did much to promote the study of early English literature; contributed to the *Anti-Jacobin*, and was joint-author of the "Rollad," a satire on Pitt, and of "Specimens of Early English Metrical

Romances"; Scott declared him to be the best conversationalist he had ever met (1753-1816).

ELLIS, SIR HENRY, chief librarian of the British Museum from 1827 to 1856, born in London; edited various works on antiquities; wrote an "Introduction to Domesday Book"; knighted in 1883 (1777-1869).

ELLIS, WILLIAM, a missionary and author, born in London; laboured in the South Sea Islands, and afterwards in Madagascar; wrote various works descriptive of these islands; he married Sarah Stickney, who was the authoress of a number of popular works, including "The Women of England," "The Daughters of England," &c. (1794-1872).

ELLIS ISLAND, in New York harbour, the place where immigrants are examined before being allowed to land.

ELLISTON, ROBERT WILLIAM, a celebrated actor and theatrical manager, born in London; ran away from home and joined the stage, rose to the front rank both as comedian and tragedian (1774-1831).

ELLORA, an Indian village in Hyderabad, 12 m. N.W. of Aurangabad, famed for its Buddhist and Hindu cave and monolithic temples, the most magnificent of which is hewn out of a solid hill of red stone, the most beautiful being the Hindu temple of Kalika.

ELLWOOD, THOMAS, a celebrated Quaker, born in Crowell, Oxfordshire; the intimate friend of Milton, to whom he suggested the idea of "Paradise Regained" by remarking to him, "Thou hast said much of Paradise Lost, but what hast thou to say of Paradise Found?" did much to extend Quakerism in England; his Autobiography is still read (1689-1713).

ELMO'S FIRE, ST., a popular name for the display of electric fire which sometimes plays about the masts of ships, steeples, &c., accompanied at times with a hissing noise; commoner in southern climates and known by other names, e.g. Fire of St. Clara, of St. Elias.

ELONG, a discourse in panegyric of some illustrious person deceased, in which composition Fontenelle took the lead, and in which he was followed by D'Alembert, Condorcet, Flourens, and others.

ELOHIM, a Hebrew word in the plural number, signifying God or one as God, but with a verb in the singular, signifying generally the one true God; according to the Talmud it denotes God as just in judgment to all in contradistinction to Jehovah, which denotes God as merciful to His people.

ELOHIST, a name given by the critics to the presumed author of the earlier part of the Pentateuch, whose work in it they allege is distinguished by the use of the word Elohim for God; he is to be distinguished from the Jehovist, the presumed author of the later portions, from his use, on the other hand, of the word Jehovah for God.

ELPHINSTONE, GEORGE KEITH, ADMIRAL. See **KEITH**.

ELPHINSTONE, MOUNTSTUART, a noted Indian civil servant and historian; co-operated with Wellesley in firmly establishing British rule in India; was governor of Bombay, where he accomplished many useful reforms, and issued the Elphinstone Code of Laws; wrote a "History of India," which earned for him the title of the "Tacitus of India" (1770-1859).

ELPHINSTONE, WILLIAM, an erudite and patriotic Scottish ecclesiastic and statesman, born in Glasgow; took holy orders; went to Paris to study law, and became a professor in Law there, and afterwards at Orleans; returned to Scotland; held several high State appointments under James III. and James IV.; continued a zealous servant of the Church, holding the bishoprics of Ross and of Aberdeen, where he founded the university (1481-1514).

ELNSHORE, a seaport on the island of Zealand, in Denmark, 80 m. N. of Copenhagen; has a good harbour; the scene of Shakespeare's "Hamlet."

ELSWICK, a town in the vicinity of Newcastle, noted for the great engineering and ordnance works of the Armstrong company.

ELTON, a salt lake of SE. Russia, in the government of Astrakhan; has an area of about 85 sq. m., but is very shallow; yields annually some 90,000 or 95,000 tons of salt, which is shipped off via the Volga.

ELTON, CHARLES ISAAC, jurist and ethnologist, born in Somerset; held a Fellowship in Queen's College, Oxford; called to the bar in 1866, and in 1884 was returned to Parliament as a Conservative; his first works were juridical treatises on the tenure of land, but in 1882 he produced a learned book on origins of English history (1889-1900).

ELVAS, a strongly fortified town in Portugal, in the province of Alentejo, 12 m. W. of Badajoz; is a bishop's see; has a Moorish aqueduct 3½ m. long and 250 ft. high.

ELY, a cathedral city, in the fenland of Cambridgeshire, on the Ouse, 80 m. SE. of Peterborough; noted as the scene of Hereward's heroic stand against William the Conqueror in 1071; the cathedral, founded in 1083, is unique as containing specimens of the various Gothic styles incorporated during the course of 400 years.

ELY, ISLE OF, a name given to the N. portion of Cambridgeshire on account of its having been at one time insulated by marshes; being included in the region of the Fens, has been drained, and is now fertile land.

ELYOT, SIR THOMAS, author and ambassador, born in Wiltshire; ambassador to the court of Charles V.; celebrated as the author of "The Governour," the first English work on moral philosophy, and also of the first Latin-English dictionary (1490-1546).

ELYSIUM, the abode of the shades of the virtuous dead in the nether world as conceived of by the poets of Greece and Rome, where the inhabitants live a life of passive blessedness, but to such a man as Achilles a place of woe rather and unrest, where he would fain exchange places with the meanest hind that breathes in the upper world.

ELZE, FREDERICK CARL, a German Shakespearean scholar, born in Dessau; early devoted himself to the study of English literature; lived some time in England and Scotland; in 1876 became professor of English Literature at Halle; his various publications on Shakespeare and the Elizabethan dramatists are full of excellent criticisms; also wrote *Lives of Scott and Byron* (1821-1889).

ELZEYER, the name of an eminent family of printers residing in Amsterdam and Leyden; Louis, the first of them, started in Leyden; their publications, mostly of classics, date from 1594 to 1880.

EMANATION, name given to the gaseous product of the disintegration of radioactive substances; the emanation from radium is known as niton or radon.

EMANATION, THE DOCTRINE OF, a doctrine of Eastern origin, which derives everything that exists from the divine nature by necessary process of emanation, as light from the sun, and ascribes all evil and the degrees of it to a greater and greater distance from the pure ether of this parent source, or to the extent in consequence to which the being gets immersed in and clogged with matter.

EMANUEL I., king of Portugal from 1495 to 1521; his reign inaugurated the golden period of Portuguese history, during which Portugal became the first maritime and commercial power in Europe; was the patron of Vasco da Gama and Albuquerque; issued an edict for the expulsion of the Jews from his kingdom, and wrote to the Elector of Saxony begging him to get rid of Luther (1499-1521).

EMBALMING, the art of preserving dead bodies from decay by means of antiseptic agents applied both externally and internally; although known to other people, e.g. the Peruvians, the art was chiefly practised among the Egyptians, and the practice of it dates back to 4000 B.C.; the thoroughness of the process depended on the money expended, but it usually involved the removal of the viscera, save the heart and kidneys, the extraction of the brain, the introduction of drugs to the cavities, and the pickling of the body in native carbonate of soda, and the wrapping of it in linen; experiments in embalming, more or less successful, have been made in recent times.

EMBER DAYS, four annually recurring periods of three days each, appointed by the Roman and English Churches to be devoted to fasting and praying; they are the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday after the first Sunday in Lent, after Pentecost, after September 14, and after December 13.

EMBRYO, the scientific term for the young of an

animal while yet in the initial stage of development in the womb; also applied to the plant in its rudimentary stage within the seed.

EMBRYOLOGY, the section of biology which treats of the development of the embryo.

EMDEN, the chief part of the province of Hanover, in Prussia, situated at the outlet of the river Ems; is intersected by canals; shipbuilding and brewing are the chief industries.

EMERALD, a precious stone of great value, allied in composition to the beryl; is of a beautiful transparent green colour; the finest specimens are found in Colombia and Venezuela.

EMERALD ISLE, Ireland, from the fresh verdure of its herbage; the name was first given to it by Dr. W. Drennan in a poem entitled "Erin," written in the 18th century.

EMERSON, RALPH WALDO, an American philosophical thinker and poet, of English Puritan descent, born in Boston, where he started in life as a Unitarian preacher and pastor, an office he resigned in 1832 for literature, in which he found he would have freer and fuller scope to carry out his purpose as a spiritual teacher; in 1833 he paid a visit to England; on his return the year after, he married, and, settling down in Concord, began his career as a lecturer and man of letters; by his "Essays," of which he published two series, one in 1841 and a second in 1844, he commended himself to the regard of all thinking men in both hemispheres; these embraced subjects one and all of spiritual interest, and revealed transcendent intellectual power; they were followed in 1850 by "Representative Men," lectures delivered in Manchester on a second visit to England, and thereafter, at successive periods, by "Society and Solitude," "English Traits," "The Conduct of Life," "Letters and Social Aims," besides a long array of poems; speculatively, Carlyle and he were of the same school (1803-1882).

EMERSON TENNENT, SIR JAMES, bred for the bar; was from 1845 to 1852 colonial secretary and lieutenant-governor of Ceylon, and became on his return joint-secretary to the Board of Trade; wrote "Christianity in Ceylon" and "Ceylon: an Account of the Island" (1804-1869).

EMERY, a dull, blue-black mineral of impure alumina, allied in composition to the sapphire, but containing a varying quantity of iron oxide; is found in large masses; is exceedingly hard, and largely used in polishing metals, plate-glass, and precious stones.

EMIGRANTS, THE (*Les Émigrés*), the members of the French aristocracy and of the partisans of the ancient régime who at the time of the Revolution, after the fall of the Bastille, fled for safety to foreign lands, concentrating particularly in Coblenz, where they plotted for its overthrow, to the extent of league with the foreigner against their country, with the issue of confiscation of their lands and properties by the republic that was set up.

EMIGRATION, movement from one country to another, narrowed down to mean the migration which started on a large scale in the 19th century from the Old World to America, Australia, and S. Africa. The U.S.A. alarmed at the influx of Europeans has restricted every nation to an annual quota, while Canada, Australia, and S. Africa make it difficult for the non-British and almost impossible for coloured people to gain entry. Attempts are made with moderate success to stimulate emigration by State assistance from overcrowded Britain to the undeveloped tracts of the Empire. Financial loans and reduced passages are arranged under these schemes.

EMILE, the hero of a philosophic romance by Rousseau of the same name, in which the author expounds his views on education, and presents his reasons, with his ideal of good education.

EMIN PASHA. See **SCHNITZER, EDUARD**.

EMIR, a title bestowed on the descendants of Mohammed's daughter Fatima, the word denoting a "prince" or "ruler"; has lost this its primary meaning; the emirs, of whom there are large numbers in Turkey, enjoy no privileges save the sole right to wear a green turban, the supposed favourite colour of Mohammed, though they hold a high social position; the title is also given to chiefs in N. Africa.

EMMET, ROBERT, a patriotic Irishman, born in Dublin; bred for the bar; took part in the Irish rebellion; was hanged for his share in attempting to seize Dublin Castle (1778-1803).

EMPEDOCLE, a philosopher of Agriguntum, in Sicily "extolled in antiquity as a statesman and orator, as physicist, physician, and poet, and even as prophet and worker of miracles," who flourished about the year 440 B.C.; he conceived the universe as made up of "four eternal, self-subsistent, mutually undervative, but divisible, primal material bodies, mingled and ruled by two moving forces, the uniting one of friendship and the disuniting one of strife"; of him it is fabled that, to persuade his fellow-citizens, with whom he had been in high favour as their deliverer from the tyranny of the aristocracy, of his bodily translation from earth to heaven, he threw himself unseen into the crater of Etna, but that at the next eruption of the mountain his slippers were cast up and revealed the fraud.

EMPIRES: the Roman, capital Rome, dates from the reign of Augustus, 25 B.C., to that of Theodosius, A.D. 395; of the East, or Low Empire, capital Constantinople, being part of the Roman empire, dates from 296 to 1453; of the West, capital Rome, dates from 296 to 476; the Holy, or Second Empire of the West, founded by Charlemagne, dates from 800 to 911; the Latin, capital Constantinople, founded by the Crusaders, dates from 1204 to 1261; the German, founded by Otto the Great in 962, ended by abdication of Francis II. of Austria in 1806, restored under William I. in 1870 and ended in 1918; the French, founded by Napoleon I., dates from 1804 to 1815, and as established by Napoleon III. dates from 1852 to 1870; of the Indies, founded in 1876 under the crown of England.

EMPIRIC, the name given to anyone who practises an art from the mere experience of results, apart from all reference to or knowledge of the scientific explanation.

EMPIRICISM, a philosophical term applied to the theory that all knowledge is derived from the senses and experience alone, to the rejection of the theory of innate ideas; Locke and Hume, in modern times, are the great representatives of the school that advocates this doctrine supported by Aristotle.

EMPSON, SIR RICHARD, a lawyer in the reign of Henry VII.; was Speaker of the House of Commons; incurred the hatred of the populace by acting as the King's agent in forcing payment of taxes and penalties; was convicted of tyranny and treason, and beheaded in 1510.

EMPHYEMA, a medical term signifying a diseased condition of the chest, in which pus accumulates in the pleura, cures of which are sometimes effected by drawing off the pus by means of tubes.

EMPHYREAN, the highest heaven, or region of pure elemental fire, whence everything of the nature of fire has been conceived to emanate, whether in the phenomena of nature or the life of man.

EMSE, (1) a river of NW. Germany, rises in Westphalia, and after a course of 205 m. discharges into Dollart Bay, an inlet of the North Sea; is navigable, and is joined to the Lippe by means of a canal, and similarly to Dortmund. (2) A celebrated German watering-place, on the Lahn, near Coblenz; its mineral springs, known to the Romans, vary in warmth from 80° to 135° F.

ENAMEL, a vitreous compound, easily fusible, and coloured in various tints by the admixture of different metallic oxides; is fused to the surface of metals for utility and ornament; was known to the European and Asiatic ancients, and has maintained its popularity to the present day. Various schools for the revival of the art of enamelling have been formed, of which the Byzantine, Rhenish, and Limoges are the most noted.

ENCALADA, MANUEL BLANCO, a distinguished Chilean statesman and soldier, born in Buenos Ayres; trained for the navy in Spain, but joined the Chilean revolutionaries; served with distinction under Lord Cochrane, and rose to high rank both in the army and navy; was commander of the Chilean forces in 1825, and for two months in the following year President of the Republic; was subsequently Governor of Valparaiso, and minister to France (1790-1876).

ENCAUSTIC PAINTING, an ancient style of decorative art somewhat similar to enamelling, which consisted in overlaying the surface (e.g. of walls) with wax, then inlaying a coloured design, the whole being subsequently polished.

ENCELADUS, in mythology one of the chief giants that revolted against Zeus, and who, as he fled and took refuge in Sicily, was transfixed by a thunderbolt and buried under Etna. The fiery eruptions of the mountain are his breath, and the shaking of it ascribed to his shifting from one side to another. In the latter regard he serves in literature as the symbol of a blind, often impotent, struggle to throw off some oppressive incubus.

ENCHIRIDIUM OF EPICTETUS. See **EPICTETUS**.

ENCINA, or ENZINA, JUAN DE LA, a Spanish dramatist, whose works mark the rise of the Spanish drama, born in Salamanca; was at one time secretary to the Duke of Alba, and afterwards conductor of music in the chapel of Leo X. at Rome (1489-1534).

ENCKE, JOHANN FRANZ, a celebrated German astronomer, born in Hamburg; determined the sun's distance, and the orbit of the comet of 1680; calculated the time of the revolution of the comet which now bears his name, and which appeared in 1818; determined also the distance of the sun by the two transits of Venus in 1761 and 1769 (1791-1865).

ENCRATITES, a Christian sect of the 2nd century, gnostic in tendency; its members were bound to chastity and temperance.

ENCYCLICAL LETTER, a letter addressed by the Pope to the bishops of the Church, commendatory of prevailing errors or counselling them how to act in connection with public questions of the day.

ENCYCLOPEDIA, a name of Greek derivation, given to works which embrace within their pages a more or less complete account, in alphabetical order, of the whole round of human knowledge, or of some particular section of it. Attempts in this direction were made as far back as Aristotle's day, and various others have since been made from time to time, according as the circle of knowledge widened, but the earliest use of the word was in a German publication of 1541. Amongst famous encyclopedias which have appeared, mention may be made of the French "Encyclopédie" (q.v.); the "Encyclopædia Britannica," Edinburgh (1768-1771); the German "Encyclopædie," begun in 1818 by Ersch and Gruber; while the latest of all is the Chinese encyclopædia, in 5020 vols., printed in Peking in 1725.

ENCYCLOPÉDIE, a French encyclopædia consisting of 28 vols., to which a supplement of 5 vols. was added; edited by D'Alembert and Diderot; contributed to by a number of the eminent savants of France, and issued in 1751-1777, it helped to feed, but did nothing to allay, or even moderate, the fire of the Revolution.

ENDEMIC, a term applied to diseases which affect the inhabitants of certain countries and localities, and which arise from strictly local causes, e.g. neighbouring swamps, bad sanitation, impure water, climate, &c.

ENDOR, a place on the S. of Mount Tabor, in Palestine, where the sorceress lived who was consulted by Saul before the battle of Gilboa, and who professed communication with the ghost of Samuel (1 Sam. xxviii. 7).

ENDYMION, a beautiful shepherd, son of Zeus, whom Selene (q.v.) carried off to Mount Lemnos, in Caria, where, as she kissed him, he sank into eternal sleep. This is one version of the story.

ENEID, an epic poem by Virgil, the hero of which is Æneas of Troy.

ENERGY. A body is said to possess energy when it is capable of doing work in virtue of its state or position, e.g. a moving mass has *kinetic energy*; a wound-up spring *potential energy*; and an explosive substance like T.N.T. *chemical energy*, which is liberated when the explosion takes place. The units of energy are the erg (q.v.) and foot-pound.

ENFANTIN, BARTHELEMY PROSPER, a Socialist and journalist, born in Paris, adopted the views of Saint-Simon (q.v.); held subversive views on the

marriage laws, which involved him in some trouble; wrote a useful and sensible book on Algerian colonisation, and several works, mainly interpretative of the theories of Saint-Simon (1796-1864).

ENFIELD, a town in Middlesex, 10 m. N.E. of London, has a celebrated Government rifle factory; was for six years the dwelling-place of Charles Lamb.

ENGADINE, a noted Swiss valley in the canton of the Grisons, stretches about 65 m. between the Lepontine or Ehelian Alps; is divided into the Lower Engadine, wild and desolate, and the Upper Engadine, fertile and populous, and a favourite health resort; the river Inn flows through it, its waters collected here and there into lakes.

ENGEDI, an oasis, a spot of rare beauty, once a place of palm-trees, 23 m. W. of the N. end of the Dead Sea.

ENGHIEN, LOUIS DE BOURBON, DUC D', an ill-fated French Royalist, born in Chantilly; joined the Royalists under his grandfather, Prince of Condé, and took part in the Rhine campaign against the Republicans; was suspected of being concerned in a Bourbon plot to assassinate the Emperor Napoleon; was seized in the neutral territory of Baden, brought to Vincennes, and after an inconclusive and illegal trial, shot by Napoleon's orders, a proceeding which gave rise to Fruché's remark: "It is worse than a crime—it is a blunder" (1772-1804).

ENGLAND, the "predominant partner" of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, comprises along with Wales the southern, and by far the greater, portion of Great Britain, the largest of the European islands; it is separated from the Continent on the E. and S. by the North Sea and English Channel, and from Ireland on the W. by St. George's Channel, while Scotland forms its N. boundary; its greatest length N. and S. is 430 m., and greatest breadth (including Wales) 370. It is of an irregular triangular shape; has a long and highly-developed coast-line (1800 m.); is divided into 40 counties (with Wales 52); has numerous rivers with navigable estuaries, while transit is facilitated by a network of railways and canals; save the highlands in the N., and the Pennine Range running into Derby, England is composed (if we except the mountainland of Wales) of undulating plains, 80 per cent. of which is arable; while coal and iron are found in abundance, and copper, lead, zinc, and tin in lesser quantities, it is in the extent and variety of its textile factories, and in the production of machinery and other hardware goods, that England is without an equal; the climate is mild and moist; but for the equatorial drift current, popularly known as the Gulf Stream (q.v.) whose waters wash its western shores, it would probably resemble that of Labrador. Under a limited monarchy and a widely embracing franchise, the people of England enjoy an unrivalled political freedom. Since Henry VIII.'s time, the national religion has been an established Protestantism, but all forms are tolerated. In 1896 education was made free. The name England is derived from Engle-land, or land of the Angles, a Teutonic people who, with kindred Saxons and Jutes, came over from the mainland in the 5th century, and took possession of the island, driving Britons and Celts before them. Admixtures to the stock took place during the 11th century through the Danish and Norman conquests. E. annexed Wales in 1284, and was united with Scotland under one crown in 1603, and under one Parliament in 1707.

ENGLES, FRIEDRICH, a Socialist, the friend of Karl Marx; an active propagandist of socialistic theories; author of several works on Socialism (1820-1895).

ENID, the daughter of Yniol and the wife of Geraint; one of the ladies of the court of King Arthur; celebrated for her steadfast conjugal affection, the story regarding whom is given in Tennyson's "Idylls of the King."

ENNISKILLEN, the county town of Fermanagh, Ireland, on an isle in the river which joins Lower and Upper Loughs Erne; the scene of the defeat of James II.'s troops by those of William of Orange; gave its name to a dragoon regiment.

ENNIUS, QUINTUS, an early Roman poet, the father of Roman epic poetry, born in Rudiae, Calabria;

promoted the study of Greek literature in Rome; of his poems, dramatic and epic, only a few fragments are extant (239-169 B.C.).

ENOCH, a godly man, who lived in antediluvian times among a race gone godless, and whom the Lord in judgment removed from the earth to return Himself by-and-by with a flood in order to clear the world of the ungodly; there are two apocalyptic books in Hebrew and Greek dealing with the revelations made to him.

ENOCH, THE BOOK OF, an apocryphal book, quoted from by Jude, discovered over a century ago, composed presumably about the 2nd century, though subsequently enlarged and ascribed to Enoch; it professes to be a series of revelations made to the patriarch bearing upon the secrets of the material and spiritual universe and the course of Providence, and written down by him for the benefit of posterity.

ENOCH ARDEN, a poem by Tennyson, and one of his happiest efforts to translate an incident of common life into the domain of poetry; the story is: A sailor, presumed to be lost, whose wife marries another, returns, finds her happily wedded, and bears the sorrow rather than disturb her felicity by revealing himself.

ENTABLATURE, a term in classic architecture applied to the ornamented portion of a building which rests in horizontal position upon supporting columns; is subdivided into three parts, the lower portion being called the *architrave*, the middle portion the *frieze*, and the uppermost the *cornice*; the depth assigned to these parts varies in the different schools, but the whole entablature generally measures twice the diameter of the column.

ENTAIL, a term in law which came to be used in connection with the practice of limiting the inheritance of estates to a certain restricted line of heirs. Attempts of the kind, which arise naturally out of the deeply-seated desire which men have to preserve property—especially landed estates—in their own families—are of ancient date; but the system as understood now, involving the principle of primogeniture, owes its origin to the feudal system. Sometimes the succession was limited to the male issue, but this was by no means an invariable practice; in modern times the system has been, by a succession of Acts of Parliaments (notably the Cairns Act of 1882), greatly modified, and greater powers given to the actual owner of alienating the estates to which he has succeeded, a process which is called "breaking the entail."

ENTOMOLOGY, the branch of zoology which deals with the study of insect life.

ENVIRONMENT, a term of extensive use in biological science, especially employed to denote the external conditions which go to determine modifications in the development of organic life to the extent often of producing new species.

ENZYMES, substances, very small quantities of which can bring about chemical change, e.g. *invertase*, found in yeast, which converts cane-sugar into glucose; *diastase*, which changes starch into glucose, and *pepsin* (q.v.).

EOANTHROPUS DAWSONI. See **FILTDOWN MAN**.

Eocene, the geological strata laid down at the beginning of the Tertiary Period; this age is represented in England by the London clay and thin beds of sand and gravel; the fossils found indicate that this country then enjoyed a tropical climate; in Eocene times mammals multiplied and began to gain ascendancy, and great earth movements began.

EON DE BEAUMONT, CHARLES D', the "Chevalier d'Eon," a noted French diplomatist, born in Tonnerre, Burgundy; notorious as having, while on secret missions, adopted a woman's dress for purposes of disguise; was ambassador at the English Court, but degraded and recalled by Louis XVI., and condemned to wear feminine garb till the close of his life; died in destitution, when the popular doubt as to his real sex was set at rest (1728-1810).

EOS, the goddess of the dawn, the daughter of Hyperion, and the sister of Helios and Selene. See **AURORA**.

EÖTVÖS, BARON JOZSEF, Hungarian statesman and author, born in Buda; adopted law first, but

devoted himself to literature, and eventually politics; Minister of Public Instruction, and then of Worship and Education; published some powerful dramas and novels, notably "The Village Notary," a work pronounced equal in many respects to the best of Scott's novels; also vigorous political essays (1818-1871).

EPACT, formerly used for finding Easter, is the age of the moon on January 1 of any particular year.

EPAMINONDAS, a famous Theban statesman and soldier, defeated Sparta in the great victory of Leuctra, and during his lifetime raised Thebes to a position of dominant power; was slain in the battle of Mantinea, when again successfully engaging the Spartans; blameless in his private life as he was heroic in the field, he figures as the great hero of Theban history; born about the close of the 5th century B.C.

EPPE, CHARLES MICHEL, ABBÉ DE L', a noted philanthropist, born in Versailles; took holy orders, but was divested of them on account of Jansenist views; devoted his life to the instruction of deaf-mutes, for whom he founded an institute and invented a language of signs (1712-1789).

EPHEIUS, the contriver of the wooden horse, by means of which the Greeks entered and took possession of Troy; he was assisted by Athena in the building of it.

EPERNAY, a French town on the Marne, 20 m. NW. of Châlons; the chief emporium of the champagne district.

EPHESIANS, THE EPISTLE TO THE, a presumably circular letter of St. Paul to the Church at Ephesus, among other Churches in the East, written to show that the Gentile had a standing in Christ as well as the Jew, and that it was agreeable to the eternal purpose of God that the two should form one body in Him; it contains Paul's doctrine of the Church, and appears to have been written during his first imprisonment in Rome (61-63); it appears from the spirit that breathes in it and the similar thoughts and exhortations contained to have been written at the same time as the Epistle to the Colossians.

EPHESUS, a city of Asia Minor, originally an ancient Greek colony; under Roman domination it was a free city and included many Jews; was famous for its temple of Artemis (or Diana), one of the wonders of the world; was visited by Paul twice; a centre of learning and the arts, and associated in legend with the Seven Sleepers (q.v.).

EPHIALTES, one of the giants who revolted against Zeus and threatened to storm heaven; he appears to have been maimed by Apollo and Hercules.

EPHIALTES, a Mallian Greek who led the Persians across a pass in the mountains, whereby they were able to surround and overcome Leonidas and his Spartans at Thermopylae.

EPHOD, a richly and emblematically embroidered vestment worn by the high-priest of the Jews, and consisting of two parts, one covering the breast and supporting the breastplate, and the other covering the back, these being clasped to the shoulders by two onyx stones, with names inscribed on them, six on each, of the 12 tribes, and the whole bound round the waist with a girdle of gold, blue, purple, scarlet, and fine-twined linen. The word is also applied by some to an image covered with gold, the same being an object of worship (see Judges viii. 27).

EPH'ORI (i.e. overseers), the name of five magistrates annually elected in ancient Sparta from among the people as a countercheck to the authority of the kings and the senate; they had originally to see to the execution of justice and the education of youth; their authority, which resembled that of the tribunes in Rome, was at last destroyed in 225 B.C.

EPHRAIM SYRUS, the most famous of the Church Fathers in Syria, and called "prophet of the Syrians," also "Pillar of the Church" and "Help of the Holy Ghost," born in Nisibis, Mesopotamia; lived a hermit's life in a cave near Edessa; left exegetical writings, homilies, and poems, and so great was his piety and self-denial that he was looked upon as a saint, and is still so revered in several Churches (320-370).

EPHRAIM, one of the 12 tribes of Israel, the one to which Joshua belonged, located in the centre of the

land; powerful in the days of the Judges, the chief of the tribes that revolted under Jeroboam after the death of Solomon, and is found often to give name to the whole body of them.

EPIC, a poem that treats of the events in the life of a nation or a race or the founder of one, agreeably to the passion inspiring it and in such form as to kindle and keep alive the heroism thereof in the generations thereafter; or a poem in celebration of the thoughts, feelings, and feats of a whole nation or race; its proper function is to *divinize* the soul of the related facts and give a noble rendering of them; of compositions of this kind the "Iliad" of Homer, the "Æneid" of Virgil, and the "Divine Comedy" of Dante take the lead.

EPIC MELODY, melody in accord with the feeling of the whole race or the subject as a whole.

EPICHRIS, a Roman lady who conspired against Nero and strangled herself rather than reveal her accomplices after undergoing the cruellest tortures.

EPICHRMUS, a Greek philosopher and poet in the Island of Cos; studied philosophy under Pythagoras; conceived a taste for comedy; gave himself up to that branch of the drama, and received the name of the "Father of Comedy"; lived eventually at the court of Hiero of Syracuse (540-450 B.C.).

EPICUREUS, a celebrated Stoic philosopher of the 1st century, originally a slave; lived and taught at Rome, but after the expulsion of the philosophers retired to Nicopolis, in Epirus; was lame, and lived in poverty; his conversations were collected by Arrian, and his philosophy in a short manual under the Greek name of "Enchiridion of Epictetus," written, as is alleged, in utter obliviousness to the fact that "the end of man is an action, not a thought"; exhibiting a high moral tone, his teachings are imbued with those of Christ.

EPICUREANS, a sect of philosophers who derived their name from Epicurus, and who divided the empire of philosophy with the Stoics (q.v.), at the birth of Christ; they held that the chief end of man was happiness, that the business of philosophy was to guide him in the pursuit of it, and that it was only by experience that one could learn what would lead to it and what would not; they scouted the idea of reason as regulative of thought, and conscience as regulative of conduct, and maintained that our senses were our only guides in both; in a word, they denied that God had implanted in man an absolute rational and moral principle, and maintained that he had no other clue to the goal of his being but his experience in life, while the distinction of right and wrong was only a distinction of what was found conducive to happiness and what was not; they had no faith in or fear of a divine Being above man any more than of a divine principle within man, and they scorned the idea of another world with its awards, and concerned themselves only with this, which, however, in their hands was no longer a cosmos but a chaos, out of which the quickening and ordinative spirit had fled.

EPICURUS, a Greek philosopher, born in Samos, of Athenian origin; settled at Athens in his thirty-sixth year, and founded a philosophical school there, where he taught a philosophy in opposition to that of the Stoics; philosophy he defined as "an activity which realises a happy life through ideas and arguments," summing itself up "in ethics, which are to teach us how to attain a life of felicity"; his system comprised "the three branches included in philosophy, viz., logic, physics, and ethics," but he arranges them in reverse order, logic and physics being regarded only as the handmaids of ethics; for he "limited logic to the investigation of the criterion of truth," and physics he valued as disillusioning the mind of "the superstitious fear that went to disturb happiness"; he was a man of a most temperate and blameless life, and it is a calumny on him to charge him with summing up happiness as mere self-indulgence, though it is true he regarded "virtue as having no value in itself, but only in so far as it offered us something—an agreeable life."

EPICYCLE, an expression used in the Ptolemaic (q.v.) system of astronomy; the old belief that the celestial bodies moved in perfect circles round the earth was found to be inadequate to explain the varying position of the planets, a difficulty which

led Ptolemy to invent his theory of epicycles, which was to the effect that each planet revolved round a centre of its own, greater or less, but that all these centres themselves moved in procession round the earth, a theory which fell to pieces before the investigations of Kepler and Newton.

EPIDAURUS, a town of ancient Greece, in Argolis, on the eastern shore of the Peloponnese; was at one time an independent State and an active centre of trade, but was chiefly noted for its famous temple of *Æsculapius*, to which people flocked to be cured of their diseases, and which bore the inscription "Open only to pure souls"; ruins of a magnificent theatre are still extant here.

EPIDEMIC, a name given to infectious diseases which, arising suddenly in a community, rapidly spread through its members, often travelling from district to district, until often a whole country is affected; the theory of the transmission of disease by microbes has largely explained the spread of such scourges, but the part which atmospheric and other physical, and perhaps psychic, causes play in these disorders is still matter of debate, especially as regards epidemic mental diseases. See **ENDEMIC**.

EPIGONI (the Descendants), the name given to the sons of the Seven who perished before Thebes; they avenged the death of their fathers by razing Thebes to the ground; the war first and last has been made the subject of epic and tragic poems; *Æschylus* has a tragedy on the subject.

EPIGRAM, in modern usage, is a neat, witty, and pointed utterance briefly couched in verse form, usually satiric, and reserving its sting to the last line. The Latin epigrammatists, especially *Marial* and *Catullus*, were the first to give a satirical turn to the epigram, their predecessors the Greeks having employed it merely for purposes of epitaph and monumental inscriptions of a laudatory nature.

EPILEPSY, a violent nervous affection, manifesting itself usually in sudden convulsive seizures and unconsciousness, followed by temporary stoppage of the breath and rigidity of the body; popularly known as "falling sickness"; attributed by the ancients to demonic possession.

EPIMENIDES, a philosopher of Crete of the 7th century B.C., of whom it is fabled that he fell asleep in a cave when a boy, and that he did not awake for 57 years, but it was to find himself endowed with all knowledge and wisdom. He was invited to Athens during a plague to purify the city, on which occasion he performed certain mysterious rites with the effect that the plague ceased. The story afforded Goethe a subject for a drama entitled "Das Epimenides Erwachen," "in which he symbolises his own aloofness from the great cause of the Fatherland, the result of want of faith in the miraculous power that resides in an enthusiastic outbreak of patriotic feeling."

EPIMETHEUS (i.e. Afterthought), the brother of *Prometheus* (Forethought), who in spite of the warnings of the latter opened Pandora's box, and let loose a flood of evils on the earth, which oppress it to this day.

EPINAL, the capital of the dep. of *Vosges*, in France, charmingly situated at the foot of the *Vosges Mountains*, on the *Moelle*; is elegantly built, and has ruins of an old castle, surrounded by fine gardens, a 10th-century church and a fine library, &c.; a suspension bridge spans the *Moelle*; there are industries in cotton, paper, brewing and printing.

EPINAY, MADAME D', a French writer, unhappily married in her youth; became notorious for her illicit intimacy with *Rousseau* and *Grimm*; her "Mémoires et Correspondence" give a lively picture of her times (1725-1788).

EPIPHANIUS, ST., one of the Fathers of the Greek Church; of Jewish descent, flourished in the 4th century; led a monastic life, and founded a monastery in Eleutheropolis; was bishop of *Constantia* in 367; bigoted and tyrannical, he became notorious for his ecclesiastical zeal, and for his indictments of *Origen* and *St. Chrysostom*; left writings that show great but indiscriminate learning (330-402).

EPITAPHY, as observed in the Christian Church, is a festival held on the 12th day after Christmas, in commemoration of the manifestation of Christ to

the Magi of the East; but up to the close of the 4th century the festival also commemorated the incarnation of Christ as well as the divine manifestation at His baptism.

EPITRUS, was the NW. portion of ancient *Hellas*, Dodona its capital, and *Acheron* one of its rivers; in 1466 became part of the Ottoman empire, but now ceded to Greece.

EPISCOPACY, the name given to the form of Church government in which there are superior and inferior orders among the clergy, as between that of bishop and that of a presbyter; called also *Prelacy*.

EPISCOPIUS, SIMON, a Dutch theologian, born in Amsterdam; the head of the *Arminian* party after the death of *Arminius*; was unjustly misrepresented, and tyrannically, even cruelly, treated by the opposite party; he was a man of great ability, enlightened views, and admirable temper, and set more store by integrity and purity of character than orthodoxy of belief (1583-1643).

EPISTOLE OBSCURORUM VIRORUM (i.e. letters of obscure men), a celebrated collection of Latin letters which appeared in the 16th century in Germany, attacking with merciless severity and ridicule the doctrines and modes of living of the scholastics and monks; they are credited with hastening the Reformation.

EPITAPH, an inscription placed on a tombstone in commemoration of the dead interred below. The natural feeling which prompts such inscriptions has manifested itself among all civilised peoples and not a little of a nation's character may be read in them. The Greeks reserved epitaphs for their heroes, but amongst the Romans grew up the modern custom of marking the tombs of relatives with some simple inscription, many of their sepulchres being placed on the side of the public roads, a circumstance which explains the phrase, *State, viator*—"Stay, traveller"—found in old graveyards.

EPITHALAMIUM, a nuptial song, sung before the bridal chamber in honour of the newly-wedded couple, particularly among the Greeks and Romans, of whom *Theocritus* and *Catullus* have left notable examples; but the *epithalamium* of *Edmund Spenser* is probably the finest specimen extant of this poetic form.

EPONYM, the term applied to a person to whom is mythically ascribed the origin of a country or people, or even of a place; thus *Portus* was given as the eponymous founder of *Portsmouth*.

EPPING FOREST, as it now exists in the SE. of *Essex*, is a remnant—5600 acres—of the famous *Essex* or *Waltham Forest*, which once extended over all *Essex*, and which then served as a royal hunting-ground; is now a favourite pleasure-ground and valuable field for explorations of botanical and entomological collectors.

EPSOM, a market-town in *Surrey*, skirting *Banstead Downs*, 15 m. SW. of *London*; formerly noted for its mineral springs, now associated with the famous *Derby* and other races.

EPSTEIN, JACOB, British sculptor. Born of Russian-Polish parents in New York, he studied in Paris. He made busts of well-known people in highly original style, and aroused a storm of controversy with his unconventional "Rims" in *Hyde Park* (1880-).

EQUINOCTIAL POINTS are the two points at which the celestial equator intersects the *Ecliptic* (q.v.), so called because the days and nights are of equal duration when the sun is at these points.

EQUINOXES, the times at which the sun is at the *Equinoctial Points* (q.v.), viz., March 21 and September 22, called respectively the vernal and the autumnal equinoxes in the northern hemisphere, but *vice versa* in the southern; at these times the sun is directly over the equator, and day and night are then of equal length over the globe.

EQUITES, THE, a celebrated equestrian order in ancient Rome, supposed to have been instituted by *Romulus* and restricted to the better class of citizens; at first purely military, it was at length invested with the judicial functions of the Senate, and the power of farming out the public revenues; gradually lost these privileges and became defunct.

ERASMUS, DESIDERIUS, a famous scholar and man of letters, born in Rotterdam; illegitimate son of one Gerhard; conceived a disgust for monkish life during six years' residence in a monastery at Steyn; wandered through Europe and amassed stores of learning at various universities; visited Oxford in 1489, and formed a lifelong friendship with Sir Thomas More; was for some years professor of Divinity and Greek at Cambridge; edited the first Greek Testament; settled finally at Basel, whence he exercised a remarkable influence over European thought by the wit and tone of his writings, notably the "Praise of Folly," the "Colloquia" and "Adagia"; he has been regarded as the precursor of the Reformation; is said to have laid the egg which Luther hatched; added the Reformation by his scholarship, though he kept aloof as a scholar from the popular movement of Luther (1466-1536).

ERASTIANISM, the right of the State to override and overrule the decisions of the Church that happen to involve civil penalties. See **ERASTUS**.

ERASTUS, THOMAS, an eminent physician, born in Baden, in Switzerland, whose fame rests mainly on the attitude he assumed in the theological and ecclesiastical questions of the day; he defended Zwingle's view of the Eucharist as a merely syncretical ordinance, and denied the right of the Church to inflict civil penalties, or to exercise discipline—the power of the keys—that belonging, he maintained, to the province of the civil magistrate and not to the Church (1524-1583).

ERATO (i.e. the Lovely), the muse of erotic poetry and elegy, represented with a lyre in her left hand.

ERATOSTHENES, surnamed the Philologist, a philosopher of Alexandria, born in Cyrene, 276 B.C.; becoming blind and tired of life, he starved himself to death at the age of 80; he ranks high among ancient astronomers; measured the obliquity of the ecliptic, and estimated the size of the earth (276-194 B.C.).

EROLLA Y ZUNIGA, ALONSO DE, a Spanish poet, born in Madrid; took part in the wars of the Spaniards with the Araucans in Chile, which he celebrated in an epic of no small merit called "La Araucana"; he ended his days in poverty (1533-1595).

ERCKMANN-CHATRIAN, the combined name under which Emile Erckmann (1822-1899) and Louis Chatrian (1826-1890), both of Lorraine, published a number of successful novels mostly dealing with the republican and Napoleonic campaigns; "Doctor Mathews," "The History of a Conscript of 1813," and "Waterloo" are the best known.

ERDGEIST, the Spirit of the Earth, represented in Goethe's "Faust" as sedulously weaving, at the Time-Loom, night and day, in death as well as life, the earthly vesture of the Eternal, and thereby revealing the Invisible to mortal eyes.

ERDMANN, JOHANN EDUARD, a German philosopher, born in Wolmar, professor at Halle; was of the school of Hegel, an authority on the history of philosophy (1805-1892).

EREBUS, a region of utter darkness in the depths of Hades, into which no mortal ever penetrated, the proper abode of Pluto and his Queen with their train of attendants, such as the Erinyes, through which the spirits of the dead must pass on their way to Hades; equivalent to the valley of the shadow of death.

ERECTHEUS, or **ERICHTHONIUS**, the mythical first king of Athens; favoured and protected from infancy by Athena, to whom accordingly he dedicated the city; he was buried in the temple of Athena, and worshipped afterwards as a god; it is fabled of him that when an infant he was committed by Athena in a chest to the care of Agraulos and Herse, under a strict charge not to pry into it; they could not restrain their curiosity, opened the chest, saw the child entwined with serpents, were seized with madness, and threw themselves down from the height of the Acropolis to perish at the foot.

ERFURT, a town in Saxony, on the Gera, 14 m. W. of Weimar, formerly capital of Thuringia, with many interesting buildings, amongst the number the 14th-century Gothic cathedral with its great bell, weighing 13½ tons, and cast in 1497; the monastery of St. Augustine (changed into an

orphanage in 1819), in which Luther was a monk; the Academy of Sciences, and the library with 60,000 vols. and 1000 MSS.; various textile factories flourish.

ERG, the unit of work and energy in the metric system; the work done in moving 1 centimetre against a force of 1 dyne.

ERGOSTEROL, extracted from yeast, is used in cases of rickets, caused by a deficiency in vitamin D, which sunlight manufactures from it.

ERGOT, a diseased state of grasses, &c., but a disease chiefly attacking rye, produced by a fungus developing on the seeds; the drug "ergot of rye" is obtained from a species of this fungus.

ERIC, the name of several of the kings of Denmark, and Sweden, and Norway, the most notorious being the son of the noble Swedish king Gustavus Vasa (q.v.), who aspired to the hand of Elizabeth of England and challenged his rival Leicester to a duel; afterwards sought Mary of Scotland, but eventually married a peasant girl who had nursed him out of madness brought on by disipation; was deposed after a State trial instigated by his own brothers, and ultimately poisoned himself in prison eight years later (1533-1577).

ERIC THE RED, a Norwegian chief who discovered Greenland in the 10th century, and sent out expeditions to the coast of North America.

ERICSSON, JOHN, a distinguished Swedish engineer, born in Långbanshyttan; went to England in 1826 and to the United States of America in 1839, where he died; invented the screw propeller of steamships, built warships for the American navy, and amongst them the famous *Monitor*; his numerous inventions mark a new era in naval and steamship construction (1803-1889).

ERIE CANAL, from Buffalo to Albany, New York State, links Lake Erie (q.v.) with the Hudson River, thus providing communication between the Canadian lakes and the Atlantic Ocean; is 365 m. in length.

ERIE, LAKE, the fourth in size among the giant lakes of North America, lies between Lakes Huron and Ontario, on the Canadian border, is 240 m. long and varies from 30 to 60 m. in breadth; is very shallow, and difficult to navigate; icebound from December till about April.

ERIGENA, JOHANNES SCOTUS, a rationalistic mystic, the most distinguished scholar and thinker of the 9th century, of Irish birth; taught at the court of Charles the Bald in France, and was summoned by Alfred to Oxford in 877; died abbot of Malmesbury; held that "damnation was simply the consciousness of having failed to fulfil the divine purpose"; he derived all authority from reason, and not reason from authority, maintaining that authority unfounded on reason was of no value; d. 882.

ERIN, the ancient Celtic name of Ireland, used still in poetry.

ERINNA, a Greek poetess of Lesbos, the friend of Sappho, died at 19; wrote epic poetry, all but a few lines of which has perished; born about 612 B.C.

ERINNYES, THE (i.e. the roused-to-anger, otherwise in Greek the Eumenides, and in Latin, the Furies), the Greek goddesses of vengeance, were the daughters of Gaia, begotten of the blood of the wounded Uranus, and at length reckoned three in number, Alecto, Tisiphone, and Megera; they were conceived of as haunting the wicked on earth and scourging them in hell; they were of the court of Pluto, and the executioners of his wrath.

ERIS, the Greek goddess of strife or discord, sowing the seeds thereof among the gods to begin with, which she has since continued to do among men.

ERTREIA, a colony belonging to Italy, extending from Cape Kasar 670 m. along the western shore of the Red Sea to a point in the Strait of Bab-el-Mandeb; Massowah is the capital.

ERIVAN, a fortified town in Transcaucasia, situated 30 m. N.E. of Mount Ararat on an elevated plateau; was ceded to Russia in 1823 by Persia.

ERLANGEN, a Bavarian town on the Regnitz, has a celebrated Protestant university, founded by Wilhelmina, sister of Frederick the Great, who was the Electress; was a place of refuge for the Huguenots in 1685; manufactures in gloves, mirrors, and tobacco are carried on, and brewing.

ERLAU, an ecclesiastical city of Hungary, on the Erlau, 80 m. N.E. of Pesth; is the seat of an archbishop; has a fine cruciform cathedral, built since 1837, several monasteries, a lyceum with a large library and an observatory; is noted for its red wine.

ERL-KING, a Norse impersonation of the spirit of superstitious fear which haunts and kills us even in the guardian embrace of paternal affection; is the subject of a ballad by Goethe.

ERMONIA, a Syrian, the heroine of Tasso's "Jerusalem Delivered," in love with the Christian prince Tancred.

ERNESTI, JOHANN AUGUST, a celebrated German classicist and theologian, called the "German Cicero," born in Tennstädt, Thuringia; professor of Philology in Leipzig, and afterwards of Theology; edited various classical works, his edition of Cicero specially noted; was the first to apply impartial textual criticism to the Bible, and to him, in consequence, we owe the application of a more correct exegesis to the Biblical writings (1707-1781).

ERNST, ELECTOR OF SAXONY, founder of the Ernestine line of Saxon princes, ancestor of Prince Consort, born in Altenburg; was kidnapped together with his brother Albert in 1455, an episode famous in German history as the "Prinzenraub" (i.e. the stealing of the prince); succeeded his father in 1464; annexed Thuringia in 1482, and three years later shared his territory with his brother Albert (1441-1486).

ERNST I., Duke of Saxe-Gotha and Altenburg; served in the Thirty Years' War under Gustavus Adolphus, and shared in the victory of Lützen; was an able and wise ruler, and gained for himself the surname of "the Pious" (1601-1675).

EROS (in Latin, Cupido), the Greek god of love, the son of Aphrodite, and the youngest of the gods, though he figures in the cosmogony as one of the oldest of the gods, and as the uniting power in the life of the gods and the life of the universe, was represented at last as a wanton boy from whose wiles neither gods nor men were safe.

EROS, one of the asteroids or minor planets discovered at Berlin by Dr. Witt in 1898; approaches at times within 13 million miles of the earth; careful measurements of its orbit enable the distance of the earth from the sun to be determined with exactitude.

EROSTRATUS, an obscure Ephesian, who, to immortalise his name, set fire to the temple of Ephesus on the night, as it happened, when Alexander the Great was born; the Ephesians thought to defeat his purpose by making it death to any one who mentioned his name, but in vain, the decree itself giving wider and wider publicity to the act.

ERFENIUS (Thomas van Erpeni), Arabic scholar, born in Gorkum, in Holland; after completing his studies at Leyden and Paris, became professor of Oriental Languages there; famed for his Arabic grammar and rudiments, which served as text-books for upwards of 200 years (1585-1624).

ERROMANGA, an island in the New Hebrides group, where the missionary, John Williams, was murdered by the natives in 1839.

ERSCH, JOHANN SAMUEL, a bibliographer, born in Grossglogau; after a college career at Halle devoted himself to journalism, and in 1800 became librarian of the University of Jena; subsequently filled the chair of Geography and Statistics at Halle; his "Handbook of German Literature" marks the beginning of German bibliography; began in 1818, with Gruber, the publication of an encyclopedia (1766-1828).

ERSKINE, EBENEZER, founder of the Secession Church of Scotland, born in Chirnside, Berwickshire; minister at Portmuck for 28 years; took part in the patronage dispute, and was deposed (1733), when he formed a church at Gairney Bridge, near Kinross, the nucleus of the Secession Church (1680-1754).

ERSKINE, HENRY, a famous Scottish lawyer, second son of the Earl of Buchan, born in Edinburgh; called to the bar and became Lord Advocate; a Whig in politics; brought about useful legal reforms; noted as a brilliant wit and orator (1746-1817).

ERSKINE, JOHN, a Scottish jurist; called to the bar

in 1719; became professor of Scots Law in Edinburgh University in 1837, resigned 1763; author of two important works on Scots Law, "The Institutes" and "Principles" (1695-1768).

ERSKINE, JOHN, D.D., son of the preceding; a celebrated Scottish preacher and author of various essays and pamphlets; a prominent leader on the Evangelical side in the General Assemblies; was minister of the Old Greyfriars, Edinburgh, and the colleague of Principal Robertson; is remembered for a rebuff in the pulpit and for another in the General Assembly; the former was to a remark of his colleague, Principal Robertson, "If perfect virtue were to appear on earth we would adore it," . . . "Perfect virtue did appear on earth and we crucified it," he replied; while the other in the General Assembly was "Rax (reach) me that Bible," as certain Moderates in the court began derisively to scoff at the proposal to send missions to the heathen (1721-1803).

ERSKINE, JOHN, OF DUN, a Scottish Reformer, supported Knox and Wishart; was several times Moderator of the General Assembly, and assisted in the formation of "The Second Book of Discipline" (1509-1581).

ERSKINE, RALPH, a Scottish divine, brother of Ebenezer, (q.v.), with whom he co-operated in founding the Secession Church; his sermons and religious poems, called "Gospel Sonnets," were widely read; one of the first of the Scottish seceders (1685-1752).

ERSKINE, THOMAS, LORD, a famous lawyer, youngest son of the Earl of Buchan, born in Edinburgh; spent his early years in the navy, and afterwards joined the army; resigned in 1775 to enter upon the study of law; called to the bar in 1778; a king's counsel in 1783; created a baron and Lord Chancellor in 1806; was engaged in all the famous trials of his time; an unrivalled orator in the law courts; his speeches rank as masterpieces of forensic eloquence (1760-1829).

ERWIN, a German architect, born in Steinbach, Baden; the builder of the western façade of the cathedral of Strasburg (1240-1318).

ERYMANTHUS, a mountain in Arcadia that was the haunt of the boar killed by Hercules.

ERYSIPELAS, known popularly as St. Anthony's Fire and Rose, a febrile disease, manifesting itself in acute inflammation of the skin, which becomes vividly scarlet and ultimately peels; confined chiefly to the head; is contagious, and recurrent.

ERYTHEMA, a medical term used loosely to designate a diseased condition of the skin; characterised by a scarlet or dark-red rash or eruption, distinct from erysipelas.

ERZERUM, a famous city in Armenia, capital of the province of the same name, 125 m. S.E. of Trebizond; situated on a fertile plain 6300 ft. above sea-level; is an important entrepôt for commerce between Europe and Asia; is irregularly built, but contains imposing ruins; has a fortress, and in the suburbs a number of mosques and bazaars; is famed for its iron and copper ware; fell into the hands of the Turks in 1517; figured as a military centre in many Turkish wars; was reduced by the Russians in 1878; was a scene of Armenian massacres by the Turks in 1895.

ERZGEBIRGE, a range of mountains lying between Saxony and Bohemia; the highest peak is the Kellberg, 4052 ft.; is rich in various metallic ores, especially silver and lead.

ERYX, an ancient town in the N.W. of Sicily, at the foot of a mountain of the same name, with a temple to Venus, who was hence called Erycina.

ESAU, the elder son of Isaac, who sold his birthright to Jacob for a mess of lentils; led a predatory life, and was the forefather of the Edomites.

ESCHATOLOGY, the department of theology which treats of the so-called last things, such as death, the intermediate state, the millennium, the return of Christ, the resurrection, the Judgment, and the end of the world.

ESCHENBACH, WOLFRAM VON, a famous minnesinger, born in Eschenbach, in Bavaria, at about the close of the 12th century; was of good birth, and lived some time at the Thuringian Court; enjoyed a wide reputation in his time as a poet; of

his poems the epic "Parzival" which records the history of the "Grail," is the most celebrated.

ESCOBAR Y MENDOZA, ANTONIO, a Spanish Jesuit and casuist, born in Valladolid, a preacher and voluminous writer (1589-1669).

ESCORIAL (i.e. place of ashes), a huge granite pile, built in the form of a gridiron, 80 m. NW. from Madrid, and deemed at one time the eighth wonder of the world; was built in 1563-1584; was originally dedicated as a monastery to St. Lorenzo in recognition of the services which the Saint had rendered to Philip II. at the battle of St. Quentin, and used at length as a palace and burial-place of kings. It is a mere shadow of what it was, and is preserved from ruin by occasional grants of money to keep it in repair.

ESDRAEON, a flat and fertile valley in Galilee, called also the valley of Jezreel, which, with a maximum breadth of 8 m. extends in a NW. direction from the Jordan at Eschepaar to the Bay of Acre. Allenby gained a great victory over the Turks here in Sept., 1918.

ESDRAS, the name of two books of the Apocrypha, the first, written 2nd century B.C., containing the history of the rebuilding of the Temple and the restoration of its cultus, with a discussion on the strangest of all things, ending in assigning the palm to truth; and the second, written between 97 and 81 B.C., a forecast of the deliverance of the Jews from oppression and the establishment of the Messianic kingdom.

Esk, the name of several Scottish streams: (1) in Dumfriesshire, the Esk of young Lochinvar, has a course of 31 m. after its formation by the junction of the North and South Eaks, and flows into the Solway; (2) in Edinburgh, formed by the junction of the North and South Eaks, joins the Firth of Forth at Musselburgh; (3) in Forfarshire, the South Esk discharges into the North Sea at Montrose, and the North Esk also flows into the North Sea 4 m. N. of Montrose.

Eskimo, or **ESQUIMAUX**, an aboriginal people of the Mongolian or American Indian stock, in all not amounting to 40,000, thinly scattered along the northern seaboard of America and Asia and in many of the Arctic islands; their physique, mode of living, religion, and language are of peculiar ethnological interest; they are divided into tribes, each having its own territory, and these tribes in turn are subdivided into small communities, over each of which a chief presides; the social organization is a simple tribal communism; Christianity has been introduced amongst the Eskimo of South Alaska and in the greater part of Labrador; in other parts the old religion still obtains, called Shamanism, a kind of fetish worship; much of their folk-lore has been gathered and printed; fishing and seal-hunting are their chief employments; they are of good physique, but of primitive habits, most of their implements and weapons resembling those of neolithic man; their name is supposed to be an Indian derivative signifying "eaters of raw meat."

Eskimo Dog, a dog found among the Eskimo, about the size of a pointer, wolf-like in appearance, with thick hair of a dark grey or black and white; half tamed, but strong and sagacious; invaluable for sledding.

ESMERALDA, the gipsy girl who figures in Victor Hugo's romance, "Nôtre Dame de Paris."

ESMOND, HENRY, the title of one of Thackeray's novels, deemed by the most competent critics his best, and the name of its hero, a chivalrous cavalier of the time of Queen Anne.

ESNE, a town in Upper Egypt, on the left bank of the Nile, and 25 m. S. of Thebes; famous for the ruins of a temple.

ESOTERICO (i.e. those within), a term coined by Pythagoras and used to denote teaching intended only for the initiated, and intelligible only to them.

ESPARTERO, BALDOMERO, a celebrated Spanish general and statesman, born in Granatula; supported, against the Carlist faction, the claims of Isabella to the throne of Spain; was for his services made Duke of Vittoria, and in 1841 elected regent; compelled to abdicate, he fled to England, but

afterwards returned for a time to the head of affairs; an able man, but wanting in the requisite astuteness and tact for such a post (1793-1870).

ESPERANTO, a universal language invented by Dr. Louis Zamenhof of Warsaw in 1887; with roots selected from European languages, a simple grammar and syntax, and phonetic pronunciation, its knowledge is easily acquired.

ESPINASSE, CLARE FRANÇOISE, a wit and beauty, born in Lyons, illegitimate child of the Comtesse d'Albon; went to Paris as companion to Madame du Deffand, with whom she quarrelled; set up a salon of her own, and became celebrated for her many attractions; D'Alembert was devoted to her; many of her letters to her lovers, the Marquis de Mora and M. de Guilbert in particular, have been published, and display a charming personality (1732-1770).

ESPINEL, VINCENT DE, a Spanish poet and musician, born in Ronda, Granada; first a soldier and then a priest, the friend of Lope de Vega, and author of a work which Le Sage made free use of in writing "Gil Blas"; was an expert musician; played on the guitar, and added a fifth string (1551-1634).

ESPIRITU SANTO, (1) a small and swampy maritime province of Brazil, lying on the N. border of Rio de Janeiro; does some trade in timber, cotton, coffee, and sugar; Victoria is the capital; (2) a town in central Cuba; (3) the largest of the New Hebrides (i.e. the climate is unhealthy, but the soil fertile).

ESPRIT DES LOIS (i.e. the Spirit of Laws), the title of Montesquieu's great work, at once speculative and historical, published in 1748, characterised in "Sartor" as the work, like many others, of "a clever infant spelling letters from a hieroglyphic book the lexicon of which lies in Eternity, in Heaven."

ESPY, JAMES POLLARD, a meteorologist, born in Pennsylvania; did notable work in investigating the causes of storms, and in 1841 published "The Philosophy of Storms"; was appointed to the Washington observatory, where he carried on experiments in the cooling of gases and atmospheric expansion (1785-1860).

ESQUIMAULT, a seaport in British Columbia, on Vancouver Island, and an important naval station, with naval yard and dry dock.

ESQUIRE, originally meant a shield-bearer, and was bestowed upon the two attendants of a knight, who were distinguished by silver spurs, and whose special duty it was to look after their master's arms, now used widely as a courtesy title.

ESQUIROS, HENRY ALPHONSE, poet and physician, born in Paris; his early writings, poems and romances, are socialistic in bias; member of the Legislative Assembly in 1848; retired to England after the coup d'état; returned to France and rose to be a member of the Senate (1875); wrote three works descriptive of the social and religious life of England (1812-1876).

ESSEN, a town in the Rhine province of Prussia, 20 m. N.E. of Düsseldorf, the seat of the famous Krupp's steel-works.

ESSENES, a religious communistic fraternity, never very numerous, that grew up on the soil of Judea about the time of the Maccabees, and had establishments in Judea when Christ was on earth, as well as afterwards in the time of Josephus; they led an ascetic life, practised extreme ceremonial cleanliness, were rigorous in their observance of the Jewish law, and differed from the Pharisees in that they gave to the Pharisaic spirit a monastic expression; they represented Judaism in its purest essence, and in the spirit of their teaching came nearer Christianity than any other sect of the time; "Essenism," says Schürer, is first and mainly of Jewish formation, and in its non-Jewish features it had most affinity with the Pythagorean tendency of the Greeks.

ESSENTIAL OILS, name given to those aromatic vegetable oils which are used as essences and perfumes; many of them can be produced synthetically from coal tar products.

ESSEQUIBO, an important river in British Guiana, 620 m. long, rises in the Sierra Acaray, navigable for 50 m. to small craft, flows northward into the Atlantic.

— a county in the SE. of England, between Suffolk on the N. and Kent in the S., faces the North Sea on the E.; is well watered with streams; has an undulating surface; is chiefly agricultural; brewing is an important industry, and the oyster fisheries of the Colne are noted; Chelmsford is the county town.

ESSEX, ROBERT DEVEREUX, EARL OF, a favourite of Queen Elizabeth, born in Netherwood, Hereford; served in the Netherlands under Leicester, his stepfather; won the capricious fancy of Elizabeth; lost favour by marrying clandestinely the widow of Sir Philip Sidney; it was restored, and led a life of varying fortune, filling various important offices, till his final quarrel with the Queen and execution (1567-1601).

ESSEX, ROBERT DEVEREUX, EARL OF, son of preceding; commander of the Parliamentary forces against Charles I.; the title died with him, but was conferred again upon the present family in 1661, (1591-1646).

ESSLING, a village near Vienna, where the French gained a bloody victory over the Austrians in 1809, and which gave the title of prince to Massena.

ESSLINGEN, an old historic and important manufacturing town in Württemberg on the Neckar, 6 m. SE. of Stuttgart; has a citadel and the Luth-frauen Church, which is a fine Gothic structure with a spire 246 ft.; is a noted hardware centre, and celebrated for its machinery; a good trade is done in textiles, fruit, and sparkling champagne.

ESTAING, CHARLES, COMTE D', a French admiral, "one of the bravest of men," fought against the English in the Indies and in America; wonced as a Royalist at the outbreak of the French Revolution; his loyalty to royalty outweighed, it was thought, his loyalty to his country, and he was guillotined (1720-1794).

ESTE, an ancient and illustrious Italian family from which, by an offshoot founded by Welf IV., who became Duke of Bavaria in the 11th century, the Guelph Houses of Brunswick and Hanover, also called the Este-Guelphs, trace their descent. Of the Italian branch the most noted descendant was Alphonso I., a distinguished soldier and statesman and patron of art, whose second wife was the infamous Lucrezia Borgia. His son, Alphonso II., is remembered for his cruel treatment of Tasso, placing him in prison for seven years as a madman who dared to make love to one of the princesses.

ESTÉ, an Italian town, 18 m. SW. of Padua, on the S. side of the Euganean Hills; has a castle and church with a leaning campanile; is the seat of the ancient Este family.

ESTERHAZY, the town of a noble Austrian family of ancient date, that gave birth to a number of illustrious men.

ESTERHAZY DE GALANTHA, the name of a powerful and famous Hungarian family holding the rank of Princes of the Empire for 300 years from the 17th century. Their estates included upwards of 4000 villages, 60 market-towns, many castles and lordships.

ESTHER, THE BOOK OF, a book of the Old Testament, which takes its name from the chief figure in the story related, an orphan Jewess and ward of her cousin Mordecai, who, from her beauty, was chosen into the royal harem and raised to be consort to the king. It is read through in the Jewish synagogues at the feast of Purim (q.v.). It is observed that the name of God does not occur once in the book, but the story implies the presence of an overruling Providence, responding to the cry of His oppressed ones for help.

ESTONIA, an independent State on the S. shore of the Gulf of Finland, and on the W. it abuts on the Baltic; what of the country that is free from forest and marsh is chiefly agricultural, but fishing is also an important industry; the people are a composite of Finns and immigrant Germans, with Russians.

1. Reval is the capital.

— name of a family of French painters.

— **COUNT D'**, a French diplomatist (1579-1680).

ESTREMADURA, a coast province of Portugal, between Beira and Alemtejo, watered by the Tagus;

richly fertile in many parts, but sparsely cultivated; silk is an important industry, and an increasing; Lisbon is the chief city, and with Setúbal monopolises the trade; salt, fruits, wine, and oil are exported. Also name of a district in Spain between Portugal and New Castile, now divided into the provinces of Badajoz and Cádiz.

ETAPLES, town in the department Côte-du-Nord, France, used as a military base during the Great War.

ETEOCLES, a son of Œdipus, king of Thebes, agreed on the banishment of his father to govern the state alternately with his brother Polyneus, but, failing to keep his engagement, the latter appealed to his guardsmen, out of which there arose the War of the Seven against Thebes, which ended in the slaughter of the whole seven, upon which the brothers thought to end the strife in single combat, when each fell by the sword of the other.

ETERNAL CITY, ancient Rome in the esteem of its inhabitants. In accordance with the promise, as Virgil feigns, of Jupiter to Venus, the goddess-mother of the race.

ETHANE, a colourless, odourless gas, a hydrocarbon of the paraffin series.

ETHELBERT, a king of Kent, in whose reign Christianity was introduced by St. Augustine and a band of missionaries in 597; drew up the first Saxon law code (562-616).

ETHELDREDA, ST., a Saxon princess, whose name, shortened into St. Audrey, was given to a certain kind of lace, whence "tawdry"; she took refuge from the married state in the monastery of St. Abb's Head, and afterwards founded a monastery in the Isle of Ely; was canonized for her piety (830-879).

ETHELRED I., king of Saxon England (866-871), predecessor and brother of Alfred; his reign was a long and unsuccessful struggle with the Danes.

ETHELRED II., the Unready, a worthless king of Saxon England (979-1016), married Emma, daughter of Richard, Duke of Normandy, a step which led in the end to the claim which issued in the Norman Conquest (988-1016).

ETHER, a volatile liquid prepared from the distillation of alcohol and sulphuric acid at high temperature; is colourless, and emits a sweet, penetrating odour; is highly combustible; a useful solvent, and an important anæsthetic.

ETHER, THE, a subtle element presumed to pervade all interstellar space, vibrations in which are assumed to account for the transmission of light and all radiant energy. The hypothesis of the ether is discarded in the modern theories of Einstein (q.v.).

ETHEREDGE, SIR GEORGE, the originator of the kind of comedy "containing a vein of lively humour and witty dialogue which was afterwards displayed by Congreve and Farquhar"; has been called the "founder of the comedy of intrigue"; he was the author of three clever plays, entitled "Love in a Tub," "She Would If She Could," and "The Man of Mode" (1636-1694).

ETHICS, the science which treats of the distinction between right and wrong and of the moral sense by which they are discriminated.

ETHIOPIA, a term loosely used in ancient times to indicate the territory inhabited by black or dark-coloured people; latterly applied to an undefined tract of land stretching S. of Egypt to the Gulf of Aden, which constituted the kingdom of the Ethiopians, a people of Semitic origin and speaking a Semitic language called Ge'ez, who were successively conquered by the Egyptians, Persians, and Romans; are known in the Bible; their first king is supposed to have been Menilehek, son of Solomon and the Queen of Sheba; their literature consists mostly of translations and collections of saws and riddles; the original language is no longer spoken.

ETHNOLOGY, the science which treats of the human race as grouped in tribes or nations, but limits itself to tracing the origin and distribution of races, and investigating the physical and mental peculiarities and differences exhibited by men over all parts of the globe; the chief problem of the science is to decide between the monogenous and polygenous theories of the origin of the race, and investigation inclines to favour the former view. The polygenous argument, based on the diversity of languages, has

been discarded, as, if valid, necessitating about a thousand different origins, while the monogenous position is strengthened by the ascertained facts that the different racial groups are fruitful amongst themselves, and present points of mental and physical similarity which accord well with this theory. Ethnologists now divide the human race into four main groups: the *Ethiopian* or *negro*, the *Mongolic* or *yellow*, the *American*, and the *Caucasic* or *white*.

ETHYLENE, a colourless gas which forms an explosive mixture with air, the simplest member of the olefine series of unsaturated hydrocarbons.

ETIENNE, ST., an important French town, capital of the dep. of the Loire, on the Furens, 35 m. SW. of Lyons; chief seat of the ironworks of France; also has noted ribbon factories.

ETIVE, a sea-loch in Argyllshire, Scotland, is an inland extension of the Firth of Lorne, about 20 m. in length, and varying in breadth from 2 to 4 m.; the mountain scenery along the shores grandly picturesque; the river which bears the same name rises in Rannoch Moor, and joins the loch after a SW. course of 16 m.; both loch and river afford salmon-fishing.

ETNA, a volcanic mountain on the E. coast of Sicily, 10,840 ft. high; a striking feature is the immense ravine, the Val del Bove, splitting the eastern side of the mountain, and about 5 m. in diameter; on the flanks are many smaller cones. Etna is celebrated for its many and destructive eruptions; was active in 1892; its observatory, built in 1880, at an elevation of 9075 ft. above sea-level, is the highest inhabited dwelling in Europe. See **ENOE-LADUS**.

ETON, a town in Buckinghamshire, on the Thames, 22 m. SW. of London; celebrated for its public school, Eton College, founded in 1440 by Henry VI., which has now upwards of 1000 scholars.

ETRURIA, the ancient Roman name of a region in Italy, W. of the Apennines from the Tiber to the Macra in the N.; inhabited by the Etruscans, a primitive people of Italy; at one time united in a confederation of twelve States but gradually absorbed by the growing Roman power; its people were famous for their artistic work in iron and bronze. Many of the Etruscan cities contain interesting remains of their early civilised state; but their entire literature, supposed to have been extensive, has perished, and their language is only known through monumental inscriptions. Their religion was polytheistic, but embraced a belief in a future life. There is abundant evidence that they had attained to a high degree of civilisation; the status of women was high, the wife ranking with the husband; their buildings still extant attest their skill as engineers and builders; vases, mirrors, and coins of fine workmanship have been found in their tombs, and jewellery which is scarcely rivalled; while the tombs themselves are remarkable for their furnishings of chairs, ornaments, decorations, &c., showing that they regarded these sanctuaries more as dwellings of departed spirits than as sepulchres of the dead.

ETTMÜLLER, ERNST MORITZ LUDWIG, a German philologist, born in Gerdsdorf, Saxony, professor of German literature in Zurich in 1863; did notable work in connection with Anglo-Saxon and Middle German dialects (1802-1877).

ETTRICK, a Scottish river that rises in Selkirkshire and joins the Tweed, 3 m. below Selkirk; the Yarrow is its chief tributary; a forest of the same name once spread over all Selkirkshire and into the adjoining counties; the district is associated with some of the finest ballad and pastoral poetry of Scotland.

ETTRICK SHEPHERD, James Hogg (q.v.).

ETTY, WILLIAM, a celebrated painter, born in York; rose from being a printer's apprentice to the position of a Royal Academician; considered by Ruskin to have wasted his great powers as a colourist on inadequate and hackneyed subjects (1787-1849).

ETYMOLOGY, the science which treats of the origins and meanings of words and word-forms, tracing their history and growth through various languages ancient and modern. By Popular Etymology is meant an unscientific and speculative investigation

of word origins—particularly in the case of place-names—usually based on incidents and legends. **EUBCEA**, the largest of the Grecian Isles, skirts the mainland on the SE., to which it is connected by a bridge spanning the Talanta Channel, 40 yards broad; it is about 100 m. in length; has fine quarries of marble, and mines of iron and copper are found in the mountains; Chalcis is the chief town.

EUCLED OF ALEXANDRIA, a famous geometriean, whose book of "Elements" held its place as an English school-book until recent years; the books which superseded it are based to a greater or less extent upon Euclid's work; he founded a school of mathematics in Alexandria, and flourished about 300 B.C.

EUCLED OF MEGARA, a Greek philosopher, a disciple of Socrates, was influenced by the Eleatics (q.v.); founded the Megarian school of Philosophy, whose chief tenet is that the "good," or that which is one with itself, alone is the only real existence.

EUDÆMONISM, the doctrine that the production of happiness is the aim and measure of virtue.

EUDOCIA, the ill-fated daughter of an Athenian Sophist, wife of Theodosius II., embraced Christianity, her name Athenais previously; was banished by her husband on an ill-founded charge of infidelity, and spent the closing years of her life in Jerusalem, where she became a convert to the views of Eutyches (q.v.) (394-460).

EUDOXUS OF CNIDUS, a Grecian astronomer, was a pupil of Plato, and afterwards studied in Egypt; said to have introduced a 365½ day year into Greece; flourished in the 4th century B.C.

EUGÈNE, FRANÇOIS, PRINCE OF SAVOY, a renowned general, born in Paris, and related by his mother to Cardinal Mazarin; he renounced his native land, and entered the service of the Austrian Emperor Leopold; first gained distinction against the Turks, whose power in Hungary he crushed in the great victory of Peterwardein (1697); co-operated with Marlborough in the war of the Spanish Succession, and shared the glories of his great victories, and again opposed the French in the cause of Poland (1663-1736).

EUGÉNIE, EX-EMPRESS OF THE FRENCH, born in Granada, second daughter of Count Manuel Fernandez de Montigos and Marie Manuela Kirkpatrick of Closeburn, Dumfriesshire; married to Napoleon III. in 1853; had to leave France in 1870, and lived as his widow at Chislehurst, Kent (1826-1920).

EUGENIUS, the name of four Popes. **E. ST. I.**, Pope from 654 to 658 (festival, August 27); **E. II.**, Pope from 824 to 827; **E. III.**, Pope from 1145 to 1153; **E. IV.**, Pope from 1481 to 1447.

EUGENIUS IV., Pope born in Venice; his pontificate was marked by a schism created by proceedings in the Council of Basel towards the reform of the Church and the limitation of the papal authority, the issue of which was that he excommunicated the Council and the Council deposed him; he had an unhappy time of it, and in his old age regretted he had ever left his monastery to assume the papal crown.

EUGUBINE TABLES, seven bronze tablets discovered in 1444 near Eugubium, in Italy, containing inscriptions which supply a key to the original tongues of Italy prior to Latin, the language used being ancient Umbrian.

EUKHEMERISM, the theory that the gods of antiquity are merely deified men, so called from Euhemerus, the Greek who first propounded the theory, and who lived 316 B.C.

EULENSPIEGEL (i.e. Owl-glass), the hero of a popular German tale, which relates no end of pranks, fortunes, and misfortunes of a wandering mechanic born in a village in Brunswick; he was buried in 1850 at Möln, in Lauenburg, where they still show his tombstone sculptured with an owl and a glass.

EULER, LEONHARD, a celebrated mathematician, born in Basel; professor in St. Petersburg successively of Physics and Mathematics; came to reside in Berlin in 1741 at the express invitation of Frederick the Great; returned to St. Petersburg in 1746, where he died; besides many works issued in his lifetime, he left 200 MSS., which were published after his death (1707-1783).

EUMENIDES (i.e. the Well-meaning), a name given to the Erinyes (q.v.) or Furies, from a dread of calling them by their true name.

EUMOLPUS, the founder of the Eleusinian Mysteries, alleged to have been a priest of Demeter or Ceres.

EUNOMIANS, an ultra-Arian sect of the 4th century, which soon dwindled away after breaking from the orthodox Church; called after Eunomius (q.v.).

EUNOMIUS, an Arian divine, born in Cappadocia; head of a sect who maintained that the Father alone was God, that the Son was generated from Him, and the Spirit from the Son; was bishop of Cyzicum, a post he resigned; d. 394.

EUPATORIA, a Russian town on the Crimean coast, in the government of Taurida, 40 m. NW. of Simferopol; has a fine Tartar mosque, and does a large export trade in hides and cereals; during the Crimean War was an important military centre of the Allies.

EUPHEMISM, is in speech or writing the avoiding of an unpleasant or indelicate word or expression by the use of one which is less direct, and which calls up a less disagreeable image in the mind. Thus for "he died" is substituted "he fell asleep," or "he is gathered to his fathers"; thus the Greeks called the "Furies" the "Eumenides," the benign goddesses, just as country people used to call elves and fairies "the good folk neighbours."

EUPHRATES, a river in West Asia, formed by the junction of two Armenian streams; flows SE. to Kurnah, where it is joined by the Tigris. The combined waters—named the Shat-el-Arab—flow into the Persian Gulf; is 1700 m. long, and navigable for 1100 m. It was the scene of much fighting between Britain and Turkey during the Great War.

EUPHROSYNE, the cheerful one, or life in the exuberance of joy, one of the three Graces. See GRACES.

EUPHUISM, an affected bombastic style of language, so called from "Euphuus," a work by John Lyly written in that style.

EURE, a dep. of France, in Normandy, so called from the river Eure which traverses it.

EURE-ET-LOIRE, a dep. of France lying directly S. of the preceding; chief rivers the Eure in the N. and the Loir in the S.

EUREKA (i.e. I have found it), the exclamation of Archimedes on discovering how to test the purity of the gold in the crown of Hiero (q.v.); he discovered it, tradition says, when taking a bath.

EURIPIDES, a famous Greek tragic dramatist, born in Salamis, of wealthy parents; first trained as an athlete, and then devoted himself to painting, and eventually to poetry; he brought out his first play at the age of 25, and is reported to have written 80 plays, of which only 18 are extant, besides fragments of others; of these plays the "Alcestes," "Medea," "Iphigenia in Aulis," "Electra," and "Bacchæ," may be mentioned; he won the tragic prize five times; tinged with pessimism, he is nevertheless less severe than his great predecessors Sophocles and Æschylus, surpassing them in tenderness and artistic expression, but falling short of them in strength and loftiness of dramatic conception; for Sophocles, it is said, represented men as they ought to be, and Euripides as they are; he has been called the Sophist of tragic poets (480-406 B.C.).

EUROPA, a maiden, daughter of Agenor, king of Phœnicia, whom Zeus, disguised as a white bull, carried off to Crete, where she became by him the mother of Minos, Rhadamanthus, and Sarpedon (q.v.).

EUROPE, the most important, although the second smallest, of the five great land divisions of the globe; is, from a geographical point of view, a peninsula of Asia; the Caspian Sea, Ural River and mountains, form its Asiatic boundary, while on the other three sides it is washed by the Mediterranean on the S., Atlantic on the W. and Arctic Ocean on the N.; its coast-line is so highly developed that to every 199 sq. m. of surface there is 1 m. of coast; this advantage, combined with the varied adaptability of its land, rivers, and inland seas, and its central position, has made it the centre of civilisation and the theatre of the main events of the world's history. Its greatest length is 3370 m. from Cape St. Vincent to the Ural, and its greatest breadth 2400 m. from Cape Matapan to Nordkyn, while its area is about 3,800,000 sq. m.; it is singularly free from wild

animals, has a fruitful soil richly cultivated, and possesses in supreme abundance the more useful metals. Its peoples belong to the two great ethnological divisions, the Caucasian and Mongolian groups; to the former belong the Germanic, Romanic, Slavonic, and Celtic races, and to the latter the Finns, Magyars, and Turks. Christianity is professed throughout, except amongst the Jews, of whom there are about six millions; of Catholics there are about 155 millions, of Protestants 85, and of the Greek Church 80.

EUROTAS, the classic name of the Iri, a river of Greece, which flows past Sparta and discharges into the Gulf of Laconia, 30 m. long.

EURUS, the god of the withering east wind.

EURYDICE. See ORPHEUS.

EURYSTHEUS, the king of Mycenæ, at whose command, as subject to him by fate, Hercules was required to perform his 12 labours, on the achievement of which depended his admission to the rank of an immortal.

EUSEBIUS PAMPHILI, a distinguished early Christian writer, born in Palestine, bishop of Casarea in 313; headed the moderate Arians at the Council of Nice, who shrank from disputing about a subject so sacred as the nature of the Trinity; wrote a history of the world to A.D. 325; his "Ecclesiastical History" is the first record of the Christian Church up to 324; also wrote a Life of Constantine, who held him in high favour; many extracts of ancient writers no longer extant are found in the works of Eusebius (about 264-340).

EUSTACHIO, BARTOLOMMEO, an Italian physician of the 16th century; settled at Rome, made several anatomical discoveries, among others those of the tube from the middle ear to the mouth, and a valve on the wall of the right auricle of the heart, both called *Eustachian* after him; d. 1574.

EUSTATHIUS, archbishop of Thessalonica, a Greek commentator of Homer, born in Constantinople; a man of wide classical learning, whose work on Homer is of value for the extracts of writings that no longer exist; d. 1198.

EUTERPE, the Muse of lyric poetry, represented in ancient works of art with a flute in her hand.

EUTROPIUS, FLAVIUS, a Roman historian, secretary to the Emperor Constantine; wrote an epitome of Roman history, which from its simplicity and accuracy still retains its position as a school-book; d. about 370.

EUTYCHES, a Byzantine heresiarch, who, in combating Nestorianism (q.v.), fell into the opposite extreme, and maintained that in the incarnation the human nature of Christ was absorbed in the divine, a doctrine which was condemned by the Council of Chalcedon, in 448 (378-454).

EUTYCHIANISM. See *supra*.

EUXINE, a Greek name for the Black Sea (q.v.).

EVANDER, an Arcadian, who is said to have come from Greece with a colony to Latium and settled in it 60 years before the Trojan war, and with whom Æneas formed an alliance when he landed in Italy; he is credited with having introduced the civilising arts of Greece.

EVANGELICAL, a term applied to all those forms of Christianity which regard the atonement of Christ, or His sacrifice on the Cross for sin, as the ground and central principle of the Christian faith.

EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE, an alliance of Christians of all countries and denominations holding evangelical principles, founded in 1845.

EVANGELINE, the heroine of a poem by Longfellow of the same name, founded on an incident connected with the expulsion of the natives of Acadia from their homes by order of George II.

EVANGELIST, a name given in the early Church to one whose office it was to persuade the ignorant and unbelieving into the fold of the Church.

EVANS, SIR ARTHUR JOHN, a distinguished archaeologist, born in Hertfordshire; conducted archaeological and ethnographical research in the Balkans and in Crete, in the latter country discovering the pre-Phœnician script; excavated the prehistoric palace of Knossos; was keeper of the Ashmolean Museum at Oxford (1864-1908), and is a member of numerous foreign antiquarian and learned societies (1851-).

EVANS, SIR DE LAOY, an English general, born in Moog, Ireland; served in the Peninsular war; was present at Quatre-Bras and Waterloo; commanded the British Legion sent to assist Queen Isabella in Spain, and the second division of the army in the Crimea and the East; was for many years a member of Parliament (1787-1870).

EVANS, MARY ANN, the real name of George Elliot (*q.v.*).

EVERLYN, JOHN, an English writer, born in Wotton, Surrey; travelled in France and Italy during the Civil War, where he devoted much time to gardening and the study of trees; was author of a celebrated work, entitled "Eylva; or, A Discourse of Forest Trees," &c.; did much to improve horticulture and introduce exotics into this country; his "Memoirs," written as a diary, are full of interest, and "are justly famous for the fulness, variety, and fidelity of their records" (1620-1706).

EVEREST, MOUNT, the highest mountain in the world; is one of the Himalayan peaks in Nepal, India; is 29,002 ft. above sea-level, named after Sir George Everest (1790-1866), a famous military engineer.

EVERETT, ALEXANDER HILL, an American diplomatist and author, born in Boston; was U.S. ambassador at the Hague and Madrid, and commissioner to China; wrote on a variety of subjects, including both politics and belles-lettres, and a collection of critical and miscellaneous essays (1792-1847).

EVERETT, EDWARD, American scholar, statesman, and orator, brother of the preceding; was a Unitarian preacher of great eloquence; distinguished as a Greek scholar and professor; for a time editor of the *North American Review*; was a member of Congress, and unsuccessful candidate for the Vice-Presidency of the Republic; his reputation rests on his "orations," which are on all subjects and show great vigour and versatility of genius (1794-1865).

EVERGLADES, THE, an extensive district in the south of Florida, U.S.A., 140 m. long, largely mangrove marshes intersected by waterways; includes Lake Okechobee.

EVERSLEY, a village in Hampshire, 13 m. N.E. of Basingstoke; the burial-place of Charles Kingsley, who for 35 years was rector of the parish.

EVERSLEY, CHARLES SHAW LEFEVRE, VISCOUNT, politician; graduated at Cambridge; called to the bar; entered Parliament, and in 1839 became Speaker of the House of Commons, a post he held for 18 years; retired, and was created a peer (1794-1888).

EVERHAM, a town in Worcester, the scene of the battle in the Barons' War (1265) between Prince Edward (afterwards Edward I.) and Simon de Montfort; has remains of an 8th-century Benedictine abbey.

EVIL EYE, a superstitious belief that certain people have the power of exercising a baneful influence on others, and even animals, by the glance of the eyes. The superstition is of ancient date, and is met with among almost all races, as it is among illiterate people and savages still. It was customary to wear amulets to ward off the evil.

EVOLUTION, the theory that the several species of plants and animals on the globe were not created in their present form, but have all been evolved by modifications of structure from cruder forms under or coincident with change of environment, an idea which has been applied to everything organic in the spiritual as well as the natural world. See *DARWIN*.

EVORA, a city of Portugal, beautifully situated in a fertile plain 80 m. E. of Lisbon, once a strong place, and the seat of an archbishop; it abounds in Roman antiquities.

EVERMOND, SAINT, a lively and witty Frenchman; after war service in the Netherlands and elsewhere fell into ill favour in France from the unbridled indulgence of his wit, and fled to England, where he became a great favourite at the court of Charles II., and enjoyed himself to the top of his bent; as a critic and writer displayed considerable acumen combined with elegance of style (1610-1703).

EVREUX, capital of the dep. of Eure, on the Iton, 67 m. N.W. of Paris; is an elegant town; has a

fine 11th-century cathedral, an episcopal palace with an old clock tower; interesting ruins have been excavated in the old town; is the seat of a bishop; paper, cotton, and linen are manufactured, and a trade is carried on in cereals, timber, and liquors.

EWALD, GEORG HEINRICH AUGUST VON, a distinguished Orientalist and Biblical scholar, born in Göttingen, and professor both there and at Tübingen; his works were numerous, the principal being "The Poetic Books of the Old Testament," "The Prophets," and "The History of the People of Israel"; he was a student and interpreter of the concrete, and belonged to no party (1808-1876).

EWALD, JOHANNES, a Danish dramatist and lyricist, born in Copenhagen; served as a soldier in the German and Austrian armies; studied theology at Copenhagen; disappointed in love, he devoted himself to poetical composition; ranks as the founder of Danish tragedy, and is the author of some of the finest lyrics in the language (1748-1781).

EWIGE JUDE, the Everlasting Jew, the German name for the Wandering Jew.

EWING, SIR JAMES ALFRED, British scientist, professor of engineering at Tokyo, Dundee, and Cambridge, and vice-chancellor of Edinburgh University; his researches were mainly in connection with physics, especially magnetism; his results are of great practical importance in the construction of dynamo electric motors. *See* (1856-).

EXCALIBUR, the magic sword of King Arthur, which only he could unsheathe and wield. When he was about to die he requested his knight, Sir Bedivere, to throw it into a lake close by, who with some reluctance threw it, when a hand reached out to seize it, flourished it round three times, and then drew it under the water for good.

EXCOMMUNICATION, an ecclesiastical punishment inflicted upon heretics and offenders against the Church laws and violators of the moral code; was formulated in the Christian Church in the 2nd and 3rd centuries. It varied in severity according to the degree of transgression, but in its severest application involved exclusion from the Eucharist, Christian burial, and the rights and privileges of the Church; formerly it had the support of the civil authority, but is now a purely spiritual penalty.

EXE, a river rising in Exmoor and flowing through Somerset and Devon, entering the English Channel at Exmouth; is navigable for small vessels for about 6 m. from its mouth.

EXCELMANS, REMY JOSEPH ISODORE, COMTE, a distinguished French marshal, born in Bar-le-Duc; entered the army at 16; won distinction in the Naples campaign, and for his services at Eylau in 1807 was made a Brigadier-General; was taken prisoner in Spain while serving under Murat, and sent to England, where he was kept prisoner three years; liberated, took part in Napoleon's Russian campaign, for his conduct in which he was appointed a General of Division; after Napoleon's fall lived in exile till 1830; received honours from Louis Philippe, and was created a Marshal of France by Louis Napoleon in 1851 (1775-1852).

EXETER, the capital of Devonshire, on the Exe, 75 m. S.W. of Bristol, a quaint old town; contains a celebrated cathedral founded in 1112, and remains of an old Norman castle.

EXETER HALL, a hall in the Strand, London, erected in 1831 for holding religious and philanthropic meetings; now cleared away.

EXMOOR, an elevated stretch of vale and moorland in the S.W. of Somerset, N.E. of Devonshire; has an area of over 100 sq. m., 25 of which are covered with forest; Dunkery Beacon its chief height; red deer are to be found there and a special breed of ponies.

EXMOUTH, a noted seaside resort on the Devonshire coast, at the mouth of the Exe, 11 m. S.E. of Exeter; has a fine beach and promenade.

EXODUS (*i.e.* the Going out), the book of the Old Testament which records the deliverance of the children of Israel from Egyptian bondage, and the institution of the moral and ceremonial laws for the nation; consists partly of history and partly of legislation.

EXORCISM, conjuration by God or Christ or some holy name, of some evil spirit to come out of a person; it was performed on a heathen as an idolater, and eventually on a child as born in sin prior to baptism.

EXOTERIC, a term applied to teaching which the uninitiated may be expected to comprehend, and which is openly professed, as in a public confession of faith.

EXPLOSIVES, unstable compounds which decompose suddenly and violently under the action of heat or a sudden blow; for military purposes explosives are classed as "high explosives," used as the charge in shells, &c., and "propellants" used to drive the shell from the gun. The most important propellant is cordite (q.v.), and of high explosives lyddite (q.v.), melinite and trinitrotoluene (T.N.T.) are best known. Amatol, used as a high explosive during the Great War, is a mixture of T.N.T. and ammonium nitrate; dynamite is used for blasting purposes and fulminate of mercury as a detonator for charges of gun-cotton, &c.

EXTRADITION, the right of a nation to fetch back from another a criminal wanted for trial. Treaties to effect this were signed between Great Britain and America in 1842 and with France in 1843, since when similar treaties have been signed with most countries.

EXTREME UNCTION, one of the seven sacraments of the Catholic Church; an anointing of consecrated or holy oil administered by a priest in the form of a cross to a sick person upon the eyes, ears, nose, mouth, hands, and feet at the point of death, which is presumed to impart grace and strength against the last struggle.

EYCK, JAN VAN, a famous Flemish painter, born in Mass-Eyck; was instructed by his elder brother Hubert (1370-1426), with whom he laboured at Bruges and Ghent; reputed to have been the first to employ oil colours, but the two were particularly noted for their skill in mixing colours; their masterpieces are to be seen at Ghent, Bruges, Berlin, Paris, and Antwerp, and in the National Gallery, London (1389-1440).

EYLAU, a small town, 23 m. S. of Königsberg, the scene of a great battle between Napoleon and the

Russian and Prussian allies in February 8, 1807; the fight was interrupted by darkness, under cover of which the allies retreated, having had the worst of the day.

EYRE, EDWARD JOHN, explorer and colonial governor, born in Yorkshire; emigrated to Australia in 1832; successfully explored the interior of S.W. Australia in 1841; governor of New Zealand in 1846, of St. Vincent in 1852, and of Jamaica in 1862; recalled in 1865, and prosecuted for harsh treatment of natives, but was acquitted; his defence was championed by Carlyle, Ruskin, and Kingsley, while J. S. Mill supported the prosecution (1815-1901).

EYRE, JANE, the heroine of a novel by Charlotte Brontë so called, a governess who, in her struggles with adverse fortune, wins the admiration and melts the heart of a man who had lived wholly for the world.

EZEKIEL, a Hebrew prophet, born in Jerusalem; a man of priestly descent, who was carried captive to Babylon 599 B.C., and was banished to Tel-abib, on the banks of the Chebar, 201 m. from the city, where, with his family about him, he became the prophet of the captivity and the rallying centre of the Dispersion. Here he foretold the destruction of Jerusalem as a judgment on the nation, and comforted them with the promise of a new Jerusalem and a new Temple on their repentance and their return to the Lord. His prophecies arrange themselves in three groups—those denouncing judgment on Jerusalem, those denouncing judgment on the heathen, and those announcing the future glory of the nation.

EZRA, a Jewish scribe of priestly rank, and full of zeal for the law of the Lord and the restoration of Israel, who was a captive in Babylon before leading his fellow-exiles back to Jerusalem; author of a book of the Old Testament, which records two successive returns of the people from captivity, and embraces a period ranging from 576 to 457 B.C., being a continuation of the book of Chronicles, its purpose being to relate the progress of the restored theocracy in Judah and Jerusalem, particularly as regards the restoration of the Temple and the re-institution of the priesthood.

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FABER, FREDERICK WILLIAM, a Catholic divine and hymn-writer, born in Calverley, Yorkshire; at Oxford he won the Newdgate Prize in 1836; for three years was rector of Elton, but under the influence of Newman joined the Church of Rome (1845), and after founding a brotherhood of converts at Birmingham in 1849, took under his charge a London branch of the Oratory of St. Philip Neri; wrote several meritorious theological works, but his fame chiefly rests on his fine hymns, the "Pilgrims of the Night" one of the most famous (1814-1863).

FABER, GEORGE STANLEY, an Anglican divine, born in Holland; a voluminous writer on theological subjects and prophecy (1773-1854).

FABIAN, ST., Pope from 236 to 251; martyred with St. Sebastian during the persecution of Decius.

FABIAN SOCIETY, a Socialist organisation, founded in 1883, which "aims at the reorganisation of society by the emancipation of land and industrial capital from individual and class ownership, and vesting of them in the community for the general benefit"; has lectureships, and issues "Essays" and "Tracts"; Bernard Shaw and H. G. Wells have been among its members; the name of the Society is derived from Quintus Fabius (1) (q.v.), whose principle in war was wariness rather than violence.

FABII, a family of ancient Rome of 307 members, all of whom perished in combat with the Veii, 477 B.C., all save one boy left behind in Rome, from whom descended subsequent generations of the name.

FABIUS PICTOR, the oldest annalist of Rome; his annals of great value; 216 B.C.

FABIUS, QUINTUS (Maximus Verrucosus), a renowned Roman general, three times consul, twice censor and dictator in 231 B.C.; famous for his cautious generalship against Hannibal in the Second Punic War, harassing to the enemy, which won him the surname of "Cunctator" or delayer; d. 203 B.C.

FABIUS, QUINTUS (Rullianus), a noted Roman general, five times consul and twice dictator; waged successful war against the Samnites in 323 B.C.

FABIUS, THE AMERICAN, General Washington, so called from his Fabian tactics. See **FABIUS, QUINTUS** (1).

FABLE OF THE BEES, a work by Mandeville, a fable showing how vice makes some people happy and virtue miserable, and how opposition and variance in opinion produce the best results.

FAELIAUX, a species of metrical tales of a light and satirical nature in vogue widely in France during the 12th and 13th centuries; many of the stories were of Oriental origin, but were infused with the French spirit of the times; La Fontaine, Boccaccio, and Chaucer drew freely on them; they are marked by all the vivacity and perspicuity, if also lubricity, of their modern successors in the French novel and comic drama.

FABRE, JEAN, a French Protestant, celebrated for his filial piety; he took the place of his father in the galleys, who had been condemned to toil in them on account of his religious opinions (1727-1797).

FABRE, JEAN HENRI, French naturalist, devoted himself to the observation and description of insect life, writing many books on this subject (1823-1915).

FABRE D'ÉGLANTINE, a French dramatic poet, born in Carcassonne; wrote comedies; was a member of the Convention and of the Committee of Public Safety, of the extreme party of the Revolution; falling under suspicion, was guillotined along with Danton (1752-1794).

FABRICIUS, GAIUS, a Roman of the old school, distinguished for the simplicity of his manners and his incorruptible integrity; his name has become the synonym for a poor man who in public life deals honourably and does not enrich himself; was consul 232 B.C.

FABRICIUS, or **FABRIZIO, GIROLAMO**, a famous Italian anatomist, born in Aquapendente; became

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professor at Padua in 1565, where he gained a world-wide reputation as a teacher; Harvey declares that he got his first idea of the circulation of the blood from attending his lectures (1537-1619).

FABRONI, ANGELO, a learned Italian, born in Tuscany; wrote the Lives of the illustrious literati of Italy in the 17th and 18th centuries, and earned for himself the name of the "Plutarch" of his country (1732-1803).

FACCIOIATI, JACOPO, lexicographer, born in Torreglia; became a professor of Theology and Logic at Padua; chiefly interested in classical literature; he, in collaboration with an old pupil, Egidio Forcellini (1688-1768), began the compilation of a new Latin dictionary, which was completed and published after his death; this work has been the basis of all subsequent lexicons of the Latin language (1682-1769).

FACIAL ANGLE, an angle formed by drawing two lines, one horizontally from the nostrils to the ear, and the other perpendicularly from the advancing part of the upper jawbone to the most prominent part of the forehead, an angle by which the degree of intelligence and sagacity in the several members of the animal kingdom is by some measured.

FACTORY ACTS were passed early in the 19th century limiting hours of labour and conditions of work. The first was in 1802, and that of 1847 restricted the working day to 10 hours. Further Acts were passed in 1878, 1883, 1891, and 1895, and were consolidated in the 1901 Act, which empowered the Home Secretary to employ inspectors and to see that regulations were complied with.

FAED, JOHN, a Scottish artist, son of a millwright, born in Barley Mill, Kilmarnock; was elected an A.R.S.A. in 1847, and R.S.A. in 1851; his paintings are chiefly of humble Scottish life, the "Cottar's Saturday Night" among others (1819-1902).

FAED, THOMAS, brother of the preceding, born in Barley Mill; distinguished himself in his art studies at Edinburgh; went to London, where his pictures of Scottish life won him a foremost place among those of his contemporaries; was elected R.A. in 1864 and honorary member of the Vienna Royal Academy (1826-1900).

FAENZA, an old Italian cathedral town, 31 m. S.E. of Bologna; noted for its manufacture of majolica ware, known from the name of the town as "faience".

FAERIE QUEENE, the name of an allegorical poem by Edmund Spenser, in which twelve knights were, in twelve books, to represent as many virtues, described as issuing forth from the castle of Gloriana, queen of England, against certain impersonations of the vices and errors of the world. Such was the plan of the poem, but only six of the books were finished, and these contain the adventures of only six of the knights, representing severally Holiness, Temperance, Chastity, Friendship, Justice, and Courtesy.

FAGEL, GASPARE, a Dutch statesman, distinguished for his integrity and the firmness with which he repelled the attempts of Louis XIV. against his country, and for his zeal in supporting the claims of the Prince of Orange to the English throne (1639-1688).

FAGIN, the name of an old Jew in Dickens' "Oliver Twist," who trains boys to thieve.

FAHRENHEIT, GABRIEL, DANIEL, a celebrated physicist, born in Danzig; spent much of his life in England, but finally settled in Holland; devoted himself to physical research; is famed for his improvement of the thermometer by substituting quicksilver for spirits of wine and inventing a new scale, the freezing-point being 32° above zero and the boiling 212° (1686-1736).

FAINEANT, LE NOIR, the name borne by Richard Cour-de-Lion in "Ivanhoe."

FAINEANTS (i.e. the Do-nothings), the name given to the kings of France of the Merovingian line from 670 to 752, from Thierry III. to Childeric III., who

were subject to their ministers, the mayors of the palace, who discharged all their functions.

FAIR MAID OF KENT, the Countess of Salisbury, eventually wife of the Black Prince, so called from her beauty.

FAIR MAID OF NORWAY, daughter of Eric II. of Norway, and granddaughter of Alexander III. of Scotland; died on her way from Norway to succeed her grandfather on the throne of Scotland, an event which gave rise to the famous struggle for the crown by rival competitors.

FAIR MAID OF PERTH, a beauty of the name of Kate Glover, the heroine of Scott's novel of the name.

FAIR BOSAMOND, the mistress of Henry II.; kept in a secret bower at Woodstock, in the heart of a labyrinth which only he could thread.

FAIRBAIRN, ANDREW M., theologian, born in Edinburgh; received the charge of the Evangelical Church at Bathgate, and subsequently studied in Berlin. In 1878 became Principal of the Alfredale Congregational College at Bradford; was Muir Lecturer on Comparative Religions in Edinburgh University in 1881-1883, and five years later was elected Principal of Mansfield College at Oxford; author of "The Place of Christ in Modern Theology," and several other scholarly works (1838-1912).

FAIRBAIRN, SIR WILLIAM, an eminent engineer, born in Kelso, served an apprenticeship in N. Shields, and in 1817 started business in Manchester, where he came to the front as a builder of iron ships; improved upon Robert Stephenson's idea of a tubular bridge, and built upwards of 1000 of these; introduced iron shafts into cotton mills, and was employed by Government to test the suitability of iron for purposes of defence; he was president of the British Association at Manchester in 1861, and was created a baronet in 1869 (1789-1874).

FAIRBANKS, DOUGLAS, American cinema actor. He started as a stage actor and took to the screen in 1916, soon making a name for himself for daring acrobatic feats in film work. He married Mary Pickford, another cinema star, in 1920 (1883-).

FAIRFAX, EDWARD, translator of Tasso, born in Denton, Yorkshire, where he spent a quiet and studious life; his stately translation of Tasso's "Gerusalemme Liberata" was published in 1600, and holds rank as one of the best poetical translations in the language; he wrote also a "Discourse" on witchcraft (c. 1572-1635).

FAIRFAX, THOMAS, LORD, a distinguished Parliamentary general, nephew of the preceding, born in Denton, Yorkshire; served in Holland, but in 1642 joined the Parliamentarians, of whose forces he became general (1645); after distinguishing himself at Marston Moor and Naseby, was superseded by Cromwell (1650), and retired into private life until Cromwell's death, when he supported the restoration of Charles II. to the English throne (1612-1671).

FAIRIES, imaginary supernatural beings conceived of as of diminutive size but in human shape, who play a conspicuous part in the traditions of Europe during the Middle Ages, and are animated more or less by a spirit of mischief out of a certain loving regard for, or humorous interest in, the affairs of mankind, whether in the way of thwarting or helping.

FAISAL I., king of Iraq. A son of ex-king Hussein of the Hedjaz he was elected king in 1921 with the help of Great Britain, after Mesopotamia had been freed from Turkish rule (1887-).

FAITH, ST., a virgin martyr who, in the 4th century, was tortured on an iron bed and afterwards beheaded.

FAITH HEALING, the practice of some religious sects who believe that prayer and faith tend to the cure for illness rather than medical science. Supposed cases of miraculous healing are a frequent feature of "revival" campaigns.

FAKIR (H. poor), a member of an order of monkish mendicants in India and adjoining countries who, from presumed religious motives, practise or affect lives of severe self-mortification, but who in many cases cultivate filthiness of person to a disgusting degree.

FALAIRE, a French town in the dep. of Calvados, 22 m. SW. of Caen; the birthplace of William the Conqueror.

FALCONER, HUGH, botanist and palaeontologist, born in Forres, Elginshire; studied at Aberdeen and Edinburgh; joined the East India Company's medical service; made large collections of fossils and plants; became professor of Botany in Calcutta; introduced the tea-plant into India, and discovered the *assafoetida* plant; died in London (1808-1866).

FALCONER, ION KEITH, missionary, and Arabic scholar, a third son of the Earl of Kintore; after passing through Harrow and Cambridge, his ardent temperament carried him into successful evangelistic work in London; was appointed Arabic professor at Cambridge, but his promising career was cut short near Aden while engaged in missionary work; translated the Fables of Biddulph; a noted athlete, and champion cyclist of the world in 1878 (1856-1887).

FALCONER, WILLIAM, poet, born in Edinburgh; a barber's son; spent most of his life at sea; perished in the wreck of the frigate *Aurora*, of which he was purser; author of the well-known poem "The Shipwreck" (1732-1769).

FALCONER, the art and practice of employing trained hawks in the pursuit and capture on the wing of other birds, a sport largely indulged in by the upper classes in early times in Europe.

FALIERO, MARINO, a Venetian doge elevated to that position from the army; owing to an affront he joined a conspiracy against the patricians but was betrayed and condemned to death; is the subject of a drama by Byron.

FALK, ADALBERT, Prussian statesman, born in Metelchuk, Silesia; as Minister of Public Worship and Education he was instrumental in passing laws designed to diminish the influence of the clergy in State affairs; retired in 1879 (1827-1900).

FALKIRK, a town in Northglshire, 26 m. NW. of Edinburgh, noted for its cattle-markets and the ironworks in its neighbourhood; Wallace was defeated here in 1298 by Edward I.

FALKLAND, a royal burgh in Fife-shire, 10 m. SW. of Cupar; has ruins of a famous palace, a royal residence of the Stuart sovereigns, which was restored by the Marquis of Bute in 1888.

FALKLAND, LUCIUS CARY, VISCOUNT, soldier, scholar, and statesman, son of Sir Henry Cary, Viscount Falkland; was lord-deputy of Ireland under James I.; entered the service of the new Dutch Republic, but soon returned to England and settled at Great Tew, Oxfordshire, where he indulged his studious tastes, and entertained his scholarly friends Clarendon, Chillingworth, and others; after joining Essex's expedition into Scotland he sat in Parliament, and in 1642 became Secretary of State; suspicious of Charles's weakness and duplicity, he as such distrusted the Parliamentary movement, and fell at Newbury fighting for the king (1610-1648).

FALKLAND ISLANDS, a group of islands in the E. Atlantic, 240 m. E. of Tierra del Fuego; discovered in 1592 by Davis; purchased from the French in 1762 by Spain, but afterwards ceded to Britain, by whom they were occupied in 1833 and used as a convict settlement until 1852; besides E. and W. Falkland there are upwards of 100 small islands, mostly barren; wheat and flax are raised, but sheep-farming is the main industry. Near here in December, 1914, British vessels under Sturdee defeated a German squadron under Von Spee.

FALL, THE, the first transgression of divine law on the part of man, conceived of as involving the whole human race in the guilt of it, and represented as consisting in the wilful partaking of the fruit of the forbidden tree of the *knowledge* of both good and evil. The story of the Fall in Genesis has in later times been generally regarded as a spiritual allegory, and surely the Hebrew attempt, one amongst many, to explain the origin of evil. It is worthy of note that a narrative, similar even to detail, exists in the ancient religious writings of the Hindus and Persians.

FALLOPIUS, GABRIELLO, anatomist, born in Modena; professor of Anatomy at Pisa and at Padua; the Fallopiian tubes which connect the ovaries with the uterus, first accurately described by him, are called after his name, as also the duct which transmits the facial nerve after it leaves the auditory nerve (1523-1562).

FALLOUX, FRÉDÉRIC ALFRED PIERRE, VICOMTE DE, author and statesman, born in Angers; member of the House of Deputies; favoured the revolutionaries of 1848, and under the Presidency of Louis Napoleon became Minister of Public Instruction; retired in 1849, and became a member of the French Academy (1887); author of a "History of Louis XVI." and a "History of Pius V.," both characterized by a strong Legitimist bias (1811-1886).

FALMOUTH, a seaport on the Cornish coast, on the estuary of the Trel. 18 m. N.E. of the Lizard; its harbour, one of the finest in England, is defended E. and W. by St. Mawes Castle and Pendennis Castle; pilchard fishing is actively engaged in, and there are exports of tin and copper.

FALSTAFF, SIR JOHN, a character in Shakespeare's "Henry IV." and the "Merry Wives of Windsor"; a boon companion of Henry, Prince of Wales; a cowardly braggart, of sensual habits and great corpulence. See **FASTOLF**.

FAMILIAR SPIRITS, certain supernatural beings presumed agreeably to a very old belief (Lev. xix. 31), to attend magicians or sorcerers, and to be at

Love, a fanatical
1556, and affected

to love all men as brothers.

FAMILY COMPACT, a compact concluded in 1761 between the Bourbons of France, Spain, and Italy to resist the naval power of England.

FAN, a light hand implement used to cause a draught of cool air to play upon the face; there are two kinds, the folding and non-folding; the latter, sometimes large and fixed on a pole, were known to the ancients, the former were invented by the Japanese in the 7th century, and became popular in Italy and Spain in the 16th century; but Paris soon took a lead in their manufacture, carrying them to their highest pitch of artistic perfection in the reign of Louis XIV.

FANARIOTS, the descendants of the Greeks of noble birth who remained in Constantinople after its capture by Mohammed II. in 1453, so called from Fanar, the quarter of the city which they inhabited; they rose at one time to great influence in Turkish affairs, though they have none now.

FANDANGO, a popular Spanish dance, especially in favour among the Andalusians; is in 3 time, and is danced to the accompaniment of guitars and castanets.

FANNING, JOHN THOMAS, American hydraulo engineer, an authority on waterworks construction and water power (1837-1911).

FANS, an aboriginal tribe dwelling between the Gaboon and Ogoway Rivers, in western equatorial Africa; are brave and intelligent, and of good physique, but are addicted to cannibalism and fetish-worship.

FANSHAW, SIR RICHARD, diplomatist and poet, born in Ware Park, Hertford; studied at the Inner Temple, and after a Continental tour became attached to the English embassy at Madrid; sided with the Royalists at the outbreak of the Civil War; was captured at the battle of Worcester, but escaped and shared the exile of Charles II.; on the Restoration negotiated Charles's marriage with Catharine, and became ambassador at the court of Philip IV. of Spain; translated Camoens' "Lusiad" and various classical pieces (1608-1666).

FANTINE, one of the most heart-affecting characters in "Les Misérables" by Victor Hugo.

FANTIS, an African tribe on the Gold Coast, enemies of their conquerors the Ashantis; fought on the side of the British in the Asanti War (1873-1874), but, although of strong physique, proved cowardly allies.

FARAD, the unit of electrical capacity named after Faraday; a condenser has a capacity of one farad when a charge of one coulomb gives the plates a difference of potential of one volt; the microfarad is the millionth part of a farad.

FARADAY, MICHAEL, a highly distinguished chemist and natural philosopher, born in Newington Butts, near London, of poor parents; received a meagre education, and at 18 was apprenticed to a bookseller, but devoted his evenings to chemical and electrical studies, and became a student under Sir H. Davy, who, quick to detect his ability, installed

him as his assistant; in 1827 he succeeded Davy as lecturer at the Royal Institution, and became professor of Chemistry in 1833; was pensioned in 1835, and in 1858 was allotted a residence in Hampton Court; in chemistry he made many notable discoveries, e.g. the liquefaction of chlorine, while in electricity and magnetism his achievements cover the entire field of these sciences, and are of the first importance (1791-1867).

FARAZZI, a Mohammedan sect formed in 1827, and met with chiefly in Eastern Bengal; they discard tradition and accept the Koran as their sole guide in religious and spiritual concerns, in this respect differing from the Sunnites, with whom they have much else in common; although of a purer morality than the main body of Mohammedans, they are narrow and intolerant.

FAREL, WILLIAM, a Swiss reformer, born in Dauphiné; introduced, in 1534, after two futile attempts, the reformed faith into Geneva, where he was succeeded in the management of affairs by John Calvin; he has been called the "pioneer of the Reformation in Switzerland and France" (1489-1565).

FARIA Y SOUSA, MANUEL DE, a Portuguese poet and historian; entered the diplomatic service, and was for many years secretary to the Spanish embassy at Rome; was a voluminous writer of history and poetry, and did much to develop the literature of his country (1590-1649).

FARINATA, a Florentine nobleman of the Ghibelline faction, whom for his infidelity and sensuality Dante has placed till the day of Judgment in a red-hot coffin in hell.

FARINELLI, CARLO, a celebrated singer, born in Naples; his singing created great enthusiasm in London, which he visited in 1734 (1705-1782).

FARINI, LUIGI CARLO, an Italian statesman and author, born in Russi; practised as a doctor in his native town; in 1841 was forced, on account of his liberal sympathies, to withdraw from the Papal States, but returned in 1846 on the proclamation of the Papal amnesty, and afterwards held various offices of State; was Premier for a few months in 1863; author of "Il Stato Romano," of which there is an English translation by W. E. Gladstone (1812-1866).

FARMAN, HENRY, French air-engineer. Starting life as a painter, he took to cycling and then motoring. In 1907 he took up flying, and won several prizes, and started manufacturing planes for the French and British armies (1875-).

FARMER, RICHARD, an eminent scholar, born in Leicester; distinguished himself at Cambridge, where he became classical tutor of his college, and in the end master (1775); three years later he was appointed chief librarian to the university, and afterwards was successively canon of Lichfield, Canterbury, and St. Paul's; wrote an erudite essay on "The Learning of Shakespeare" (1735-1797).

FARMER GEORGE, George III., a name given to him from his plain, homely, thrifty manners and tastes.

FARMERS-GENERAL, a name given in France prior to the Revolution to a privileged syndicate which farmed certain branches of the public revenue, that is, obtained the right of collecting certain taxes on payment of an annual sum into the public treasury; the system gave rise to corruption and illegal extortion, and was at last an unproductive method of raising the national revenue; it was swept away at the Revolution.

FARNE or FERNÉ ISLES, THE, also called the Staples, a group of 17 isles 2 m. off the N.E. coast of Northumberland, many of which are mere rocks visible only at low-water; are marked by two lighthouses, and are associated with a heroic rescue by Grace Darling (q.v.) in 1838; on House Isle are the ruins of a Benedictine priory; about 50 people have their homes upon the larger isles.

FARNESE, the surname of a noble Italian family dating its rise from the 13th century.

FARNESE, ALESSANDRO, attained the papal chair as Paul III. in 1543; the excommunication of Henry VIII. of England, the founding of the Order of the Jesuits (1540), the convocation of the Council of Trent (1542), mark his term of office (1468-1549).

FARNESE, ALESSANDRO, grandson of the following, and 8rd duke of Parma, a famous general; distinguished himself at the battle of Lepanto; was governor of the Spanish Netherlands, and fought successfully against France, defeating Henry IV. before the walls of Paris, and again two years later at Rouen, where he was mortally wounded (1546-1592).

FARNESE, PIETRO LUIGI, a natural son of Pope Paul III., who figures in Benvenuto Cellini's *Life*; received in fee from the Papal See various estates, including the dukedom of Parma; he ill requited his father's trust and affection by a life of debauchery, and finally suffered assassination in 1549.

FAROE ISLANDS (i.e. sheep islands), a group of 22 islands of basaltic formation, about 200 m. NW. of the Shetlands; originally Norwegian, they now belong to Denmark; agriculture is limited, and fishing and sheep-farming chiefly engage the natives; there is an export trade in wool, fish, and wild-fowl feathers. The people, who still speak their old Norse dialect, although Danish is the language of the schools and law courts, are Lutherans, and enjoy a measure of self-government, sending representatives to the Danish *Riksdag*.

FARQUHAR, GEORGE, comic dramatist, born in Londonderry; early famous for his wit, of which he soon gave abundant proof in his dramas, "Love and a Bottle" being his first, and "The Beaux' Stratagem" his last, written on his deathbed; died young; he commenced life on the stage, but threw up the profession in consequence of having accidentally wounded a brother actor while fencing (1678-1707).

FARR, WILLIAM, statistician, born in Kenley, Shropshire; studied medicine, and practised in London; obtained a post in the Registrar-General's office, and rose to be head of the statistical department; issued various statistical compilations of great value for purposes of insurance (1807-1893).

FARRAGUT, DAVID GLEESON, a famous American admiral, of Spanish extraction, born in Knoxville, Tennessee; entered the navy as a boy; rose to be captain in 1855, and at the outbreak of the Civil War attached himself to the Union; distinguished himself by his daring capture of New Orleans; in 1862 was created rear-admiral, and two years later gained a signal victory over the Confederate fleet at Mobile Bay; was raised to the rank of admiral in 1866, being the first man to hold this position in the American navy (1801-1870).

FARRAR, FREDERICK WILLIAM, a celebrated divine and educationalist, born in Bombay; graduated with distinction at King's College, London, and at Cambridge; was ordained in 1854, and became headmaster of Marlborough College; was for some years a select preacher to Cambridge University, and held successively the offices of honorary chaplain and chaplain-in-ordinary to the Queen; became canon of Westminster, rector of St. Margaret's, archdeacon, chaplain to the House of Commons, and dean of Canterbury; his many works include the school-plays, "Eric" and "St. Winifred's," philological essays, and *Lives of Christ and St. Paul*, besides the "Early Days of Christianity," "Eternal Hope," and several volumes of sermons (1831-1903).

FARRIN, NELLIE, actress, daughter of Henry Farrin, the comedian; famous in burlesque, particularly in connection with productions at the Gaiety Theatre, London (1848-1904).

FASCES, a bundle of rods bound round the helve of an axe, and borne by the lictors before the Roman magistrates in symbol of their authority at once to scourge and decapitate.

FASCISM, "the doctrine by which the State is centred in one person who is the complete master." This definition was once used by Benito Mussolini (q.v.), founder of the movement in Italy in the post-war years when the Socialist government showed signs of weakness. After suppressing riots at Bologna in 1920 the Fascists marched on Rome in 1922, and, with Mussolini as dictator, seized the reins of government. Fascism stands essentially for discipline, with little or no regard for the liberty of the subject.

FAHODA, town on the Upper Nile occupied in July,

1898, by a French force under Major Marchand. The British demanded their evacuation, and the incident nearly resulted in war before diplomatic exchanges led to the retirement of the French in December.

FASTI, the name given to days among the Romans on which it was lawful to transact business before the pretor; also the name of books among the Romans containing calendars of times, seasons, and events.

FASTOLF, SIR JOHN, a distinguished soldier of Henry V.'s reign, who with Sir John Oldcastle shares the doubtful honour of being the prototype of Shakespeare's Falstaff, but unlike the dramatist's creation was a courageous soldier, and won distinction at Agincourt and at the "Battle of the Herrings"; after engaging with less success in the struggle against Joan of Arc, he returned to England and spent his closing years in honoured retirement at Norfolk, his birthplace; he figures in the "Paston Letters" (1378-1450).

FATA MORGANA, a mirage occasionally observed in the Strait of Messina, in which, from refraction in the atmosphere, images of objects, such as men, houses, trees, &c., are seen from the coast under or over the surface of the water; literally, in Italian, the words mean Fairy Morgana, the reference being to a lady of Arthurian legend who was the pupil of the wizard Merlin.

FATES, THE, in the Greek mythology the three goddesses who presided over the destinies of individuals—Clotho, Lachesis, and Atropos (q.v.). See **PARCE**.

FATHER OF COMEDY, Aristophanes (q.v.).

FATHER OF ECCLESIASTICAL HISTORY, Eusebius (q.v.).

FATHER OF FRENCH HISTORY, Duchesne (q.v.).

FATHER OF GERMAN LITERATURE, Lessing (q.v.).

FATHER OF HISTORY, Herodotus (q.v.).

FATHER OF TRAGEDY, Aeschylus (q.v.).

FATHER PAUL, Paul Sarpi (q.v.).

FATHERS OF THE CHURCH, the early teachers of Christianity and founders of the Christian Church, consisting of five *Apostolic Fathers*—Clement of Rome, Barnabas, Hermas, Ignatius, and Polycarp, and of nine in addition called *Primitive Fathers*—Justin, Theophilus of Antioch, Irenaeus, Clements of Alexandria, Cyprian of Carthage, Origen, Gregory Thaumaturgus, Dionysius of Alexandria, and Tertullian. The distinctive title of *Apostolic Fathers* was bestowed upon the immediate friends and disciples of the Apostles, while the *patriistic* period proper may be said to commence with the 2nd century, but no definite date can be assigned as marking its termination, some closing it with the deaths of Gregory the Great (604) and John of Damascus (756), while Catholic writers bring it down as far as the Council of Trent (1542); discarded among Protestants, the Fathers are regarded by Catholics as decisive in authority on points of faith, but only when they exhibit a unanimity of opinion.

FATHOM, a measure of 6 ft. used in taking marine soundings, originally an Anglo-Saxon term for the distance stretched by a man's extended arms; is sometimes used in mining operations.

FATHOM, COUNT FERDINAND, a villain in the novel of Smollett so named.

FATIMA, (1) the favourite daughter of Mohammed, one of the four perfect women of Islamic tradition; (2) the last of Bluebeard's wives, and the only one who escaped being murdered by him.

FATIMIDES, a Mohammedan dynasty which assumed the title of caliphs and ruled N. Africa and Egypt, and later Syria and Palestine, between the 10th and 12th centuries inclusive; they derived their name from the claim (now discredited) of their founder, Obaidallah Almahdi, to be descended from Fatima, daughter of Mohammed and wife of Ali; they were finally expelled by Saladin in 1169.

FAUCHER, LEON, a political economist, brought into notice by the Revolution of 1830; edited *Le Temps*; opposed Louis Philippe's minister, M. Guizot; held office under the Presidency of Louis Napoleon, but threw up office on the *coup d'état* of 1851 (1803-1854).

FAUCHET, ABEL, a French Revolutionary, a Girondin; blessed the National tricolor flag; "a

man of *Te Deums* and public consecrations": was a member of the first parliament; stripped of his insignia, lamented the death of the king, perished on the scaffold (1744-1793).

FAUCIT, HELEN, a famous English actress; made her debut in London (1836), and soon won a foremost place amongst English actresses by her powerful and refined representations of Shakespeare's heroines under the management of Macready; she retired from the stage in 1851 after her marriage with Theodore Martin (q.v.); in 1885 she published a volume of studies "On Some of Shakespeare's Female Characters" (1817-1898).

FAUNS, divinities of the woods and fields among the Romans, and guardians of flocks against the wolf.

FAUNTILEROT, HENRY, banker and forger; in his twenty-third year became a partner in the bank of Marsh, Sibbald & Co., London; was put on trial for a series of elaborate forgeries, found guilty, and hanged; the trial created a great sensation at the time, and efforts were made to obtain a commutation of the sentence (1785-1824).

FAUNUS, a god, grandson of Saturn, who figures in the early history of Latium, first as the god of fields and shepherds, and secondly, as an oracular divinity and founder of the native religion, afterwards identified with the Greek Pan.

FAURE, FRANÇOIS FELIX, President of the French Republic, born in Paris; carried on business in Touraine as a tanner, but afterwards settled in Havre and became a wealthy shipowner; he served with distinction as a volunteer in the Franco-German War; entered the Assembly in 1881; where he held office as Colonial and Commercial Minister in various Cabinets; was elected President in 1895 (1841-1899).

FAUST, JOHANNES. See **FUST**.

FAUST, or DOCTOR FAUSTUS, a reputed professor of the black art, a native of Germany, who flourished in the end of the 15th century and the beginning of the 16th century, and who is alleged to have made a compact with the devil to give up to him body and soul in the end, provided he endowed him for a term of years with power to miraculously fulfil all his wishes. Under this compact the devil provided him with a familiar spirit, called Mephistopheles, attended by whom he traversed the world, enjoying life and working wonders, till the term of the compact having expired, the devil appeared and carried him off amid display of horrors to the abode of penal fire. This myth, which has been subjected to manifold literary treatment, has received its most significant rendering at the hands of Goethe, such as to supersede and eclipse every other attempt to unfold its meaning. It is presented by him in the form of a drama, in two parts of five acts each, published in 1790. Marlowe treated the theme in "Dr. Faustus" and Gounod did a celebrated operatic version.

FAUSTA, the wife of Constantine the Great.

FAUSTINA, ANNIA GALERIA, called Faustina Senior, wife of Antoninus Pius, died three years after her husband became emperor (105-141).

FAUSTINA, ANNIA, Junior, wife of the Emperor Marcus Aurelius, daughter of the preceding. Both she and her mother were represented by historians as profligate and unfaithful, and quite unworthy the affection lavishly bestowed upon them by their husbands.

FAUSTULUS, the shepherd who, with his wife Laurentia, was the foster-parent of Romulus and Remus, both of whom, as infants, had been exposed on the Palatine Hill.

FAVART, CHARLES SIMON, French dramatist, born in Paris, where he became director of the Opéra Comique; was celebrated as a vivacious playwright and composer of operas; during a temporary absence from Paris he established his Comedy Company in the camp of Marshal Saxe during the Flanders campaign; his memoirs and correspondence give a bright picture of theatrical life in Paris during the 18th century (1710-1792).

FAVONIUS, in Roman mythology the god of the favouring west wind.

AVRE, JULES CLAUDE GABRIEL, a French Republican statesman, born in Lyons; called to the Paris bar in 1830; a strong Republican, he joined

the Revolutions of 1830 and 1848; held office as Minister of the Interior in the New Republic, and, disapproving of the *coup d'état*, resumed practice at the bar; defended the Italian conspirator Orsini (q.v.), and in 1870, on the dissolution of the Empire, became Minister of Foreign Affairs; mistakes in his negotiations with Bismarck led to his resignation and resumption of his legal practice (1809-1880).

FAWCETT, HENRY, statesman and political economist, born in Salisbury; though blind, it was his early ambition to enter the arena of politics, and he devoted himself to the study of political economy, of which he became professor at Cambridge; entering Parliament, he became Postmaster-General under Gladstone in 1880; he wrote and published works on his favourite study (1833-1884).

FAWKES, GUY, a notorious English conspirator, born of a respected Yorkshire family; having spent a slender patrimony, he joined the Spanish army in Flanders; was converted to the Catholic faith; and on his return to England allied himself with the conspirators of the Gunpowder Plot (q.v.), and was arrested in the cellars of the House of Commons when on the point of firing the explosive; was tried and executed (1670-1606).

FAY, ANDREAS, Hungarian dramatist and novelist, born in Kohany; studied law, but the success of a volume of fables confirmed him in his choice of literature in preference; wrote various novels and plays; was instrumental in founding the Hungarian National Theatre; was a member of the Hungarian Diet (1786-1864).

FAYAL, a fruit-bearing island among the Azores (q.v.), exports wine and fruits; Horta, with an excellent bay, is its chief town.

FAYE, HERVÉ AUGUSTE, French astronomer, professor at Paris; studied solar prominences and discovered Faye's comet (1814-1902).

FAYRER, SIR JOSEPH, eminent physician; medical officer in Burmese War and Indian Mutiny; conducted investigations into anti-toxins for snake-bite in India; wrote largely on Indian endemic diseases (1824-1907).

FAYYUM, a fertile province of Central Egypt, lies W. of the Nile, 65 m. from Cairo, is in reality a southern oasis in the Libyan desert, irrigated by means of a canal running through a narrow gorge to the Nile valley; its area is about 840 sq. m., a portion of which is occupied by a sheet of water, the Birket-el-Kern (35 m. long), known to the ancients as Lake Moeris, by the shores of which stood one of the wonders of the world, the famous "Labyrinth."

FEAST, JEWISH, OF DEDICATION, a feast in commemoration of the purification of the Temple and the rebuilding of the altar by Judas Maccabeus in 164 B.C., after profanation of them by the Syrians; of the Passover, a festival in April on the anniversary of the exodus from Egypt, which lasted eight days, the first and the last days of solemn religious assembly; of Pentecost, a feast celebrated on the fiftieth day after the second of the Passover, in commemoration of the giving of the law on Mount Sinai; both this feast and the Passover were celebrated in connection with harvest, what was presented in one in the form of a sheaf being in the other presented as a loaf of bread; of Purim, a feast in commemoration of the preservation of the Jews from the wholesale threatened massacre of the race in Persia at the instigation of Haman; of Tabernacles, a festival of eight days in memory of the wandering tent-life of the people in the wilderness, observed by the people dwelling in bowers made of branches erected on the streets or the roofs of the houses; it was the Feast of Ingathering as well.

FEBRUARY, the second month of the year, was added along with January by Numa to the end of the original Roman year of 10 months; derived its name from a festival offered annually on the 15th day to Februus, an ancient Italian god of the nether world; was assigned its present position in the calendar by Julius Caesar, who also introduced the intercalary day for leap-year.

FÉCAMP, a seaport in the dep. of Seine-Inférieure, 25 m. N.E. of Havre; has a fine Gothic Benedictine church, a harbour and lighthouse, hardware and textile factories; fishing and sugar refineries also

flourish; exports the celebrated Benedictine liqueurs.

FECHNER, GUSTAV THEODOR, physicist and psychophysicist, born in Gross-Särchen, in Lower Lusatia; became professor of Physics in Leipzig, but afterwards devoted himself to psychology; laid the foundations of the science of psychophysics in his "Elements of Psychophysics"; wrote besides on the theory of colour and galvanism, as well as poems and essays (1801-1887).

FECHTER, CHARLES ALBERT, a famous actor, born in London, his father of German extraction and his mother English; made his debut in Paris at the age of 17; after a tour through the European capitals established himself in London as the lessee of the Lyceum Theatre in 1869; became celebrated for his original impersonations of Hamlet and Othello; removed to America in 1870, where he died (1824-1879).

FECELES, a college of functionaries in ancient Rome whose duty it was to make proclamation of peace and war and confirm treaties.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, in modern parlance is the political system which a number of independent and sovereign States adopt when they join together for purposes of domestic and especially international policy; local government is freely left with the individual States, and only in the matter of chiefly foreign relations is the central government paramount, but the degree of freedom which each State enjoys is a matter of arrangement when the contract is formed, and the powers vested in the central authority may only be permitted to work through the local government, or may bear directly upon the citizens throughout the federation, as in the U.S. of America, and since 1847 in Switzerland.

FEDERALIST, a name in the United States for a supporter of the Union and its integrity as such; a party which was formed in 1788, but dissolved in 1820; has been since applied to a supporter of the integrity of the Union against the South in the late Civil War.

FEDERATION, LES CHAMPS-DE-MARS, a grand fête celebrated in the Champs-de-Mars, Paris, on July 14, 1790, the anniversary of the taking of the Bastille, at which deputies from the newly constituted departments assisted to the number of 80,000, as well as deputies from other nations. Louis XVI. was present at the ceremony, and took solemn oath to the constitution just established in the interest of mankind. See Carlyle's "French Revolution."

FEHMGERICHT. See **VEHMGERICHT**.

FEITH, RIJNVIS, a Dutch poet, born in Zwolle, where, after studying at Leyden, he settled and died; his writings include didactic poems, songs, and dramas; had a refining influence on the literary taste of his countrymen (1753-1824).

FELICITE, ST., a Roman matron, who with her seven sons suffered martyrdom in 164. Festival, July 10.

FELIX, the name of five Popes: **F. I.**, St., Pope from 269 to 274, said to have been a victim of the persecution of Aurelius; **F. II.**, Pope from 356 to 367, the first anti-pope having been elected in place of the deposed Liberius who had declined to sign in the persecution of Athanasius (*q.v.*); was banished on the restoration of Liberius; **F. III.**, Pope from 483 to 492, during his term of office the first schism between the Eastern and Western Churches took place; **F. IV.**, Pope from 526 to 530, was appointed by Theodoric in face of the determined opposition of both people and clergy; **F. V.**, Pope from 1459 to 1449. See **AMADEUS VIII**.

FELIX, ANTONIUS, a Roman procurator of Judaea in the time of Claudius and Nero; is referred to in Acts xxiii. and xxiv. as having examined the Apostle Paul and listened to his doctrines; was vicious in his habits, and formed an adulterous union with Drusilla, said by Tacitus to have been the granddaughter of Antony and Cleopatra; was recalled in A.D. 62.

FELIX HOLT, the title of a novel by George Eliot, written in 1866.

FELL, JOHN, a celebrated English divine; Royalist in sympathy, he continued throughout the Puritan ascendancy loyal to the English Church, and on the Restoration became Dean of Christ Church, Oxford, and a royal chaplain; was a good man and a charit-

able, and a patron of learning; in 1676 was raised to the bishopric of Oxford; was the object of the well-known epigram, "I do not like thee, Dr. Fell, The reason why I cannot tell" (1625-1686).

FELLAH, the name applied contemptuously by the Turks to the agricultural labourer of Egypt; the Fellahin (*pl.* of Fellah) comprises about three-fourths of the population; they are of good physique, and capable of much toil, but are, despite their intelligence and sobriety, lazy and immoral; girls marry at the age of 12, and the children grow up amidst the squalor of their mud-built villages; their food is of the poorest, and scarcely ever includes meat; tobacco is their only luxury; their condition improved under British rule.

FELLOWS, SIR CHARLES, archaeologist, born in Nottingham; early developed a passion for travel; explored the Xanthus Valley in Asia Minor, and discovered the ruins of the cities Teos and Xanthus, the ancient capital of Lycia (1838); returned to the exploration of Lycia in 1839 and again in 1841, discovering the ruins of 13 other ancient cities; accounts of these explorations and discoveries are fully given in his various published journals and essays; was knighted in 1845 (1799-1861).

FELLOWSHIP, a collegiate term for a status in many universities which entitles the holder (a Fellow) to a share in their revenues, and in some cases to certain privileges as regards apartments and meals in the college, as also to a certain share in the government; formerly Fellowships were usually life appointments, but are now generally for a prescribed number of years, or are held during a term of special research; the old restrictions of celibacy and religious conformity have been relaxed.

FELO-DE-SE, in English law the crime which a man at the age of discretion and of a sound mind commits when he takes away his life.

FELONY, a crime which involves a total forfeiture of lands or goods or both, to which capital or other punishment may be superadded, according to the degree of guilt.

FELSPARS, a group of minerals abundant in most igneous rocks; the most common varieties are orthoclase (a silicate of potash and alumina) and microcline (a silicate of alumina and soda or lime).

FELTON, CORNELIUS CONWAY, American scholar, born in West Newbury, Massachusetts; graduated at Harvard in 1827, and became professor of Greek there, rising to the Presidency of the same college in 1860; edited Greek classics, and made translations from the German; most important work is "Greece, Ancient and Modern," in 2 vols. (1807-1862).

FELTON, JOHN, an ex-actor officer, the assassin of the Duke of Buckingham in 1628.

FEMMES SAVANTES, a comedy in five acts by Molière, and one of his best, appeared in 1672.

FENELLA, a fairy-like attendant of the Countess of Derby, assumed to be deaf and dumb, in Scott's "Peveril of the Peak," a character suggested by Goethe's Mignon in "Wilhelm Meister."

FÉNÉLON, FRANÇOIS DE SALIGNAC DE LA MOTHE, a famous French prelate and writer, born in the Château de Fénélon, in the prov. of Périgord; at the age of 15 came to Paris, and, having already displayed a remarkable gift for preaching, entered the Plessis College, and four years later joined the Seminary of St. Sulpice, where he took holy orders in 1675; his directorship of a seminary for female converts to Catholicism brought him into prominence, and gave occasion to his well-known treatise "De l'Education des Filles"; in 1686, after the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, he conducted a mission for the conversion of the Huguenots of Saintonge and Poitou, and four years later Louis XIV. appointed him tutor to his grandson, the Duke of Burgundy, an appointment which led to his writing his "Fables," "Dialogues of the Dead," and "History of the Ancient Philosophers"; in 1694 he became abbot of St. Valéry, and in the following year archbishop of Cambrai; soon after this ensued his celebrated controversy with Bossuet (*q.v.*) regarding the doctrines of Quietism (*q.v.*), a dispute which brought him into disfavour with the king and provoked the Pope's condemnation of his "Explication des Maximes des Saints sur la Vie intérieure"

the surreptitious publication of his most famous work "Télemache," the MS. of which was stolen by his servant, accentuated the king's disfavour, who regarded it as a veiled attack on his court, and led to an order confining the author to his own diocese; the rest of his life was spent in the service of his people, to whom he endeared himself by his benevolence and the sweet piety of his nature; his works are extensive, and deal with subjects historical and literary, as well as philosophical and theological (1651-1715).

FENG, YU-HIANG, China's "Christian" general. Impressed by the Christian missionaries' devotion in the Boxer Rising, he was converted to Christianity in 1908 while a private in the army. After the Great War he became prominent as one of the warring generals, the virtual ruler of Mukden and for a time of Peking as well (1880-).

FENIANS, an Irish political organisation of the 19th century having for its object the overthrow of English rule in Ireland and the establishment of a republic there. The movement was initiated in the United States soon after the great famine in Ireland of 1846-1847, which, together with the harsh exactions of the landlords, compelled many Irishmen to emigrate from their island with a deeply-rooted sense of injustice and hatred of the English. The Fenians organised themselves so far on the model of a republic, having a senate at the head, with a virtual president called the "head-centre," and various "circles" established in many parts of the U.S. They collected funds and engaged in military drill, and sent agents to Ireland and England. An invasion of Canada in 1866 and a rising at home in 1867 proved abortive, as also the attack on Clerkenwell Prison in the same year. Another attempt on Canada in 1871 and the formation of the "Skirmishing Fund" for the use of the "Dynamitards" and the institution of the "Clan-na-Gael" leading to the "Invincibles," and the Phoenix Park murders (1882) were later manifestations of this movement. The Home Rule Land League, and Sinn Féin movements superseded the Fenian. The name was taken from an ancient military organisation called the Fionna Eirinn, said to have been instituted in Ireland in 300 B.C.

FENS, THE, the district extending north and east from Cambridge to Lincoln, large areas of which are below the level of the Wash; the country has been well drained, and tracts of it are under cultivation; is famous for its wild-fowl and fishing; among its famous cathedrals and churches are those of Peterborough, Crowland, and Ely.

FENTON, HENRY JOHN HORSTMAN, British chemist, university lecturer and demonstrator at Cambridge; obtained many important results in physical and general chemistry; his book of tables for qualitative analysis is a standard work (1854-1929).

FERDINAND THE CATHOLIC, V. of Castile, II. of Aragon and Sicily, and III. of Naples, born in Soe, in Aragon, married Isabella of Castile in 1469, a step by which these ancient kingdoms were united under one sovereign power; their joint reign is one of the most glorious in the annals of Spanish history, and in their hands Spain quickly took rank amongst the chief European powers; in 1492 Columbus discovered America, and the same year saw the Jews expelled from Spain and the Moorish power crushed by the fall of Granada. In 1500-1501 Ferdinand joined the French in his conquest of Naples, and three years later managed to secure the kingdom to himself, while by the conquest of Navarre in 1512 the entire Spanish peninsula came under his sway. He was a shrewd and adroit ruler, whose undoubted abilities, both as administrator and general, were, however, somewhat marred by an unscrupulous cunning, which found a characteristic expression in the institution of the notorious Inquisition, which in 1480 was started by him, and became a powerful engine for political as well as religious persecution for long years after (1452-1516).

FERDINAND I., German emperor (1556-1564), born in Alcalá, in Spain, son of Philip I., married Anna, a Bohemian princess, in 1521; was elected king of the Romans (1531), added Bohemia and Hungary to his domains (1553-1564).

FERDINAND II., German emperor (1619-1637),

grandson of the preceding and son of Charles, younger brother of Maximilian II., born in Grätz; his detestation of the Protestants, early instilled into him by his mother and the Jesuits, under whom he was educated, was the ruling passion of his life, and involved the empire in constant warfare during his reign; an attempt on the part of Bohemia, restless under religious and political grievances, to break away from his rule, brought about the Thirty Years' War; by ruthless persecutions he re-established Catholicism in Bohemia, and reduced the country to subjection; but the war spread into Hungary and Germany, where Ferdinand found himself opposed by a confederacy of the Protestant States of Lower Saxony and Denmark, the Protestant cause being in the end successfully sustained by the Swedish hero, Gustavus Adolphus (q.v.), who had opposed to him the imperial generals Tilly and Wallenstein (q.v.); his reign is regarded as one of disaster, bloodshed, and desolation to his empire, and his connivance at the assassination of Wallenstein will be for ever remembered to his discredit (1618-1637).

FERDINAND III., German emperor (1637-1657), son of the preceding, born in Grätz; more tolerant in his views, would gladly have brought the war to a close, but found himself compelled to face the Swedes reinforced by the French; in 1648 the desolating struggle was terminated by the Peace of Westphalia; the rest of his reign passed in tranquillity (1608-1657).

FERDINAND I., king of the Two Sicilies, third son of Charles III. of Spain, succeeded his father on the Neapolitan throne (1759), married Maria Caroline, daughter of Maria-Theresa; joined the Allies in the struggle against Napoleon, and in 1806 was driven from his throne by the French, but was reinstated at the Congress of Vienna; in 1816 he constituted his two States (Sicily and Naples) into the kingdom of the Two Sicilies, and in the last four years of his reign ruled, with the aid of Austria, as a despot, but, having broken a pledge to his people, was compelled ere his return to grant a popular constitution (1751-1825).

FERDINAND II., king of the Two Sicilies, grandson of the preceding and son of Francis I.; after the death of his first wife, a daughter of Victor Emmanuel I., he married the Austrian princess Maria-Theresa, and fell under the influence of Austria during the rest of his reign; in 1848 he was compelled to grant constitutional rights to his people, but was distrusted, and an insurrection broke out in Sicily; with merciless severity he crushed the revolt, and by his savage bombardment of the cities won the epithet "Bomba"; a reign of terror ensued, and in 1851 Europe was startled by the revelations of cruel injustice contained in Gladstone's famous Neapolitan letters (1810-1859).

FERDINAND III., Grand-duke of Tuscany and Arch-duke of Austria, born in Florence; succeeded to the government of Tuscany in 1790; introduced many wise measures of reform, which brought peace and prosperity to his State; reluctantly joined the coalition against Napoleon in 1793, but two years later entered into friendly relations with France, and in 1797, in order to save his States being merged in the Cisalpine Republic, undertook to make payment of an annual subsidy; later he formed an alliance with Austria, and was by Napoleon driven from his possessions, which were, however, restored to him in 1814 by the Peace of Paris (1769-1824).

FERDINAND VII. OF SPAIN, son of Charles IV. of Spain; too weak to steer his way through the intrigues of the court, he appealed to Napoleon in 1807 to support the king, his father, and himself; but his letter was discovered, and his accomplices exiled; the following year the French entered Spain, and Charles abdicated in favour of his son Ferdinand; but soon after, under Napoleon's influence, the crown was surrendered to the French, and Joseph Bonaparte became king; in 1813 Ferdinand was reinstated, but found himself immediately met by a demand of his people for a more liberal representative government; the remaining years of his reign were spent in an interminable struggle against these claims, which he had French support under Louis XVIII. (1784-1833).

FERDINAND, king of Bulgaria. He took a prominent part in the formation of the Balkan Alliance against Turkey in 1912, and was largely responsible for the second Balkan war of 1913. Soon after the opening of hostilities he brought his country into the Great War on the side of the Central Powers, and in 1918 he abdicated in favour of his son Boris (q.v.) (1861-).

FERDINAND, king of Rumania. He succeeded to the throne in 1914, and it was largely due to his influence that Rumania threw in her lot with the Allies in 1916. He refused to sign a treaty forced on his country after the collapse of the army, and was exiled. He returned in 1918 and reformed Rumania on democratic lines. He married Marie, a granddaughter of Queen Victoria in 1892 (1865-1927).

FERDUSI. See FIEDAUSI.

FERETRUM, the shrine containing the sacred effigies and relics of a saint.

FERGUS, the name of three Scottish kings: F. I., d. 856; F. II., king from 411 to 427; and F. III., king from 784 to 787.

FERGUSON, ADAM, a Scottish philosopher and historian, born in Logierair, Perthshire; after passing through the universities of St. Andrews and Edinburgh, he in 1745 was appointed Gaelic chaplain to the Black Watch Highland Regiment, and was present at the battle of Fontenoy; in 1757 he became keeper of the Advocates' Library in Edinburgh; two years later professor of Natural Philosophy, and subsequently of Moral Philosophy in the university there; during his professorship he, as secretary, was attached to the commission sent out by Lord North to bring about a friendly settlement of the dispute pending between England and the North American colonies; resigning his chair in 1785 he retired to Neidpath Castle, to engage in farming at Hallyards, an estate in the same neighbourhood; died at St. Andrews; his best-known works are "Institutes of Moral Philosophy," "History of the Roman Republic," and "Principles of Moral and Political Science" (1723-1818).

FERGUSON, JAMES, a popular writer on astronomy and mechanics, born in Rothiemay, Banff, son of a labourer; his interest in astronomy was first aroused by his observation of the stars while acting as a "herd laddie," and much of his time among the hills was spent in the construction of mechanical contrivances; compelled by circumstances to betake himself to various occupations, pattern-drawing, clock-mending, copying prints, and portrait sketching, he still in his leisure hours pursued those early studies, and coming to London in 1743 (after a residence of some years in Edinburgh) began lecturing on his favourite subjects; a pension of £50 was granted him out of the privy purse, and in 1768 he was elected an F.R.S.; besides publishing lectures on mechanics, hydrostatics, optics, &c., he wrote several works on astronomy, chiefly popular expositions of the methods and principles of Sir Isaac Newton (1710-1776).

FERGUSON, ROBERT, a notorious plotter, who took part in Monmouth's invasion in 1685 and was prominent in the various plots against Charles II. and James II., but after the Revolution turned Jacobite; published a history of the Revolution in 1709; died in poverty (about 1687-1714).

FERGUSON, JAMES, a writer on the history and art of architecture, born in Ayr; went to India as an indigo-planter, but afterwards gave himself up to the study of the rock-temples; published various works and in his later years interested himself in the fortifications of the United Kingdom; his "History of Architecture," in 4 vols., is a standard work (1808-1846).

FERGUSON, ROBERT, a Scottish poet, born in Edinburgh; after a university course at St. Andrews he obtained a post in the office of the commissary-clerk of Edinburgh; his first poems appeared in *Buddhist's Weekly Magazine*, and brought him a popularity which proved his ruin; some years of unrestrained dissipation ended in religious melancholia, which finally settled down into an incurable insanity; his poems, collected in 1773, have abundant energy, wit, and fluency, but lack the

passion and tenderness of those of Burns; he was, however, held in high honour by ——— who regarded him as "his elder brother in the Muse" (1760-1774).

FERGUSON, SIR WILLIAM, surgeon, born in Prestonsburg; graduated at Edinburgh; was elected to the chair of Surgery in King's College, London, and in 1886 was made a baronet; was surgeon-general to the Queen, and president of the Royal College of Surgeons; Fergusson was a bold and skilful surgeon; is the author, amongst other treatises, of "A System of Practical Surgery," besides being the inventor of many surgical instruments (1808-1877).

FERISHTAH, a Persian historian, born in Astrabad, on the Black Sea; went at an early age, accompanied by his father, to India, where his life was spent in the service, first of Murtaza Nizam Shah, in Ahmednagar, and afterwards at the court of the prince of Bijapur; his famous history of the Mohammedan power in India, finished in 1609, the writing of which occupied him for 20 years, is still a standard work, and has been translated into English (about 1570-1611).

FERNAGH, an Irish county in the SW. corner of Ulster, of a hilly surface, especially in the W.; is well wooded, and produces indifferent crops of oats, flax, and potatoes; some coal and iron, and quantities of limestone, are found in it; the Upper and Lower Loughs Erie form a waterway through its centre; chief town, Fintona.

FERMAT, PIERRE DE, a French mathematician, born near Montauban; made important discoveries in the properties of numbers, and with his friend Pascal invented a calculus of probabilities; was held in high esteem by Hallam, who ranks him next to Descartes (1601-1665).

FERMENTATION, the process of obtaining alcohol from carbohydrates; the enzymes present in yeast convert sugar first into glucose and then into alcohol and carbon dioxide; beer is produced by the action of the diastase in the grain which hydrolyses the starch to maltose (malt sugar), which is then fermented with the added glucose; in the case of wines the sugars of the fruit are fermented by the bloom.

FERNANDEZ, JUAN, a Spanish navigator discovered the island off the coast of Chile that bears his name; d. in 1602.

FERNANDO PO, a mountainous island, with an abrupt and rocky coast, in the Bight of Biafra, W. Africa, the volcano, Mount Clarence (9300 ft.), rises in the N.; is covered with luxuriant vegetation, and yields maize and yams, some coffee, and palm-oil and wine; is inhabited by the Bubi, a Bantu tribe, and is the chief of the Spanish Guinea Isles.

FEROZPORE, the chief town of the district of the same name in the Punjab, India, a few miles S. of the Sutlej; is strongly fortified, and contains a large arsenal; the present town was laid out by Lord Lawrence. F. District, lies along the S. bank of the Sutlej, came into the possession of the British in 1835; cereals, cotton, sugar, and tobacco are cultivated.

FERRAR, NICHOLAS, a religious enthusiast in the reign of Charles I.; was elected a Fellow of Clare Hall, Cambridge, in 1610; afterwards devoted himself to medicine and travelled on the Continent; subsequently joined his father in business in London, and entered Parliament in 1624; but a year later retired to the country, and at Little Gidding, Huntingdonshire, founded, with some of his new relations, a religious community, known as the "Arminian Nunnery," some account of which is given in Shorthouse's "John Inglesant"; it was broken up by the Puritans in 1647; he was the intimate friend of George Herbert; this community consisted of some "fourscore persons, devoted to a kind of Protestant monasticism; they followed celibacy and merely religious duties, employed themselves in binding prayer-books, &c., in singing and what charitable work was possible to them in their desert retreat, kept up, night and day, a continual repetition of the English liturgy, never allowing at any hour the sacred fire to go out" (1602-1637).

FERRAR, ROBERT, an English prelate, born in Halifax, was prior of the monastery of St. Oswald's, embraced the Reformation, and was made Bishop of St. David's by Edward VI.; suffered martyrdom under Mary in 1555.

FERRARA, a broadsword bearing the name of Andrea Ferrara, one of the Italian family famous in the 16th and 17th centuries for the quality of their swords.

FERRARA, a fortified and walled Italian city, capital of the province of the name, situated on a low and marshy plain between the dividing branches of the Po, 80 m. from the Adriatic; it has many fine ecclesiastical buildings and a university founded in 1264, with a library of some 100,000 vols., but only a handful of students; a fine old Gothic castle, the residence of the Estes (q.v.), still stands; it was the birthplace of Savonarola, and the sometime dwelling-place of Tasso and Ariosto; once populous and prosperous, it has now fallen into decay.

FERRARI, GAUDENZIO, Italian painter and sculptor, born in Valduggia, in Piedmont; studied at Rome under Raphael; many of his paintings and frescoes are to be found in the Lombard galleries, and principally in Milan; his work is characterised by bold and accurate drawing, inventiveness, and strong colouring, but it somewhat lacks the softer qualities of his art (1484-1546).

FERRARI, PAOLO, Italian dramatist, born in Modena; produced his first play at the age of 25; his numerous works, chiefly comedies, and all marked by a fresh and piquant style, are the finest product of the modern Italian drama; in 1880 he was appointed professor of History at Modena and afterwards at Milan; his dramatic works have been published in 14 vols. (1822-1889).

FERRER, FRANCISCO, rationalist and advanced thinker, and founder with Haeckel of the International League; executed as leader of the Barcelona revolt of 1909 (1859-1909).

FERRIER, JAMES FREDERICK, a metaphysician of singular ability and originality, born in Edinburgh after graduating at Oxford was called to the Scottish bar in 1832; but under the influence of Sir W. Hamilton, metaphysics became his dominant interest, and he found an outlet for his views in the pages of *Blackwood* by a paper on "Consciousness," which attracted the attention of Emerson; in 1842 was appointed professor of History in Edinburgh University, and three years later of Moral Philosophy in St. Andrews; published the "Institutes of Metaphysics," a lucid exposition of the Hekelian philosophy, and "Lectures on Greek Philosophy," and edited the works of his uncle and father-in-law, Christopher North (1808-1884).

FERRIER, SUSAN EDMONSTON, a Scottish novelist, aunt of the preceding, born in Edinburgh, where her life was chiefly spent, her father being Clerk in the Court of Session, and a colleague of Sir Walter Scott; her novels, "Marriage," "The Inheritance," and "Destiny," &c., are rich in humour and faithful in their pictures of Scottish life and character; Scott held her in high esteem, and kept up a warm friendship with her till his death (1782-1854).

FERROL, a strongly fortified seaport in Galicia, Spain, 10 m. N.E. of Coruña, on a narrow inlet of the sea which forms a splendid harbourage, narrow at the entrance and capacious within, and defended by two forts; it possesses one of the largest Spanish naval arsenals; manufactures linen and cotton, and exports corn, brandy, and sardines.

FERRY, JULES FRANÇOIS CAMILLE, a distinguished French statesman, born in Saint Die, in the Vosges; called to the Paris bar in 1854, he speedily plunged into the politics of the time, and offered uncompromising opposition to the policy of Louis Napoleon; as a member of the Corps Législatif he opposed the war with Prussia, but as central mayor of Paris rendered signal service during the siege by the Germans; during his tenure of office as Minister of Public Instruction in 1870 was instrumental in bringing about the expulsion of the Jesuits; as Prime Minister in 1880 and again in 1883-1885 he inaugurated a spirited colonial policy, which involved France in war in Madagascar, and brought about his own downfall (1832-1893).

FESCEININE VERSE, an early form of Italian poetry,

usually in the nature of a lampoon; the name is derived from the town of Fescennia, in Tuscany, the people of which were notorious for extempore and scurrilous verse and jests at festival time.

FESCHI, JOSEPH, an eminent French ecclesiastic, born in Ajaccio, the half-brother of Napoleon's mother; was educated for the Church, but, on the outbreak of the Revolution, joined the revolutionaries as a storekeeper; co-operated with his illustrious nephew in restoring Catholicism in France, and became in 1802 archbishop of Lyons, and a cardinal in 1803; as ambassador at Rome in 1804 he won the Pope's favour, and brought about a more friendly understanding between him and Napoleon; later he lost favour with the emperor, and retired to Lyons, whence in 1814 he fled to Rome, there to end his life; was a lover of art, and left a magnificent collection of pictures (1763-1839).

FESTUS, the name of a poem by Philip James Bailey (q.v.), first published in 1839, but extended to three times its length later, a poem that on its first production produced no small sensation.

FESTUS, SEKTUS POMPEIUS, a Latin grammarian of probably the 3rd century; noted for an epitome of a great work by Verrius Flaccus on the meanings and a derivation of Latin words, which, although only a portion of it exists, is regarded as an invaluable document, and is preserved at Naples.

FETICHISM, the worship of a fetic, or fetich, an object superstitiously invested with divine or demoniac power, and as such regarded with awe and worshipped; the word is from the Portuguese *fetiche*, magic.

FEUCHTWANGER, LION, German author. Born in Munich and educated there and in Berlin, he first came before public notice with his "Jew Süss," a book which told graphically of 18th-century Germany, and had a phenomenal sale in 1927 all over the world; later he wrote "The Ugly Duchess" (1884).

FEDALISM, or the feudal system, that system which prevailed in Europe during the Middle Ages and in England from the Norman Conquest, by which vassals held their lands from the lord-superior on condition of military service when required.

FEUERBACH, LUDWIG ANDREAS, German philosopher, son of the succeeding, born in Landshut; studied theology at Hiedelberg, but coming under the influence of Hegel went to Berlin and devoted himself to philosophy; after failing in an attempt to support himself by lecturing in Erlangen, he was fortunate in his marriage, and upon his wife's means lived a retired and studious life at Bruckberg; in his philosophy, which is a degeneracy and finally total departure from Hesel, he declines to find a higher sanction for morality than man's own conception of right and wrong as based on a doctrine of Hedonism (q.v.); his chief work, on the nature of Christianity, which was translated into English by George Elliot, is extravagant in its departure from orthodox lines of thought; his influence has been trifling outside his own country (1804-1872).

FEUERBACH, PAUL JOHANN ANSELM VON, a highly distinguished criminal jurist, born in Jena, where he studied philosophy and law; at 23 came into prominence by a vigorous criticism of Hobbes's theory on civil power; and soon afterwards, in lectures on criminal jurisprudence, he set forth his famous theory, that in administering justice judges should be strictly limited in their decisions by the penal code; this new doctrine gave rise to a party called "Rigorists," who supported his theory; he held professorships in Jena and in Kiel, and in 1804 was appointed to an official post in Munich; in 1814 he became president of the Court of Appeal at Anspach; his chief work was the framing of a penal code for Bavaria, which became a model for several other countries (1775-1833).

FEUILLANS, a reformed brotherhood of Cistercian monks, founded in 1577 by Jean de la Barrière, abbot of the Cistercian monastery at Feuillans, in Languedoc. The movement thus organised was a protest against the laxity which had crept into the Church, and probably received some stimulus from the Reformation, which was then in progress. The Feuillans settled in a convent in the Rue St. Honoré,

Paris, which in after years became the meeting-place of a revolutionary club, which took the name of Feuillans; founded in 1790 by Lafayette, La Rochefoucauld, &c. the club was composed of members of the respectable property classes, whose views were more moderate than those of the Jacobins. They could not hold out against the flood of revolutionary violence, and on March 28, 1791, a mob burst into their place of meeting and dispersed them.

FEUILLET, OCTAVE, a celebrated French novelist, born in Saint-Lô, in La Manche; started his literary career as one of Dumas' assistants, but made his first independent success in the *Revue des Deux Mondes* by a series of tales, romances, &c., begun in 1848; in 1862 he was elected a member of the Academy, and later became librarian to Louis Napoleon; his novels, of which "Le Roman d'un Jeune Homme Pauvre" and "Sibylle" are the most noted, are graceful in style, and reveal considerable dramatic force, but often lapse into sentimentality (1821-1890).

FEZ, the largest city in Morocco, of which it is the second capital; is surrounded by walls and prettily situated in the valley of the Sebou, which flows through its centre and falls into the Atlantic 100 m. to the E. It has been for many centuries one of the most important of the sacred cities of the Moslem; has many fine mosques, the Sultan's palace, and an important university; is yet a busy commercial centre, although signs of decay appear all over the city, and carries on an active caravan trade with Central Africa.

FEZZAN, an Italian province lying to the S. of Libya, to which it is politically united; in character partakes of the desert region to which it belongs, being almost wholly composed of barren sandy plateaux, with here and there an oasis in the low valleys, where some attempt at cultivation is made. The people, who belong to the Berber stock, are Mohammedans, honest, but lazy and immoral. Murzuk is the chief town.

FIARS, an expression in Scottish law given to the prices of grain which are determined by the respective sheriffs in the various counties assisted by juries. The Court for "striking the fiars" is held towards the end of February in accordance with Acts of Sederunt of the Court of Session. The prices fixed are used in the settling of contracts where no prices have been determined upon, *e.g.* in fixing stipends of ministers of the Church of Scotland, and are found useful in other ways.

FICHTE, JOHANN GOTTLIEB, a celebrated German philosopher, born in Upper Lusatia; a man of an intensely thoughtful and noble nature; studied theology at Jena, and afterwards philosophy; became a disciple of Kant, and paid homage to him personally at Königsberg; was appointed professor of Philosophy at Jena, where he enthusiastically preached a system which broke away from Kant, which goes under the name of "Transcendental Idealism" and which he published in his "Wissenschaftslehre" and his "System der Sittenlehre"; obliged to resign his chair at Jena on a charge of atheism, he removed to Berlin, where he rose into favour by his famous "Address to the Germans" against the tyranny of Napoleon, and after a professorate in Erlangen he became head of the New University, and had for colleagues such men as Wolff, Humboldt, Schellermacher, and Neander; he fell a victim to the War of Independence which followed, dying of fever caught through his wife and her nursing of patients in the hospitals, which were crowded with the wounded; besides his more esoteric-philosophical works, he was the author of four of a popular cast, which are worthy of all regard, on "The Destiny of Man," "The Nature of the Scholar," "The Characteristics of the Present Age," and "The Way to the Blessed Life" (1762-1814).

FICHELBERG, a mountain chain in North-East Bavaria, so called from its having once been covered with pines, Fichtel meaning a pine. In its valleys rise the Elbe, Rhine, and Danube; considerable quantities of iron, copper, and lead are found, which give rise to a smelting industry, while mother-of-pearl is obtained from the streams. The climate is cold and damp, but the district has of late become a favourite resort of tourists.

FICINO, MARSIUS, an eminent Italian Platonist, born in Florence; in 1433 became president of a Platonic school, founded by Cosmo de' Medici, where he spent many years spreading and instilling the doctrines of Plato, and, indeed, ancient philosophy generally; entered the Church in 1473, and under the patronage of Lorenzo de' Medici was appointed to the canonry of Florence Cathedral; his religious beliefs were a strange blend of Platonism and Christianity, but were the foundation of a pure life, while his interest in classical studies helped considerably to further the Renaissance (1433-1499).

FIDELIO, a celebrated opera by Beethoven, and his only one.

FIDES, the Roman goddess of fidelity, or steadfast adherence to promises and engagements. Numa built a shrine for her worship and instituted a festival in her honour; in later times a temple containing a statue of her dressed in white adorned the temple of Jupiter, on the Capitol at Rome.

FIELD, CYRUS WEST, brother of the following, born in Stockbridge, Massachusetts; was first a successful paper manufacturer, but turning his attention to submarine telegraphy was instrumental in establishing cable communication between England and America, and founded the Atlantic Telegraph Company in 1856; on the successful laying of the 1866 cable, since which time communication between the Old and New Worlds has never been interrupted, he was awarded a gold medal and the thanks of the nation; afterwards interested himself in developing the overhead railway in New York (1810-1892).

FIELD, DAVID DUDLEY, an eminent American jurist, born in Haddam, Connecticut, for 57 years a prominent member of the New York bar, during which time he brought about judicial reforms, and drew up, under Government direction, political, civil, and penal codes; interested himself in international law, and laboured to bring about an international agreement whereby disputes might be settled by arbitration and war done away with; was President of the London Peace Congress in 1890 (1805-1894).

FIELD OF THE CLOTH OF GOLD, a plain near Guines, where Henry VIII. had an interview with Francis I.; was so called from the magnificence displayed on the occasion on the part of both sovereigns and their retinue.

FIELDING COLEY, an eminent English water-colour painter; became secretary and treasurer, and finally president of the Society of Water-Colour Painters (1787-1855).

FIELDING, HENRY, a famous novelist, who has been styled by Scott "the father of the English novel," born at Sharpsham Park, Glastonbury, son of General Edmund Fielding and a cousin of Lady Mary Wortley Montagu (*q.v.*); was educated at Eton and at Leyden, where he graduated in 1728; led for some years a dissipated life in London, and achieved some celebrity by the production of a series of comedies and farces, now sunk into oblivion; in 1736 he married Miss Charlotte Cradock, and after a brief experiment as a theatre lessee studied law at the Middle Temple, and was called to the bar; literature was, however, his main pursuit, and in 1742 he came to the front with "Joseph Andrews," a burlesque on Richardson's "Pamela," in which his powers as a novelist first showed themselves; in 1743 followed three volumes of "Miscellanies," including "Jonathan Wild"; after his wife's death he turned again to law, but in 1745 we find him once more engaged in literature as editor of the *True Patriot* and afterwards of the *Jacobite Journal*; "Tom Jones," his masterpiece, appeared in 1749, and three years later "Amelia"; journalism and his duties as a justice of the peace occupied him till 1754, when ill-health forced him abroad to Lisbon, where he died and was buried. Fielding is a master of a fluent, virile, and attractive style; his stories move with an easy and natural vigour, and are brimful of humour and kindly satire, while his characters in their lifelike humanness, with all their foibles and frailties, are a marked contrast to the buckram and conventional figures of his contemporary Richardson; something of the laxity of

his times, however, finds its way into his pages, and renders them not always palatable reading to present-day readers (1707-1754).

FIERY CROSS, THE, a war symbol in the shape of a stick dipped in animal blood, formerly sent from village to village among the Highland clans as a call to arms.

FIESCHI, COUNT, a Genoese of illustrious family who conspired against Andrea Doria, but whose plot was frustrated on the eve of its fulfilment by his falling into the sea and being drowned as he stepped full-armed from one of his ships into another (1523-1547).

FIESCHI, JOSEPH MARCO, a Corsican conspirator; served under Murat and in Russia in 1812; obtained a government post in 1830, and in consequence of his discharge from this five years later he, by means of an infernal machine, made an unsuccessful attempt to assassinate Louis Philippe, for which, along with his accomplices, he was tried and executed (1790-1836).

FIESSOLE, a small town, 3 m. from Florence, where the wealthy Florentines have villas, and near which Fra Angelico lived as a monk.

FIFE, a maritime county in the E. of Scotland, which juts out into the North Sea and is washed by the Firths of Tay and Forth on its N. and S. shores respectively, thus forming a small peninsula; has for the most part a broken and hilly surface, extensively cultivated, however, while the "How of Fife," watered by the Eden, is a fertile valley, richly wooded; valuable coal deposits are worked in the S. and W.; its long coastline is studded with picturesque towns, many of them of ancient date, a circumstance which led James VI. to describe the county as "a beggar's mantle fringed with gold"; it is associated with much that is memorable in Scottish history.

FIFTH-MONARCHY MEN, a set of fanatics of extreme levelling tendencies, who, towards the close of the Protectorate, maintained that Jesus Christ was about to reappear on the earth to establish a fifth monarchy that would swallow up and forcibly suppress all that was left of the four preceding—the Assyrian, the Persian, the Macedonian, and the Roman; their standard exhibited the Lion of the tribe of Judah couchant, with the motto, "Who will rouse him up?" Some of them conspired to murder the Protector, but were detected and imprisoned till after his death.

FIGARO, a name given by the French dramatist Beaumarchais to a cunning and intriguing barber who figures in his "Barbier de Séville" and his "Mariage de Figaro," and who has since become the type of all such characters. Several operas have been written on these comedies, notably by Mozart and Rossini. The name has been adopted by various fictions in England and in France.

FIGUERE, LOUIS, a popular writer on scientific subjects, born in Montpellier, where he became professor of Pharmacy in 1846, later removing to Paris; his voluminous writings, including "The Ocean World" and "Reptiles and Birds," have done much to popularize science; they comprise a volume on alchemy and one in defence of immortality; many of these have been received with favour in England (1819-1894).

FII, a group of islands in the S. Pacific Ocean, known also as the Viti Islands; they lie between 15°-22° S. lat. and 176° E.-178° W. long., and are a dependency of Britain; sighted by Tasman in 1643, though first discovered, properly speaking, by Cook in 1773, came first into prominence in 1858, when the sovereignty was offered to England and declined, but in 1874 were taken over and made a crown colony; they number over two hundred islands, of which some eighty are inhabited, Viti Levu and Vanua Levu being by far the largest; Suva is the capital; sugar, cotton, vanilla, tea, and coffee are cultivated, besides fruit.

FILDES, SIR LUKE, artist, born in Lancashire; made his mark first as a designer of woodcuts; contributed to various magazines and illustrated books, notably Dickens' "Edwin Drood"; his most noted pictures are "Applicants for a Casual Ward," "The Widower," and "The Doctor"; he was made an R.A. in 1887 (1844-1927).

FILIBUSTER, a name given to buccaneers who infested the Spanish-American coasts or those of the West Indies, but more especially used to designate the followers of Lopez in his Cuban expedition in 1851, and those of Walker in Nicaragua in 1855; a name now given to any lawless adventurers who attempt to take forcible possession of a foreign country.

FILIGREE, a name given to a species of goldsmith's ornamental work fashioned out of fine metallic (usually gold or silver) wire into lace-like patterns; the art is of ancient date, and was skilfully practised both by the Etruscans and Egyptians, as well as in Central Asia and India.

FILIOQUE CONTROVERSY, a controversy which ended in the disruption of the Western from the Eastern Church on the question whether the Spirit proceeded from the Father and the Son or from the Father only, the Western maintaining the former and the Eastern the latter.

FILLAN, ST., a name borne by two Scottish saints: (1) the son of a Munster prince, lived in the 8th century, was first abbot of the monastery on the Holy Loch in Argyll, and afterwards laboured at Strathmillan, Perthshire; some of his relics are to be seen in the Edinburgh Antiquarian Museum; (2) or Paolan, known as "the leper," had his church at the end of Loch Earn, Perthshire; a healing well and chair are associated with his name.

FILLMORE, MILLARD, President of the United States from 1850 to 1853, succeeding Zachary Taylor; became unpopular over the Fugitive Slave Law.

FILM ACT, a measure passed in 1927 making it compulsory for British cinemas to show a certain quota of home-produced films.

FINALITY JOHN, Lord John Russell, from his complacently pronouncing the Reform Bill of 1832 a final measure.

FINCH, HENRIAGE, FIRST EARL OF NOTTINGHAM, Lord Chancellor of England, born in Kent, studied at Oxford, and was called to the bar in 1645; at the Restoration he was appointed Solicitor-General, and took an active part in prosecuting the regicides; in 1670 he became Attorney-General, and in 1675 Lord Chancellor; he presided as Lord High Steward at the trial of Stafford in 1680, and pronounced judgment in a speech of great eloquence (1621-1682).

FINDLATER, ANDREW, encyclopædist, born near Aberdour, in Aberdeenshire, of humble parentage; graduated at Aberdeen, and became a schoolmaster at Tillydrick, and afterwards held the post of headmaster of Gordon's Hospital in Aberdeen; in 1853 joined the staff of Messrs. W. & R. Chambers, Edinburgh, and became eventually editor of the first edition of their encyclopedia (1861-1868); amongst other work done for the Messrs. Chambers were various manuals on astronomy, geography, &c.; was a man of wide and accurate scholarship (1810-1885).

FINGAL, or FIONN, the great hero of Gaelic mythology represented by Ossian (q.v.) to have ruled over the kingdom of Morven, which may be said to have been then co-extensive with Argyllshire and the West Highlands; in ballad literature he is represented as belonging also to Ireland.

FINGAL'S CAVE, a remarkable cave of basaltic formation on the coast of the Isle of Staffa (q.v.); entrance to the cave is effected in boats through a natural archway 42 ft. wide and 66 ft. high, and the water fills the floor of this great hall to a distance of 227 ft.

FINISTERRE, or FINISTÈRE (French for "land's end"), the most westerly department of France, washed on the N. by the English Channel, and on the S. and W. by the Atlantic; has a rugged and broken coastline, but inland presents a picturesque appearance with tree-clad hills and fertile valleys; the climate is damp, and there is a good deal of marshy land; mines of silver, lead, &c., are wrought, and quarries of marble and granite; fishing is largely engaged in; and the manufacture of linen, canvas and pottery, are important industries, while large quantities of grain are raised.

FINISTERRE, or FINISTÈRE CAPE, in north-west Spain, the scene of several naval engagements between the French and British.

FINLAND, a republic on the gulfs of Finland and Bothnia, ceded by the Swedes to Russia in 1809, and now independent. The coastline is deeply indented, and fringed with small islands; the interior, chiefly elevated plateau, consists largely of forest land, and is well furnished with lakes, many of which are united by canals, one 36 m. connecting Lake Saima with the Gulf of Finland. Various cereals (barley, oats, &c.) are grown, and there is a varied and valuable fauna; fishing is an extensive industry, and no less than 80 kinds of fish are found in the rivers, lakes, and coast waters. The country was formerly divided into eight counties, and governed by a Senate and Diet, the reigning Russian emperor ruling as grand-duke. Education is highly advanced; Swedish and Finnish are the two languages of the country, Russian being practically unknown. There is an excellent Saga literature, and the beginnings of a modern literature. The Finns came under the dominion of the Swedes in the 12th and 15th centuries, and were by them Christianised.

FINLAY, GEORGE, a distinguished historian, born in Faversham, Kent, but of Scottish parents; received a university training at Glasgow and Göttingen, and in 1822 went to Greece, where he met Byron and fought in the War of Independence; henceforth Greece became his home, and there, after an unavailing effort to promote agriculture, he betook himself to a studious life and to writing the history of his adopted country; his valuable history, published in various parts, traces the national life of Greece from 146 B.C. to A.D. 1864 (1799-1875).

FINMARK, a province of Norway, lying in the extreme N., with a rocky and indented coast and a barren and mountainous interior; fishing is the main industry of the inhabitants, who are chiefly Lapps.

FINNS, the native inhabitants of Finland, and originally of the districts in Sweden and Norway as well, are of the Mongolian type, and were settled in Europe before the arrival of the Slavic and Teutonic races.

FINEEN, NIELS RYBERG, physician, born in Farøe Isles; studied anatomy at Copenhagen, and was one of the first to experiment with light rays in certain diseases, such as smallpox and lupus; was awarded the Nobel Prize for medicine in 1903 (1860-1904).

FIORDS, deep indentations forming inlets of the sea, especially on the coast of Norway, overlooked by high mountains and precipitous cliffs.

FIR-BOLG, one of the earliest people to colonise Ireland, traditionally believed to have come from Greece; became in time the serf population; for their history, see **OSSIAN**.

FIRDAUSI, or **FIRDUSI**, the pseudonym of Abū'l Kasim Mansur, the great poet of Persia, born near Tās, in Khorassan; flourished in the 10th century B.C.; spent 30 years in writing the "Shah Nama" (Book of Kings), a national epic, but having been cheated out of the reward promised by Sultan Mahmud, he gave vent to bitter satire against his royal master and fled the court; for some time he led a wandering life, till at length he returned to his birthplace, where he died; a complete translation of his great poem exists in French.

FIRE OF LONDON, **THE**, lasted for four days in Sept., 1666, and is vividly described in Pepys's diary. Some 13,000 houses and 90 churches, including St. Paul's Cathedral, were burnt, and practically the whole of the City from the Tower to the Temple was raised to the ground.

FIRE-WORSHIP, worship of fire, especially as embodied in the sun, viewed as the most express and emphatic exhibition of beneficent divine power.

FIRMAMENT, a name given to the vault of the sky conceived as a solid substance studded with stars, so applied in the Vulgate.

FIRMAN, a Persian word denoting a mandate or decree; among the Turks the term is applied to such decrees as issue from the Ottoman Porte, and also to passports, the right of signing which lay with the Sultan or a Pasha; the word is also used in India to denote a permit to trade.

FIRMIN, ST., bishop of Amiens, who suffered martyrdom in 287. Festival, Sept. 25.

FIRST GENTLEMAN OF EUROPE, George IV., so named for his fine style and manners.

FIRTH, MARK, Sheffield steel manufacturer and well-known philanthropist (1819-1886).

FISCHART, JOHANN, a German satirist; an imitator of Rabelais and a genuine humorist, at the same time a loyal adherent of Luther and enemy of the Jesuits (1545-1589).

FISCHER, EMIL, German chemist, professor at Berlin; he carried out much research on dyes, proteins, and sugars, and discovered phenyl hydrazine; his extensive work in organic chemistry must rank as classical for all time (1852-).

FISCHER, ERNST KUNO REETHOLD, a German historian of philosophy, born in Sandewalde, Silesia; as a student of Erdmann at Halle he was smitten with the love of philosophy, and gave his life to the study of it; after graduating he went to Heidelberg and there established himself as a private lecturer, in which capacity he was eminently successful, but in 1853 was deprived of his status by Government, probably on account of the alleged Pantheistic trend of his teaching; in 1856, however, he was elected to the chair of Philosophy in Jena, and 16 years later was called back to Heidelberg as Zeller's successor; his chief work is a "History of Modern Philosophy" (1824-1907).

FISHER, ANDREW, Australian politician. Of Scottish birth, he emigrated in 1832 after working in the mines, became a Labour M.P. for his State and later for the Commonwealth. In 1904 he was Minister of Trade, and later became leader of the Labour Party. In 1908, from 1910 to 1913, and in 1914 he was Prime Minister. He left Australian politics in 1915 to become High Commissioner in London (1862-1928).

FISHER, HERBERT ALBERT LAURENS, British politician. After a brilliant career as historian and educationist he was made Minister of Education in 1916 and was responsible for the Education Act of 1918 (1865-).

FISHER, JOHN, bishop of Rochester, born in Beverley; was distinguished at Cambridge, and became chaplain and confessor to the Countess of Richmond, Henry VII.'s mother, who had him appointed professor of Divinity at his *alma mater*; in 1504 he was elected Chancellor of the University and made bishop of Rochester, but incurred the royal displeasure by opposing Henry VIII.'s divorce of Catherine of Aragon, and by upholding the Pope's supremacy; became involved in the deceptions of Elizabeth Barton, maid of Kent, and was sent to the Tower in 1534 for refusing to take the oath of succession; was created a cardinal, but was beheaded by order of the king ere his hat arrived; was beatified in 1880 (1459-1535).

FISHER, JOHN, 1ST BARON OF KILVERSTONE, admiral. He entered the navy at the age of 13, "peevish, friendless, and forlorn," and saw service in the Crimean war, in China, and at Alexandria. He represented the navy at the Hague conference of 1899, was commander of the Mediterranean Fleet, and in 1902 became Second Lord of the Admiralty. For six years from 1904 he was First Lord, and in that office overhauled the navy and introduced Dreadnoughts, battle-cruisers, and submarines. Resigning in 1910, he was reappointed at the outbreak of the Great War, but finally resigned in 1915 owing to differences of opinion with Winston Churchill and Asquith, principally on the Dardanelles campaign (1841-1920).

FISKE, JOHN, American writer, born in Hartford, Conn., U.S.; studied at Harvard; in 1869 lectured at his old university as a Positivist, and was under-librarian from 1872 to 1879; he is the author of a number of works on Darwinism, American history, philosophy, &c. (1842-1901).

FITCH, JOHN, an American inventor, born in Connecticut; led a life of adventure, at one time acting as gunsmith to the American revolutionaries and at another falling into the hands of Indians whilst trading in the West; in 1785 he brought out a model steam-boat with side wheels, and in 1788 and in 1790 constructed larger vessels, one of the latter being for some time employed as a passenger boat; some of his plans are said to have fallen into Robert Fulton's hands and given him the idea of his steamship; disheartened by the ill-success of a trip

to France, he committed suicide at Bardstown, Kentucky (1743-1798).

FITZ-BOODLE, GEORGE, Thackeray's pseudonym in *Fraser's Magazine*.

FITZGERALD, EDWARD, English scholar, born in Suffolk; at Cambridge, where he graduated in 1830, he formed close friendships with James Spedding and Thackeray, and afterwards was on intimate terms with Carlyle and Tennyson; his life was quietly spent in his country residence in Suffolk, varied by yachting expeditions and visits to London, where he made the round of his friends; his first book, "Ruphranon," a dialogue on youth, appeared when he was 42, "Polonius" followed and some Spanish translations, but his fame rests on his translations of Persian poetry, and especially on his rendering of the 11th-century poet, Omar Khayyam (1809-1883).

FITZGERALD, LADY, a daughter of Égalité and Mme. Genlis, called Pamela; distinguished for her beauty and enthusiasm for liberty, she became the wife of Lord Fitzgerald, the Irish patriot (q.v.); d. 1831.

FITZGERALD, LORD EDWARD, the younger son of the Duke of Leinster, born at Carlton Castle, near Dublin; spent his early years in France; joined the English army and served with distinction in the American War; in 1784 he was elected to the Irish Parliament, and opposed the English Government; was attracted to France by the Revolution, but returned to Ireland and joined the United Irishmen in 1796, and began plotting the rising of 1798; his scheme was betrayed, and he was arrested in Dublin after a determined resistance, during which he received wounds of which he died in prison (1783-1798).

FITZ HERBERT, MRS., a Roman Catholic lady, maiden name Maria Anne Smythe, with whom, after her second widowhood, George IV., while Prince of Wales, contracted a secret marriage in 1785, which, however, under the Royal Marriage Act, was declared invalid (1756-1837).

FITZROY, EDWARD ALGERNON, British politician. Entering the House of Commons in 1900 as a Conservative, he was made Speaker in 1928 (1869-).

FITZROY, ROBERT, admiral, navigator, and meteorologist, born at Ampton Hall, near Bury St. Edmunds; entered the navy at 14, and in 1828-1830 conducted a survey of the coasts of Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego, a work he continued while commanding the *Beagle* (1831-1836), in which Darwin accompanied him; in 1843-1845 was governor of New Zealand; in his later years devoted himself to meteorology, and, on the retired list, rose to be vice-admiral; published accounts of his voyages, &c.; under pressure of work his mind gave way, and he committed suicide (1805-1865).

FITZWILLIAM, WILLIAM, EARL, a politician of George the Third's time; the excesses of the French Revolution caused him to come over from the Whigs and support Pitt; favoured Catholic emancipation during his Lord-Lieutenancy of Ireland, but was recalled; held office under Grenville in 1806, and took some part in the Reform Bill agitation of the day (1748-1833).

Fiume, a port of importance, on the Adriatic, at the rocky entrance of the Fiumara, 40 m. S.E. of Trieste; a new town of spacious and colonnaded streets and many fine buildings has grown up on the ground sloping down from the old town; has an excellent harbour, and flourishing industries in paper, torpedoes, tobacco, &c., besides being the entrepôt of an important and increasing commerce. For some years after the Great War its ownership was a matter of dispute between Italy and Jugoslavia; it was seized in 1918 by irregular Italian troops under D'Annunzio (q.v.), the airman-poet, who held it for nearly two years before the treaty of Rapallo made the place a Free State in 1920. After Fiume had again been occupied by Italian troops the Free State came to an end in 1924, and the port was made the capital of the Italian province of Carnaro.

FIVE MILE ACT, passed in 1865, prohibited dissenters from preaching within five miles of a town. It was repealed in 1869.

FLACIUS, or VLAUGH, MATTHIAS, surnamed

Illyricus, a German theologian, born in Albana, in Illyria; was the pupil of Luther and Melancthon; became professor of the Old Testament Scriptures at Wittenberg, but four years later lost his position on account of certain attacks he made on Melancthon; subsequently he was elected professor at Jena, but was again deposed for heterodox notions on original sin; died in poverty; was author of an ecclesiastical history and other works (1520-1575).

FLAG. The earliest symbols by which primitive peoples distinguished themselves were undoubtedly totems (q.v.), from these and the later images or badges of wood or metal carried by the ancient Egyptians, Assyrians, and Greeks developed the Roman military standard; according to Livy, the *vevillum*, or cavalry flag, was a piece of cloth attached to a cross-bar at the end of a spear. In England the first national banners had a religious significance, the present Union Flag being composed of the allied crosses of St. George, St. Andrew, and St. Patrick. The subject of national standards, their history and associations is dealt with fully in W. J. Gordon's "Flags of the World."

FLAGELLANTS, a set of medieval fanatics, who first arose in Italy in 1200, and subsequently appeared in other quarters of Europe, and who thought by self-flagellation to atone for sin and avert divine judgment, hoping by a limited number of stripes to compensate for a century of scourgings; the practice arose at a time when it was reckoned that the final judgment of the world was at hand.

FLAHAULT DE LA BILLARDERIE, AUGUSTE CHARLES JOSEPH, COMTE DE, a French soldier and diplomatist, born in Paris; was aide-de-camp to Napoleon, and for distinguished services in the Peninsular war and at Leipzig was made a general and count; fought at Waterloo, and two years later married Margaret Elphinstone, who by inheritance became Baroness Keith; he was ambassador at the Courts of Venice (1841-1848) and at London (1860) (1785-1870).

FLAMBARD, RANULPH, a Norman who came over with the Conqueror to England and became chaplain to William Rufus, whom he abetted and pandered to in his vices, in return for which, and a heavy sum he paid, he was in 1099 made bishop of Durham; founder of Christchurch College, Oxford; d. 1128.

FLAMBOYANT, the name given, from the flame-like windings of its tracery, to a florid style of architecture in vogue in France during the 15th and 16th centuries.

FLAMENS, priests elected in Rome by the people and, consecrated by the chief pontiff to the service of a particular god, such as Jupiter, Mars, &c.

FLAMINIUS, CAIUS, a Roman tribune and consul, who constructed the Flaminian Way; perished at Lake Trasimene, where he was defeated by Hannibal in the Second Punic War, 217 B.C.

FLAMINIUS, TITUS QUINTUS, a Roman consul, who defeated Philip of Macedon and proclaimed the freedom of Greece; it was his close neighbourhood to Hannibal that induced the latter to take poison rather than fall into his hands (230-174 B.C.).

FLAMSTEED, JOHN, the first astronomer-royal of England, born near Derby; his devotion to astronomy gained him the favour of Sir Jonas Moore, who was the means of getting him the appointment of astronomer-royal in 1675; from the Observatory of Greenwich, specially built for his use, he catalogued the fixed stars and supplied Newton with useful information bearing on his lunar theory; in 1675 he took holy orders, and was presented to the living of Burrow in Surrey, which he held till his death (1646-1719).

FLANDERS, the land of the Flemings, borders upon the North Sea; formerly extended from the Scheldt to the Somme, and included, besides the present Belgian provinces of East and West Flanders, part of Zealand, and also of Artois, in France; the ancient county dates from 862, in which year Charles the Bold of France, as suzerain, raised it to the status of a sovereign county, and bestowed it upon his son Baldwin I.; it has successively belonged to Spain and Austria, and in Louis XIV.'s reign a portion of it was ceded to France, now known as French Flanders, while Zealand passed into the

hands of the Dutch; the remainder was in 1714 made the Austrian Netherlands, and in 1831 was incorporated with the new kingdom of Belgium (q.v.). From 1914 to 1918 it was the scene of the most severe fighting and the heaviest British losses of the Great War.

FLANDRIN, HIPPOLYTE, a French painter, born in Lyons; was a pupil of Ingres; represented the religious movement in art in the 19th century (1805-1864).

FLASH POINT, term applied to petrol, &c., to denote the lowest temperature at which the vapour will ignite.

FLAUBERT, GUSTAVE, a realistic romancer, born in Rouen; author of "Madame Bovary," a study of provincial life, which became the subject of a prosecution, and "Salammbô," wonderful for its vigour and skill in description; he indulged in repulsive subjects (1821-1880).

FLAVEL, JOHN, an English Nonconformist divine of spiritualising tendencies, whose sermons were much read by pious people of his class (1630-1691).

FLAVIA GENS, a famous Roman clan which produced the Emperors Vespasian, Titus, and Domitian.

FLAXMAN, JOHN, an eminent sculptor, born in York; was brought up in London, where his father carried on business as a moulder of plaster figures; his love of drawing and modelling soon marked him out as an artist, and helped by friends he devoted himself to art; exhibited at the age of 12, and won the silver medal of the Royal Academy at 14; for some years he supplied the Wedgwoods with designs for their famous pottery, and in 1787 he went to Rome, which for seven years became his home; in 1810 became professor of Sculpture to the Royal Academy; besides many fine statues of eminent men and much exquisite work in bas-reliefs, he executed a series of noble designs illustrating Homer, Dante, and Æschylus; he was a Swedenborgian by religious creed (1755-1826).

FLECHER, a famous French pulpit orator, bishop of Nîmes; his funeral orations compare with Bossuet's (1632-1710).

FLECKER, JAMES ELROY, British poet. A member of the Consular service, he used eastern life as a background for poems and a poetic play "Hassan," for which Delius composed incidental music (1884-1915).

FLEET MARRIAGES, clandestine marriages, suppressed in 1754, performed without licence by the chaplains of Fleet Prison, London.)

FLEET PRISON, a celebrated London jail in Farlington Street; was a debtor's prison as far back as the 12th century. It was demolished in 1842, and on its site there now stands the Congregational Memorial Hall.

FLEETWOOD, CHARLES, a Cromwellian officer; fought as lieutenant-general against the king at Worcester, and acted as lord-deputy in Ireland; on the death of Cromwell advised the abdication of Richard; d. 1692.

FLEGEL, EDUARD ROBERT, African explorer, born in Wilna, of German descent; made three journeys from Europe to explore the Niger territory, in which he made important discoveries; was suddenly stricken down in the last expedition (1855-1886).

FLEISCHER, HEINRICH LEBERRECHT, Orientalist, born in Schandau, Saxony; after a university training at Leipzig he undertook a catalogue of the Oriental MSS. in the royal library at Dresden, and in 1836 became professor of Oriental Languages at Leipzig; did important work as a critical editor of Oriental books and MSS. (1801-1888).

FLEMING, ARCHIBALD, Scottish divine. Became Minister of St. Columba's (Church of Scotland), London, in 1902. He achieved considerable reputation as a preacher (1863-).

FLEMING, JOHN AMBROSE, physicist, professor at London University, famous for his researches in electrical engineering, particularly in connection with wireless telegraphy and telephony; inventor of the thermionic valve (1849-).

FLEMING, PAUL, a celebrated German poet, born in Hartenstein, Vogtland; received a medical training at Leipzig, and was engaged in embassies in Russia and Persia; settled in Hamburg in 1639, but died

the following year; as a lyricist he stood in the front rank of German poets (1600-1640).

FLEMISH SCHOOL, a school of painting established in the 15th century, to which Reubens, Vandyck, and Teniers belonged.

FLESHLY SCHOOL, a name given by Robert Buchanan to a realistic school of poets, to which Rossetti, William Morris, and Swinburne belong.

FLESSELLES, the last provost of the merchants of the Hôtel de Ville, Paris; "shot by an unknown hand at the turn of a street" after the fall of the Bastille (1721-1789).

FLETCHER, ANDREW, of Saltoun, a Scottish patriot and politician; after travelling on the Continent for four years he entered the Scottish Parliament, but got into trouble through his opposition to James, Duke of York, the Royal Commissioner in Scotland, and fled to Holland; his estates were confiscated, and for the next seven years he was a political refugee; he took part in the Rye House Plot and in Monmouth's invasion; his estates were restored in 1688, and he again sat in the Scottish Parliament; he was an active promoter of the abortive Darien Scheme, and a strong opponent of the Union of 1707 (1653-1710).

FLETCHER, GILES, an English poet, born in London; was the unappreciated rector of Alderton, in Suffolk, and author of a fervid and imaginative poem, "Christ's Victory and Triumph," which won the admiration of Milton (1584-1623).

FLETCHER, JOHN, English dramatist, the son of a bishop of London; was left an orphan and in poverty; collaborated with Beaumont (q.v.) in the production of the plays published under their joint names, and also with Massinger and Jonson (q.v.); died of the plague (1579-1625).

FLETCHER, PHINEAS, poet, brother of Giles Fletcher (q.v.); was rector of Hilgay, Norfolk; celebrated for his poem the "Purple Island, or the Isle of Man," an ingenious allegory descriptive of the human body—(i.e. the Purple Island—and its vices and virtues (1622-1650).

FLEURANT, MONSIEUR, an apothecary, a character in Molière's "Malcade Imaginaire."

FLEUR-DE-LIS (i.e. lily-flower), a badge of ultimately three golden fleurs-de-lis on a blue field, borne from the days of Clovis on their arms by the kings of France.

FLEURY, ANDRÉ HERCULE DE, CARDINAL, French statesman, born in Lodève, in Languedoc; studied philosophy in Paris; became a doctor of the Sorbonne and almoner to the Queen and King Louis XIV., who subsequently made him bishop of Fréjus and tutor to his son Louis; in 1726 he was chosen Prime Minister by Louis XV., and created a cardinal; he carried through a successful war with Germany, which resulted in the acquisition of Lorraine by France, but, although honest and cautious, he cannot be styled a great statesman (1653-1743).

FLEURY, CLAUDE, ABBÉ, an ecclesiastical historian, born in Paris; was at the outset of his career a successful advocate, but afterwards entered the Church; as tutor he educated various princes, including an illegitimate son of Louis XIV., who in reward appointed him to the priory of Argenteuil; was chosen confessor to the young Louis XV., and in 1696 was elected to the Academy; his chief work is his great "Ecclesiastical History" in 20 vols., on which he laboured for 30 years, and the learning, ability, and impartiality of which procured for him the esteem of all parties (1640-1723).

FLINDERS, MATTHEW, a naval officer, born in Lincolnshire; explored the coast of Australia with George Bass, and charted the Gulf of Carpentaria; experienced shipwreck and imprisonment by the French in Mauritius; wrote a graphic account of his voyage to Australia (1774-1814).

FLINT, (1) a maritime county of North Wales, between Lancashire and Denbigh, of which a detached portion lies to the N. of Shropshire; low stretches of sand form its foreshore, but inland it is hilly, with here and there a picturesque and fertile valley in which dairy-farming is extensively carried on; (2) a seaport on the estuary of the Dee, 13 m. NW. of Chester; has ruins of a castle of Edward I.'s time, with interesting historical associations; in the

neighbourhood are copper-works and lead and coal mines.

FLINT, ROBERT, a theologian, born in Dumfriesshire; professor of Divinity in Edinburgh University (1876-1908); an eminent scholar, a vigorous thinker, and a man of broad sympathies, who took a deep interest in all the vital questions of the time, and contributed to the solution of them; wrote on Theism, the Philosophy of History, and Socialism (1898-1910).

FLINT IMPLEMENTS. See **PALEOLITHIC** and **NEOLITHIC MAN**.

FLOATING ISLANDS, are sometimes formed of masses of driftwood on which debris, vegetation, &c., gradually form a soil, but are more commonly portions of river banks detached by the force of the current when swollen and drifted out, sometimes as much as 100 m., to sea, carrying with them plants, reptiles, and larger animals, and thus contributing to the distribution to distant shores of animal and vegetable life; they are to be met with off the mouths of the larger American, Asian, and African rivers, and sometimes in inland seas and lakes; Derwent Lake, in England, has a notable one, which sinks and rises periodically; they are also made artificially in districts subject to floods as asylums of refuge.

FLODDEN, BATTLE OF, fought on Flodden Hill, a low spur of the Cheviots, 6 m. S. of Coldstream, between James IV. of Scotland and the English under the Earl of Surrey on September 9, 1513; it resulted in the crushing defeat of the Scots, who lost their king and the flower of their nobility, an event celebrated in Jean Elliot's "Flowers of the Forest"; a spirited account of the battle is given in the sixth canto of Scott's "Marmion".

FLOOD, HENRY, an Irish Nationalist, trained at Dublin and Oxford Universities; entering the Irish Parliament, he, by his fervid oratory, soon won a place in the front rank of Irish politicians; in 1769 he was put on trial for killing an opponent in a duel, but was acquitted; from 1775 to 1781 he was Vice-Treasurer of Ireland; to Grattan's Irish Bill of Rights he offered bitter opposition, holding it to be an altogether inadequate measure; in 1783 he was returned to the English House of Commons, but failed to make his mark (1732-1791).

FLORA, goddess of flowers and gardens and the spring, an early Roman divinity; had in the time of Numa a flamen (q.v.) to herself.

FLORENCE, a famous Italian city, situated 50 m. from the sea; it lies in the valley of the Arno, and is built on both sides of the river, but chiefly on the N.; the outlying suburbs are singularly beautiful, and are surrounded by finely wooded hills, bright with gay villas and charming gardens; the old city itself is characterised by a sombre grandeur, and is full of fine buildings of historic and artistic interest; chief amongst these is the cathedral, or Duomo, begun in 1298, with its grand dome and campanile (293 ft.), by Giotto. It is the city of Dante, Petrarch, Michael Angelo, Leonardo da Vinci, Boccaccio, Machiavelli, Galileo, and many more of Italy's great men, and has a history of exceptional interest; it has many fine art galleries; is an educational centre, and carries on a trade in straw-plaiting and silk.

FLORIAN, JEAN PIERRE DE, a French novelist and writer of fables; was the friend of Voltaire, from whom he received his first literary impulse; was the author of several romances, plays, &c., but his finest work is found in his Fables, in which department of literature he ranks next La Fontaine (1755-1794).

FLORIDA, "Land of Flowers," the most southern of the American States, forms a bold peninsula on the E. side of the Gulf of Mexico, and has on its eastern shore the Atlantic; has a coastline of 1150 m.; the chief physical feature is the amount of water surface, made up of 19 navigable rivers, and lakes and ponds to the number of 1200, besides swamps and marshes; the climate is, however, equable, and for the most part healthy; fruit-growing is largely engaged in; the timber trade flourishes, also the phosphate industry, and cotton and the sugar-cane are extensively cultivated; a successful business in cigar-making has also of recent years sprung up,

and there are valuable fisheries along the coast; Florida was admitted into the Union in 1845; the capital is Tallahassee.

FLORIDA KEYS, a chain of small islands and reefs off the southern extremity of Florida, extending for a distance of about 230 m. The islets, of which Key West (a summer resort) and Key Largo are the chief, were once much used by the buccaners.

FLORIO, JOHN, the translator of Montaigne, born in London, of Italian parents; was a tutor of foreign languages for some years at Oxford, and in 1581 became a member of Magdalen College and teacher of French and Italian; published two works of a miscellaneous character, called "First Fruits" and "Second Fruits," and an English-Italian dictionary called a "World of Words," but his fame rests on his translation of Montaigne, which Shakespeare used so freely (1553-1625).

FLORUS, a Latin historian, contemporary of Trajan. **FLOWER, SIR WILLIAM HENRY**, British naturalist, director of the Natural History Museum, South Kensington (1831-1899).

FLOWERS KINGDOM, THE, China; strictly speaking, the Chinese name whence this appellation is derived means "the flower of kingdoms."

FLUDD, ROBERT, physician and theosophist, born in Milgate, Kent; studied at Oxford, and travelled on the Continent, where he came under the influence of Paracelsus's writings; settled in London as a doctor, and published a work embodying a vague theosophy (1574-1637).

FLUOR SPAR, a mineral composed of fluoride of lime, used as a flux and for the production of hydro-fluoric acid, which is used for etching glass.

FLUORESCENCE, the property of certain substances of emitting radiation when illuminated: the emitted light is as a rule of different wave-length (i.e. colour) and emission only takes place whilst the substance is illuminated.

FLUORINE, a gaseous element of the halogen family, resembling chlorine; its action is more violent than the latter, and it is more difficult to isolate.

FLUSHING, a Dutch seaport, strongly fortified, on the island of Walcheren, at the mouth of the western Scheldt; has an active shipping trade, docks, arsenals, &c.

FLUXIONS, a method, invented by Sir Isaac Newton, of determining the rate of increase or decrease of a quantity or magnitude whose value depends on that of another which itself varies in value at a uniform and given rate. The method of fluxions led to the invention of the calculus. See **CALCULUS DIFFERENTIAL AND INTEGRAL**.

FLYING BOAT, a type of aircraft designed for landing on water, in which the body itself serves as a boat and is not supported by floats, as in the case of a seaplane.

FLYING DUTCHMAN, a Dutch captain, fated for his sins to scour the sea and never reach port, who appeared from time to time to sea-captains as on a black spectral ship, and from the very terror he inspired made them change their course; there are many versions of this fable in the German mythology. In Wagner's opera of the name the captain is given as Vanderdecken.

FO, the name in China for Buddha.

FOCH, FERDINAND, French general. His first active service was in 1914, after he had made an international name as a strategist. At first he served under Joffre, being in command of the armies of the North, and in 1916, when Nivelle was given Joffre's command, Foch was sent on various missions. In March, 1918, when the final German offensive threatened to break through the allied lines he became supreme general of both the French and British troops, stemmed the attack, and brought the war to a successful end before the close of the year (1851-1929).

FO-HI, or **FUH-HI**, the mythical founder of the Chinese dynasty, is said to have introduced cattle-rearing, instituted marriage, and invented letters.

FOHN, a warm, dry wind which sweeps down the Alpine valleys from the mountains; causes are on record where it has melted two feet of snow in twelve hours.

FOIX, GASTON DE, illustrious French captain, nephew of Louis XII., was from his daring exploits

called the Thunderbolt of Italy; he beat the Swiss, routed the Papal troops, captured Brescia from the Venetians, and gained the battle of Ravenna against the Spaniards, but was slain when pursuing the fugitives (1489-1512).

FOIX, GASTON III. DE, French captain, surnamed Phœbus on account of his beauty and handsome presence; distinguished in the wars against the English and in the Jacquerie revolt, in which he rescued the dauphin at Meaux (1391-1391).

FOKKIER, A. E. G., Dutch air-engineer. He went to Germany at the age of 20 and was a pioneer of aviation there, the German government taking an interest in his work and buying the machine named after him (1890-).

FOLEY, JOHN HENRY, an eminent sculptor, born in Dublin; his first success was achieved in a series of classical figures, including some Shakespearean subjects; statues of Hampden, Burke, J. S. Mill, Goldsmith, &c., brought him further fame, and he was commissioned by Queen Victoria to execute the figure of Prince Albert in the Albert Memorial; his vigour and genius were further revealed in the noble equestrian statues of Hardinge and Outram in India (1818-1874).

FOLKESTONE, a seaport and watering-place on the coast of Kent, 7 m. SW. of Dover; has a fine harbour and esplanade; is much engaged in the herring and mackerel fisheries, and is steam-packet station for Boulogne; a fine railway viaduct spans the valley in which the old town lies.

FOLKMOOT, the name for the popular assembly of the Anglo-Saxon people for political, judicial, and other administrative functions; it was attended by the freemen from each shire, and ranked below the Witenagemote (q.v.).

FONTAINEBLEAU, a town on the left bank of the Seine, 36 m. SE. of Paris, and famous for a château or palace of the kings of France, and the forest that surrounds it. This château, founded towards the end of the 10th century, was enlarged and embellished by successive kings, beginning with Francis I., and was the place where Napoleon signed his abdication in 1814.

FONTANES, LOUIS, MARQUE DE, poet and man of letters, born in Niort, Poitou; came to Paris and achieved some celebrity by his poems and translations from Pope and Gray; changing from the Royalist side, he, during the Revolution, edited two journals in the Republican interest, and held the post of professor of Literature at the College of the Four Nations; was for some time a refugee in England, but afterwards returned and became a zealous supporter of Napoleon, on the downfall of whom he embraced the Bourbon cause and was raised to the peerage (1757-1821).

FONTENELLE, BERNARD LE BOVIER DE, a miscellaneous French writer, born in Rouen, a nephew of Cornéille, whose life he wrote; was destined for the bar, but under his uncle's patronage embarked on a literary career in Paris; he vehemently upheld the moderns in the famous literary quarrel of Moderns versus Ancients, and brought upon himself the satirical attacks of Boileau and Racine; became Secretary and then President of the Académie des Sciences; died in his hundredth year; his vigorous and versatile nature found vent in a wide variety of writings—literary, scientific, and historical; author of "Dialogues of the Dead," in imitation of Lucian, and "Conversations on the Plurality of Worlds"; is credited with the saying, "A man may have his hand full of truth, and yet only care to open his little finger," and this other, "No man was ever written down but by himself" (1657-1757).

FONTENOY, a village in Belgium, 5 m. SW. of Tournay, where Marshal Saxe beat the English, Dutch, and Austrians under the Duke of Cumberland in 1745.

FOOCHOW, a Chinese city, the capital of the province of Fu-chien, situated on the river Min, 125 m. NE. of Amoy. Massive walls 30 ft. high enclose the original town, but the extensive suburbs reach down to the river, which is bridged, and is a convenient waterway for trading with the interior; it was made a free port in 1942, and is the centre of a busy trade in tea, timber, and textiles.

FOOD CONTROL, started in Great Britain in 1917 as a war measure, with the establishment of a Food Ministry. Rationing cards for meat, sugar, butter, and tea were issued to the public, and maximum prices were fixed by law to check profiteering.

FOOLS, FEAST OF, a festival of wild mirth in the Middle Ages, held on January 1, in which the Ass of Scripture celebrity played a chief part, and in which many of the rites and ceremonies of the Church were travestied.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE, a disease to which sheep and cattle are liable, and which is so infectious that stringent orders are made prohibiting the movement of animals in areas where it has broken out, and ordering the destruction of the infected.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION, the leading winter game of England, in which the feet only and not the hands are allowed to be used, first took modern shape in the schools towards the end of the 18th century, but was not played according to definite rules until 1863, in which year the Football Association came into being. In 1871 the F.A. Cup competition was started, and largely was confined to old public school clubs. The following year international matches were inaugurated. Payment of professionals was not fully sanctioned till 1886, and the question still agitated the football world and led in 1907 to the formation of the Amateur F.A., now again affiliated to the parent body. The Football League was formed, in 1888, and ever since the game has grown steadily in popularity, crowds of over 100,000 having watched the Cup Final. On the Continent the game has lately been taken up with great enthusiasm.

FOOTBALL, RUGBY, the handling code of the game, which started at Rugby School in 1823, when a boy named William Webb Ellis took the ball in his hands and ran with it down the field, an innovation that was recognised in 1841. Clubs playing under the new rules were started at the universities and among old public school boys, and the Rugby Union was formed, international matches beginning in the 'seventies. No professionalism is allowed by the Rugby Union, a rule that led early this century to the formation of the Northern Union, rechristened the Rugby League.

FOOT-POUND, the name given in mechanics to the work required to raise 1 lb. through 1 foot, the unit of work.

FOOTE, SAMUEL, a celebrated English actor and playwright, born in Truro, Cornwall, of a good family; was educated at Oxford, and studied law, but ruined himself by gaming, and took to the stage; he became the successful lessee of Haymarket Theatre in 1747, where, by his inimitable powers of mimicry and clever comedies, he firmly established himself in popular favour (1720-1777).

FORAMINIFERA, one of the most primitive forms of animal life, consisting of cells of protoplasm surrounded by a skeleton of limy material; they live in the ocean and their remains settle on the bottom as an ooze, e.g. globigerina ooze; some limestones are built up of their remains.

FORBES, ARCHIBALD, a noted war-correspondent, born in Morayshire; was educated at Aberdeen University; served in a cavalry regiment, acted as war-correspondent for the *Daily News* during the Franco-German war, and later went through the Serbian War, North-West India Frontier campaigns, and Zulu War (1839-1900).

FORBES, DUNCAN, of Culloden, a distinguished lawyer and patriotic politician, born in Buncrevy; was trained at Edinburgh and Leyden, and called to the Scottish bar in 1769; took an active part in putting down the rebellion of 1715, and in 1722 entered Parliament. Three years later he was appointed Lord Advocate and Lord President of the Court of Session; succeeded his brother in the estates of Culloden and Buncrevy; during the 1745 rebellion he was active in the Hanoverian interest, and did much to quell the uprising; Forbes was a devoted Scot, and unweariedly strove to allay the Jacobite discontent and to establish the country in peace, and used his great influence and wealth to further these ends, services which, in the end, impoverished him, and he received little or no recognition at the hands of the British Government (1685-1747).

FORBES, EDWARD, a noted naturalist, born in Douglas, in the Isle of Man; studied medicine at Edinburgh; in 1841 he accompanied the *Beacon* as naturalist, and returning in 1843 was elected to the chair of Botany in King's College, London; various geological appointments followed, and in 1852 he became President of the Geological Society, and two years later received the chair of Natural History in Edinburgh; Forbes was a prolific author, and his writings cover the whole field of natural science, to every section of which he made contributions of great value, especially in zoology, botany, and geology (1815-1856).

FORBES, JAMES DAVID, physicist, born in Edinburgh, the grandson of Sir William Forbes (q.v.); was called to the bar in 1830; physical science, however, was his ruling passion, and in 1833 he became professor of Natural Philosophy in Edinburgh University, from which he was called in 1859 to the Principalship of the United College, St. Andrews, in which he succeeded Sir David Brewster, whom he had defeated in obtaining the Edinburgh chair; he made some valuable contributions to natural science, including discoveries in the polarisation of heat and in regard to the motion of glaciers, to investigate which he travelled in Norway and in the Alps (1809-1868).

FORBES, SIR JOHN, physician, born in Cattlebrac, Banffshire; joined the navy as assistant-surgeon in 1807, and became M.D. of Edinburgh ten years later; practised at Penzance and Chichester, but finally settled at London in 1840, where he became physician to Queen Victoria; was for twelve years editor of the *British and Foreign Medical Review*, which he founded in 1836, and was joint-author of the "Cyclopaedia of Practical Medicine"; first to use the stethoscope in England (1787-1861).

FORBES, SIR WILLIAM, an eminent banker, son of a Scottish advocate and baronet, born in Edinburgh; became partner in the banking firm of Messrs. John Coutts & Co.; two years later a new company was formed, of which he rose to be manager, and which in 1830 became the Union Bank of Scotland; he was author of a Life of his friend Beattie, the Scottish poet, and of "Memoirs of a Banking-House" (1739-1806).

FORBES-ROBERTSON, SIR JOHNSTON, British actor. Trained as a lawyer, he turned his attention to the stage, joined the Bancroft company, and proving a success started managing on his own account. He appeared in several Shakespearean rôles and retired in 1913 (1853-).

FORD, EDWARD ONSLOW, sculptor; born in London; executed numerous statues and busts, of which examples are to be seen in the Tate Gallery, London (1852-1901).

FORD, HENRY, American motor manufacturer. He produced his first car in 1892, and in 1903 organised a company of his own at Detroit to exploit a cheap car, attaining a production of a million cars a year by 1920. By that time he was a millionaire, and a philanthropist. An ardent pacifist, he chartered a liner in 1915 to sail to Europe in an effort to stop the Great War (1863-).

FORD, JOHN, dramatist, born in Islington, North Devon; studied at Oxford, and entered the Middle Temple in 1602, but was never called to the bar; in 1606 appeared his first poetic work, "Fame's Memorial," an elegy on the death of the Earl of Devonshire, and for the next 33 years he was a prolific writer of plays, chiefly tragedies, collaborating in some cases with Dekker and Webster; "The Broken Heart" was greatly admired by Charles Lamb, and "Perkin Warbeck" is considered by Stopford Brooke the best historical drama after Shakespeare; there is little of the lighter graces about his work, and he is prone to go beyond the bounds of nature in his treatment of the tragic, but his grip on the greater human passions, and his power of moving presentment, are undoubted (1586-1639).

FORDUN, JOHN OF, a Scottish chronicler; lived in the 14th century; was a canon of Aberdeen Cathedral, and wrote a chronicle of Scottish history, bringing the story up to 1158; materials for further volumes, which he left, were utilised by Walter Bower, an abbot of Inchcolm, in the *Forth*, who

extended the account to 1437, but often tampered with Fordun's narrative; the work is the chief authority in Scottish history up to the time of which it treats.

FORELAND, NORTH AND SOUTH, two rocky promontories on the E. coast of Kent, which lie 16 m. apart; have the Downs and Goodwin Sands between them; they are well marked with light-houses.

FORENSIC MEDICINE, or MEDICAL JURISPRUDENCE, a branch of legal science in which the principles of medicine are applied to the purposes of the law, and originating out of the frequency with which medical points arise in the administration of justice, *e.g.* in murder trials and in cases where insanity is involved.

FOREST LAWS, laws enacted in ancient times for the purpose of guarding the royal forest lands as hunting preserves, which were up to the time of Henry III. of excessive harshness, death being a not infrequent penalty for any infringement. The privileges of forest (at one time the sole prerogative of the sovereign, but by him capable of being vested in another), which might include the right to the wild animals in the forests lying in the domains of a private estate, have now fallen into abeyance, as also the special Forest Courts, while many of the royal forests, which in Henry VIII.'s time numbered 69, have been disafforested.

FORFAR, the county town of Forfarshire, 14 m. N.E. of Dundee; manufactures linen; was once an important royal residence, and was made a royal burgh by David I.

FORFARSHIRE or ANGUS, a maritime county on the E. side of Scotland, lying N. of the Firth of Tay; Strathmore and the Carse of Gowrie are fertile valleys, where agriculture and cattle-rearing flourish, and which, with the Braes of Angus in the N. and the Sidlaw Hills to the S., make up a finely diversified county; jute and linen are the most important articles of manufacture, of which Dundee and Arbroath are centres; Forfarshire is a county particularly rich in antiquities—Roman remains, castles, priories, &c.

FORMALIN, a strong solution of formaldehyde in water containing methyl alcohol, used as an antiseptic and disinfectant.

FORMIC ACID, a colourless liquid with a pungent odour, first obtained by the distillation of red ants; it has a stinging effect upon the skin; formic acid is the simplest of the series of organic fatty acids.

FORMOSA, a large island off the coast of China, from which it is separated by the Fukien Channel, 90 m. broad. Formosa was ceded to Japan by the Chinese in 1895; it is an island of much natural beauty, and is traversed N. and S. by a fine range of hills; is famed for its bamboos, and exports coal, rice, tea, &c. Name also of a large territory in the Argentine bordering on Paraguay, very sparsely settled.

FORNARINA, a Roman lady of great beauty, a friend of Raphael, who frequently posed as a model to him.

FORRES, a royal burgh in Morayshire, on the Firth, 2 m. from the sea and 10 m. SW. of Elgin by railway; has ruins of a castle—once a royal residence—and a famous "Stan'in Stane," Sueno's Stone, 25 ft. high, placed in the year 900.

FORREST, EDWIN, American actor, born in Philadelphia; went on the stage at 14, and from the provinces made his way to New York, where his rendering of Othello at the age of 20 raised him to the front rank among actors; he made three tours in England, but during his last in 1846 he entirely lost the popular favour through his conduct in an embittered quarrel with Macready; after his final appearance on the stage in 1871 he continued for a short while to give Shakespearean readings; he was a tragedian of the highest order, and in his profession amassed a large fortune (1806-1872).

FORREST, JOHN, LORD, Australian statesman and explorer; born at Bunbury, W.A.; led Leichhardt relief expedition and made other trips into the interior; became premier of West Australia, 1890; minister for Home Affairs in Commonwealth Government, 1903-1904; raised to the peerage. 1918 (1847-1918)

FORS CLAVIGERA, the name given by Ruskin to a series of letters to workmen, written during the seventies of the last century, and employed by him to designate three great powers which go to fashion human destiny, viz., Force, wearing, as it were, (clava) the club of Hercules; Fortitude, wearing, as it were, (clavis) the key of Ulysses; and Fortune, wearing, as it were, (clavus) the nail of Lycurgus; that is to say, Faculty waiting on the right moment, and then striking in. See Shakespeare's "Time and tide in the affairs of men," &c., the "flood" in which is the "Third Form." The letters are represented as written at the dictation of the Third Fors, or, as it seems to the author, the right moment, or the occurrence of it.

FÖRSTER, ERNST, an art critic, brother of succeeding, author of a number of elaborate and important works bearing on the history of art in Germany and Italy; was the son-in-law of Jean Paul, whose works he edited, and to whose biography he made contributions of great value (1800-1886).

FÖRSTER, FRIEDRICH CHRISTOPH, German poet and historian; his poetic gifts were first called into exercise during the war of liberation, in which he served as a volunteer, and the series of spirited war-songs he then wrote procured him a widespread fame; afterwards he lived in Berlin, teaching in the school of artillery and subsequently becoming custodian of the Royal Art Museum; besides poems he wrote several historical and biographical works (1791-1868).

FÖRSTER, JOHANN GEORGE ADAM, naturalist, son of the succeeding; accompanied his father in the voyage with Cook, and contributed to the literature antecedent the expedition; subsequently became professor of Natural History at Cassel and at Wilna, and eventually librarian to the Elector of Mayence in 1788; his works are published in 9 vols. (1764-1794).

FÖRSTER, JOHANN REINHOLD, a German naturalist and traveller, born in Prussia; accompanied Captain Cook as a naturalist on his second expedition to the South Seas, in connection with which he wrote a volume of observations; died professor of Natural History and Mineralogy at Halle (1720-1798).

FÖRSTER, JOHN, a noted English writer, born in Newcastle; was educated for the bar, but took to journalism, and soon made his mark as a political writer in the *Examiner*; he subsequently edited the *Foreign Quarterly Review*, the *Daily News* (succeeding Dickens), and the *Examiner* (1847-1856); he was the author of several historical sketches, but his best-known works are the admirable biographies of Goldsmith, Landor, and Dickens (1812-1876).

FÖRSTER, WILLIAM EDWARD, statesman, born in Bradpole, Dorset, son of a Quaker; entered upon a commercial career in a worsted manufactory at Bradford, but from the first politics engaged his paramount attention, and in 1861 he became member of Parliament for Bradford; became in succession Under-Secretary for the Colonies, Vice-President of the Council of Education, and a Privy Councillor; his chief legislative measure was the Elementary Education Bill of 1870, which, as a member of Gladstone's Cabinet, he carried through Parliament, two years after which the Ballot Act was introduced by him; as Irish Secretary in 1880 he made an earnest effort to grapple with the Irish problem, but, losing the support of his colleagues over the imprisonment of Parnell and other Land League leaders, he resigned; he was married to Jane, eldest daughter of Dr. Arnold of Rugby (1818-1886).

FORT AUGUSTUS, a small village on the Caledonian Canal, 33 m. SW. of Inverness; the fort, built in 1716 and enlarged in 1730, was utilised as a barrack during the disturbances in the Highlands, but after being dismantled and again garrisoned down to 1857, it finally, in 1876, passed into the hands of the Benedictines (q.v.), who have converted it into an abbey and college.

FORT GARRY, the old Hudson Bay trading post which was the site of the city of Winnipeg.

FORT GEORGE, a fortress on the Moray Firth, 12 m. NE. of Inverness; was built in 1748, and is now the headquarters of the Seaforth Highlanders.

FORT SUMTER, an island fort in Charleston Harbour, S. Carolina, at which the first shot was fired in the American Civil War, in April, 1861.

FORT WILLIAM, a small police-burgh in Inverness-shire, 65 m. SW. of Inverness, near the southern end of the Caledonian Canal; the railway station stands on the site of the old fort, which in 1655 was built by Monk; a meteorological observatory was erected here in 1880.

FORTESCUE, SIR JOHN, an eminent English lawyer, born in Somersetshire; flourished in the 16th century; was called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn, and in 1442 became Lord Chief Justice of the Court of King's Bench; he was a staunch Lancastrian during the Wars of the Roses, and shared the exile of Queen Margaret and her son Edward, for whom he wrote in dialogue form his famous "De Laudibus Legum," a treatise still read; the fate of the Lancastrian cause was sealed on the field of Tewkesbury, and he himself was taken prisoner; he died at the advanced age of 90 (circa 1385-1475).

FORTH, a river of Scotland, formed by the junction of Duchray Water and the Avonduh, streams which rise one on Ben Lomond and the other on Ben Venue, and which, after 14 and 9 m., unite at Abertoyle; the river thence flows with many windings, called Links, through some of the fairest country of the eastern lowlands to Alloa (514 m.), where begins the Firth, which stretches 51 m. to the German Ocean, and which at Queensferry is spanned by a massive railway bridge known as the Forth Bridge (1882-1890).

FORTUNA, a Roman divinity, the goddess of luck, and especially good luck, to whom Servius Tullius, in acknowledgment of her favour to him, erected several temples in Rome; is represented in art as standing poised on a globe or a wheel, to express her inconstancy.

FORTUNATUS, a character in a popular German legend, who possessed a *purse*, out of which he was able to provide himself with money as often as he needed it, and a *cap*, by wearing which, and wishing to be anywhere, he was straightway taken there; these, by his own free election and choice, he conceded to him by the Upper Powers, and they proved a curse to him rather than a blessing, his finding out when too late that "the god Wish is not the true God."

FORTY THIEVES, a fraternity in the "Arabian Nights" who inhabited a secret den in a forest, the gate of which would open only to the magic word "Sesame."

FORUM, a public place in Rome and Roman cities where the courts of justice were held and popular assemblies met for civic business.

FOSCARI, FRANCESCO, a Doge of Venice from 1423 to his death; his reign was distinguished by the glories of conquest, but his life was embittered by the misfortunes of his sons, and the judicial tortures inflicted on one of them which he was compelled to witness; he died at the age of 87, broken-hearted; his story is the theme of one of Byron's tragedies (1370-1457).

FOSCOLO, UGO, an Italian patriot and author, born in Zante; his literary career began in Venice with the successful performance of his tragedy "Trieste," but on the Austrian occupation of the town he joined the French army; disappointed in the hope that France would unite with and free Italy, he returned to literary work in Milan, and in 1809 was called to the chair of Eloquence in Pavia; but the conquering Austrians again forced him to become a refugee, first in Switzerland and finally in England, where he died; he was the author of various essays, poems, &c., and of a translation of Sterne's "Sentimental Journey" (1778-1827).

FOSBWAY, THE, one of the great Roman military roads in Britain; its course has been traced from Rochester, in Somerset, through Lincoln to Northumberland.

FOSTER, MYLES BIRKET, a celebrated water-colour artist, born in North Shields; his earliest work was done in wood-engraving under the direction of Landells, and many of his sketches appeared in the *Illustrated London News*; following this he executed, in collaboration with John Gilbert, a series of illustrations for the works of Goldsmith, Cowper,

Scott, and other poets, in which he exhibited a rare skill in rural scenes; in 1861 he was elected a member of the Water-Colour Society (1825-1899).

FOSTER, JOHN, an English essayist, born in Halifax, Yorkshire; was trained for the Baptist ministry, and for 25 years officiated in various congregations, but met with little success; from 1817 he devoted himself solely to literature, and became a contributor to the *Eclectic Review*, for which he wrote no fewer than 184 articles; his best-known work is an "Essay on the Evils of Popular Ignorance," in which he advocates a system of national education (1770-1843).

FOTHERINGAY, a village in Northamptonshire, on the Nen, 9 m. SW. of Peterborough; the ruined castle there was the scene of the execution of Mary, Queen of Scots, in 1587.

FOUCAULT, JOHN BERNARD, a French physicist, born in Paris; distinguished for his studies in optics and problems connected with light; demonstrated the rate of the rotation of the globe by the oscillation of a pendulum (1819-1868).

FOUCHE, JOSEPH, Duke of Otranto, born in Nantes, a member of the National Convention, who voted for the death of Louis XVI.; became Minister of Police under Napoleon; falling into disfavour, was sent into exile, but recalled to Paris in 1814; advised Napoleon to abdicate at that time and again after Waterloo; served under Louis XVIII. for a period, but was obliged at length to quit France for good; died at Trieste (1754-1820).

FOULA, a high and rocky islet among the Shetlands, 32 in. W. of Lerwick; its sandstone cliffs on the NW. are 1220 ft. in height, and rise sheer from the water; it is sparsely peopled; fishing is the almost sole pursuit.

FOULD, ACHILLE, French statesman, born in Paris; entered political life in 1842; became an authority in finance, served in that capacity under Louis Napoleon (1800-1867).

FOULS, ROBERT AND ANDREW, celebrated printers; were brought up in Glasgow, where Robert, the elder, after practising as a barber, took to printing, and in 1743 became printer to the university; his press was far-famed for the beauty and accuracy of editions of the classics; Andrew was trained for the ministry, but subsequently joined his brother; an academy, started by the brothers in 1753 for engraving, moulding, &c., although a complete success artistically, involved them in expense, and eventually financial ruin; they have been called the "Scottish Elzevirs" (Robert, 1707-1778; Andrew, 1712-1775).

FOULON, a French financier, nicknamed the *Ame damnée*, familiar demon, of the Parlement de Paris prior to the Revolution; "once, when it was objected to some financial scheme of his, 'What will the people do?' made answer, 'The people may eat grass,'" words which the people never forgot; when attacked by them "he defended himself like a mad lion, but was borne down, trampled, hanged, and mangled;" his head thereafter paraded through the city on a pike and the mouth stuffed with grass (1715-1789).

FOUNDLING HOSPITALS are institutions for the rearing of children who have been deserted by their parents, and exist with varying regulations in most civilised countries; the first foundling hospital was established at Milan in 787, and others arose in Germany, Italy, and France before the 14th century; the Paris foundling hospital is a noted institution of the kind, and offers every encouragement for children to be brought in, and admits legitimate orphans and children pronounced incorrigible criminals by the court; the London foundling hospital founded by Captain Thomas Coram, which supports about 600 children, was moved from Guilford Street, London, to Redhill in 1823.

FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH, the magic fountain of which Sir John Mandeville wrote, as possessing the power to restore the aged to youth, which was believed to be on an island in the Bahamas group; Ponce de Leon, a Spanish adventurer, sailed to Florida in quest of it in the 16th century.

VILLE, ANTOINE QUENTIN, a merchant, born near Artois; member of

the Jacobin Club, Attorney-General of the Revolutionary Tribunal, purveyor of the guillotine; was guillotined himself after the fall of Robespierre (1747-1795).

FOURTH ESTATE, the daily press, so called by Edmund Burke, pointing, in the House of Commons, to the reporters' gallery.

FOURTH OF JULY, the anniversary of the declaration of American Independence in 1776.

FWLER, SIR JOHN, civil engineer, born in Sheffield; was actively engaged in the construction of numerous railways (notably the London and Brighton and Metropolitan), and in dock and bridge building; carried through important works in Egypt in 1885, and, with Sir B. Baker, he designed the Forth Bridge, on the completion of which he received a baronetcy (1817-1898).

FOX, CHARLES JAMES, an eminent Whig statesman, third son of Henry Fox, first Lord Holland, born in London; was educated at Eton and Oxford, and at the age of 19 sat in Parliament for Midhurst; under Lord North he held office, but quarrelled with the premier and went over to the Whigs, then led by Rockingham; here he came under the influence of Burke, and with him offered uncompromising opposition to the American War; in the Rockingham ministry which followed he was Foreign Secretary, and subsequently joined North in the short-lived coalition ministry of 1783; during the next 14 years he was the great opponent of Pitt's Government, and his brilliant powers of debate were never more effectively displayed than in his speeches against Warren Hastings and in the debates arising out of the French Revolution, in which he advocated a policy of non-intervention; his sympathy with the French revolutionaries cost him the friendship of Burke during a retirement of five years he wrote his "History of James II."; on Pitt's death in 1806 he again came into office as Foreign Secretary, but died shortly afterwards when about to plead in the House of Commons the cause of slave abolition; Fox stands in the front rank of our parliamentary debaters, and was a man of quick and generous sympathies, but the reckless dissipation of his private life diminished his popular influence, and probably accounts for the fact that he never reached the highest office of State (1749-1806).

FOX, GEORGE, the first of the Quakers, born in Fenny Drayton, Leicestershire; son of a poor weaver, and till his twentieth year plied the trade of a shoemaker; conceived, as he drudged at this task, that he had a call from above to withdraw from the world and give himself up to a higher ministry; stitched for himself one day a suit of leather, and so ensued wandered through the country, rapt in his thoughts and bearing witness to the truth that God had revealed to him; about 1646 began his crusade against the religion of mere formality, and called upon men to trust to the "inner light" alone; his quaint garb won him the title of "the man with the leather breeches," and his mode of speech with his "thous" and "thees" subjected him to general ridicule; but despite these eccentricities he by his earnestness gathered disciples about him who believed what he said and adopted his principles, and in the prosecution of his mission he visited Wales, Scotland, America, and various parts of Germany, not without results; he had no kindly feeling towards Cromwell, with whom he had three interviews; many years of his life were spent in prison, but his teaching drew him a large number of adherents; and Quaker centres were formed in Holland and Germany as well as in this country (1624-1691).

FOX, WILLIAM JOHNSON, religious and political orator, born near Southwold, Suffolk; was trained for the Independent ministry, but seceded to the Unitarians, and subsequently established himself as a preacher of pronounced rationalism at Finsbury; as a supporter of the Anti-Corn Law movement he won celebrity as an impassioned orator, and from 1847 to 1863 represented Oldham in Parliament; he was editor of the *Monthly Repository*, and a frequent contributor to the *Westminster Review*, and published various works on political and religious topics (1786-1864).

FOX, JOHN, martyrologist, born in Boston, Lincolnshire; in 1545 he resigned his Fellowship in Magdalen College, Oxford, on account of his espousing the doctrines of the Reformation, and for some years after he acted as a private tutor in noble families; during Queen Mary's reign he sought refuge on the Continent, where he formed acquaintance with Knox and other leading Reformers; he returned to England on the accession of Elizabeth, and was appointed a prebend in Salisbury cathedral, but his Nonconformist leanings precluded his further preferment; his most famous work is his "Book of Martyrs," first published in Latin on the Continent, the English version appearing in 1563 (1516-1587).

FOXTROT, a popular dance of American origin, introduced into England at the beginning of the century; it soon grew so much in favour that it temporarily ousted the waltz.

FOYERS, FALL OF, a fine cascade, having a fall of 165 ft., on the lower portion of the Foyers, a river of Inverness-shire, which enters Loch Ness on the E. side, 10 m. N.E. of Fort Augustus.

FRA DIAVOLO, properly Michele Pezza, or Pozza, chief of a band of Italian brigands, born in Calabria; leader in sundry Italian insurrections; was hanged at Naples for treachery, in spite of remonstrances from England; gave name to an opera by Auber, but only the name (1760-1806).

FRACAS TORO, GIROLAMO, a learned physician and poet, born in Verona; became professor of Dialectics at Padua in his twentieth year; subsequently practised as a physician, but eventually gave himself up to literature (1483-1553).

FRAGONARD, JEAN HONORE, a French artist, born in Grasse; gained the "prix de Rome" in 1752, and afterwards studied in Rome; was a member of the French Academy, and during the Revolution became keeper of the Musée; many of his paintings are in the Louvre, and are characterised by their free and luscious colouring (1732-1806).

FRANC, a silver coin ¹⁸⁷⁰ fine, the monetary unit of France since 1799, weighs 5 grammes and nominally equals about 91.2 in English currency (£1 = 25.2 francs); has been adopted by Belgium and Switzerland, while under other names a similar coin is in use in Spain (peseta), Italy (lira), and Greece (drachma). The economic upheaval following the Great War led to rapid currency inflation, reducing the nominal value of the coinage of most countries, though the old denominations were retained.

FRANCE, the land of the French, a nation standing in the front rank among the powers of Europe. It occupies a geographical position of peculiar advantage in the western portion of it, having a southern foreshore on the Mediterranean and a western and northern seaboard washed by the Atlantic and the English Channel, possessing altogether a coastline, rather undeveloped, however, of upwards of 2000 m., while to the E. it abuts upon Belgium, Germany, Switzerland, and Italy. It is divided into 87 departments, including Corsica. It is mainly composed of lowland and plateau, but has the Cevennes in the S., while the Pyrenées and Alps (with the Voges and Ardennes farther N.) lie on its southern and eastern boundaries. Rivers abound and form, with the splendid railway, canal, and telegraph systems, an unrivalled means of internal communication; but there are singularly few lakes. It enjoys on the whole a fine climate, which favours the vineyards in the centre (the finest in the world), the olive groves in the S., and the wheat and beetroot region in the N. There are also considerable iron deposits. Its manufactures, of which include silk, wine, and woollen goods, are of the best, and in fine artistic work it is without an equal. The colonies are together larger in area than the mother-country, and include Algeria, Madagascar, French India, and French Indo-China. The French are a people of keen intelligence, of bright, impulsive, and vivacious nature; urbane, cultured, and pleasure-loving in the cities, thrifty and industrious in the country; few races have given so rich a bequest to the literature and art of the world. Roman Catholicism is the dominant form of religion, but Protestantism and the Jewish

religion are also State supported, as also Mohammedanism in Algeria. Free compulsory education is in vogue. The Government is a Republic, and there are two chambers—a Senate and a Chamber of Deputies. Originally occupied by Celts, the country, then called Gallia, was conquered by the Romans between 58 and 51 B.C., who occupied it till the 4th century, when it was overrun by the Teutons, including the Franks, who became dominant; and about 870 the country, under Charles the Bold, became known as France. The unsettling effects of the great cataclysm of 1789 have been apparent in the series of political changes which swept across the country during the last century; within that time it was thrice a monarchy, thrice an empire, and thrice a republic. Between 1914 and 1918 it was attacked by the Central Allied Powers and was the scene of many battles in the Great War.

FRANCE, ANATOLE, pen name of Jacques Anatole Thibault, French novelist. Son of a Parisian bookseller, he published his first work in 1868, and soon made a name as a writer of satire. A master of language, he holds high place in modern French literature, particularly for short story writing (1844-1920).

FRANCESCA, PIETRO DELLA, an Italian painter, sometimes called Piero Borghese after his native place; did fresco-work in Florence and at Loretto; painted pictures for the Duke of Rimini, notably "The Flagellation"; was a friend of Raphael's father; some of his pictures are in the London National Gallery (1420-1492).

FRANCESCA DA RIMINI, a beautiful Italian lady of the 13th century, whose pathetic love story finds a place in Dante's "Inferno"; she was betrothed by her father, the Lord of Ravenna, to Giovanni di Rimini, but her affections were engaged by Paolo, his brother; the lovers were found together by Giovanni and murdered by him.

FRANCESCO DI PAOLA, or ST. FRANCIS OF PAOLA, founder of the order of the Minims, born in Paola, in Calabria; was trained in a Franciscan convent, but at the age of 19 took up his abode in a cave, where the severe purity and piety of his life attracted to him many disciples; subsequently he founded an ascetic brotherhood, first called the Hermits of St. Francis of Assisi, but afterwards changed to Minim-Hermits of St. Francis of Paola; he eventually lived in France, where convents were built for him and his brotherhood under royal patronage (1416-1507).

FRANCHE-COMTÉ, an ancient province in the E. of France, added to the crown of France in the reign of Louis XIV. at the peace of Nimeguen in 1671.

FRANCHISE, the right to elect members to Parliament. Originally confined to freeholders of land and the clergy, the right was extended under the Reform Bill of 1832. In 1885 votes were given to all males over 21 who were resident ratepayers, lodgers in unfurnished rooms rented at more than £10 a year, and certain classes of servant. Women, peers, and imbeciles were excluded. The Representation of the People Act of 1918 extended the vote to women over 30 and abolished all property qualifications, and in 1928 the franchise was further extended to women over 21.

FRANCIA, DR. JOSÉ GASPAR RODRIGUEZ DA, dictator of Paraguay, born near Asuncion, in Paraguay; graduated as a doctor of theology, but subsequently took to law, in the practice of which profession he was engaged for 30 years, and won a high reputation for ability and undeviating honesty; in the revolutionary uprising which spread throughout Spanish South America, Paraguay played a conspicuous part, and when in 1811 she declared her independence Francia was elected secretary of the first national junta, and two years later one of two consuls; eventually, in 1814, he became dictator, a position he held till his death; he ruled the country with a strong hand and with scrupulous, if somewhat rough, justice, making it part of his policy to allow no intercourse, political or commercial, with other countries; the country flourished under his rule, but fell into disorder after his death; he is the subject of a well-known essay by Carlyle, who finds him a man very much after his own heart (1757-1840).

FRANCIS, ST., OF ASSISI, founder of the Franciscan order, born in Assisi, in Umbria; began life as a soldier, but during a serious illness his thoughts were turned from earth to heaven, and he devoted himself to a life of poverty and self-denial, with the result that his enthusiasm provoked emulation, and some of his neighbours associated with him and formed a brotherhood, which gave rise to the order; St. Dominic and he were contemporaries, "the former teaching Christian men how to behave, and the latter what they should think"; each sent a little company of disciples to teach and preach in Florence, where their influence soon made itself felt (1182-1226).

FRANCIS, ST., OF SALES, bishop of Geneva, born in the château de Sales, near Amiens, founder of the Order of the Visitation; was sent to persuade the Calvinists of Geneva back to the Church of Rome, and applied himself zealously to the reform of his diocese and the monasteries (1567-1622).

FRANCIS FERDINAND, archduke of Austria and heir to the throne. His assassination at Sarajevo on June 28, 1914, led to the Great War (1863-1914).

FRANCIS JOSEPH, emperor of Austria and king of Hungary; succeeded to the throne in 1848 on the abdication of his uncle, Ferdinand I.; the Hungarian difficulty was the chief problem of the early part of his reign, with which he at first dealt in a spirit of harsh oppression, but after 1866 a milder policy was adopted, and the desire for national autonomy was met by the creation of a dual monarchy in 1867, Francis being crowned king of Hungary; he was on the throne when Austria declared war on Serbia in 1914 as a result of the murder of his nephew, the Archduke Francis, an act that led to the Great War; other important events were the cession of Lombardy to Sardinia in 1859 and of Venetia in 1866, after an unsuccessful war with Prussia; he grew steadily more unpopular as his reign wore on (1830-1916).

FRANCISCANS, or **MINORITES**, an order of monks founded by St. Francis of Assisi in 1208; according to Ruskin, they were the order that preached with St. James the gospel of Works as distinct from the Dominicans, who preached with St. Paul the gospel of Faith, and their gospel required three things: "to work without money and be poor, to work without pleasure and be chaste, and to work according to orders and be obedient"; these were the rules they were sworn to obey at first, but they gradually forsook the austerity they enjoined, acquired great wealth, instituted a highly sensuous ceremonial, and became invested with privileges which excited the jealousy of the regular clergy; with the order were associated a number of men eminent in the Church, and many no less so in philosophy, literature, and art.

FRANCK, SEBASTIAN, early German writer, born in Donsauwürth; from a Catholic priest became a Protestant, but fell into disfavour for promulgating the doctrine that regeneration of life is of more importance than reform of dogma, and in 1631 was banished from Strasburg; subsequently he became a soap-boiler and eventually a printer; his most noted work is his "Chronica," a rough attempt—the first in Germany—at a general history (1499-1542).

FRANCKE, AUGUST HERMANN, a German religious philanthropist, born in Lübeck; was professor of Oriental Languages and subsequently of Theology at Halle; he founded various educational institutions and a large orphanage, all of which still exist and afford education for some 8000 children annually; he was active in promoting Pietism, *q.v.* (1693-1727).

FRANCONIA, the name formerly applied to a loosely defined district in Central Germany (a portion of the kingdom known as Austria), which, as the home of the Franks, was regarded as the heart of the Holy Roman Empire; the emperors long continued to be crowned within its boundaries; subsequently it was divided into two duchies, East Franconia and Rhenish Franconia; the latter was abolished in 1501 and the former much diminished; from 1806 to 1837 the name had no official existence, but in 1837 the names Upper, Middle, and Lower Franconia were given to the three northern divisions of Bavaria.

FRANCO-PRUSSIAN WAR, started in July, 1870, by Napoleon III. Victory went to Prussia from the start, and the battle of Sedan sealed France's doom. Napoleon was made a prisoner, Paris was sieged, and France became a republic. In May, 1871, when the war ended, Alsace and Lorraine were ceded to Germany.

FRANC-TIREURS (*i.e.* free-shooters), French volunteers, chiefly peasants, who carried on a guerilla warfare against the Germans in the Franco-German War; were at first denied the status of regular soldiers by the Germans and mercilessly shot when captured, but subsequently, having joined in the movements of the regular army, they were when captured treated as prisoners of war.

FRANKENSTEIN, a student in the romance by Mrs. Shelley, who created a soulless monster, yet a being not without craving for human sympathy; this creature, purely animal and powerful for evil, eventually kills his creator. Popularly, though erroneously, the name is often applied to the monster itself who, in the story, is unnamed.

FRANKFORT-ON-THE-MAIN, one of the old free cities of Germany, a centre of importance under the Kaisers and the seat of the Diet of the Germanic Confederation, and one of the great banking cities of the world; it is the birthplace of the poet Goethe, and is associated with his early history.

FRANKFORT-ON-THE-ODER, a town of Prussia, in the province of Brandenburg, 51 m. S.E. of Berlin; is a well-built town; has a university incorporated with Breslau in 1811, and is actively engaged in the manufacture of machinery, chemicals, paper, &c.

FRANKLAND, SIR EDWARD, an eminent chemist, born in Churchtown, Lancashire; held successively the chairs of Chemistry in Owens College, in Bartholomew's Hospital, in the Royal Institution, in the Royal College of Chemistry, and in the Normal School of Science, South Kensington, the last of which he resigned in 1885; established with Kolbe the constitution of acetic acid, published various works, and was engaged with Lockyer in researches on the atmosphere of the sun (1825-1899).

FRANKLIN, under the feudal system a freeholder of land owing fealty to the sovereign alone; subsequently the term was applied to what may be regarded as a yeoman farmer.

FRANKLIN, BENJAMIN, born in Boston, was the youngest son of a tallow-chandler and one of a family of 17; received a meagre education, and at the age of 12 became apprenticed to his brother, a printer and proprietor of a small newspaper, to whose columns he began to contribute; but subsequently quarrelling with him made his way almost penniless to Philadelphia, where he worked as a printer; in 1724 he came to England under promises of assistance, which were not fulfilled, and for 18 months laboured at his printing trade in London, when he returned to Philadelphia, and there, by steady industry, won a secure position as a printer and proprietor of the *Pennsylvania Gazette*; in 1732 began to appear his *Poor Richard's Almanac*, which, with its famous maxims of prudent philosophy, had a phenomenal success; four years later he entered upon a public career, rising through various offices to the position of Deputy Postmaster-General for the Colonies, and sitting in the Assembly; carried through important political missions to England in 1757 and 1764, and was prominent in the deliberations which ended in the declaration of American independence in 1776; he visited France and helped to bring about the French alliance, and made an unavailing effort to bring in Canada, and, as American minister, signed the Treaty of Independence in 1783; was subsequently minister to France, and was twice unanimously elected President of Pennsylvania; his name is also associated with discoveries in natural science, notably the discovery of the identity of electricity and lightning, which he achieved by means of a kite; received degrees from Oxford and Edinburgh Universities, and was elected an F.R.S.; in 1730 he married Deborah Reid, by whom he had two children (1706-1790).

FRANKLIN, SIR JOHN, a famous Arctic explorer, born in Spilsby, Lincolnshire; entered the navy in 1800; was a midshipman; was present at the battle of Copenhagen; shortly afterwards accom-

panied an expedition, under Captain Flinders, to explore and survey the coasts of Australia; was wrecked, and returned home on board the *Camden* as a signal-midshipman; he subsequently distinguished himself at the battle of Trafalgar, and took part in the attack on New Orleans; in 1818 he was second in command of an expedition sent out under Captain Buchan to discover a North-West Passage, which, although unsuccessful, contributed to reveal Franklin's admirable qualities as a leader, and in 1819 he was chosen to head another Arctic expedition, which, after exploring the Beakatchewan and Coppermine Rivers and adjacent territory, returned in 1822; Franklin was created a post-captain, and for services in a further expedition in search of a North-West Passage was, in 1829, knighted; after further services he was in 1845 put in command of an expedition, consisting of the *Erebus* and *Terror*, for the discovery of the North-West Passage; the expedition never returned, and for many years a painful interest was manifested in the various expeditions (17 in all) which were sent out to search for the lost party; many relics of this unfortunate explorer were found, demonstrating the discovery of the North-West Passage, but the story of his fate has never been precisely ascertained (1786-1845).

FRANKS, the name given in the 3rd century to a confederation of Germanic tribes, who subsequently grouped themselves into two main bodies called the Salians and the Ripuarians, the former dwelling on the Upper Rhine, and the latter on the Middle Rhine. Under their king, Clovis, the Salians overran Central Gaul, subjugating the Ripuarians, and extending their territory from the Scheldt to the Loire, whence in course of time they generally developed the kingdom of France. The Franks were of a tall and martial bearing, and thoroughly democratic in their political instincts.

FRANZ, ROBERT, musical composer, born in Halle; his first songs appeared in 1843, and were cordially appreciated by Mendelssohn and other masters. In 1868 ill-health forced him to resign his musical appointments in Halle, but by the efforts of Liatz, Joachim, and others, funds were raised by means of concerts to ensure him a competence for life; he published upwards of 250 songs (1815-1892).

FRANZENSBAD, or FRANZENSDORF, a watering-place in Czechoslovakia, 3 m. NW. of Eger; is 1460 ft. above sea-level, amidst a mountainous country; is much frequented by invalids for its mineral springs.

FRANZ-JOSEF LAND, an archipelago in the Arctic Ocean, N. of Nova Zembla; was discovered and partly explored in 1873-1874 by Payer and Weyprecht, and named in honour of the Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria; consists of two main divisions, Wilczek Land to the E. and Zichy Land to the W., between which runs Austria Sound. Arctic animals are found in good numbers. It is considered an excellent base for expeditions in quest of the North Pole.

FRASER, ALEXANDER CAMPBELL, philosopher, born in Ardchattan, Argyllshire; after a university training at Edinburgh and Glasgow he entered the Free Church; was for a brief term Free Church minister of Crumond, from which he was transferred to a chair in the Free Church College, but in 1856 succeeded Sir William Hamilton as professor of Logic and Metaphysics at Edinburgh, a position he held till 1891, when he resigned; his writings include the standard edition of Berkeley, with notes and a life, monographs on Locke and Berkeley in the series of "Philosophical Classics," and two vols. on the "Philosophy of Theism," being the Gifford Lectures delivered 1895-1896 (1819-1914).

FRASER, JAMES, bishop of Manchester, born near Cheltenham, became a Fellow of Oriel after graduating with highest honours, and in 1847 was appointed to a college living; he issued in 1862-1864 valuable reports on education in Canada and the United States after visiting these countries; and in 1870 was appointed bishop by Gladstone; his strong sense and wide sympathy and interest in the labour questions won him universal respect (1818-1885).

FRASER RIVER, the chief river of British Columbia (named after Simon Fraser, the explorer, in 1808),

is formed by the junction near Fort George of two streams, one rising in the Rockies, the other flowing out of the Lakes Stuart and Fraser; it discharges into the Georgian Gulf, 800 m. below Fort George. Rich deposits of gold are found in the lower basin, and an active industry in salmon-catching and canning is carried on.

FRATICELLI (i.e. Little Brethren), a religious sect which arose in Italy in the 18th century, and continued to exist until the close of the 18th. They were an offshoot from the Franciscans (q.v.), who sought in their lives to enforce more rigidly the laws of St. Francis, and declined to accept the pontifical explanations of monastic rules; ultimately they broke away from the authority of the Church, and despite the efforts of various popes to reconcile them, and the bitter persecutions of others, maintained a separate organisation, going the length of appointing their own cardinals and pope, having declared the Church in a state of apostasy. Their régime of life was of the severest nature; they begged from door to door their daily food, and went clothed in rags.

FRAUENHOFER, JOSEPH VON, German optician, born in Straubing, Bavaria; after serving an apprenticeship as a glass-cutter in Munich, he rose to be manager of an optical institute there, and eventually attained to the position of professor in the Academy of Sciences; his name is associated with many discoveries in optical science as well as inventions and improvements in the optician's art; but he is chiefly remembered for his observation of the dark lines in the solar spectrum, since called after him the Fraunhofer lines (1787-1826).

FRAUENHOFER LINES, the fine black lines crossing the solar spectrum, first observed by Wollaston in 1802, and later studied by Fraunhofer (above); the lines correspond to the wave-lengths of light absorbed in the reversing layer of the sun.

FRASER, SIR JAMES GEORGE, British anthropologist and writer. Born in Glasgow he made a study of mythology and folklore, and published in 1890 "The Golden Bough," a monumental study of comparative religion. He was knighted in 1914 (1854-).

FREDEGONDA, wife of Chilperic I. of Neustria; a woman of low birth, but of great beauty and insatiable ambition, who scrupled at no crime to attain her end; made away with Galswintha, Chilperic's second wife, and superseded her on the throne; slew Silebert, who had been sent to avenge Galswintha's death, and imprisoned Brunhilda, her sister, of Austrasia, and finally assassinated her husband and governed Neustria in the name of her son, Clotaire II (543-597).

FREDERICK I., surnamed *Barbarossa* (Red-beard), of the house of Swabia, emperor of the Holy Roman Empire (q.v.) from 1152 till 1190; "a magnificent, magnificent man, the greatest of all the Kaisers"; his reign is the most brilliant in the annals of the empire, and he himself among the most honoured of German heroes; his vast empire he ruled with iron rigour, quelling its rival factions and extending his sovereign rights to Poland, Hungary, Denmark, and Burgundy; the great struggle of his reign, however, was with Pope Alexander III. and the Lombard cities, whose right to independence he acknowledged by the treaty of Constance (1183); he "died some unknown sudden death" at 70 in the crusade against Saladin and the Moslem power; his lifelong ambition was to secure the independence of the empire, and to subdue the States of Italy to the imperial sway (1128-1190).

FREDERICK II., called the Wonder of the World, grandson of the preceding; he was crowned emperor in 1216, at Aix-la-Chapelle, having driven Otto IV. from the throne; he gave much attention to the consolidating of his Italian possessions, encouraged learning and art, founded the university of Naples, and had the laws carefully codified; in these attempts at harmonising the various elements of his empire he was opposed by the Papal power and the Lombards; in 1228 he gained possession of Jerusalem, of which he crowned himself king; his later years were spent in struggles with the Papal and Lombard powers, and darkened by the treachery of his son Henry and of an intimate friend; he was

a man of outstanding intellectual force and learning, but lacked the moral greatness of his grandfather (1194-1250).

FREDERICK III. German emperor, born in Potsdam; bred for the army; rose to high command; did signal service at Königsgratz in 1860, and again in 1870 in the Franco-German War; married the Princess Royal of England; succeeded his father, but fell a victim to a serious throat malady after a reign of only 101 days (1881-1888).

FREDERICK V. Electoral Prince Palatine; succeeded to the Palatinate in 1610, and three years later married Elizabeth, daughter of James I. of England; an attempt to head the Protestant union of Germany and his usurpation of the crown of Bohemia brought about his ruin and expulsion from the Palatinate in 1620 by the Spaniards and Bavarians; he took refuge in Holland, but two years later his principality was given to Bavaria by the emperor (1606-1682).

FREDERICK III. of Denmark, succeeded to the throne in 1648; during his reign the arrogance and oppression of the nobles drove the commons, headed by the clergy, to seek redress of the king by proclaiming the constitution a hereditary and absolute monarchy (1609-1670).

FREDERICK V. of Denmark, ascended the throne in 1746; during his reign Denmark made great progress, manufactures were established, commerce extended, while science and the fine arts were liberally patronised (1723-1766).

FREDERICK VI. of Denmark, became regent in 1784 during the insanity of his father, who died in 1808; his reign is noted for the abolition of feudal serfdom and the prohibition of the slave-trade in Danish colonies, and the granting of a liberal constitution in 1811; while his participation in the maritime confederation between Russia, Sweden, and Prussia led to the destruction of the Danish fleet off Copenhagen in 1800 by the British, and his sympathy and alliance with Napoleon brought about the bombardment of Copenhagen in 1807, and the cession of Norway to Sweden in 1814 (1768-1839).

FREDERICK I. first king of Prussia, third elector of Brandenburg, and son of the Great Elector Frederick-William, whom as elector he succeeded in 1688; he extended his territory by purchase; supported William of Orange in his English expedition, and lent assistance to the Grand Alliance against France, for which he received the title of king of Prussia, being crowned such in Königsberg in 1701; he was "an expensive Herr, and much given to magnificent ceremonies, etiquettes, and solemnities" (1657-1713).

FREDERICK II. king of Prussia from 1740 to 1786, surnamed "The Great," grandson of the preceding, and nephew of George I. of England, born in Berlin; the irksome restraints of his early military education induced him to make an attempt, which failed, to escape to England, an episode which incensed his father, and nearly brought him to the scaffold; after his marriage in 1733 he resided at Rheinsburg, indulging his taste for music and French literature, and corresponding with Voltaire; he came to the throne with the ambition of extending and consolidating his power; from Austria, after two wars (1740-1744), he wrested Silesia, and again fought the empire in the Seven Years' War (1756-1763), while in 1776 by force of arms he acquired the duchy of Franconia; as administrator he was eminently efficient, the country flourished under his rule; his many wars imposed no debt on the nation; national industries were fostered, and religious toleration encouraged (1713-1786).

FREDERICK CHARLES, PRINCE, nephew of William I. of Germany; bred for the army; distinguished himself in the wars against Denmark and Austria, and in the Franco-German War (1828-1886).

FREDERICK-WILLIAM I. king of Prussia, born in Berlin, ascended the throne in 1713; in 1720, at the peace of Stockholm, he received part of Pomerania with Stettin for espousing the cause of Denmark in her war with Russia and Poland against Sweden; the rest of his reign was passed in improving the internal conditions of his country and her military resources (1688-1740).

FREDERICK-WILLIAM II. king of Prussia, nephew of Frederick the Great (q.v.); succeeded to the throne in 1786, but soon lost favour by indolence and favouritism; in 1788 the freedom of the press was withdrawn, and religious freedom curtailed; he involved himself in a weak and vacillating foreign policy, wasting the funds accumulated by his uncle in a useless war with Holland; at the partition of Poland in 1793 and 1795 various districts were added to the kingdom (1744-1797).

FREDERICK-WILLIAM III. king of Prussia from 1797 till 1840; incited by the queen and the commons he abandoned his position of neutrality towards Napoleon and declared war in 1806; defeat followed at Jena and in other battles, and by the treaty of Tilsit (1807) Prussia was deprived of half her possessions; under the able administration of Stein the country began to recover itself, and a war for freedom succeeded in breaking the power of France at the victory of Leipzig (1813), and at the treaty of Vienna (1815) her lost territory was restored; his remaining years were spent in consolidating and developing his dominions, but his policy was sometimes reactionary in its effects (1770-1840).

FREDERICK-WILLIAM IV. king of Prussia from 1840 till 1861; his reign is marked by the persistent demands of the people for a constitutional form of government, which was finally granted in 1850; a year previous he had declined the imperial crown offered by the Frankfort Diet; in 1857 he became insane, and his brother was appointed regent (1795-1861).

FREDERICTON, the capital of New Brunswick, Canada, situated on the river St. John; is the seat of a bishopric and an important university; has an extensive lumber trade.

FREDERIKSHALD, a fortified seaport of Norway, 65 m. S.E. of Christiania; was burnt in 1826, but handsomely restored in modern style; timber is the main trade; in the immediate neighbourhood is the impregnable fortress of Frederiksteen, associated with the death of Charles XII. of Sweden, who fell fighting in the trenches before its walls in 1718.

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, an ecclesiastical body formed by those who left the Established Church in 1843 on the ground that they were not free in their connection with the State to enforce certain obligations which they considered lay on them as a Church of Christ, to whom, and not to the State, they held themselves as a Church subject.

FREE CITIES OF GERMANY, were cities which enjoyed sovereign rights within their own walls, independent representation in the Diet, and owed allegiance solely to the emperor. Their internal government was sometimes democratic, sometimes the opposite. Their peculiar privileges were obtained either by force of arms, by purchase, or by gift of the emperors, who found in them a convenient means of checking the power of their feudal lords. Most of them lost their privileges in 1803, but Frankfort-on-Main continued to be independent until 1866, and Hamburg, Lübeck, and Bremen until 1871.

FREE PORT, name given to a port at which ships of all nations may discharge or load cargo without payment of customs or other duties, save harbour dues. They were created in various Continental countries during the Middle Ages for the purpose of stimulating trade, but the system of bonded warehousing has superseded them.

FREE SOILERS, a political party which arose in the United States in 1848 to oppose slave-extension. In 1856 their principles were adopted and the party absorbed in the newly-formed Republican party.

FREE TRADE, the name given to the commercial policy of England, which was first elaborately set forth with cogent reasoning by Adam Smith in his "Wealth of Nations," and of which the repeal of the Corn Laws in 1846 was the first step towards its adoption. Strictly used, the term is applicable only to international or foreign trade, and signifies a policy of strict non-intervention in the free competition of foreign goods with home goods in the home markets. Differential duties, artificial en-

couragements (e.g. bounties, drawbacks), to the home producer, all of which are characteristic of a protective system of trading, are withheld, the belief being entertained by free-traders that the industrial interests of a country are best served by permitting the capital to flow into those channels of trade into which the character and resources of the country naturally dispose it to do, and also by bringing the consumer as near as possible to the cheapest producer. But it is not considered a violation of the Free Trade principles to impose a duty for revenue purposes on such imported articles as have no home competitor, e.g. tea.

FREEMAN, EDWARD AUGUSTUS, historian, born at Mitchley Abbey, Staffordshire; was a Fellow of Trinity College, Oxford; examiner in the School of Law and Modern History; in 1884 he was elected Regius Professor of Modern History at Oxford; most of his life was spent in country retirement at Somerleaze, varied by Continental travel; he was the author of many scholarly works ranging over the whole field of history, his fame, however, mainly resting on his great "History of the Norman Conquest" (1923-1892).

FREEMASONRY, in modern times is the name given to a world-wide institution of the nature of a friendly benevolent society, having for its objects the promotion of social intercourse amongst its members, and, in its own language, "the practice of moral and social virtue," the exercise of charity being particularly commended. By a peculiar grip of the hand and certain passwords members are enabled to recognise each other, and the existence of masonic lodges in all countries enables the freemason to find friendly intercourse and assistance wherever he goes. Its origin is found in the masonic brotherhoods of the Middle Ages, and some of the names, forms, and symbols of these old craft guilds are still preserved. In an age when great cathedrals and monasteries were rapidly springing up masons were in great demand, and had to travel from place to place, hence signs were adopted by which true masons might be known amongst each other and assisted. The idea of utilising this secret method of recognition for general, social, and charitable purposes, without reference to the mason's craft, seems to have originated in the Edinburgh Lodge, where, in 1800, speculative or theoretical masons were admitted. In its present form of organisation it dates back to 1813, when the "United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England" was formed. The Grand-Master is always a member of the Royal Family.

FRIEPORT, SIR ANDREW, a London merchant; a member of the Imaginary club under whose auspices the *Spectator* was issued.

FRIEBERG, in the centre of the Saxon mining district, 20 m. SW. of Dresden; is an old town, which arose upon the discovery of its silver mines in 1163. It has a fine old cathedral, and a famous school of mines; the manufactures comprise gold and silver work, wire, chemicals, &c.

FRIEBURG, (1) a Swiss canton between Bern and Vaud, and having three slaves in the latter; the population consists chiefly of French Catholics; is hilly; dairy-farming, watch-making, and straw-plaiting are the chief industries. (2) Capital of the canton, is situated on the Saane, 19 m. SW. of Bern; the river is spanned by a suspension bridge, and there is an old Gothic cathedral with one of the finest-tuned organs in Europe.

FRIEBURG, in Breisgau, an important town in Baden, at the W. side of the Black Forest, and 32 m. N.E. of Basel; has a Gothic cathedral famous for its architectural beauty, and a university; has important manufactures in silk, cotton, thread, paper, &c.; is the seat of a Catholic archbishop, and is associated with many stirring events in German history.

FRIELIGRATH, FERDINAND, a popular German poet, born in Detmold; was engaged in commerce in his early years, but the success of a small collection of poems in 1838 induced him to adopt a literary career; subsequently his democratic principles, expressed in stirring verse, involved him in trouble, and in 1846 he became a refugee in London; he was permitted to return in 1848, and shortly afterwards was the successful defendant in a

celebrated trial for the publication of his poem "The Dead to the Living," after which fresh prosecution drove him to London in 1851, where, till his return in 1868, he engaged in poetical work, translating Burns, Shakespeare, and other English poets (1810-1876).

FREISCHÜTZ (i.e. Freshooter), a legendary hunter who made a compact with the devil whereby of seven balls six should infallibly hit the mark, and the seventh be under the direction of the devil, a legend which was rife among German troops in the 18th and 14th centuries, and has given name to one of Weber's operas.

FREEMANTLE, a seaport town in West Australia, on the Swan River, 12 m. from Perth; the first ingoing and outgoing port of call for steamships; has saw-mills and soap and leather factories.

FREMONT, JOHN CHARLES, an American explorer, born in Savannah, Georgia; at first a teacher of mathematics in the navy, subsequently took to civil-engineering and surveying; in 1848 explored the Mouth Pass of the Rockies, and proved the practicability of an overland route; explored the Great Salt Lake, the watershed between the Mississippi and Pacific, and the upper reaches of the Rio Grande; he rendered valuable services in the Mexican War, but was deprived of his candidacy for disobedience; after unsuccessful standing for the Presidency in the anti-slavery interest, he again served in the army as major-general; a scheme for a southern railway to the Pacific brought him into trouble with the French government in 1873, when he was tried and condemned for fraud, unjustly it would seem; from 1878 to 1882 he was governor of Arizona; he was the recipient of distinctions from various geographical societies (1813-1890).

FRENCH, JOHN DENTON FINESTONE, VISCOUNT YPRES, British general. He first entered the navy, but transferred to the army in 1874, seeing service in Egypt. He was given command of the cavalry in the Boer War, was made a major-general and established his reputation at Kimberley and Bloemfontein. When a field-marshal in 1914 he resigned on account of the incident at the Curragh, but he was appointed to lead the British Expeditionary Force in August, and was in command at Mons, the Marne, the Aisne, and the first battle of Ypres. In 1916 he was superseded by Haig, and in 1918 became viceroy of Ireland, a position he held throughout the troubled post-war years (1862-1926).

FRENCH REVOLUTION, the great upheaval in France at the end of the 18th century, which was caused by the evils of the taxation and land-owning system, which oppressed the lower classes, and the influence of Rousseau on the middle classes who demanded a greater share of government. The disorganised state of national finances compelled Louis XVI. to call the States-General in May, 1789, for the first time for many years, and the Third Estate broke away the following month to form the National Assembly. In July the Paris mob stormed the Bastille, and forced the Royal Family to Paris. A new body called the Legislative Assembly was formed in 1791, but the mob began to acquire the upper hand, and overthrew the monarchy in 1792. France being declared a republic. In 1793 a committee of Public Safety was formed and the Reign of Terror started, the king and Robespierre, one of the leaders of the revolution, being among the victims of the guillotine. A Directory was formed in 1795, and in 1799 Napoleon Bonaparte became Consul, and ultimately Emperor.

FRERE, SIR HENRY BARTLE EDWARD, a distinguished diplomatist and colonial governor, born near Aberavenny; entering the East India Company in 1834, he rendered important services as administrator in Malakka and as Resident in Sattara in 1847; as the chief-commissioner in Sind he did much to open up the country by means of canals, roads, &c.; during the Mutiny, which arrested these works of improvement, he distinguished himself by the prompt manner in which he suppressed the rising in his own province; from 1862 to 1867 he was governor of Bombay; in 1867 was knighted, and five years later carried through important diplomatic work in Zanzibar, signing

the treaty abolishing the slave-trade; his last appointment was as governor of the Cape and High-Commissioner for the settlement of South African affairs; the Kaffir and Zulu Wars involved him in trouble, and in 1880 he was recalled, having effected little (1815-1884).

FREE, JOHN HOOKHAM, English politician and author, born in London, uncle of the preceding; he was a staunch supporter of Pitt, and in 1799 became Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs; a year later he was envoy to Lisbon, and subsequently minister to Spain; in 1821 he retired to Malta, where he devoted himself to scholarly pursuits, twice declining a peerage; in his early days he was a contributor to the *Anti-Jacobin*, and shares with his school-fellow Canning the authorship of the "Needy Knife-Grinder"; but he is best known by his fine translations of some of Aristophanes' plays (1769-1846).

FRESCO, the art of painting on walls freshly laid with plaster, or which have been damped so as to permit of the colour sinking into the lime; there were two methods, the *fresco secco* and the *fresco buon*; in the first the wall was sprinkled with water, and the colours were then worked into the damp surface; in the second process, in which finer and more permanent effects were obtained, the artist worked upon the fresh plaster of the wall (which was laid for him as he proceeded), pouncing or tracing his designs with a stylus; only colours which are natural earths can be employed, as they require to be mixed with lime ere being applied, and are subject to the destroying effect of that substance; as a method of mural decoration it was known to the ancients, and some of the finest specimens are to be seen in the Italian cathedrals of the 14th and 15th centuries; the art is still in vogue, but can only be practised successfully in a dry climate.

FRESNEL, AUGUSTIN JEAN, French physicist, born in Brugle, Eure; as an engineer he rose to be head of the Department of Public Works at Paris; in 1825 he was elected an R. S. of London; he made discoveries in optical science which helped to confirm the undulatory theory of light, also invented a compound lighthouse lens (1788-1827).

FRESNO, a town in California, on the Southern Pacific Railway, 207 m. SE. of San Francisco; the surrounding district, extensively irrigated, produces abundance of fruit, and raisins and wine are largely exported.

FREUD, SIGISMUND, Austrian psychologist, founder of the study of psycho-analysis; professor at Vienna; he applied his methods successfully to many cases of nervous disorders; he has written several books on dreams and nervous diseases (1856-).

FREUD, WILHELM, German philologist, born at Kempen in Posen; studied education at Berlin and Breslau, and was chiefly occupied in teaching till 1870, when he retired in order to devote himself to his literary pursuits; besides classical school-books and some works on philology, he compiled an elaborate Latin dictionary in 4 vols., which has been the basis of the standard English-Latin dictionaries since (1806-1894).

FREYJA. See FRIGGA.

FREYR, figures in the Scandinavian mythology as the god who rules the rain and sunshine, and whose gifts were peace, wealth, and abundant harvests; the wooing of Gerda, daughter of the giant Gymer, by Freyr is one of the most beautiful stories in the northern mythology; his festival was celebrated at Christmas, and his first temple was built at Upsala by the Swedes, who especially honoured him.

FREYTAG, GUSTAV, abbeismont German novelist and dramatist, born in Kreuzburg, Silesia; from 1889 was teacher of German language and literature at Breslau, and became editor of a journal, a position he held till 1870; was a member of the North German Diet, and accompanied the Crown Prince during the war of 1870-1871; from 1879 resided at Wiesbaden; his many novels and plays and poems, which reveal a powerful and realistic genius, place him in the front rank of modern German literature; several of his novels have been translated into English, amongst them his masterpieces, "Soll und Haben" (Debt and Credit) (1816-1895).

FRIAR (i.e. brother), a name applied generally to members of religious brotherhoods, but in its strict significance indicating an order lower than that of priest, the latter being called "father"; a friar differed from a monk in that he travelled about, whereas the monk remained secluded in his monastery; in the 13th century arose the Grey Friars or Franciscans, the Black Friars or Dominicans, the White Friars or Carmelites, Augustinians or Austin Friars, and later the Crutched Friars or Trinitarians.

FRIAR JOHN, a friar of Seville, in Rabelais' "Pantagruel," notorious for his irreverence in the discharge of his religious duties and for his lewd, lusty ways.

FRIAR TUCK, Robin Hood's chaplain and steward, introduced by Scott into "Ivanhoe" as a kind of clerical Falstaff.

FRIDAY, the young savage, the attendant of Robinson Crusoe in Defoe's story, so called as discovered on a Friday.

FRIDAY, the sixth day of the week, so called as consecrated to Freya or Friga, the wife of Odin; is proverbially a day of ill luck; held sacred among Catholics as the day of the crucifixion, and the Mohammedan Sunday in commemoration as the day on which, as they believe, Adam was created.

FRIEDLAND, VALENTIN, an eminent scholar and educationist, born in Upper Luwatta; friend of Luther and Melancthon; his fame as a teacher attracted to Goldberg, in Silesia, where he taught, pupils from far and near; the secret of his success lay in his inculcating in his pupils respect for their own honour; had a great faith in the intelligence that evinced itself in clear expression (1490-1556).

FRIENDLY ISLANDS, islands of the S. Pacific, some 180 in number, mostly of coral or volcanic origin, of which 30 are inhabited, the natives rank high among the South Sea islanders for intelligence. See TONGA ISLANDS.

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES, associations of individuals for the purpose of mutual benefit in sickness and distress; of old and wide-spread institution and under various names and forms.

FRIENDS, SOCIETY OF, a community of Christians popularly known as Quakers, founded in 1648 by George Fox (q.v.), distinguished for their plainness of speech and manners, and differing from other sects chiefly in the exclusive deference they pay to the "inner light," and their rejection of both clergy and sacrament as media of grace; they refuse to take oath, and are opposed to war and slavery.

FRIENDS OF THE PEOPLE, an association formed as far back as 1792 to secure by constitutional means parliamentary reform.

FRIES, JAKOB FRIEDRICH, a German Kantian philosopher; was professor at Jena; aimed at reconciling the Kantian philosophy with Faith, or the intuitions of the Pure Reason (1773-1843).

FRIESLAND, the most northerly province of Holland, with a rich soil; divided into East and West Friesland; low-lying and pastoral; protected by dykes.

FRIGGA, a Scandinavian goddess, the wife of Odin; worshipped among the Saxons as a goddess mother; was the earth deified, or the Norse Demeter.

FRIISIANS, a Low German people, who occupied originally the shores of the North Sea from the mouths of the Rhine and Ems; distinguished for their free institutions; tribes of them at one time invaded Britain, where traces of their presence may still be noted.

FRITH, WILLIAM POWELL, an English painter, born near Ripon, Yorkshire; his works are numerous, his subjects varied and interesting, and his most popular pictures, such as "Derby Day" and "The Railway Station," have brought large sums (1819-1909).

FRITZ, FATHER, name given to Frederick the Great by his subjects.

FROBISHER, SIR MARTIN, famous English sailor and navigator, born near Doncaster; thrice over enthusiastically essayed the discovery of the North-West Passage under Elizabeth; accompanied Drake to the West Indies; was knighted for his services against the Armada; conducted several expeditions against Spain; was mortally wounded when leading an attack on Brest, and died on his passage home (1556-1594).

FROEBEL, FRIEDRICH, a devoted German educationist on the principles of Pestalozzi, which combined physical, moral, and intellectual training, commencing with the years of childhood; was the founder of the famous *Kindergarten* system (1782-1852).

FROGMORE, a royal residence and mausoleum in Windsor Park, the burial-place of Prince Albert.

FROISSART, JEAN, a French chronicler and poet, born in Valenciennes; visited England in the reign of Edward III., at whose Court, and particularly with the Queen, he became a great favourite for his tales of chivalry, and whence he was sent to Scotland to collect more materials for his chronicles, where he became the guest of the king and the Earl of Douglas; after this he wandered from place to place, ranging as far as Venice and Rome, to add to his store; he died in Flanders; his chronicles, which extend from 1222 to 1400, are written without order, but with grace and *naïveté* (1337-1410).

FROMENTIN, EUGENE, an eminent French painter and author, born in Rochelle; was the author of two travel-sketches, and a brilliant novel "Dominiqne" (1820-1876).

FRONDE, a name given to a revolt in France opposed to the Court of Anne of Austria and Mazarin during the minority of Louis XIV. The war which arose, and which was due to the despotism of Mazarin, passed through two phases; it was first a war on the part of the people and the parlement, called the Old Fronde, which lasted from 1648 till 1649, and then a war on the part of the nobles, called the New Fronde, which lasted till 1652, when the revolt was crushed by Turenne to the triumph of the royal power. The name is derived from the mimic fights with slings in which the boys of Paris indulged themselves, and which even went so far as to beat back at times the civic guard sent to suppress them.

FRONTENAC, LOUIS, COMTE DE, governor-general of French Canada, 1672-1682, and 1689-1698 (1620-1698).

FROUDE, HURRELL, elder brother of the succeeding, a leader in the Teutarian movement; author of Tracts IX. and LXIII. (1803-1836).

FROUDE, JAMES ANTHONY, an English historian and man of letters, born in Totnes, Devon; trained originally for the Church, he gave himself to literature, his chief work being the "History of England from the Fall of Wolsey to the Defeat of the Spanish Armada," in 12 vols., of which the first appeared in 1854 and the last in 1870; he also wrote a "Life of Carlyle," "Nemesis of Faith," "Short Studies on Great Subjects," a "Life of Caesar," a "Life of Bunyan," "The English in Ireland in the Eighteenth Century," and "English Seamen in the Sixteenth Century"; he ranks as one of the masters of English prose, and as a man of penetration, insight, and enlarged views, if somewhat careless about minor details (1818-1894).

FRY, MRS. ELIZABETH, philanthropist, born in Norwich, third daughter of John Gurney, the Quaker banker; married Joseph Fry of Plashet, Essex; devoted her life to prison reform and the reform of criminals, as well as other benevolent enterprises; she has been called "the female Howard" (1780-1845).

FRY, ROGER EDWARD, British artist. After leaving Cambridge he helped to edit the *Burlington Magazine*, and made a name as an expert on Post-Impressionism (*q.v.*). He wrote extensively on art (1866-).

FRYAT, CAPT. CHARLES, British seaman, who was in charge of the Great Eastern Railway boat *Brussels* when she was attacked in March, 1915, by a U-boat which he rammed, for which action he was shot in Bruges on his capture by the Germans in June, 1916 (1872-1916).

FUAD, king of Egypt, succeeded his brother as Sultan in 1917, and on the declaration of Egypt's independence in 1922 he became king (1868-).

FUAD-MEHMED PASHA, a Turkish statesman, diplomatist, and man of letters; studied medicine, but soon turned himself to politics; was much esteemed and honoured at foreign courts, at which he represented Turkey, for his skill, sagacity, and finesse; became Minister of Foreign Affairs in 1852; was hostile to the pretensions of Russia, and gave

umbrage to the Czar; published a Turkish grammar (1814-1869).

FUDGE FAMILY, THE, a satiric piece by Thomas Moore, published in 1818; it ridicules the English *parvenu* abroad.

FUENTES, COUNT, a Spanish general and statesman, eminent both in war and diplomacy; commanded the Spanish infantry at the siege of Rocroi when he was eighty-two, borne on a litter in the midst of the fight, and perished by the sword, the Great Condé having attacked the besiegers (1560-1648).

FUJI-YAMA, a volcano and the highest mountain (12,425 ft.) in Japan; is 80 m. west of Tokyo; dormant since the eruption of 1707.

FUGGER, the name of a family of Augsburg who rose from the loom by way of commerce to great wealth and eminence in Germany, particularly under the Emperors Maximilian and Charles V., to whom they lent vast sums of money; were created counts of the empire by Charles.

FULAH, a people of the Upper Soudan whose territory extends between Senegal and Darfur, a race of superior physique and intelligence, and of a certain polish of manners, and with Caucasian type of features.

FULHAM, a borough of London, on the Middlesex bank of the Thames, opposite Putney, with the palace and burying-place of the bishops of London.

FULLER, ANDREW, an eminent Baptist minister, born in Cambridgehire, who settled at Kettering; and a zealous controversialist in defence of the gospel against hyper-Calvinism on the one hand and Socinianism on the other, but he is chiefly distinguished in connection with the foundation of the Baptist Missionary Society, to which he for most part devoted the energies of his life (1754-1815).

FULLER, SARAH MARGARET, an American authoress, born in Cambridgeport, Mass., a woman of speculative ability and high aims, a friend of Emerson, and much esteemed by Carlyle, though he thought her enthusiasm extravagant and beyond the range of accomplishment; she was one of the leaders of the transcendental movement in America; visited Europe, and Italy in particular; engaged there in the struggle for political independence; married the young Marquis of Ossoli; sailed for New York, and was drowned with her husband and child on the sand-bars of Long Island (1810-1850).

FULLER, THOMAS, historian, divine, and wit, born in Northamptonshire, son of the rector of Sarum; entering into holy orders, he held in succession several benefices in the Church of England, and was a prebend in Salisbury Cathedral; taking sides with the king, he lost favour under the Commonwealth; wrote a number of works, in which one finds combined gaiety and piety, good sense and whimsical fancy; composed among other works the "History of the Holy War," a "History of the Crusades," "The Holy and the Profane States," the "Church History of Great Britain," and the "Worthies of England," the last his principal work and published posthumously; he was a man of great shrewdness, broad sympathies, and a kindly nature; was an author much admired by Charles Lamb (1608-1661).

FULMINEATE OF MERCURY, a high explosive used for detonating dynamite and gun cotton.

FULTON, ROBERT, an American engineer, born in Pennsylvania; began life as a miniature portrait and landscape painter, in which he made some progress, but soon turned to engineering; he was one of the first to apply steam to the propulsion of vessels, and devoted much attention to the invention of submarine boats and torpedoes; in 1807 he built a steamboat to navigate the Hudson River, with a very slow rate of progress, however, making only five miles an hour; other inventions included machines for flax-spinning and dredging, and a submarine boat (1765-1815).

FUM, a grotesque animal figure, six cubits high, one of four presumed to preside over the destinies of China; it is presented as being a goose in front and a stag behind, with a snake's neck, a fish's tail, a fowl's forehead, a tortoise's back, a swallow's face, and a cock's beak, and the markings of a dragon.

FUNCHAL, the capital of Madeira, at the head of a bay on the S. coast, and the base of a mountain 4000 ft. high, extends a mile along the shore, and slopes up the sides of the mountain; famous as a health resort.

FUNDY BAY, an arm of the sea between New Brunswick and Nova Scotia: it is of difficult navigation owing to the strong and rapid rush of the tides.

FÜNEN, the second in size of the Danish islands, separated from Zealand on the E. by the Great Belt and from Jutland on the W. by the Little Belt; is flat except on S. and W., fertile, well cultivated, and yields crops of cereals.

FUNGI, a group of plants including mushrooms, toadstools, &c., many of which are parasitic; they differ from other plants in their lack of chlorophyll (q.v.).

FURIES. See **ERINNYES**.

FURNISS, HARRY, artist and caricaturist, born in Wexford; on staff of *Punch* from 1880 to 1894; started a humorous paper of his own without success and afterwards engaged in lecture tours (1854-1925).

FURNIVALL, FREDERICK JAMES, English barrister, born in Egham, in Surrey; devoted to the study of Early and Middle English Literature; founder and director of numerous societies for promoting the study of special works, such as the Early English Text, Chaucer, Ballad, and New Shakespeare Societies, and editor of publications in connection with them; was in his early days a great authority on boating and boat-building (1825-1911).

FURSE, CHARLES WELLINGTON, British artist. After studying at the Slade School and in Paris he made a name for open-air portrait painting, sport and country life being his most successful themes. "The Return from the Ride" and "Diana of the

Uplands" are in the Tate Gallery. He became an A.R.A. the year he died (1868-1904).

FURST, JULIUS, a distinguished German Orientalist, born in Posen, of Jewish descent; a specialist in Hebrew and Aramaic; author of a Hebrew and Chaldean Manual (1806-1873).

FURST, WALTER, OF URI, a Swiss patriot, who, along with William Tell, contributed to establish the liberty and independence of Switzerland; d. 1317.

FUSEL OIL, name given to the higher members of the alcohol series, especially amyl alcohol; it is used for certain industrial purposes.

FUSELI, HENRY, properly **FUSOLI**, a famous portrait-painter, born in Zurich; coming to England at the age of 22, he became acquainted with Sir Joshua Reynolds, who advised him to go to Rome; after eight years spent in study of the Italian masters, and Michael Angelo in particular, he returned to England and became an R.A.; he painted a series of pictures, afterwards exhibited as the "Milton Gallery" (1741-1825).

FUST, JOHANN, a rich burgher of Mainz, associated with Gutenberg and Schöffer, to whom, with them, the invention of printing has been ascribed; d. 1466.

FUTURISM, also called Post-Impressionism and Cubism, a modern movement in art aiming at a break with old conventions. The subjective, or what is in the artist's mind, is regarded as of greater importance than what exists objectively.

FYLFOT, the swastika symbol of the Buddhists; a peculiar form of cross found in pre-Christian remains in many parts of the world.

FYNE, LOCH, an Argyllshire arm of the sea, extending N. from Bute to Inveraray, and from 1 m. to 5 m. broad; famed for its herrings.

FYZABAD, the one-time capital of Oudh, in India; 78 m. E. of Lucknow; is now much decayed.

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GABELENTZ, HANS COMON VON DER, a distinguished German philologist, born in Altenburg; was master, it is said, of 80 languages, contributed treatises on several of them, his most important work being on the Melanesian (1807-1874).

GABELLE, an indirect tax, especially one on salt, the term applied to a State monopoly in France in that article, the exaction in connection with which was a source of much discontent; the people were obliged to purchase it at government warehouses and at extravagant, often very unequal, rates; the import dates from 1286; was abolished in 1789.

GABELSBERGER, FRANZ XAVIER, inventor of the shorthand in use in German countries as well as elsewhere (1780-1849).

GABINUS, a Roman tribune in 66 B.C., afterwards consul; party to the banishment of Cicero, 57 B.C.

GABOON and FRENCH CONGO, a French colony in W. Africa fronting the Atlantic, between the Cameroon country and the Belgian Congo, and stretching inland as far as the head-waters of the Congo River; in the NW. is the great Gaboon estuary, 40 m. long and 10 broad at its mouth, with Libreville on its bank; along the coast the climate is hot and unhealthy, but it improves inland; the natives belong to the Bantu stock; the French settled in it first in 1842, but only after the explorations of De Brazza in 1876-1886 were they able to extend and colonise it.

GABORIAU, EMILE, French novelist, famous for detective stories, in which "The Affair Lerouge," "Monsieur Lecoq" and "Slaves of Paris" are best known; born in Saulon (1835-1873).

GABRIEL, an angel, one of the seven archangels, "the power of God," who is represented in the traditions of both the Jews and the Moslems as discharging the highest functions, and in Christian tradition as announcing to the Virgin Mary her election of God to be the mother of the Messiah; he ranks higher among Moslems than Jews.

GABRIEL, a French architect, born in Paris (1710-1782).

GABRIELLE D'ESTREES, the mistress of Henry IV. of France, who for State reasons was not allowed to marry her (1571-1599).

GAD, one of the Jewish tribes inhabiting the E. of the Jordan, deriving its name from a son of Jacob.

GADAMES, or GHADAMES, an oasis and town in Africa, situated in the SW. corner of Tripoli, on the N. border of the Sahara; the fertility of the oasis is due to hot springs, from which the place takes its name; high walls protect the soil and the fruit of it, which is abundant, from sand-storms; it is an entrepôt for trade with the interior; the inhabitants are Berber Mohammedans.

GADDI, GADDI, a Florentine painter and worker in mosaic, friend of Cimabue and Giotto (1260-1332).

GADDI, TADDEO, son of the preceding, and pupil of Giotto both in architecture and fresco-painting (1300-1360).

GADDI, AGNOLO, son of the preceding, and a painter of frescoes (1330-1396).

GADES, the ancient name of Cadiz (q.v.).

GADSHILL, an eminence in Kent, 3 m. NW. of Rochester, associated with the name of Falstaff, also of Dickens, who resided here from 1856 to his death in 1870.

GAELIC, the ancient language of Scotland and Ireland, of Celtic origin, its introduction dating from about the commencement of the 6th century; was the official and court tongue in Scotland to the 11th century, when English began to supersede it; is still spoken in parts of both countries, and in certain quarters of the Dominions, e.g. Cape Breton, in Canada, where is issued a newspaper printed entirely in Gaelic. Ogham (q.v.) is the earliest script of the language.

GAETA, a fortified seaport of S. Italy, finely situated on a steep promontory 50 m. NW. of Naples; it was a favourite watering-place of the ancient Roman

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nobility, and the beauty of its bay is celebrated by Virgil and Horace; it is rich in classic remains, and in its day has witnessed many sieges; the inhabitants are chiefly employed in fishing and a light coast trade.

GAGE, THOMAS, English general, son of Viscount Gage; he served in the Seven Years' War, and took part in 1755 in Braddock's disastrous expedition in America; in 1760 he became military governor of Montreal, and three years later commander-in-chief of the British forces in America; as governor of Massachusetts he precipitated the revolution by his ill-timed severity, and after the battle of Bunker's Hill was recalled to England (1721-1787).

GAIA, or GE, in the Greek mythology the primeval goddess of the earth, the *alma mater* of living things, both in heaven and on earth, called subsequently Demeter, i.e. Gemeter, Earth-mother.

GAILLARD, French historian, born in Amiens; devoted his life to history (1726-1806).

GAINFORD, 1ST BARON (J.A. Pease), British industrialist and politician. Born in Charlton he became M.P. in 1862, held various ministerial posts; in 1811 became Minister of Education, and in 1816 Postmaster-General. He was raised to the peerage in 1816, and on the formation of the British Broadcasting Corporation became its Vice-president (1860-).

GAINSBOROUGH, THOMAS, one of England's greatest artists in portrait and landscape painting, born in Sudbury, Suffolk; he early displayed a talent for drawing, and at 14 was sent to London to study art; when 19 he started as a portrait-painter at Ipswich, having by this time married Margaret Burr, a young lady with £200 a year; patronised by Sir Philip Thicknesse, he removed in 1740 to Bath, where he rose into high favour, and in 1774 he sought a wider field in London; he shared the honours of painting portraits with Reynolds and of landscape with Wilson; his portraits have more of grace, if less of genius, than Reynolds', while his landscapes inaugurated a freer and more genial manner of dealing with nature, while as a colourist Ruskin declares him the greatest since Rubens; among his most famous pictures are portraits of Mrs. Siddons, the Duchess of Devonshire, and the Hon. Mrs. Graham, "Shepherd Boy in the Shower," "The Scashore," and "Blue Boy" (1727-1788).

GAUS, a Roman jurist of the 2nd century, whose "Institutes" served for the basis of Justinian's.

GALAHAD, SIR, son of Lancelot, one of the Knights of the Round Table; distinguished for the immaculate purity of his character and life; was successful in his search for the Holy Grail.

GALAOE, a hero of Spanish romance, brother of Amadis de Gaul, the model of a courtly paladin, and always ready with his sword to avenge the wrongs of the widow and the orphan.

GALAPAGOS, a sparsely populated group of islands (13 in number), barren on the N., but well wooded on the S., situated on the equator, 600 m. W. of Ecuador, which, although they belong to Ecuador, all bear English names, bestowed upon them, it would appear, by the buccanniers of the 17th century; Albemarle Island makes up more than half of their area; they are volcanic in formation, and some of their 2000 craters are not yet inactive; their fauna is of peculiar scientific interest as exhibiting many species unknown elsewhere; besides the islands proper there is a vast number of islets and rocks.

GALATA, a faubourg of Constantinople where the European merchants reside.

GALATEA, a nymph to whom Polyphemus made love, but who preferred Aëtes to him, whom therefore he made away with by crushing the latter under a rock, in consequence of which the nymph threw herself into the sea.

GALATIA, a high-lying Roman province in Asia Minor that had been invaded and taken possession of by a horde of Gauls in the 3rd century B.C., whence the name.

GALATIANS, EPISTLE TO THE, an epistle of St. Paul to the churches in Galatia, which was an especial favourite with Luther, as, with its doctrine of spiritual freedom in Christ, it might well be, for it corroborated the great revelation first made to him by a neighbour monk: "man is not saved by sinful masses, but by the grace of God"; it is a didactic epistle, in assertion, on the one hand, of freedom from the law, and, on the other, of the power of the spirit.

GALATZ, or **GALACZ**, the great river-port of Rumania, on the Danube, 8 m. above the Sulina mouth of the river and 166 m. N.E. of Bucharest; the new town is well laid out, and contains some fine buildings; its harbour is one of the finest on the Danube; a great export trade is carried on in cereals, while textiles and metals are the chief imports.

GALAXY. See **MILKY WAY**.

GALBA, **SESVIUS SULPICIUS**, a Roman emperor from June, 68, to January, 69, elected at the age of 70 by the Gallic legions to succeed Nero, but for his severity and avarice was slain by the Praetorian guard, who proclaimed Otho emperor in his stead.

GALE, **THEOPHILUS**, a Nonconformist divine; author of the "Court of the Gentiles," in which he attempts to prove that the theology and philosophy of the Gentiles was borrowed from the Scriptures (1628-1678).

GALE, **THOMAS**, dean of York; edited classics, and wrote an early English history (1636-1702).

GALEN, or **CLAUDIUS GALENUS**, a famous Greek physician, born in Pergamum, in Illyria, where, after studying in various cities, he settled in 158; subsequently he went to Rome, and eventually became physician to the emperors M. Aurelius, L. Verus, and Severus; of his voluminous writings 83 treatises are still extant, and these treat of a varied array of subjects, philosophical as well as professional; for centuries after his death his works were accepted as authoritative in the matter of medicine (131-201).

GALE, **RIUS**, **VALERIUS MAXIMUS**, Roman emperor, born in Dacia, of lowly parentage; rose from a common soldier to be the son-in-law of the Emperor Diocletian, who in 292 raised him to the dignity of a Caesar; in 305, on the death of Diocletian, he became head of the Eastern Empire, which he continued to be till his death in 311; his name is associated with a cruel persecution of the Christians under Diocletian.

GALGAOUS, a Caledonian chief defeated by Agricola at the battle of the Granupian in 85, after a desperate resistance.

GALIA, **NIL**, **FERDINANDO**, an Italian political economist, man of letters, and a wit; held with honour several important offices under the Neapolitan Government; was attaché to the embassy at Paris, and the associate of Grinim and Diderot (1728-1787).

GALICIA, (1) an old province of Spain, formerly a kingdom in the NW. corner of it, fronting the Bay of Biscay and the Atlantic; now divided into the four minor provinces, Coruña, Lugo, Orense, Pontevedra; the county is hilly, well watered, fertile, and favoured with a fine climate, but cultivated only very partially; some mining is carried on.

(2) A province of Poland; the land is fertile, consists chiefly of extensive plains, well watered by the Dniester and other large rivers, and yields abundance of cereals, while one-fourth is covered with forest; timber is largely exported, and salt; many of the useful metals are found, and productive petroleum wells; Austria annexed it in 1772, and it was ceded to Poland in 1919.

GALLIENANS, a fanatical sect, followers of one Judas of Galilee, who fiercely resented the taxation of the Romans, and whose violence contributed to induce the latter to vow the extermination of the whole race.

GALLILEE, the northern division of Palestine, divided into Upper and Lower, about 60 m. long and 30 broad.

GALLILEE, SEA OF, an expansion of the Jordan, 12½ m.

long, and at the most 8 m. broad, enclosed by steep mountains, except on NW.

GALLILEO, an illustrious Italian mathematician, physicist, and astronomer, born in Pisa, demonstrated the isochronism of the pendulum, invented the thermometer and the hydrostatic balance, propounded the law of falling bodies, constructed the first astronomical telescope, and by means of it satisfied himself of, and proved, the truth of the Copernican doctrine, that the sun and not the earth is the centre of the planetary system, and that the earth revolves round it like the other planets which reflect its light; his insistence on this truth provoked the hostility of the Church, and an ecclesiastical decree which pronounced the Copernican theory heresy; for the profession of it he was brought to the bar of the Inquisition, where he was compelled to forswear it by oath, concluding his recantation, it is said, with the exclamation, "still, it moves"; before his end he became blind, and died in Florence at 78, the year Newton was born (1564-1642).

GALL, **FRANZ JOSEPH**, the founder of phrenology, born in Tiefenbrunn, on the borders of Baden and Württemberg; in 1785 he established himself as a physician in Vienna, where for many years he carried on a series of elaborate investigations on the nature of the brain and its relation to the outer cranium, visiting with that view lunatic asylums, &c.; in 1796 he gave publicity to his views in a series of lectures in Vienna, which were, however, condemned as subversive of morality and religion; being joined by Spurzheim, who adopted his theories, he undertook a lecturing tour through a large part of Europe, and eventually settled at Paris, where he published his phrenological work "Fonctions du Cerveau"; it is a curious fact that on his death his skull was found to be twice the usual thickness, and that there was a tumour in the cerebellum (1758-1828).

GALL, **ST.**, an Irish monk who, about 585, accompanied St. Columban to France in his missionary labours, but, being banished thence, went to Switzerland, and founded a monastery on the Lake of Comstance, which bore his name; *d.* about 646.

GALLAND, **ANTOINE**, French Orientalist, born in Picardy, professor of Arabic in the College of France; was the first to translate the "Arabian Nights" into any European tongue (1646-1715).

GALLAS, an Ethiopian race occupying the S. and E. of Abyssinia, energetic, intelligent, and war-like; follow mostly pastoral occupations; number over four millions, and are mostly heathens.

GALLE, or **POINT DE GALLE**, fortified seaport town, prettily situated on a rocky promontory in the SW. of Ceylon; there is a good harbour, but the shipping, which at one time was extensive, has declined since the rise of Colombo.

GALLI-CURCI, **AMELITA**, Italian soprano singer. Born in Milan she studied at the local conservatoire, won a prize there at 16, and made her opera début at Rome in 1913, subsequently singing in South America, New York, and London.

GALLICAN CHURCH, the Catholic Church in France which, while sincerely devoted to the Catholic faith and the Holy See, resolutely refused to concede certain rights and privileges which belonged to it from the earliest times; it steadfastly contended that infallibility was vested not in the Pope alone, but in the entire episcopal body under him as its head; it maintained the supreme authority of general councils and that of the holy canons in the government of the Church, and insisted that there was a distinction between the temporal and the spiritual power; these contentions were summed up in a declaration of the French clergy in 1682, their opponents being known by the name of "Ultramontanists."

GALLICANISM, the name given to the contention of the Gallican Church (*q.v.*).

GALLIENUS, **PUBLIUS LICINIUS**, Roman Emperor from 260 to 268, and for seven years (253-260) associated in the government with his father, the Emperor Valerian; under his lax rule the empire was subjected to hostile invasions on all sides, while in the provinces a succession of usurpers, known as the Thirty Tyrants, sprang up, disowning allegiance

and aspiring to the title of Caesar; in his later years he roused himself to vigorous resistance, but in 268 was murdered by his own soldiers whilst pressing the rebel Aureolus at the siege of Milan.

GALLIGANTUA, the wizard giant slain by Jack the Giant-killer.

GALLIO, the Roman proconsul of Achaia in the days of St. Paul, before whom the Jews of Corinth brought an appeal against the Apostle which he treated with careless indifference as no affair of his, in consequence of which his name has become the synonym of an easy-going ruler or prince.

GALLIPOLI, (1) a fortified seaport town in Southern Italy, 50 m. S. of Brindisi; stands on a rocky islet in the Gulf of Taranto, close to the mainland, with which it is connected by a bridge of 12 arches; a fine cathedral and huge tanks hewn out of the solid rock for the storage of olive-oil are objects of interest. (2) A seaport in Europe, under the dominion of the League of Nations, stands on a peninsula of the same name at the western end of the Sea of Marmora, at the mouth of the Dardanelles, 90 m. S. of Adrianople; it was the first city captured by the Turks in Europe (1356), and the peninsula was the site of the Dardanelles campaign in 1915 during the Great War.

GALLOWAY, a district in the S.W. of Scotland, co-extensive with Wigtown and Kirkcudbright, though formerly of considerably greater extent; the lack of mineral wealth has retarded its development, and the industry of the population is limited chiefly to agriculture, the rearing of sheep and cattle, and fishing, while it is still noted for a small but hardy breed of horses called Galloways; the province derives its name from Gall-Gael, or foreign Gaels, as the early inhabitants were called, who up to the time of the Reformation maintained the characteristics, language, &c., of a distinct people; in 1455 Galloway ceased to exist as a separate lordship; in the extreme S. of Wigtown is the bold and rocky promontory, the Mull of Galloway, the extremity of the peninsula called the Kilmory of Galloway; the Mull, which is the most southerly point in Scotland, rises to a height of 210 ft., and is crowned by a powerful lighthouse.

GALSWINTHE, the sister of Brunhilda and the second wife of Chilperic I.; was strangled to death in 568.

GALSWORTHY, JOHN, British novelist. Educated at Harrow and Oxford, he became a barrister, but spent most of his time writing and travelling. "The Island Pharisees," published in 1904, was his first notable work, and was followed by a number of books mostly realistic studies of middle-class life, of which the "Forsyte Saga" is the most important. He has also written "The Silver Box," "Strife" and other successful plays 1867-.

GALL, JOHN, Scottish novelist, born in Irvine; educated at Greenock, where he held a post in the Custom-house for a time; essayed literature, wrote "The Ayrshire Legatees," "The Annals of the Parish," "Sir Andrew Wylie," "The Entail," and "The Provost"; died of paralysis at Greenock (1776-1839).

GALTON, SIR FRANCIS, British scientist, carried out investigations in heredity and psychology; he was the first to make clear the continuity of germ plasma and founded the science of eugenics (1822-1911).

GALVANISED IRON, plate-iron coated with zinc, which renders it less liable to be affected by moisture and subject to corrosion.

GALVANI, LUIGI, an Italian physician, born in Bologna; celebrated for his discoveries in animal magnetism called after him Galvanism, due to an observation he made of the convulsive motion produced in the leg of a recently-killed frog (1787-1798).

GALVANOMETER, an instrument for measuring electric currents by means of their effect upon a suspended magnetic needle.

GALVESTON, the chief seaport of Texas, situated on a low island of the same name at the entrance of Galveston Bay into the Gulf of Mexico; it has a splendid harbour, and is an important centre of the cotton trade, ranking as the third cotton port of the world; the city is well laid out, and is the see of a Roman Catholic bishop; it has a medical college and several foundries.

GALWAY, a maritime county in the W. of Ireland, in the province of Connaught; Lough Corrib (25 m. long) and Lough Mask (12 m. long), stretching N. and S., divide the county into East and West districts; the former is boggy, yet arable; the latter, including the picturesque district known as Connemara, is wild and hilly, and chiefly consists of bleak moorass and bogland; its rocky and indented coast affords excellent harbours in many places; the Suck, Shannon, and Corrib are the chief rivers; the Slieve Boughda Mountains in the S. and in the W. the Twelve Pins (2395 ft.) are the principal mountains; fishing, some agriculture, and cattle-rearing are the chief employments; it contains many interesting cromlechs and ruins.

GALWAY, the capital of Connaught and of the county of that name; is situated on the N. side of Galway Bay, at the mouth of the Corrib River, 50 m. NW. of Limerick; it is divided into the old and new town, and contains several interesting ecclesiastical buildings, e.g. the cruciform church of St. Nicholas (1320), and is the seat of a Queen's College; fishing is an important industry, while wool and black marble are exported.

GAMA, VASCO DA, a famous Portuguese navigator, the discoverer of the route to India round the Cape of Good Hope, born in Sines, in Portugal, of good family; he seems to have won the favour of King Emmanuel at an early age, and, already an experienced mariner, was in 1497 despatched on his celebrated voyage, in which he rounded the Cape; on that occasion he made his way to Calicut, in India, where he had to contend with the enmity of the natives, stirred against him by jealous Arabian merchants; in 1499 he returned to Lisbon, was received with great honour, and had conferred on him an array of high-sounding titles; three years later he was appointed to the command of an expedition to Calicut to avenge the massacre of a small Portuguese settlement founded there a year previous by Cabral; in connection with this expedition he founded the colonies of Mozambique and Sofala, and after inflicting a cruel punishment upon the natives of Calicut, he returned to Lisbon in 1503; the following 20 years of his life were spent in retirement at Evora, but in 1524 he was appointed viceroy of Portuguese India, a position he held only for a short time, but sufficiently long to re-establish Portuguese power in India; he died at Cochín; the incidents of his famous first voyage round the Cape are celebrated in Camoens' memorable poem "The Lusiad" (1469-1524).

GAMALIEL, a Jewish rabbi, the instructor of St. Paul in the knowledge of the law, and distinguished for his tolerant spirit and forbearance in dealing with the Apostles in their seeming departure from the Jewish faith.

GAMBETTA, LEON MICHEL, a French republican leader, born in Cahors, of Italian descent; intended for the Church, to which he evinced no proclivity, he early showed a penchant for politics and adopted the profession of law, in the prosecution of which he delivered a speech which marked him out as the coming man of the French republic, from the spirit of hostility it manifested against the Empire; at the fall of the Empire he stood high in public regard, assumed the direction of affairs, and made desperate attempts to repel the invading Germans; though he failed in this, he never ceased to feel the shame of the loss of Alsace and Lorraine, and strove hard to recover them, but all his efforts proved ineffectual, and he died in Dec. 31, 1882 to the grief of the nation (1838-1882).

GAMBIA, (1) a river of W. Africa, that flows through Senegambia and discharges itself into the Atlantic at Bathurst after a course of more than 1400 m. into a splendid estuary which, in some parts, has a breadth of 27 m. but contracts to 2 m. at the seaward end; light craft can ascend as far as Barracondia, 400 m. from the mouth. (2) A British settlement lying along the banks of the Gambia as far as Georgetown, with a protectorate to Barracondia; it enjoys a separate government under a British administrator, and produces hides, cotton, rice, and ground-nuts; chief town, Bathurst.

GAMBIER, JAMES, LORD, British admiral, born in the Bahamas; at 22 he was created a post-captain;

in 1781 distinguished himself in an engagement against the French at Jersey; and again under Lord Howe in 1794 he rendered material service in repulsing the French off Ushant; in the following year he was made rear-admiral, and in 1799 vice-admiral; for his gallant conduct as commander of the English fleet at the bombardment of Copenhagen he was made a baron; a dispute with Lord Cochrane at the battle of Aix Roads against the French led to his being court-martialled, but he was honourably acquitted; on the accession of William IV. he was made admiral of the fleet (1756-1839).

GAMBLING LAWS. Laws making debts due to gambling irrecoverable at law were passed in the reigns of Charles II. and Queen Anne. Subsequent laws were passed in 1845 and 1874, and ready-money football betting was prohibited in 1920.

GAMMA RAYS, name given to the X-rays of very short wave-length emitted during certain radioactive changes.

GAMP, SARAH, a nurse in Dickens' "Martin Chuzzlewit," famous for her bulky umbrella, and for confirming her opinions of things by a constant reference to the authority of an imaginary Mrs. Harris.

GANDHI, MOHANDAS KARAMCHAND, Indian politician and leader of the anti-British party favouring non-co-operation as a means of gaining independence. Born in Porbandar, he was married at the age of 12, went to England at 19 to study law, spent some time in South Africa, and then became a vigorous opponent of British rule in India, exercising almost a religious sway over the natives. He was arrested in 1922 and imprisoned for two years, and in 1930, when he led another campaign against British rule, he was again imprisoned (1876-).

GANDO, a native State traversed by the Niger in Western Sudan, lying upon the NW. border of Sokoto, of which it is a dependency; like Sokoto it has been brought within the sphere of influence of the British Royal Niger Company; the inhabitants belong to the Fulah race, and profess the Mohammedan religion; Gando is also the name of the capital, an active centre of the cotton trade.

GANELOIN, a count of Mayenne, one of Charlemagne's paladins; trusted by him but faithless, and a traitor to his cause; is placed by Dante in the lowest hell.

GANESHA, the Hindu god with an elephant's head and four arms; the inspirer of cunning devices and good counsel, afterwards the patron of letters and learned men.

GANGES, the great sacred river of India, which, though somewhat shorter than the Indus, drains a larger area and traverses a more fertile basin; it has its source in an ice-cave on the southern side of the Himalayas, 8 m. above Gangotri, at an elevation of 18,800 ft. above the sea-level; at this its first stage it is known as the Bhagirathi, and not until 133 m. from its source does it assume the name of Ganges, having already received two tributaries: issuing from the Himalayas at Sukhi, it flows in a more or less southerly course to Allahabad, where it receives the Jumna, and thence makes its way by the plains of Behar and past Benares to Calcutta, where it is joined by the Brahmaputra; the united stream, lessened by innumerable offshoots, pursues a SE. course till joined by the Meghna, and under that name enters the Bay of Bengal; its most noted offshoot is the Hooghly (q.v.), which pursues a course to the S. of the Meghna; between these lies the Great Delta, which begins to take shape 220 m. inland from the Bay of Bengal; the Ganges is 1557 m. in length, and offers for the greater part an excellent waterway; it is held in great reverence as a sacred stream whose waters have power to cleanse from all sin, while burial on its banks is believed to ensure eternal happiness, and to be cast into its waters after death is to gain eternal peace.

GANGES CANAL, constructed mainly for the purpose of irrigating the arid land stretching between the Ganges and the Jumna Rivers, originally extended from Hardwar to Cawnpore and Etawah, but has since been greatly enlarged, and at present (including branches) has a total extent of 3700 m., of which 500 m. are navigable; it has contributed to mitigate

suffering caused by famines by affording a means of distributing ready relief.

GANGRENE, the first stage of mortification in any part of a living body.

GANGWAY, a passage in the House of Commons, running across the house, which separates the independent members from the supporters of the Government and the Opposition.

GANYMEDES, a beautiful youth, whom Zeus, attracted by his beauty, carried off, disguised as an eagle, to heaven; having had immortality conferred upon him, he was made cup-bearer of the gods instead of Hebe.

GAO, KARVEH, or KARVAH, a Persian blacksmith, whose sons had been slain to feed the serpents of the reigning tyrant, he raised his leather apron on a spear, and with that for a standard excited a revolt; the revolt proved successful, and the apron became the standard of the new dynasty, which it continued to be till supplanted by the crescent.

GARAY, JÁNOS, Hungarian poet, born in Szeged; his life was spent chiefly in Pesth, where he held a post in the university library; he published a number of dramas which show traces of German influence, and was also the author of a book of lyrics as well as tales (1812-1853).

GARCIA, MANUEL, a noted singer and composer, born in Seville; in 1808 he went to Paris with a reputation already gained at Madrid and Cadiz; till 1824 he was of high repute in London and Paris as an operatic tenor; and in the following year visited the United States; he spent his closing years in Paris as a teacher of singing, his voice being greatly impaired by age as well as fatigue; his eldest daughter was the celebrated Madame Malibran, and his son, Manuel (1805-1906), a celebrated teacher of singing, was the inventor of the laryngoscope (1775-1832).

GARCIA, DON PEDRO, a mythical don mentioned in the preface to "Gil Blas" as buried with a small bag of doubloons, and the epitaph, "Here lies interred the soul of Licentiate Pedro Garcia."

GARCILASO, called the INCA, as descended from the royal family of Peru; lived at Cordova; wrote "History of Peru," as well as a "History of Florida" (1530-1568).

GARCILASO DE LA VEGA, a Spanish poet, born in Toledo, a soldier by profession; accompanied Charles V. on his expeditions; died fighting bravely in battle; his poems consist of sonnets, elegies, &c., and reveal an unexpected tenderness (1503-1536).

GARCIN DE TASSY, JOSEPH HÉLIOPORE, Indian Orientalist, born in Marseilles; founded the Asiatic Society (1794-1878).

GARD, a dep. in the S. of France, between the Cevennes and the Rhône; slopes to the Rhône and the sea, with a marshy coast; produces wine and olives, and is noted for its silk-culture and breed of horses.

GARDA, LAGO DI, the largest of the Italian lakes; stretches amidst beautiful Alpine scenery, between Lombardy and Venetia. It is 35 m. long, but from 2 to 10 broad. Its water is remarkably clear, and has a depth of 967 ft. It is studded with many picturesque islands, and is traversed by steamers.

GARDE NATIONALE, of France, a body of armed citizens organized in Paris in 1789 for the defence of the citizen interest, and soon by extensions throughout the country made a force of great national importance; the colours they adopted were the famous tricolor of red, white, and blue, and their first commandant was Lafayette. In 1795 they helped to repress the Paris mob, and under Napoleon were retained in service. They played a prominent part in the Revolutions of 1830 and 1848, supporting the revolutionists; but in 1852 their powers were curtailed, and in 1871 they were dissolved by the National Assembly.

GARDEN CITIES, modern model villages, of which the pioneer was that at Letchworth, near Hitchin, built in 1899.

GARDES SUISSES, a celebrated corps of the French army, formed in 1616 for defence of royalty, and numbering 2000. During the great Revolution they gallantly defended the Louvre, but were overawed and overpowered almost to annihilation by the infuriated Paris mob. The corps was finally disbanded in 1830.

GARDINER, COLONEL JAMES, a Scottish officer of dragons, noted for his bravery and piety; served under Marlborough; fell at Prestonpans; his life was written by Dr. Doddridge, and is much prized by religious people (1698-1748).

GARDINER, SAMUEL RAWSON, English historian, born in Ropley, Hants; his chief historical works include "History of England" in the reign of James I. and Charles I.; "History of the Civil War," in four vols., and the "History of the Protectorate," a most impartial and accurate historian (1820-1902).

GARDINER, STEPHEN, bishop of Winchester, born in Bury St. Edmunds; was secretary to Wolsey; promoted the divorce of Queen Catherine, and was made bishop; imprisoned in the Tower under Edward VI.; restored to his see, and made Chancellor under Mary (1488-1555).

GARFIELD, JAMES ABRAM, President of the United States, born in Orange, Ohio; reared amid lowly surroundings; at the age of ten began to help his widowed mother by working as a farm-servant; an invincible passion for learning prompted him to devote the long winters to study, till he was able as a student to enter Hiram College, and subsequently William's College, Massachusetts, where, in 1856, he graduated; in the following year he became President of Hiram College, and, devoting his attention to the study of law, in 1859 became a member of the State Senate; he took an active part on the side of the Federalists in the Civil War, and distinguished himself in several engagements, rising to be major-general; in his thirty-third year he entered Congress, and soon came to the front, acting latterly as leader of the Republican party; in 1880 he became a member of the Senate, and in the same year was elected to the Presidency; he signalled his tenure of the presidential office by endeavouring to purify and reform the civil service, but this attempt drew on him the odium of a section of his party, and on July 2, 1881, he was shot down by Charles Guiteau, a disappointed place-hunter; after a prolonged struggle with death he succumbed on September 19 (1881-1891).

GARGANTUA, a gigantic personage, in Rabelais' satire of the name of preternaturally lusty appetite and gauding and gourmandising power; lived several centuries, and begat Pantagruel.

GARIBALDI, GIUSEPPE, Italian patriot, began life as a sailor, associated himself enthusiastically with Massini for the liberation of his country, but being convicted of conspiracy fled to South America, where, both as a privateer and a soldier, he gave his services to the young republics struggling there for life; returned to Europe, and took part in the defence of Rome against France, but being defeated fled to New York, to return to the Isle of Caprea, hiding his time; joined the Piedmontese against Austria, and in 1860 set himself to assist in the overthrow of the kingdom of Naples and the union of Italy under Victor Emmanuel; landing in Calabria and entering Naples, he drove the royal forces before him without striking a blow, after which he returned to his retreat at Caprea, ready still to draw sword, and occasionally offering it again, in the cause of republicanism (1807-1882).

GARNET, a well-known precious stone of a vitreous lustre, and usually of a dark-red colour, resembling a ruby, but also found in various other shades, e.g. black, green, and yellow. The finest specimens are brought from Ceylon, Peru, and Greenland. The crystal known as Pyrope, when cut in a shallow drop, is called a carbuncle.

GARNETT, HENRY, a noted Jesuit, son of a Nottingham schoolmaster, implicated in the Gunpowder Plot; bred in the Protestant faith, he early turned Catholic and went abroad and joined the Jesuit order; in 1688 he returned to England as Superior of the English Jesuits, and engaged in various intrigues; on the discovery of the Gunpowder Plot he was arrested, found guilty of cognisance of the Plot, and executed (1655-1606).

GARNETT, RICHARD, philologist, born in Otley, Yorkshire, Keeper of the Printed Books in the British Museum, and one of the founders of the Philological Society, and contributor to its Proceedings (1789-1850).

GARONNE, an important river of SW.

rises in the Val d'Aran in the Spanish Pyrenees; 26 m. from its source it enters France near Pont du Roi, and after it passes Toulouse flows in a north-westerly direction; joined by the Dordogne, 30 m. below Toulouse, it gradually widens into the Gironde estuary, which opens on the Bay of Biscay; it has a length of 346 m., and is freely navigable as far as Toulouse.

GARRICK, DAVID, a famous English actor and dramatist, born in Hereford; was educated at Lichfield, the home of his mother, and was for some months in his nineteenth year a pupil of Samuel Johnson; in 1787 he accompanied Johnson to London, with the intention of entering the legal profession, but soon abandoned the purpose, and started in the wine business with his brother; in 1741 he commenced his career as an actor, making his first appearance at Ipswich; in the autumn of the same year he returned to London, and as Richard III. achieved instant success; with the exception of a sojourn upon the Continent for two years, his life was spent mainly in the metropolis in the active pursuit of his profession; in 1747 he became patentee, along with James Lacy, of Drury Lane Theatre, which he continued to direct until his retirement from the stage in 1776; three years later he died, and was buried in Westminster Abbey; his wife, Eva Maria Violette, a celebrated dancer of Viennese birth, whom he married in 1749, survived him till 1822, dying at the advanced age of 98 (1717-1790).

GARRISON, WILLIAM LLOYD, American journalist and abolitionist, born in Newburyport, Mass.; in his native town he rose to be editor of the *Herald* at 19, and five years later became joint-editor of the *Genius of Universal Emancipation*; his vigorous denunciation of slavery involved him in a charge of libel and brought about his imprisonment, from which he was liberated by a friend paying his fine; at Boston, in 1831, he founded his celebrated *Liberator*, a paper in which he unflinchingly and in the face of violent threats, advocated his anti-slavery opinions till 1865, when the cause was won; he visited England on several occasions in support of emancipation, and in 1868 his great labours in the cause were recognised by a gift of 30,000 dollars from his friends (1804-1879).

GARTER, THE MOST NOBLE ORDER OF THE, a celebrated order of knighthood instituted in 1349 by King Edward III.; the original number of the knights was 26, of whom the sovereign was head; but this number has been increased by extending the honour to descendants of (George I., II., and III., and also to distinguished foreigners; it is the highest order of knighthood, and its initials are K.G.; the insignia of the order includes surcoat, mantle, star, &c., but the knights are chiefly distinguished by a garter of blue velvet worn on the left leg below the knee, and bearing the inscription in gold letters *Honi soit qui mal y pense*. "Evil be to him that evil thinks"; ribbon, Garter Blue; election to the order lies with the sovereign.

GARTER, SIR SAMUEL, a distinguished physician, born in co. Durham; had an extensive practice; author of a mock-heroic poem entitled "The Dispensary" (1661-1719).

GAS ENGINES, internal combustion engines using as a fuel coal gas, producer gas, or the waste gases from blast furnaces; the first practical gas engine was built by Lenoir, a Frenchman, in 1860; improvements appeared in the designs of the Otto engine (1876), the Clerk engine (1886), and later in the Still engine.

GASCOIGNE, SIR WILLIAM, English judge, born in Gawthorpe, Yorkshire; during Richard II.'s reign he practised in the law courts, and in 1397 became king's serjeant; three years later he was raised to the Lord Chief-Justiceship; his single-eyed devotion to justice was strikingly exemplified in his refusal to pass sentence of death on Archbishop Scrope; the story of his committing Prince Henry to prison, immortalised by Shakespeare, is unauthenticated (1380-1419).

GASCONY, an ancient province of SW. France, lying between the Atlantic, the Pyrenees, and the Garonne; it included several of the present depart-

ments; the province was of Basque origin, but ultimately became united with Aquitaine, and was added to the territory of the French crown in 1453; the Gascons still retain their traditional characteristics; they are of dark complexion and small in stature, vivacious and boastful, but have a high reputation for integrity.

GASKELL, MRS., *nee STEVENSON*, novelist and biographer, born at Cheyne Row, Chelsea; authoress of "Mary Barton," "Cranford," "Sylvia's Lovers," &c., and the "Life of Charlotte Brontë," her friend (1810-1865).

GASOLENE, a name for petroleum motor spirit or benzine.

GASSENDI, PIERRE, a French mathematician and philosopher, born in Provence; declared against scholastic methods out of deference to the empirical; controverted the metaphysics of Descartes; became the head of a school opposed to him; adopted the philosophy of Epicurus and contributed to the science of astronomy, and was the friend of Kepler, Galileo, and Hobbes; was a great admirer of Bayle, the head of a school of Pyrrhonists, tending to materialism (1592-1655).

GASSNER, JOHANN JOSEPH, a noted "exorcist," born in Bludenz, in the Tyrol; while a Catholic priest at Kloster he gained a wide celebrity by professing to "cast out devils" and to work cures on the sick by means simply of prayer; he was deposed as an impostor, but the bishop of Ratibon, who believed in his honesty, bestowed upon him the curé of Bendorf (1727-1779).

GASTEROPODS, a group of mollusks with a spiral shell, including living forms such as whelks, snails, &c.; gasteropoda are abundant as fossils, especially in the tertiary beds.

GATAKER, THOMAS, an English divine, member of the Westminster Assembly; disapproved of the introduction of the Covenant, declared for Episcopacy, and opposed the trial of Charles I. (1574-1654).

GATE OF TEARS, the strait of Bah-el-Mandeb, so called from the shipwrecks associated with it.

GATES, HORATIO, an American general, born in Maldon, Essex, in England; served as an English officer in America till the peace of 1763, and then retired to Virginia; in the War of Independence he fought on the side of America, and, as commander of the northern army, defeated the English at Saratoga in 1777; so great was his popularity in consequence of this victory that ill-advised efforts were made to place him over Washington, but in 1780 he suffered a crushing defeat at the hands of the British at Camden, and was court-martialed; acquitted in 1782, he again retired to Virginia, and subsequently in 1800 removed to New York, having first emancipated and provided for his slaves (1728-1809).

GATESHEAD, an English town, situated on the Tyne, on N. border of Durham; it is united to Newcastle by three bridges spanning the river; it contains some handsome and interesting buildings, besides extensive ironworks, foundries, soap, glass, and chemical manufactures; it was here Defoe lived when he wrote "Robinson Crusoe."

GATH, Goliath's town, a city of the Philistines, on a cliff 12 m. N.E. of Ashdod.

GATLING, RICHARD JORDAN, the inventor of the Gatling gun, born in Hertford County, N. Carolina, U.S.; he was bred to and graduated in medicine, but in 1849 settled in Indianapolis and engaged in land and railway speculation; his famous machine-gun, capable of firing 1200 shots a minute, was brought out in 1861; another invention of his was a steam-plough (1818-1903).

GATTY, MRS., writer of tales for young people, "Parables from Nature," and editor of *Aunt Judy's Magazine*; daughter of the chaplain of the *Victory*, Nelson's ship at Trafalgar, in whose arms Nelson breathed his last (1809-1873).

GAUCHOS, a name bestowed upon the natives of the pampas of S. America; they are of Indo-Spanish descent, and are chiefly engaged in pastoral pursuits, herding cattle, &c.; they are dexterous horsemen, skilled in the use of the lasso, and are courteous and hospitable; the wide-brimmed sombrero and loose poncho are characteristic articles of their dress.

GAUDEN, JOHN, bishop of Worcester; protested against the trial of Charles I., and after his execution published "Elkon Basilike" (q.v.), or the "Portraiture of his Sacred Majesty in his Solitude and Sufferings," which he declared was written by him (1605-1669).

GAUGUIN, PAUL, French painter. He ran away to sea as a boy, returned to enter into business, and took up painting at the age of 30. Of romantic temperament he delighted in highly decorative work, and in search of colour he settled in Tahiti in the Pacific where he died (1848-1903).

GAUL, the name the ancients gave to two distinct regions, the one Cisalpine Gaul, on the Roman side of the Alps, embracing the N. of Italy, as long inhabited by Gallic tribes; and the other Transalpine Gaul, beyond the Alps from Rome, and extending from the Alps to the Pyrenees, from the ocean to the Rhine, inhabited by different races; subdued by Julius Cæsar 58-50 B.C., and divided by Augustus into four provinces.

GAUNT, JOHN OF, Duke of Lancaster, third son of Edward III., born in Ghent, who in 1362 succeeded to the estates of his father-in-law, the Duke of Lancaster; having in 1372 married, as his second wife, the daughter of the king of Castile, he made an unsuccessful attempt to seize the Castilian throne; in the later years of Edward III.'s reign he took an active part in public affairs, and by his opposition to the national party and overbearing conduct towards the Commons made himself obnoxious to the people; for selfish motives he for a time supported Wycliffe, but in 1381 the Peasant Revolt drove him into Scotland; in 1386 he made another ineffectual attempt to gain the crown of Castile; in his later years he was engaged in various embassies in France (1339-1399).

GAUR, or LAKHNAUTI, the ancient capital of Bengal, now in ruins, but with Hindu remains of exceptional interest, is situated 4 m. S. of Malda, between the rivers Ganges and Mahananda; the city is believed to have been founded in the 11th century; it fell into decay after the Mogul conquest in 1575, but pestilence and the deflection of the Ganges into a new channel accelerated its fate.

GAUSS, KARL FRIEDRICH, a celebrated German mathematician and astronomer, born in Brunswick; was director of the observatory at Göttingen for 40 years; was equally expert on theory of numbers and practice of calculation; he made important discoveries in magnetism, and was pronounced by Laplace the greatest mathematician in Europe (1776-1855).

GAUSS, unit used in electricity for the measurement of magnetic intensity, named after K. F. Gauss.

GAUTAMA, the name of the family Buddha belonged to, a Rajput clan which at the time of his birth was settled on the banks of the Rohini, a small affluent of the Gogra, about 137 m. N. of Benares.

GAUTIER, THÉOPHILE, a distinguished French poet, novelist, and critic, born in Tarbes; began life as a painter, but turning to literature soon attracted the attention of Sainte-Beuve by some studies in the old French authors; by-and-by he came under the influence of Victor Hugo, and in 1830 started his career as a poet by the publication of "Albertus," five years after which appeared his famous novel "Mademoiselle de Maupin"; for many years he was engaged in the work of art criticism for the Paris newspapers, and those of his critiques dealing with the drama have been republished and fill six vols.; both as poet and novelist, his works are numerous, while several delightful books of travel in Spain, Turkey, Algeria, &c., came from his pen (1811-1872).

GAVARNI, PAUL, the *nom de plume* of Sulpice Guillaume Chevallier, caricaturist, born in Paris; began life as an engineer's draughtsman, but soon turned his attention to his proper vocation as a cartoonist; most of his best work appeared in *Le Charivari*, but some of his bitterest and most earnest pictures, the fruit of a visit to London, appeared in *L'Illustration*; he also illustrated Balzac's novels, and Sue's "Wandering Jew" (1801-1860).

GAVAZZI, ALESSANDRO, an Italian anti-papal agitator, born in Bologna; admitted into the order of Barnabite monks, he later became professor of

Rhetoric at Naples; one of the most energetic supporters of Pius IX. in his liberal policy, he afterwards withdrew his allegiance; joined the Revolution of 1848, and ultimately fled to England on the occupation of Rome by the French; as an anti-papal lecturer he showed considerable oratorical powers; delivered addresses in Italian in England and Scotland against the papacy, which were received with enthusiasm, although in Canada they led to riots (1806-1889).

GAVELKIND, a tenure obtaining in Kent, Northumberland, and Wales principally in the first named, which provided for descent of property to all the sons alike, the oldest to have the horse and arms and the youngest the homestead; a custom said to represent the socage tenure common to the country previous to the Norman Conquest.

GAWAIN, SIR, one of the Knights of the Round Table, King Arthur's nephew; celebrated for his courtesy and physical strength.

GAY, JOHN, an English poet, born in Barnstable the same year as Pope, a friend of his, to whom he dedicated his "Rural Sports"; was the author of a series of "Fables" and the "Beggars' Opera," a piece which was received with great enthusiasm, had a run of 63 nights and has been frequently revived, but which gave offence at Court, though it brought him the patronage of the Duke and Duchess of Queensberry, with whom he went to reside, and under whose roof he died; was buried in Westminster Abbey (1685-1732).

GAYA, chief town of a district of the same name in Bengal, on the Phalgu, 57 m. S. of Patna; it is a great centre of pilgrimage for Hindus, and has associations with Buddha; 100,000 pilgrims visit it annually.

GAY-LUSSAC, LOUIS JOSEPH, French chemist and physicist, born in St. Léonard, Haute-Vienne; at the Polytechnic School, Paris, his abilities attracted the attention of Berthollet (q.v.), who appointed him his assistant in the government chemical works at Arcueil; here he assiduously employed himself in chemical and physical research, in connection with which he made two balloon ascents; in 1809 he became professor of Chemistry at the Paris Polytechnic School; in 1832 was elected to a similar chair at the Jardin des Plantes; seven years later was created a peer of France, while in 1829 he became chief assayer to the Mint; his name is associated with many notable discoveries in chemistry and physics, e.g. the law of volumes, isolation of cyanogen; while he introduced new methods of organic analysis (1778-1850).

GAZA, a Philistine town, the gates of which Samson carried off by night; situated on a mound at the edge of the desert, 5 m. from the sea, it is a considerable place to this day.

GAZETTE, THE LONDON, an official newspaper in which government and legal notices are published, issued on Tuesdays and Fridays; originally a Venetian newspaper, the first of the kind, so called because a "gazetta," a Venetian coin a little less than a farthing in value, was charged each person who attended a public reading of the news-sheet.

GEIER, IBN HAYYAN, Arabic alchemist born in Tus, carried out many experiments in Bagdad and appears to have had a sound practical knowledge of chemistry well in advance of his age (740-813).

GED, WILLIAM, the inventor of stereotyping, born in Edinburgh, where he carried on business as a goldsmith; he endeavoured to push his new process of printing in London by joining in partnership with a capitalist, but, disappointed in his workmen and his partner, he returned despondent to Edinburgh; an edition of Sallust and two prayer-books (for Cambridge) were stereotyped by him (1690-1749).

GEDDES, ALEXANDER, Biblical scholar, born in Arradoul, Banffshire; was trained for the Catholic Church, and after prosecuting his studies at Paris was appointed to the charge of a Catholic congregation at Auchinclair; ten years later he was deposed for heresy, and removing to London took to literary work; his most notable performance is his unfinished translation of the Scriptures, and the notes appended, in which he reveals a very pronounced rationalistic conception of holy writ; this work, which anticipated the views of such men as Eichhorn and

Paulus, lost him his status as a priest, although to the end he professed a sincere belief in Christianity; he was the author of volumes of poems, &c. (1737-1802).

GEDDES, RT. HON. SIR AUCKLAND, British politician, entering the House of Commons in 1817 he became successively Minister of National Service and President of the Board of Trade, in which capacity he dealt with the profiteering question. From 1820-1823 he was British Ambassador in America, after which he retired from politics (1879-).

GEDDES, RT. HON. SIR ERIC, British politician, brother of the preceding. Born in India of Scottish parents he went to America early in life to do railway work; returning to England he became deputy-manager of the North-Eastern Railway in 1903, and early in the Great War was in France as Director-General of Military Railways. He then entered Parliament, and became successively Controller of the Navy, 1st Lord of the Admiralty, and Minister of Transport. In the post-war Coalition Government he was entrusted with "the axe" to cut departmental expenditure. He abandoned politics for commerce in 1922 (1876-).

GEDDES, JENNY, an Edinburgh worthy who on July 23, 1837, immortalised herself by throwing her stool at the head of Laud's bishop as he proceeded from the desk of St. Giles's to read the Collect for the day, exclaiming as she did so, "Dell coik the wame o' thee, fause loon, would you say Mass at my lug?" which was followed by great uproar, and a shout, "A Pape, a Pape; stane him."

GEODES, PATRICK, British botanist and biologist, professor at Dundee; apart from his scientific work he took an active part in social and educational activities (1864-).

GEFFS, GUILLAUME, Belgian sculptor, born in Antwerp; executed a colossal work at Brussels, "Victims of the Revolution," and numerous statues and busts as well as imaginative productions; had two brothers distinguished also as sculptors (1806-1893).

GEELONG, a prettily laid out city of Victoria, on Corio Bay, 45 m. SW. of Melbourne. The gold discoveries of 1851 gave a stimulus to the town, which is now a busy centre of the wool trade, and has tanneries and paper works, &c. The harbourage is excellent, and in summer the town is a favourite resort as a watering-place.

GEFLE, a seaport, and the third commercial town in Sweden; capital of the län of Gefleborg; is situated on an inlet of the Gulf of Bothnia, midway between Falun and Upsala; has an interesting old castle, a school of navigation, and, since a destructive fire in 1869, has been largely rebuilt.

GEHENNA, the valley of Hinnom, on the S. of Jerusalem, with Tophet (q.v.) at its eastern end; became the symbol of hell from the fires kept burning in it night and day to consume the poisonous gases of the offal accumulated in it.

GEIBEL, EMANUEL VON, a celebrated German poet, born in Lübeck; was professor of Aesthetics at Munich; the tender, sentimental passion that breathed in his poetry procured for him a widespread popularity, especially among women (1815-1864).

GEIGER, ABRAHAM, an eminent Hebrew scholar and Rabbi, born in Frankfurt-on-the-Main, and editor of the *Zeitschrift für Jüdische Theologie*; strove hard to break down the barrier of Jewish exclusiveness (1810-1874).

GEIJER, ERIC GUSTAV, great Swedish historian, born in Vermland; held a post in the Record Office, Stockholm; was a poet as well as a historian, his principal work being "History of the Swedish People" (1783-1847).

GEIKIE, SIR ARCHIBALD, geologist, born in Edinburgh; at the age of 20 he joined the Geological Survey of Scotland, and in 1867 became director; in 1870 he became Murchison professor of Geology at Edinburgh, and in 1881 was appointed chief director of the Geological Survey of Great Britain; in 1891 he was knighted, and from 1892 to 1898 was President of the British Association; was the author of various works on geology, written with great lucidity, as well as essays much appreciated (1835-1924).

GENIE, JAMES, geologist, brother of the preceding, born in Edinburgh; in 1882, after serving 21 years in the Geological Survey of Scotland, he succeeded his brother in the chair of Geology at Edinburgh; his principal work as a scientist is "The Great Ice Age"; his literary sympathies appear in his admirable volume of translations of "Songs and Lyrics of Heine" (1889-1915).

GEILER VON KAISERBERG, JOHANN, a famous German pulpit orator, born in Schaffhausen; Strasbourg was the principal scene of his labours; his writings include the "Narrenschiff," or "Ship of Fools" (1446-1510).

GELENIUS I., ST., Pope from 492 to 496; a vigorous man and strong assertor of the supremacy of the chair of St. Peter; G. II. also Pope from 1118 to 1119.

GELATINE, an albuminoid substance obtained from bones; it is used as glue, in the tanning industry and for photographic plates.

GELL, SIR WILLIAM, archaeologist, born in Hopton, Derbyshire; after graduating at Cambridge was elected to a Fellowship at Emmanuel College; his passion for classical antiquities led him latterly to settle in Italy, which bore fruit in various valuable works on the topography and antiquities of Troy, Pompeii, Rome, Attica, &c.; he had for some time previously been chamberlain to Queen Caroline, and appeared as a witness at her trial (1777-1836).

GELLERT, or KILLIKERT, a famous dog, which figures in Welsh tradition of the 13th century, and whose devotion and sad death are celebrated in a fine ballad written by the Hon. William Robert Spencer (1796-1834). The story is as follows: Prince Llewellyn on returning one day from the chase discovered the cradle of his child overturned and blood-stains on the floor. Immediately concluding that Gellert, whom he had left in charge of the child, had been the culprit, he plunged his sword into the breast of the dog and laid it dead. Too late he found his child safe hidden in the blankets, and by its side the dead body of an enormous wolf. Gellert's tomb is still pointed out in the village of Beddgelert on the S. of Snowdon. A story similar even to this is current in the traditional lore of many other lands.

GELLERT, CHRISTIAN, a German poet, fabulist, and moralist, born in Saxony; professor of Philosophy at Leipzig; distinguished for the influence of his character and writings on the literature of the period in Germany, its effects culminating in the works of Schiller and Goethe; Frederick the Great, who had an interview with him, pronounced him the most rational of German professors (1715-1769).

GELLIUS, AULUS, a Latin grammarian, born in Rome; author of "Noctes Attice," a miscellany professing to have been composed in a country house near Athens during winter nights, and ranging confusedly over topics of all kinds, interesting as abounding in extracts from ancient writings no longer extant (c. 120-180).

GELON, tyrant of Syracuse from 484 to 478 B.C.; rose from the ranks, gained a victory in 480 B.C. on the day of the battle of Salamis over a large host of Carthaginians who had invaded Sicily; d. 478 B.C., leaving behind him an honoured memory.

GENIALI, the third sign of the zodiac, which the sun enters about May 21; the constellation of that name contains two conspicuous stars of the first magnitude, Castor and Pollux, and, owing to the procession of the equinoxes, is now situated in the cap.

GENS (i.e. men-of-arms), a military police in France organised since the Revolution, and charged with maintaining the public safety. The gendarmerie is considered a part of the regular army, and is divided into legions and companies, but the pay is better than that of an ordinary soldier. In the 14th and 15th centuries the name was applied to the heavy French cavalry, and later to the royal bodyguard of the Bourbons.

GENERAL STRIKE, THE, the strike of all unions belonging to the Trade Union Congress which started on May 4, 1926, and which was designed to coerce the Government into agreeing to the terms of the miners in the coal stoppage which had begun

three days before. After eleven days, singularly free from real disturbance, the strike was unconditionally called off.

GENESIS, the first book in the Bible, so called in the Septuagint as containing an account of the origin of the world, of the human family, and of the Jewish race; a book of the oldest date possessing any human interest.

GENETICS, the science which deals with the study of heredity in animals.

GENEVA, (1) The smallest canton of Switzerland, situated at the western extremity of the lake of the same name; the surface is hilly, but not mountainous, and is watered by the Rhône and Arve; the soil is infertile, but the patient industry of the inhabitants has made it fruitful; the cultivation of the vine, fruit-growing, and the manufacture of watches, &c., are the chief industries; 85 per cent. of the people speak French. (2) Capital of the canton, occupies a splendid geographical position at the south-western end of the lake, at the exit of the Rhône; the town existed in Cæsar's time, and after being subject in turn to Rome and Burgundy, ere long won its independence in conjunction with Bern and Freiburg. In Calvin's time it became a centre of Protestantism, and its history, down to the time of its annexation by Napoleon in 1798, is mainly occupied with the struggles between the oligarchical and democratic factions. On the overthrow of Napoleon it joined the Swiss Confederation. Since 1847 the town has been largely rebuilt and handsomely laid out. Among many fine buildings are the Transition Cathedral of St. Peter (1224), and the Academy founded by Calvin. The Rhône flows through it, and compasses an island which forms part of the city. It has many literary and historical associations, and was the birthplace of Rousseau. In 1919 it became the headquarters of the League of Nations and the International Labour Office.

GENEVA CONVENTIONS, dealing with the treatment of the wounded in time of war, were signed in 1864, 1868, and 1906. The convention set up the Red Cross as an international emblem.

GENEVA, LAKE OF, or LAKE LEMAN, stretches in crescent shape between Switzerland and France, curving round the northern border of the French department of Haute-Savoie; length, 45 m.; greatest breadth, 9 m.; maximum depth, 1022 ft. On the French side precipitous rocks descend to the water's edge, and contrast with the wooded slopes of the north. The water is of a deep-blue colour; many streams pour into it, notably the Rhône, which flows out at Geneva.

GENEVIEVE, the patron saint of Paris, born in Nanterre; by her prayer the city, then called Lutetia (q.v.), was saved from the ravages of Attila (422-512) and his Huns.

GENGHIS KHAN (i.e. Very Mighty Ruler), a celebrated Mongol conqueror, born near Lake Balkal, the son of a Mongol chief; his career as a soldier began at the age of 13, an age at which he boldly assumed the reins of government in succession to his father; by his military skill and daring example he gradually raised his people to a position of supremacy in Asia, and established by means of them a kingdom which, at his death, stretched from the Volga to the Pacific, and from Siberia to the Persian Gulf; he regarded himself as commissioned by Heaven to conquer the world, a destiny which he almost fulfilled (1162-1227).

GENII, in Roman mythology tutelary spirits of which every one was possessed; in Oriental mythology they took the form of fallen angels, or an intermediate race between men and angels, hostile in nature but capable of assuming human shape and of being impressed into service; otherwise known in the East as djinn.

GENLIS, STEPHANIE FÉLICITÉ, COMTESSE DE, celebrated French novelist, born in Champocé, near Autun, Burgundy; at the age of 16 she was married to the Comte de Genlis, who eventually fell a victim to the fury of the Revolution; in 1770 she was a lady-in-waiting to the Duchesse de Chartres, and 12 years later became governess to the children of the Duc d'Orléans, amongst whom was the future king of the French, Louis-Philippe; the

Revolution drove her to Switzerland, but on the elevation of Napoleon she returned to Paris, and received from him a pension, which continued to be paid her even under the restored Bourbon dynasty; she was a voluminous writer of moral tales, comedies, &c., and her works amount to about 90 vols., among them the celebrated "Mémoires" of her life and times; she was ill-natured, and in her "Mémoires" inaccurate, as well as prejudiced (1748-1830).

GENOA, a city and chief commercial seaport of Italy, built at the foot of the Apennines as they slope down to the gulf of the name. The encircling hills behind, which are strongly fortified, form a fine background to the picturesquely laid-out city. There is excellent harbourage for the extensive shipping, and an active export and import trade is carried on. In the city are iron-works, cotton and cloth mills, match factories, &c.; the streets are narrow and irregular, but many of the buildings, especially the ducal palaces and the cathedral, are of great historical and architectural interest; there is an excellent university, a public library, and an Academy of Fine Arts; Columbus was born here.

GENRE PAINTING, name given to paintings embracing figures as they appear in ordinary life and in ordinary situations of a domestic or rural character.

GENS, the name among the Romans for what we understand by the word clan as consisting of families.

GENSERIC, king of the Vandals, son of Godigiselus, founder of the feudal kingdom in Spain, and a bastard brother of Gunderic, whom he succeeded in A.D. 429; from Spain he crossed to Africa, and in conjunction with the Moors added to his kingdom the land lying W. of Carthage, ultimately gaining possession of Carthage itself; he next set himself to organise a naval force, with which he systematically from year to year pillaged Spain, Italy, Greece, and the opposite lands of Asia Minor, sacking Rome in 455; until his death in 477 he continued master of the sea, despite strenuous efforts of the Roman emperors to crush his power.

GENTILLY, a southern suburb of Paris, once a village beyond the fortifications.

GEVILEKEN-AT-ARMS, next to the Yeomen of the Guard the oldest corps in the British army, is the bodyguard of the sovereign; was formed by Henry VIII. in 1509; now consists of a captain, lieutenant, standard-bearer, adjutant, and 40 members, whose duties are limited to attendance at State ceremonies.

GEWIZ, FRIEDRICH VON, German politician and author, born in Breslau; while in the Prussian civil service he warmly sympathised with the French Revolution, but his zeal was greatly modified by perusal of Burke's "Reflections," a treatise he subsequently translated, and in 1802 entered the Austrian public service; in the capacity of a political writer he bitterly opposed Napoleon, but for other purposes his pen and support were at the service of the highest bidder; he was secretary at the Congress of Vienna, and held a similar post in many of the subsequent congresses (1764-1832).

GEODESY, the measurement of distances on the earth's surface.

GEOFFREY OF MONMOUTH, a celebrated chronicler and ecclesiastic of the 12th century, born in Monmouth, where he was educated in a Benedictine monastery; in 1153 he was made bishop of St. Asaph; his Latin "Chronicon sive Historia Britanica" contains a circumstantial account of British history compiled from Gildas, Neannius, and other early chroniclers, interwoven with current

and placed together with additions from his imagination, the whole professing to be the work of a chronicler found in Brittany; this remarkable history is the source of the stories of King Lear, Cymbeline, Merlin, and of Arthur and his knights as they have since taken shape in English literature; d. about 1154.

GEOFFREY, MARIE THÉRÈSE, a French patroness of letters, born in Paris, the daughter of a valet-de-chambre; in her nineteenth year she married a wealthy merchant, whose immense fortune she inherited;

her love of letters—which she cherished, though but poorly educated herself—and her liberality soon made her salon the most celebrated in Paris; the *encyclopedists*, Diderot, D'Alembert, and Marmontel, received from her a liberal encouragement in their great undertaking; Walpole, Elton, and Gibbon were among her friends; and Stanislas Poniatowsky, who became king of Poland, acknowledged her generosity to him by styling himself her son and welcoming her royalty to his kingdom (1699-1777).

GEOFFROY SAINT-HILAIRE, STRIENNE, zoologist and biologist, born in Etampes; he was educated for the Church, but while studying theology at Paris his love for natural science was awakened, and the study of it henceforth became the ruling passion of his life; was made professor of Zoology in the Museum of Natural History in Paris; accompanied Napoleon to Egypt as a member of the scientific commission, and returned with rich collections, while his labours were rewarded by his election to the Academy of Sciences; a scientific mission to Portugal in 1808 next engaged him, and a year later he was nominated to the chair of Zoology in the Faculty of Sciences at Paris; the main object of his scientific writing was to establish, in opposition to the theories of his friend Cuvier, his conception of a grand unity of plan pervading the whole organic kingdom (1772-1844).

GEOPHYSICS, the study of the physical state of the earth's interior.

GEORGE I., king of Great Britain from 1714 to 1727, and first of the Hanoverian line; son of Ernest Augustus, Elector of Hanover, and of Sophia, granddaughter of James I. of England; born in Hanover; in 1682 he married his cousin, the Princess Sophia Dorothea, of him, and in 1698 became Elector of Hanover; he co-operated actively with Marlborough in opposing the schemes of Louis XIV., and commanded the imperial forces; in accordance with the Act of Settlement, he succeeded to the English throne on the death of Queen Anne; his ignorance of English prevented him taking part in Cabinet councils, circumstances which had important results in the growth of constitutional government, and the management of public affairs during his reign devolved chiefly upon Sir Robert Walpole; the abortive Jacobite rising of 1715, the South Sea Bubble (1720), and the institution of Septennial Parliaments (1710), are among the main events of his reign; in 1694 he divorced his wife on account of an amour with Count Königsmark, and kept her imprisoned abroad till her death in 1724, while he himself during these years lived in open profligacy with his mistress (1680-1727).

GEORGE II., king of Great Britain from 1727 to 1760, and Elector of Hanover, born in Hanover, son of preceding; in 1700 he married Caroline of Anspach, and in 1714 was declared Prince of Wales; he joined his father in the struggle with Louis XIV., and distinguished himself on the side of the Allies at the battle of Oudenarde; the period of his reign is one of considerable importance in English history; Walpole and subsequently Pitt were the ministers of the age; war was waged against Spain and France; the last Jacobite rising was crushed at Culloden (1746); English power was established in Canada by the brilliant victory of Wolfe at Quebec (1759); an empire was won in India by Clive; the victory of Minden (1759) was gained in the Seven Years' War; Methodism sprang up under Wesley and Whitefield; while a great literature of letters and art took place; against these, however, must be set the doubling of the National Debt, mainly due to the Seven Years' War, and a defeat by the French at Fontenoy (1745) (1693-1760).

GEORGE III., king of Great Britain from 1760 to 1820, and king of Hanover (Elector from 1780 to 1815), eldest son of Frederick Lewis, Prince of Wales and grandson of preceding; born in London; in 1761 he married Princess Charlotte Sophia of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, by whom he had fifteen children; more English in sentiment and education than his two predecessors, George's main interest was centred in his English kingdom, and never during his long life did he once set foot in his Hanoverian possessions; the purity of his domestic

life, his devotion to England, and the pathos attaching to his frequent fits of insanity, won him the affections of his people, an affection, however, sorely tried by his obstinate blundering; the 60 years of his reign present a succession of domestic episodes, far-reaching in their consequences to England and to the civilised world; the conclusion of the Seven Years' War left England predominant in North America, and with increased colonial possessions in the West Indies, &c., but under the ill-guided and obstinate policy of Lord North she suffered the loss of her American colonies, an event which also involved her in war with France and Spain; in 1787 the famous trial of Warren Hastings (q.v.) began, and two years later came the French Revolution; the great struggle with Napoleon followed, and gave occasion for the brilliant achievements of Nelson and Wellington; during these long years of war the commercial prosperity of England never slackened, but through the inventions of Hargreaves, Arkwright, and Crompton increased by leaps and bounds; freedom of the press was won by Wilkes; and in 1802 the union with Ireland took place; the majestic figure of Pitt stands out amidst a company of brilliant politicians that included Burke and Fox and Sheridan; literature is represented by a line of brilliant writers that stretches from Johnson to Keats, and includes the names of Burns, Cowper, Scott, Coleridge, Shelley, and Byron (1738-1820).

GEORGE IV., king of Great Britain and of Hanover from 1820 to 1830, eldest son of the preceding, born in London; in consequence of his father's insanity he became Regent in 1810; a tendency to profligacy early displayed itself in an intrigue with Mrs. Robinson, an actress; and two years afterwards, in defiance of the Royal Marriages Act, he secretly married Mrs. Fitzherbert (q.v.), a Roman Catholic; in 1795 he publicly espoused Princess Caroline of Brunswick, whom later he endeavoured to divorce; a Burmese War (1823), the victory of Admiral Coddington at Navarino (1827), the Repeal of the Test and Corporation Acts (1828), and the passing of the Catholic Emancipation Bill (1829), were occurrences of some importance in an uneventful reign (1762-1830).

GEORGE V., King of Great Britain. He succeeded King Edward VII. in 1910, and was at once faced with a constitutional crisis over the Parliament Act. Irish troubles next clouded his reign, while from 1914 to 1918 there was the Great War, in which he took an active part, visiting the front line on several occasions. Other important events during his reign have been the granting of votes to women, the establishment of the Irish Free State, the General Strike of 1926 (q.v.), and the formation of the first Labour Government in 1924. He married Princess Mary of Teck in 1893 (1865).

GEORGE, British Prince, fourth son of King George V. and Queen Mary. Born at Sandringham, he was educated at Osborne and Dartmouth, served in the Navy for seven years and then entered the Foreign Office (1902-).

GEORGE II., King of Greece. Born at Corfu, he was a friend of the Allies in the Great War; in 1922 he succeeded his father, King Constantine, on his abdication, but in 1924 he was himself forced to abdicate (1890-).

GEORGE ET. HON. DAVID LLOYD, British politician. Born in Manchester, of Welsh extraction, his early days were spent in Wales. He qualified as a solicitor in 1884, and winning an appeal case against the Church of England he was chosen Liberal candidate for Carnarvon Boroughs in 1890, gaining the seat, which remained faithful to him for the whole of his political career. In the Boer War he took the anti-Imperial line and tried to hold an anti-Chamberlain meeting in Birmingham, having to leave the arena, but disguised as a policeman. He first took office in 1905 as President of the Board of Trade under Campbell-Bannerman, became Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1908 under Asquith, and with his budget of 1909, including taxes on land values and coal royalties, brought on the crisis that led to two elections and the end of the House of Lords as a real power through the Parliament Act of 1911. It was this period which was styled his

"Limehouse days." In 1912 he forced through the National Insurance Act, and in 1914 threw himself wholeheartedly into the prosecution of the Great War. He tackled the munitions question, and in 1916 he went to the War Office, succeeding Asquith as Prime Minister at the end of the year. He continued in office throughout the war and in 1918 he was returned by a large majority to continue a Coalition Government. At the Peace Conference he was one of the most dominating figures, but in 1922 his government fell, owing to the withdrawal of Conservative support. From then on Lloyd George went into opposition, devoting himself to an attempt to revive the Liberal Party and restore it to power, a task in which he failed. He lost prestige through his indulgent attitude towards the General Strike in May, 1926; but it is long since any man has so dominated politics, so impressed his personality on the country, or been so successful as an emotional orator (1863-).

GEORGE, HENRY, an American writer on social and economic questions, born in Philadelphia; he first tried life on the sea, but in 1858 settled in California as a printer, and there married; in course of time he took to journalism, became an editor, and zealously addressed himself to the discussion of public affairs; his secular views on the question of land reform were set forth in "Our Land and Land Policy," published in 1870, and nine years later appeared his more famous and widely popular work "Progress and Poverty," in which he promulgated the theory that to the increase in economic rent and land values is due the lack of increase in wages and interest which the increased productive power of modern times should have ensured; he proposed the levying of a tax on land so as to appropriate the surplus to public uses, and the abolition of all taxes falling upon industry and thrift; he lectured in Great Britain and Ireland, Australia, &c.; in 1887 founded the *Standard* paper in New York; he died during his candidature for the mayoralty of Greater New York (1839-1896).

GEORGE, ST., the patron saint of chivalry and of England; adopted as such in the reign of Edward III.; believed to have been born in Armenia, and to have suffered martyrdom under Diocletian in A.D. 303; he is represented as mounted on a horse back and slaying a dragon (q.v.), conceived as an incarnation of the evil one.

GEORGETOWN, (1) capital of British Guiana, at the mouth of the Demerara River; is the see of an Anglican bishop; is neatly laid out, and has some handsome buildings, but is considered unhealthy; the staple industries are sugar and coffee. (2) A port of entry in the District of Columbia, on the Potomac, 2 m. NW. of Washington; is a terminus of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal.

GEORGIA, (1) one of the 13 original States of the American Union, lies to the S., fronting the Atlantic between Florida and S. Carolina; is divided into 136 counties, Atlanta being the capital and Savannah the chief port; it is well watered with rivers; is low and swampy for some miles inland, but rises into plateaux in the interior, and the Appalachians and Blue Mountains intersect it in the NW.; excellent crops of wheat and fruit are grown among the hills, rice in the lowlands, while immense quantities of cotton are raised on the islands skirting the coast; the vast forests of pitch-pine supply an increasing lumber trade; the mountain lands are rich in minerals; the State was named after George II. in 1733 by the founder, James Oglethorpe. (2) An independent republic extending along the southern slopes of the Caucasus, which, till 1917, belonged to Russia under the name of Georgia, and formed the central portion of Russian Transcaucasia; the Georgians number at present about a million; they are a people of splendid physique, whose history goes back to the time of Alexander the Great, and who attained their zenith in the 12th century; subsequently they suffered from Persian, Turkish, and Russian invasion.

GERA, a thriving city on the White Elster, 35 m. SW. of Leipzig; has broad streets and fine buildings, with a castle; chief manufactures woollens.

GERAINT, **SUB.** one of the Knights of the Round Table, the husband of Enid, whose fidelity he for

a time distrusted, but who proved herself a true wife by the care with which she nursed him when he was wounded.

GERARD, ETIENNE MAURICE, COMTE, marshal of France, born in Damvilliers, Lorraine; in 1791 he entered the army and fought under Bernadotte in various campaigns; at Austerlitz he won his brigade, and subsequently fought at Jena, Erfurt, and Wagram; he joined Napoleon after his flight from Elba, and was wounded at Wavre; on the downfall of the Emperor he quitted France, but returned in 1817; in 1822 he was elected to the Chamber of Deputies, and in 1831 assisted in driving the Dutch out of Flanders; he was War Minister under Louis Philippe (1778-1852).

GERARD, FRANÇOIS PASCAL SIMON, BARON, painter, born in Rome, of French and Italian parentage; came to Paris when a youth, where he studied painting under David; in 1795 his "Blind Bellarius" brought him to the front, whilst subsequent work as a portrait-painter raised him above all his contemporaries; his masterpiece, "Entry of Henri IV. into Paris," procured him a barony at the hands of Louis XVIII.; his historical paintings, characterised by minute accuracy of detail, include "Napoleon in his Coronation Robes," "Battle of Austerlitz," &c. (1770-1837).

GERHARDT, KARL FRIEDRICH, chemist, born in Straßburg after a training at Karlsruhe and Leipzig, worked in Liebig's laboratory at Gießen; in 1838 he began lecturing in Paris, and made experiments along with Cahours on essential oils, which bore fruit in an important treatise; in 1844 he received the chair of Chemistry at Montpellier, but returned to Paris four years later; there he matured and published his Theory of Types, Homologous Series, &c., which have greatly influenced the science of chemistry; in 1855 he became professor of Chemistry in Straßburg (1816-1860).

GERHARDT, PAUL, a celebrated German hymn-writer of the Lutheran Church, born in Gräfenhainichen, in Saxony; in 1657 he became dean of St. Nicholas in Berlin, an appointment he held till 1666, when he was deposed for his embittered opposition to the union of the Lutheran and Reformed Churches; he was subsequently pastor at Lübben; his hymns, 125 in number, rank amongst the finest of their class (1607-1676).

GERICAULT, JEAN LOUIS ANDRÉ THÉODORE, French painter. Born in Rouen, he introduced a new style of art into France; he painted everything from life and brought to French art relief from the stereotyped classic conception so long in vogue. His most famous pictures, "Le Radeau de la Méduse" and "Officier des Chasseurs à Cheval," are now in the Louvre (1791-1824).

GERIZIM, a mountain of 2848 ft. in height in the S. of the valley of Shechem, opposite Ebal (q.v.), from the slopes of which the blessings were responded to by half the tribes of Israel on their arrival in Canaan (Josh. viii. 30-35); the Samaritans erected a temple on this mountain, the ruins of which still remain.

GERMAN CATHOLICS, a sect formed in 1844 by secession from the Catholic Church of Germany, under the leadership of Johann Ronge, on account of the mummery under papal patronage connected with the exhibition of the Holy Coat of Trèves and the superstitious influence ascribed to it.

GERMAN SILVER, an alloy consisting of two parts copper, one of nickel and one of zinc; used for the manufacture of many objects, such as spoons and forks, &c.

GERMAN VOLTAIRE, name given sometimes to Wieland and sometimes, but less appropriately, to Goethe.

GERMANICUS, CÆSAR, Roman general, son of Nero Claudius Drusus and Antonia, daughter of Mark Antony; he served with distinction under his uncle Tiberius in Dalmatia and Pannonia; was awarded a triumph, and in A.D. 12 was elected consul; his success and popularity as leader of the army on the Rhine provoked the jealousy of Tiberius, who transferred him to the East, where he subsequently died; his son Caligula succeeded Tiberius on the imperial throne (15 B.C.-A.D. 19).

GERMANY, constituted an empire in 1871 and a republic in 1919, occupies a commanding position in Central Europe, and stretches from Switzerland in the S. to the North Sea and Baltic Sea on the N.; Austria lies to the SE., Russia to the NE., while France, Belgium, and the Netherlands flank the W.; is made up of 18 States of widely varying size and importance. After the Great War Germany lost Alsace-Lorraine to France, E. Prussia and Posen to Poland, part of Silesia-Holstein to Denmark, while part of Danzig became a free city. The main physical divisions are (1) the great lowland plain stretching from the centre to the Baltic and North Sea, well watered by the Elbe, Weser, Elbe, Oder, Vistula, and their tributaries, in which, bating large sandy tracts, agriculture employs a large class, and cereals, tobacco, and beetroot are raised; (2) the mountainous district, in the interior of which the Fichtelgebirge is the central knot, in which vast forests abound, and rich deposits of coal, fire-clays, iron, and other metals are worked, giving rise to iron-works and potteries; (3) the basin of the Rhine, on the W., where the vine is largely cultivated, and extensive manufactures of silks, cottons, and hardware are carried on; fine porcelain comes from Saxony and vast quantities of beer from Bavaria; Westphalia is the centre of the steel and iron works; throughout Germany there are 26,000 m. of railway line (chiefly State railways), 57,000 m. of telegraph line, while excellent roads, canals, and navigable rivers facilitate communication; 65 per cent. of the people are Protestants; education is compulsory and more highly developed than in any other European country; the government is carried out by the *Reichstag*, elected by universal suffrage and ballot for four years, and a *Reichsrat* representing the States.

GERMS, the small organisms which give rise to disease in the living matter upon which they are parasites; they may be bacteria, protozoa, or worms; germs are carried extensively by insects, rats, and other animals; in the case of certain diseases, the specific germs have been isolated, but many of them are so minute that they escape detection.

GERÔME, JEAN LÉON, a celebrated French painter, born in Vésoul; he studied at Paris under Paul Delarocche, with whom he subsequently travelled in Italy; he visited the East and so familiarised himself with Eastern scenes; in 1863 he was appointed professor of Painting in the Paris School of Fine Arts; among his most famous pictures, all characterised by vivid colouring and strong dramatic effect, are "The Age of Augustus and the Birth of Christ," "Roman Gladiators in the Amphitheatre," "Cleopatra and Cæsar" (1824-1904).

GERRY, ELBRIDGE, American statesman, born in Marblehead, Mass.; in 1773, eight years after graduating at Harvard, he was elected to the Massachusetts Assembly, and in 1789 to the first National Congress; as envoy to France in 1797 he assisted in establishing diplomatic relations with that country, and after his recall in 1810 was chosen governor of his native State; during his tenancy of this office, by an unfair redistribution of the electoral districts in the State, he gave undue advantage to his own political party, a proceeding which led to the coining of the word "gerrymandering"; subsequently he held office as Vice-President of the Republic (1744-1814).

GERSON, JEAN CHARLES DE, an eminent ecclesiastical scholar, born in Gerson, in the diocese of Rheims; in 1395 he became chancellor of his old university at Paris, and earned in that office a high reputation for learning, becoming known as Doctor Christianissimus; he was a prominent member of the councils of Pisa and Constance, advocating, as a remedy for the Western Schism, the resignation of the rival Popes; in consequence of his denunciation of the Duke of Burgundy for the murder of the Duke of Orleans he was forced to become a refugee in Germany for some time, but finally retired into the monastery of Lyons; his various works reveal an intellect of keen intelligence, but somewhat tinged with a cloudy mysticism (1363-1429).

GERSTÄCKER, FRIEDRICH, German author and traveller, born in Hamburg: when 21 he emigrated to New York, and for six years led a wandering life in different parts of America, working the while now at one occupation now at another, a narrative of which he published on his return to Germany; in 1849 he undertook a journey round the world which occupied him three years; in 1860-1861 he crossed S. America; in 1862 he was in Africa with Duke Ernst of Gotha, and in 1863 in Central America; his many writings, descriptive of these countries, exhibit a fresh and graphic style, and have had a wide popularity: he is the author also of several thrilling stories (1816-1872).

GERVASE OF TILBURY, a mediæval historical writer, born in Tilbury, in Essex: said to have been a nephew of King Henry II.; he held a lectureship in Canon Law at Bologna, and through the influence of Emperor Otto IV. was made marshal of the kingdom of Arles; he was the author of "Otia Imperialia," a historical and geographical work; d. about 1236.

GERVINUS, GEORG GOTTFRIED, German historian and Shakespearean critic, born in Darmstadt; he was elected to the chair of History at Göttingen in 1836, an appointment which was cancelled the following year by his signing the protest against the abolition of the Hanoverian constitution; in 1844 he was appointed honorary professor at Heidelberg, and subsequently contributed greatly to the establishment of constitutional liberty in Germany by means of his writings and by founding the *Deutsche Zeitung* there; in 1848 he became a member of the National Assembly, but shortly afterwards withdrew, disgusted with the course things were taking; he now engaged in literary studies, the fruit of which appeared in his celebrated volumes of Shakespearean criticism (1806-1871).

GERYON, a king of Erythraia (i.e. red island), on the western borders of the world, with three bodies and three heads, who had a herd of oxen guarded by a giant shepherd and his dog, the two-throated Orthrus, which were carried off by Hercules at the behest of his fate.

GESENIUS, FRIEDRICH HEINRICH WILHELM, an eminent German Hebraist and Biblical scholar, born in Prussian Saxony, whose labours form an epoch in the study of the Hebrew Scriptures; was 30 years professor of the language in Halle; produced a Hebrew Grammar and Lexicon, and commentary on Isaiah on rationalistic lines (1785-1842).

GESNER, KONRAD VON, Swiss scholar and naturalist, born in Zurich; hampered by ill-health and poverty in his youth, he yet contrived by unremitting diligence to obtain an excellent education at Strasbourg, Bourges, and Paris. In his twenty-first year he obtained an appointment in Zurich University, and in 1537 became professor of Greek at Lausanne; abandoning the idea he entertained of entering the Church, he determined to adopt the medical profession instead, graduated at Basel in 1540, and a year later went to Zurich to occupy the chair of Natural History and to practise as a doctor; his chief works are the "Bibliotheca Universalis" (a catalogue and summary of all Hebrew, Greek, and Latin works then known to exist), and the "Historia Animalium"; these monuments of learning have won him the cognomen of the German Pliny (1516-1565).

GESLER, ALBRECHT, a governor of the forest cantons of Switzerland, who figures in Swiss legend as an oppressor who was shot as related in the tradition of Tell.

GESNER, SALOMON, Swiss poet and artist, born in Zurich; served an apprenticeship to a bookseller in Berlin, and after a sojourn in Hamburg returned to Zurich, where the rest of his life was spent; he published several volumes of poetry, chiefly pastoral and of no great value; his "Death of Abel" is his most notable performance; his tings are mainly landscapes of a conventional kind, several of which he engraved, revealing better taste as an engraver than as an artist (1730-1788).

ROMANORUM (the exploits of the Romans), a collection of short didactic stories, not, however, solely Roman, written in the Latin tongue, probably

towards the close of the 18th century, the authorship of which is uncertain, though it is generally recognised as of English origin; the stories are characterised by naïve simplicity, and have served as materials for many notable literary productions; thus Shakespeare owes to this work the plot of Pericles and the incidents of the caskets and the pound of flesh in "The Merchant of Venice," Parnell his "Hermit," Byron his "Three Black Crows," and Longfellow his "King Robert of Sicily."

GETHEMANE, somewhere on the E. of Kedron, half a mile from Jerusalem, at the foot of Mount Olivet, the scene of the Agony of Christ.

GETTYSBURG, a town in Pennsylvania, built on a group of hills 50 m. SW. of Harrisburg; during the Civil War it was the scene of General Meade's famous victory over the Confederates under General Lee on July 3, 1863.

GEYSERS, fountains which from time to time, under the expansion of steam, eject columns of steam and hot water, and which are met with in Iceland, North America, and New Zealand; the most remarkable is the Great Geyser, 70 m. N. of Reikjavik, in Iceland, which ejects a column of water to 60 ft. in height, accompanied with rumblings underground; these eruptions will continue some 15 minutes, and they recur every few hours.

GFROER, AUGUST FRIEDRICH, a learned German historian, born in the Black Forest; educated for the Protestant ministry; in 1828, after residence at Geneva and Rome, started as a tutor of theology, and two years later became librarian at Stuttgart; published a number of historical works, including a "Life of Gustavus Adolphus," "Pope Gregory VII.," a "History of Primitive Christianity," "Church History to the Fourteenth Century"; in this last work he showed a strong leaning to Catholicism; was appointed to the chair of History in the university of Freiburg; was elected to the Frankfort parliament, and finally openly professed the Catholic faith (1808-1861).

GHATS, or GHATS, EASTERN AND WESTERN, two mountain ranges running parallel with the E. and W. coasts of S. India, the latter skirting the Malabar coast between 80 and 40 m. from the sea, rising to nearly 6000 ft., and exhibiting fine mountain and forest scenery, and the former skirting the E. of the Deccan, of which tableland it here forms the buttress, and has a much lower mean level; the two ranges converge into one a short distance from Cape Comorin.

GHAZALI, ABU MOHAMMED AL-, Arabian philosopher, born in Tus, Persia; in 1001 he was appointed professor of Philosophy in Bagdad; four years later he went to Mecca, and subsequently taught at Damascus, Jerusalem, and Alexandria; finally, he returned to his native town and there founded a Sufic college; of his numerous philosophic and religious works the most famous is the "Destruction of the Philosophers," in which he combats the theories and conclusions of the current Arabian scholasticism (1058-1111).

GHAZIPUR, a city of India, on the Ganges, 44 m. N.E. of Benares, capital of the district of that name, in the North-West Provinces; was the headquarters of the Government Opium Department, and trades in rice-water, sugar, tobacco, &c.; contains the ruins of the Palace of Forty Pillars.

GHAZNI, a fortified city of Afghanistan, 7726 ft. above the sea, 85 m. SW. of Kabul; it is the chief strategic point on the military route between Kandahar and Kabul; in the 11th and 12th centuries it was the capital of the Kingdom of Ghaznavides, which stretched from the plains of Delhi to the Black Sea, and which came to an end in 1186.

GHEEL, a town in Belgium, situated on a fertile spot in the midst of the sandy plain called the Campine, 26 m. SE. of Antwerp; it has been for centuries celebrated as an asylum for the insane, who (about 1300) are now boarded out among the peasants; these cottage asylums are under government control, and the board of the patients in most cases is guaranteed.

GHENT, a city of Belgium, capital of East Flanders, situated at the junction of the Scheldt and the Lys, 34 m. NW. of Brussels; rivers and canals divide

it into 26 quarters, connected by 270 bridges; in the older part are many quaint and interesting buildings, notably the cathedral of St. Bavon (15th century); it is the first industrial city of Belgium, and is a great emporium of the cotton, woollen, and linen trades; the floriculture is famed, and the flower-shows have won it the name of the "City of Flowers."

GHETTO, an Italian word applied to the quarters set apart in Italian cities for the Jews, to which in former times they were restricted; the term is now applied to the Jews' quarters in any city; equivalent to the English "Jewry."

GIBELLINES, a political party in Italy who, from the 11th to the 14th centuries, maintained the supremacy of the German emperors over the Italian States in opposition to the Guelphs (q.v.).

GIBERTI, LORENZO, an Italian sculptor and designer, born in Florence; his first notable work was a grand fresco in the palace of Malatesta at Rimini in 1400, but his most famous achievement, which immortalised his name, was the execution of two doorways, with bas-relief designs, in the baptistery at Florence; he spent 50 years at this work, and so noble were the designs and so perfect the execution that Michael Angelo declared them fit to be the gates of Paradise (c. 1378-1455).

GILAN, a province of NW. Persia, between the SW. border of the Caspian Sea and the Elburz Mountains; is low-lying, swampy, and unhealthy towards the Caspian, but the rising ground to the S. is more salubrious; wild animals are numerous in the vast forests; the soil, where cleared, is fertile and well cultivated; the Caspian fisheries are valuable; the people are of Iranian descent, and speak a Persian dialect.

GHIRLANDAJO, (i.e. Garland-maker), nickname of Domenico Curradi, an Italian painter, born in Florence; acquired celebrity first as a designer in gold; at 24 he turned to painting, and devoted himself to fresco and mosaic work, in which he won wide-spread fame; amongst his many great frescoes it is enough to mention here "The Descent of the Innocents," at Florence, and "Christ calling Peter and Andrew," at Rome; Michael Angelo was for a time his pupil (1449-1494).

GHUZNIL. See **GHAZNIL**.

GIANT STARS, are those of large volume and brightness and low density like Arcturus, Betelgeuse, and Aldebaran. See **STELLAR EVOLUTION**.

GIANTS, in the Greek mythology often confounded with, but distinct from, the Titans (q.v.), being a mere earthly brood of great stature and strength, who thought by their violence to dethrone Zeus, and were with the assistance of Hercules overpowered and buried under Etna and other volcanoes, doomed to continue their impotent grumbling there.

GIANT'S CAUSEWAY, a remarkable headland of columnar basaltic rock in North Ireland, projecting into the North Channel from the Antrim coast at Bengore Head, 7 m. N.E. of Portrush; is an unequal surface 800 yds. long and 80 ft. wide, formed by the tops of the 40,000 closely packed, vertical columns which rise to a height of 400 ft. The legend goes that it was the beginning of a roadway laid down by a giant.

GIAOUR, the Turkish name for an unbeliever in the Mohammedan faith, and especially for a Christian.

GIBBON, a small, black or grey anthropoid ape, native to the Malay peninsula.

GIBBON, EDWARD, historian, born in Putney; his early education was hindered by a nervous complaint, which, however, disappeared by the time he was 14; a wide course of desultory reading had, in a measure, repaired the lack of regular schooling, and when at the age of 15 he was entered at Magdalen College, Oxford, he possessed, as he himself quaintly puts it, "a stock of erudition which might have puzzled a doctor, and a degree of ignorance of which a schoolboy might have been ashamed"; 14 months later he became a convert to Roman Catholicism, and in consequence was obliged to quit Oxford; in the hope of reclaiming him to the Protestant faith he was placed in the charge of the deistical poet Mallet, and subsequently under a Calvinist minister at Lausanne; under the latter's kindly suasion he speedily discarded Catholicism,

and during five years' residence established his learning on a solid found; time was also found for the one love episode of his life—an amour with Susanne Curchod, an accomplished young lady, who subsequently became the wife of the French minister M. Necker, and mother of Madame de Staël; shortly after his return to England in 1758 he published in French an Essay on the Study of Literature, and for some time served in the militia; in 1774, having four years previously inherited his father's estate, he entered Parliament, and from 1779 to 1783 was one of the Lords Commissioners of Trade and Plantations; in 1776 appeared the first volume of his great history, "The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire," the conception of which had come to him in 1764 in Rome whilst "musing amongst the ruins of the Capitol"; in 1787 his great work was finished at Lausanne, where he had resided since 1783 (1737-1794).

GIBBONS, GRINLING, a celebrated wood-carver, born in Rotterdam, but brought up in England; through the influence of Evelyn he obtained a post in the Board of Works, and his marvellous skill as a wood-carver won him the patronage of Charles II., who employed him to furnish ornamental carving for the Chapel of Windsor; much of his best work was done for the nobility, and in many of their mansions his carving is yet extant in all its grace and finish, the ceiling of a room at Petworth being considered his masterpiece; he also did some notable work in bronze and marble (1648-1720).

GIBBONS, ORLANDO, an eminent English musician, composer of many exquisite anthems, madrigals, &c., born in Cambridge; in 1604 he obtained the post of organist in the Chapel Royal, London, and two years later received the degree of Mus. Bae. of Cambridge, while Oxford recognised his rare merits in 1622 by creating him a Mus. Doc.; in the following year he became organist of Westminster Abbey, and in 1625 was in official attendance at Canterbury on the occasion of Charles I.'s marriage, but he did not live to celebrate the ceremony, for which he wrote the music; he is considered the last and greatest of the old Church musicians of England (1583-1625).

GIBBS, JOSIAH WILLARD, American mathematician and physicist; introduced the idea of the phase rule into physical chemistry; professor at Yale University; wrote much on thermodynamics (1839-1903).

GIBBON, a place on the northern slopes of a hill 6 or 7 m. S. of Bethel, and the spot over which Joshua bade the sun stand still; its inhabitants, for a trick they played on the invading Israelites, were condemned to serve them as "beavers of wood and drawers of water."

GIBRALTAR, a promontory of rock, in the S. of Spain, about 2 m. square and over 1400 ft. in height, connected with the mainland by a spit of sand, forming a strong fortress, with a town of the name at the foot of it on the W. side, and with the Strait of Gibraltar on the S., which at its narrowest is 15 m. broad; the rock above the town is a network of batteries, mounted with heavy cannon, and the town itself is a trade entrepot for N. Africa; the rock has been held as a stronghold by the British since 1704.

GIBSON, JOHN, sculptor, born in Gyffin, near Conway, Wales, of humble parentage; after serving an apprenticeship to a cabinet-maker in Liverpool, he took to carving in wood and stone, and, supported by Roscoe, became a pupil of Canova and afterwards of Thorwaldsen in Rome; here he made his home and did his best work; mention may be made of "Thesus and the Kobber," "Anason thrown from her horse," statues of George Stephenson, Peel, and Queen Victoria; in 1836 he was elected a member of the Royal Academy (1790-1868).

GIBSON, THOMAS MILNER, politician, born in Trinidad; graduated at Cambridge; entered Parliament in the Conservative interest, but becoming a convert to Free-Trade principles he went over to the Liberal ranks, and became an active and eloquent supporter of the Manchester policy; returned for Manchester in 1841 and 1846, was made a Privy Councillor and Vice-President of the Board of Trade; his earnest advocacy of

peace at the Crimean crisis lost him his seat in Manchester, but Ashton-under-Lyne returned him the same year; under Palmerston he was for seven years (1869-1866) President of the Board of Trade; his name is honourably associated with the repeal of the Advertisement, Newspaper, Stamp, and Paper Duties; in 1868 he retired from public life (1806-1844).

GIDEON, one of the most eminent of the Judges of Israel, famous for his defeat of the Midianites at Gilboa, and the peace of 40 years' duration which it ensured to the people under his rule.

GIESEBRECHT, WILHELM VON, historian, born in Berlin; was professor of History at Königsberg and at Munich; his chief work is "Geschichte der Deutschen Kaiserzeit" (1814-1889).

GIESELER, JOHANN KARL LUDWIG, a learned Church historian, born near Minden; after quitting Halle University adopted teaching as a profession, but in 1813 served in the war against France; on the conclusion of the war he held educational appointments at Minden; was nominated in 1819 to the chair of Theology at Bonn, and in 1831 was appointed to a like professorship in Göttingen; his great work is a "History of the Church" in 6 vols. (1793-1864).

GIESSEN, the chief town of Hesse, situated at the confluence of the Wisseck and the Lahn, 40 m. N. of Frankfurt-on-the-Main; has a flourishing university, and various manufactories.

GIFFORD, ADAM, LORD, a Scottish judge, born in Edinburgh; had a large practice as a barrister, and realised a considerable fortune, which he bequeathed towards the endowment of four lecture-ships on Natural Theology in connection with each of the four universities in Scotland; was a man of a philosophical turn of mind, and a student of Spinoza; held office as a judge from 1870 to 1881 (1820-1887).

GIFFORD, WILLIAM, an English man of letters, born in Ashburton, Devonshire; left friendless and penniless at an early age by the death of his parents, he first served as a cabin-boy, and subsequently for four years worked as a cobler's apprentice; through the generosity of a local doctor, and afterwards of Earl Grosvenor, he obtained a university training at Oxford, where in 1792 he graduated; a period of travel on the Continent was followed in 1794 by his celebrated satire the "Rivind," and in two years later by the "Meviad"; his editorship of the *Anti-Jacobin* (1797-1798) procured him favour and office at the hands of the Tories; the work of translation, and the editing of Elizabethan poets, occupied him till 1800, when he became the first editor of the *Quarterly Review*; his writing is vigorous, and marked by strong partisanship, but his bitter attacks on the new literature inaugurated by Wordsworth, Shelley, Keats, and others reveal a prejudiced and narrow view of literature (1757-1826).

GIL BLAS, a romance by Le Sage, from the name of the hero, a character described by Scott as honestly disposed, but being constitutionally timid, unable to resist temptation, though capable of brave actions and intelligent, but apt to be deceived through vanity, with sufficient virtue to make us love him, but indifferent to our respect.

GILBERT, PARKER, American financier. Before he was 30 he became under-secretary of the United States territory, and on the adoption of the Dawes Plan (q.v.) he became Agent-General for Reparations in Berlin in 1924 (1892-).

GILBERT, SIR HUMPHREY, navigator, born in Devonshire, half-brother of Sir Walter Raleigh; in 1585 established a settlement in Newfoundland (died 1559-1583).

GILBERT, SIR JOHN, English artist, President of the Royal Society of Water-Colour Painters; was for long an illustrator of books, among the number an edition of Shakespeare; he was a Chevalier of the Legion of Honour (1817-1897).

GILBERT, SIR WILLIAM SCHWENCK, barrister, notable as a play-writer and as the author of a series of well-known popular comic operas, including "The Mikado," "The Yeomen of the Guard," and "The Gondoliers," set to music by Sir Arthur Sullivan (1836-1911).

GILBERT ISLANDS, or **KINGSMILL GROUP**, a group

of islands in the Pacific, of coral formation, lying on the equator between 172° and 177° E. long; they are 16 in number, were discovered in 1788, and annexed by Britain in 1892 and 1915. They now form a separate colony in the Pacific, which includes Fanning and Washington Islands and the Union Islands; the colony has an area of 180 sq. m. and a population of 30,500; Ocean Island is the seat of government.

GILBOA, MOUNT, a range of hills on the SE. of the Plain of Esdraelon, in Palestine, attaining a height of 1698 ft.

GILDAS, a monkish historian of Britain, who wrote in the 6th century a Latin work entitled "De Excidio Britanniae," which afterwards appeared in two parts, a History and an Epistle.

GILEAD, a tableland extending along the E. of the Jordan, at a general level of 2000 ft. above the sea, the highest point near Ramoth-Gilead being 3597 ft.

GILES, ERNEST, Australian explorer, of English birth, twice penetrated interior from South Australia to West Australia making important discoveries in these and other expeditions (1839-1897).

GILES, ST., the patron saint of cripples, beggars, and lepers; was himself a cripple, due to his refusal to be cured of a wound that he might learn to mortify the flesh; was fed by the milk of a hind that visited him daily; is reputed to have had once at his monastery a long interview with St. Louis, without either of them speaking a word to the other.

GILL, SIR DAVID, astronomer-royal at the Cape (1870-1907); he devoted himself to the compilation of a catalogue of the stars visible in the Southern Hemisphere; studied the movements of the planets, and wrote many papers on astronomical subjects (1843-1914).

GILLESPIE, GEORGE, Scottish divine, born in Kirkcaldy; trained at St. Andrews, and ordained to a charge at Weirys; in 1642 he was called to Edinburgh, and in the following year appointed one of a deputation of four to represent Scotland at the Westminster Assembly; his chief work is "Aaron's Rod Blossoming," a vigorous statement and vindication of his Presbyterianism; in 1648 he was Moderator of the General Assembly (1613-1648).

GILLRAY, JAMES, caricaturist; born in Chelsea; depicted the humours of London life of his day, particularly satirising George III and his court (1757-1816).

GILPIN, JOHN, the hero of the adventurous ride in Cowper's famous poem; the original is stated to have been a linen-draper named Beyer whose residence was in Paternoster Row.

GILPIN, WILLIAM, OF BOLDER, an English author, who by his series of "Picturesque Tours" exercised an influence on English literature similar to that of White's "Selborne," at the same time (1724-1804).

GIOBERTI, VINCENTI, an Italian philosophical and political writer, born in Turin; in 1825 he was appointed to the chair of Theology in his native city, and in 1831 chaplain to the Court of Charles Albert of Sardinia; two years later was exiled on a charge of complicity in the plots of the Young Italy party, and till 1847 remained abroad, chiefly in Brussels, busy with his pen on literary, philosophical, and political subjects; in 1848 he was welcomed back to Italy, and shortly afterwards rose to be Prime Minister of a short-lived government; his later years were spent in diplomatic work at Paris; in philosophy he reveals Platonic tendencies, while his political ideal was a confederated Italy, with the Pope at the head and the king of Sardinia as military guardian (1801-1852).

GIORDANO, LUCA, Italian painter, born in Naples; studied under various celebrated masters at Naples, Rome, Lombardy, and other places, finally returning to Naples; in 1693 he received a commission from Charles II. of Spain to adorn the Escorial, and in the execution of this work remained at Madrid till 1700, when he again settled in his native city; he was famous in his day for marvellous rapidity of workmanship, but this fluency combined with a too slavish adherence to the methods of the great masters has somewhat robbed his work of individuality; his frescoes in the Escorial at Madrid and others in Florence and Rome are esteemed his finest work (1632-1706).

GIORGIONE (i.e. Great George), the sobriquet given to Giorgio Barbarelli, one of the early masters of the Venetian school, born near Castelfranco, in the N.E. of Italy; at Venice he studied under Giovanni Bellini, and had Titian as a fellow-pupil; his portraits are among the finest of the Italian school, and exhibit a freshness of colour and conception and a firmness of touch unsurpassed in his day; his works deal chiefly with scriptural and pastoral scenes, and include a "Holy Family" in the Louvre, "Virgin and Child" in Venice, and "Moses Rescued" (c. 1478-1511).

GIOTTO, a great Italian painter, born at a village near Florence; was a shepherd's boy, and at 10 years of age, while tending his flock and drawing pictures of them, was discovered by Cimabue, who took him home and made a pupil of him; "never," says Ruskin, "checked the boy from the first day he found him, showed him all he knew, talked with him of many things he himself felt unable to paint; made him a workman and a gentleman, above all, a Christian, yet left him a shepherd. . . . His special character among the great painters of Italy was that he was a practical person; what others dreamt of he did; he could work in mosaic, could work in marble, and paint; could build . . . built the Campanile of the Duomo, because he was then the best master of sculpture, painting, and architecture in Florence. . . . Dante was his friend and Titian copied him. While Cimabue still painted the Holy Family in the old conventional style, Giotto went to Nature for his types, and led the way for a transition in art; his paintings and work are to be seen in churches in Padua, Assisi, Naples, and Florence (1276-1337).

GIPSIES, a dwindling nomadic race of Indian origin, speaking a dialect called Romany. They came to Europe about 1400, and in several countries laws were made against them. Modern land enclosure has almost extinguished them in England.

GIRALDUS CAMBRENSIS (i.e. Giraldus of Cambria), ecclesiastic and author, born in Fernborough, of Norman descent, studied with distinction in Paris; was a zealous churchman; obtained ecclesiastical preferment in England; was twice elected bishop of St. David's, but both times set aside; travelled in Ireland as well as Wales, and left record of his impressions, which give an entertaining picture and a valuable account of the times, though disfigured by credulity and personal vanity (1147-1223).

GIRARD, STEPHEN, a philanthropist, born in Bordeaux; in early life followed the career of a seaman and rose to be captain of an American coast-trader; in 1769 set up as a trader in Philadelphia, and, in course of time establishing a bank, accumulated an immense fortune; during his lifetime he exhibited a strange mixture of niggardiness, scepticism, public charitableness, and a philanthropy which moved him during a yellow-fever epidemic to labour as a nurse in the hospital; at his death he bequeathed \$2,000,000 to found an orphanage for boys, attaching to the bequest the remarkable condition that no clergyman should ever be on the board or ever be permitted to enter the building (1769-1831).

GIRARDIN, EMILE DE, journalist and politician, born in Switzerland, the natural son of General Alexandre de Girardin; took to stockbroking, but quitting it for journalism he soon established a reputation as a ready, vivacious writer, and in 1836 started *La Presse*, the first French penny paper; his rapid change of front in politics earned for him the nickname of "The Weathercock"; later he adhered to the Republican cause, and founded *La France* in its interest; he published many political brochures and a few plays, and was for some years editor of *La Liberté* (1806-1881). His wife, Delphine Gay, enjoyed a wide celebrity both as a beauty and authoress; her poems, plays, and novels fill six vols. (1806-1881).

GIRARDIN, FRANÇOIS SAINT-MARC, a French professor and littérateur, born in Paris; in 1827 was professor in the Collège Louis-le-Grand, and in 1834 was nominated to the chair of Literature in the Sorbonne; as leader-writer in the *Journal des Débats* he vigorously opposed the Democrats, and

sat in the Senate from 1834 to 1848; in 1866, as Saint-Beuve's successor, he took up the editorship of the *Journal des Savants*, and in 1871 became a member of the National Assembly; he published his collected essays and also his popular literary lectures (1801-1873).

GIRL GUIDES, an international organisation for girls run on the lines of the Boy Scouts (q.v.) and founded by Sir Robert (now Lord) Baden-Powell in 1910.

GIRONDE, a maritime department in SW. France, facing the Bay of Biscay on the W. and lying N. and S. between Charente-Inférieure and Landes; the Garonne and the Dordogne flowing through it form the Gironde estuary, and with their tributaries sufficiently water the undulating land; agriculture and some manufactures flourish, but wine is the chief product.

GIROUDINS, or **GIROUDISTS**, a party of moderate republican opinions in the French Revolution. The leaders of it were from the Gironde district, whence their name, were in successful members of the Legislative Body and of the Convention, on the right in the former, on the left in the latter, and numbered among them such names as Condorcet, Brissot, Roland, Carnot, and others; they opposed the court and the clerical party, and voted for the death of the king, but sought to rescue him by a proposal of appeal to the people; overpowered by the Jacobins in June, 1793, with whom they came to open rupture, they sought in vain to provoke a rising in their favour; on October 24 they were arraigned before the Revolutionary tribunal, and on the 31st twenty-one of them were brought to the guillotine, singing the "Marseillaise" as they went and on the scaffold, while the rest, all to a few, perished later in either the same way or by their own hands.

GIRTIN, THOMAS, a landscape-painter, born in London; painted in water-colour views of scenes near Paris and London; was a friend of Turner (1775-1802).

GIRTON COLLEGE, one of the two university colleges for women at Cambridge; founded in 1869 at Hitchin and moved in 1873 to Girton, a village 2½ m. outside Cambridge; the students attend all the university lectures and sit for the examinations; they are now allowed to proceed to the B.A. degree under the same conditions as men students; the college numbers about 200 students, the great majority of whom read for an honours degree.

GISSING, GEORGE, British novelist. He published his first book, "Workers in the Dawn," at the age of 22. He tried work as a clerk, emigrated to America, returned to tramp the streets of London, and told of his experiences in "New Grub Street," a book followed by several realistic novels (1857-1903).

GLAZH, or **GHIZEH**, a town in Egypt, on the Nile, opposite Old Cairo, to which it is joined by a suspension bridge spanning the river; in the neighbourhood are the Great Pyramids.

GLACIER, a more or less snow-white mass of ice occupying an Alpine valley and moving slowly down its bed like a viscous substance, being fed by snow melting upon at the top called *nerve* and forming streams at the bottom; it has been defined by Prof. J. D. Forbes as "a viscous body which is urged down slopes of a certain inclination by the mutual pressure of its parts"; in the Alps alone glaciers number over 1000.

GLADIATOR, one who fought in the arena at Rome with men or beasts for the amusement of the people, originally in connection with funeral games, under the belief, it is said, that the spirits of the dead were appeased at the sight of blood; exhibitions of the kind were common under the emperors, and held on high occasions; if the gladiator was wounded in the contest, the spectators decided whether he was to live or die by turning their thumbs downwards or upwards.

GLADSTONE, WILLIAM EWART, statesman, orator, and scholar, born in Liverpool, son of a Liverpool merchant, sometime of Leith, and of Ann, daughter of Andrew Robertson, Morvenway; educated at Eton and Oxford; entered Parliament in 1832 as member for Newark in the Tory interest; delivered his maiden speech on slavery emancipation on

May 17, 1833; accepted office under Sir Robert Peel in 1834, and again in 1841 and 1846; and as member for Oxford, separating from the Tory party, took office under Lord Aberdeen, and in 1859, under Lord Palmerston, became Chancellor of the Exchequer; elected member for South Lancashire, 1865, he became leader of the Commons under Lord John Russell; elected for Greenwich, he became Premier for the first time in 1869, holding office till 1875; after a brilliant campaign in Midlothian he was returned for that county in 1880, and became Premier for the second time; became Premier a third time in 1886, and a fourth time in 1892. During his tenure of office he introduced and carried a great number of important measures, but failed from desertion in the Liberal ranks to carry his pet measure of Home Rule for Ireland, so he retired from office into private life in 1895; his last days he spent chiefly in literary work, the fruit of which, added to earlier works, gives evidence of the breadth of his sympathies and the extent of his scholarly attainments; but being seized by a fatal malady, his strong constitution gradually sank, and he died at Hawarden, May 19, 1898; he was buried in Westminster Abbey at the expense of the nation. He was a man of high moral character, transcendent ability, and strong will, and, from the day he took the lead, the acknowledged chief of the Liberal party in the country (1809-1898).

GLAISHER, JAMES, meteorologist and founder of the Royal Meteorological Society, born in London; his first observations in meteorology were done as an officer of the Irish Ordnance Survey; in 1836, after service in the Cambridge Observatory, he went to Greenwich, and from 1840 to 1874 he superintended the meteorological department of the Royal Observatory; in connection with atmospheric investigations he made a series of 28 balloon ascents, rising on one occasion to a height of 7 m., the greatest elevation yet attained (1809-1903).

GLAMORGAN, a maritime county in S. Wales, fronting the Bristol Channel, between Monmouth and Carmarthen; amid the hilly country of the N. lie the rich coal-fields and ironstone quarries which have made it the most populous and the wealthiest county of Wales; the S. country—the garden of Wales—is a succession of fertile valleys and wooded slopes; dairy-farming is extensively engaged in, but agriculture is somewhat backward; the large towns are engaged in the coal-trade and in the smelting of iron, copper, lead, and tin; some interesting Roman remains exist in the county.

GLANVILL, JOSEPH, born in Plymouth, graduated at Oxford; was at first an Aristotelian and Puritan in his opinions, but after the Restoration entered the Church, and obtained preferment in various sees; his fame rests upon his eloquent appeal for freedom of thought in "The Vanity of Dogmatizing" (1661) and upon his two works in defence of a belief in witches; he was one of the first Fellows of the Royal Society; he seems to have made Sir Thomas Browne his model, though he is not equal to him in the vigour of his thinking or the harmony of his style (1636-1680).

GLANVILL, RANULF DE, Chief Justiciary of England in the reign of Henry II., born in Stratford, in Suffolk; is the author of the earliest treatise on the laws of England, a work in 14 books; was deposed by Richard I., and, joining the Crusaders, fell before Acre; d. 1190.

GLASGOW, the second city of the empire and the chief centre of industry in Scotland, is situated on the Clyde, in Lanarkshire, 45 m. W. from Edinburgh and 406 from London; it is conjectured that the origin of the name is found in Glaschu ("beloved green spot"), the name of a Celtic village which occupied the site previously, near which St. Mungo, or Kentigern, erected his church about A.D. 560; although a royal burgh in 1336, it was not till after the stimulus to trade occasioned by the Union (1707) that it began to display its now characteristic mercantile activity; since then it has gone forward by leaps and bounds, owing not a little of its success to its exceptionally favourable situation; besides the advantages of waterway derived from the Clyde, it is in the heart of a rich coal and iron district; spinning and weaving, shipbuilding, foundries,

chemical and iron works, and all manner of industries flourish; the city is speciously and handsomely laid out; the cathedral (1197) is the chief building of historical and architectural interest; there is a university (1451) and a variety of other colleges, besides several public libraries and art schools; Glasgow returns fifteen members to Parliament.

GLASS, a compound of silica with various basic oxides, e.g. soda, potash, lime; it is prepared from sand, which is melted at a very high temperature; the ordinary glass used for bottles, windows, &c., contains soda and lime and has a low melting-point; Bohemian or hard glass contains potash and has a higher melting-point; flint glass, containing potash and lead is used for ornamental cut-glass.

GLASSE, MRS., an 18th-century authoress of a cookery book, once in wide-spread repute; credited with the sage prescription, "First catch your hare."

GLASSITES, a Christian sect founded in Scotland about 1730 by John Glas (1695-1778), a minister of the Church of Scotland, who in 1730 was deposed for denouncing all national establishments of religion as "inconsistent with the true nature of the Church of Christ," and maintaining that a Church and its office-bearers owed allegiance to none other than Christ; the sect, which developed peculiarities of doctrine and worship in conformity with those of the primitive Church, spread to England and America, where they became known as *Sandemanians*, after Robert Sandeman (1718-1771), son-in-law to Glas, and his zealous supporter.

GLASTONBURY, an ancient town in Somersetshire, 36 m. S. of Bristol, on the Brue; it is associated with many interesting legends and historical traditions that point to its existence in very early times; thus it was the *Avdon* of Arthurian legend, and the place where Joseph of Arimathea, when he brought the Holy Grail, is said to have founded the first Christian Church; ruins are still extant of the old abbey founded by Henry II., which it succeeded the ancient abbey of St. Dunstan (940); there is trade in gloves, hats, rugs, &c.

GLAUBER, JOHN RUDOLPH, German chemist, discoverer of Glauber's salt, a crystalline form of sulphate of soda used in medicine (1604-1668).

GLAZEBROOK, SIR RICHARD TETLEY, British scientist, worked in the Cavendish Laboratory, Cambridge, for several years; director of the National Physical Laboratory, Teddington, 1899-1919; he carried out much research in physics, especially electricity, and wrote several books (1854-).

GLEIM, LUDWIG, German lyric poet, known as Father Gleim for the encouragement he gave to young German authors; composed war songs for the Prussian army (1719-1803).

GLENCOE, a wild and desolate glen in the N. of Argyllshire, running eastward from Ballachulish 10 m.; shut in by two lofty and rugged mountain ranges; the One flows through the valley and enhances its lonely grandeur. See following.

GLENCOE, MASSACRE OF, a treacherous slaughter of the Macdonalds of that glen on the morning of February 13, 1691, to the number of 88, in consequence of the belated submission of Maclean, the chief, to William and Mary after the Revolution; the perpetrators of the deed were a body of soldiers led by Captain Campbell, who came among the people as friends, and stayed as friends among them for 12 days.

GLENDOWER, OWEN, a Welsh chief and patriot, a descendant of the old Welsh princes, who stirred up a rebellion against the English under Henry IV., which, with the help of the Percies of Northumberland and Charles VI. of France, he conducted with varied success for years, but eventual failure (1349-1415). See Shakespeare's "Henry IV."

GLENLIVET, a valley in Banffshire, through which the Livet Water runs, about 20 m. SW. of Huntly; famed for its whisky.

GLENROY, a narrow glen 14 m. long, in Inverness-shire, in the Lochaber district; Fort William lies 13 m. NE. of its SW. extremity; the Roy flows through the valley; the steep sides are remarkable for three regular and distinctly-formed shelves or terraces running parallel almost the entire distance

of the glen, the heights on either side exactly corresponding; these are now regarded as the margins of a former loch which gradually sank as the barrier of glacial ice damming up the waters slowly melted.

GLOBULAR CLUSTERS, dense groups of stars at great distances; 69 are known and each contains several thousand stars; these groups are believed to be outside our galaxy and to form isolated stellar systems comparable to ours; the best known cluster is that in the constellation Hercules.

GLOGAU, a town with a strong fortress in Silesia, on the Oder, 35 m. NW. of Liegnitz; is a place of manufacture; was brilliantly taken by Frederick the Great in the Silesian War on March 9, 1741, by escalade, in one hour, at the very break of day.

GLONDEEN, or **STON-ELV** (i.e. Great River), the largest river in Norway; has its source in Lake Anund, and, after a southward course of 360 m., broken by many falls, and for the most part un navigable, discharges into the Skager Rack at Frederikstad.

GLORIANA, Queen Elizabeth, represented in her capacity as sovereign in Spenser's "Faerie Queen."

GLOUCESTER, (1) county town of Gloucestershire, on the Severn, 38 m. NE. of Bristol; a handsomely laid out town, the main lines of its ground-plan testifying to its Roman origin; conspicuous among several fine buildings is the cathedral, begun in 1088 (restored in 1858) and exhibiting features of Perpendicular and Norman architecture; the river, here tidal, is spanned by two stone bridges, and a flourishing commerce is favoured by fine locks and a canal; chemicals, iron, etc., are manufactured. (2) A seaport of Massachusetts, U.S., 80 m. NE. of Boston; is a favourite summer resort, an important fishing-station, and has an excellent harbour; granite is hewn in large quantities in the neighbouring quarries.

GLOUCESTER, DUKE OF (Prince Henry), 3rd son of King George V. and Queen Mary. Born at Sandringham, he was educated at Eton and took a commission in the Army in 1919. In 1928 he was made Duke of Gloucester.

GLOUCESTER, ROBERT OF, English chronicler; was a monk of Gloucester Abbey, and lived in the 13th century; his chronicle, which is in verse, traces the history of England from the siege of Troy to 1271, the year before the accession of Edward I.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE, a west midland county of England, which touches Warwick in the centre of the country, and extends SW. to the estuary of the Severn; it presents three natural well-defined districts, known as the Hills, formed by the Cotswold Hills in the E.; the Vale, through which the Severn runs, in the centre; the Forest of Dean (the largest in England) in the W.; coal is wrought in two large fields, but agricultural and dairy-farming are the main industries; antiquities abound; the principal rivers are the Wye, Severn, Lower and Upper Avon, and Thames; Bristol (q.v.) is the largest town.

GLOVER, TERROT REAVELEY, religious leader and writer. He has held various professorships, became known as a leader of modernism, and in 1926 became President of the Baptist Union (1886-).

GLÜCK, CHRISTOPH VON, a German musical composer and reformer of the opera; made his first appearance in Vienna; studied afterwards for some years under San-Martini of Milan, and brought out his first opera "Artaxerxes," followed by seven others in the Italian style; invited to London, he studied Handel, attained a loftier ideal, and returned to the Continent, where, especially at Vienna and Paris, he achieved his triumphs, becoming founder of a new era in operatic music; in Paris he had a rival in Fucini, and the public opinion was for a time divided, but the production by him of "Iphigenia in Aulis" and "Iphigenia in Tauris" established his superiority, and he carried off the palm (1714-1787).

GLUCOSE, or **DEXTROSE**, is found in the juices of grapes and other fruits; it is manufactured from starch by the action of sulphuric acid and is used for confectionery, jam, and brewing.

GLYCERIDE, or **GLYCEROL**, a thick liquid with a sweet taste, manufactured from fats and from the

waste products of soap works; it is used extensively in the manufacture of nitroglycerine (q.v.).

GNÆUS, an altered form of granite in which the minerals are separated into bands or "foliated." It occurs abundantly amongst all ancient rocks, and in some cases is hardly distinguishable from granite.

GNOMES, a set of imaginary beings, misshapen in form and of diminutive size, viewed as inhabiting the interior of the earth and presiding over its secret treasures.

GNOSTICISM, hereticism, consisting of various sects that arose in the Apostolic age of Christianity, and that sought, according to the philosophic opinions which they had severally embraced, to extract an esoteric meaning out of the letter of Scripture and the facts especially of the Gospel history, such as only those of superior speculative insight could appreciate; they set a higher value on Knowledge (*gnosis*), whence their name) than Faith; thus their understanding of Christianity was speculative, not spiritual, and their knowledge of it was that of thinking, not of life; like the Jews they denied the possibility of the Word becoming flesh and of a realisation of the infinite in the finite; indeed, Gnosticism was at once a speculative and a practical denial that Christ was God manifest in the flesh, and that participation in Christianity was, as He presented it (John vi. 53), participation in His flesh.

GOA, a Portuguese possession in W. India, lying between the Western Ghats and the sea-coast, 250 m. SE. of Bombay; large quantities of rice are raised in it; it is hilly on the E. and covered with forests; it was captured in 1510 by Albuquerque. Old Goa, the former capital, has fallen from a populous and wealthy city into utter decay, its place being taken by Nova Goa, or Panjim, on the Mandavi, 8 m. from the coast.

GOBELINS, GILLES AND JEAN, brothers, celebrated dyers, who in the 15th century introduced into France the art of dyeing in series, subsequently adding on tapestry-weaving to their establishment; their works in Paris were taken over by government in Louis XIV.'s reign, and the tapestry of gorgeous design, then put forth became known as Gobelins; Le Brun, the famous artist, was for a time chief designer, and the tapestries turned out in his time have a world-wide celebrity; the works are still in operation, and a second establishment, supported by government, for the manufacture of Gobelins exists at Beauvais.

GOBI DESERT, in Chinese known as the Shamo or Han-Hai (sea of sand), largely a trackless waste in E. Turkestan and Mongolia, extending for 1500 m. from E. to W., with an average breadth of 400 m.; is bounded on the W. by the Pamirs and on the E. by the Khingan range; explored by Sven Hedin.

GODAV'ARI, an important river of India, rises on the E. side of W. Ghats, traverses in a SE. direction the entire Deccan, and, forming a large delta, falls into the Bay of Bengal by seven mouths after a course of 900 m.; its mighty volume of water supplies irrigating and navigable canals for the whole Deccan; it is one of the 12 sacred rivers of India, and on it in 12 years a bathing festival is celebrated on its banks.

GODFREY OF BOUILLOM, a renowned Crusader, eldest son of Eustace II., Count of Boulogne; he served with distinction under the Emperor Henry II., being present at the storming of Rome in 1084; his main title to fame rests on the gallantry and devotion he displayed in the first Crusade, of which he was the principal leader; a series of victories led up to the capture of Jerusalem in 1099, and he was proclaimed "Defender and Baron of the Holy Sepulchre," but declined to wear a king's crown in the city where his Saviour had borne a crown of thorns; his defeat of the sultan of Egypt at Ascalon in the same year confirmed him in the possession of Palestine (1081-1100).

GODIVA, LADY, wife of Leofric, Earl of Mercia and Lord of Coventry, who, according to legend, rode in vain with her husband on behalf of the inhabitants of the place for relief from heavy exactions he had laid upon them, till one day he relented and said he would grant her prayer if she would ride through

Coventry on horseback naked; this, with his leave, she at once undertook to do, not one soul of the place peering through a window to look at her save Peeping Tom, who paid for his curiosity by being smitten with blindness.

GODOLPHIN, SYDNEY GODOLPHIN, EARL OF, a celebrated English statesman and financier, born at Godolphin Hall, near Helston, Cornwall; at 19 was a royal page in the Court of Charles II., and in 1678 engaged on a political mission in Holland; in the following year entered Parliament and was appointed to a post in the Treasury, of which, five years later, he became First Commissioner, being at the same time raised to the peerage; under James II. was again at the head of the Treasury, and at the Revolution supported James, till the abdication, when he voted in favour of a regency; on the elevation of William to the throne was immediately reinstated at the Treasury, where he continued eight years, till the Whig ascendancy brought about his dismissal; for six months in 1700 he once more assumed his former post, and under Anne fulfilled the duties of Lord High-Treasurer from 1702 to 1710, administering the finances with sagacity and integrity during the great campaigns of his friend Marlborough, and in 1706 he was created an Earl (1641-1712).

GODOY, MANUEL DE, minister of Charles IV. of Spain, born in Badajoz; played a conspicuous part in the affairs of Spain during the French Revolution and the Empire; received the title of Prince of Peace for an offensive and defensive treaty he concluded with France in 1796, in opposition to the general wish of the nation; lost all and died in Paris (1767-1851).

GODWIN, Earl of the West Saxons, a powerful English noble of the 11th century and father of Harold II.; first came into prominence in the reign of Cnut; was created an earl previous to 1018, and shortly afterwards became related to the king by marriage; he was a zealous supporter of Harthnut in the struggle which followed the demise of Cnut; subsequently was instrumental in raising Edward the Confessor to the throne, to whom he gave his daughter Edith in marriage; continued for some years virtual ruler of the kingdom, but in 1061 his opposition to the growing Norman influence brought about his banishment and the confiscation of his estates; in 1052 he returned to England and was received with so great popular acclaim that the king was forced to restore to him his estates and offices; d. 1053.

GODWIN, MARY WOLLSTONECRAFT, an English authoress, and first publicly to assert the Rights of Women, born in Hoxton, of humble Irish parentage; at 19 she began to support herself by teaching, and continued to do so till 1788, when she established herself in London to push her way as a writer, having already published "Thoughts on the Education of Daughters"; in 1791 she replied to Burke's "Reflections," and in the following year appeared her famous "Vindication of the Rights of Women"; while in Paris in 1793 she formed a *liaison* with an American, Captain Inlay, whose desertion of her two years later induced her to attempt suicide by drowning; in 1796 she became attached to William Godwin, a friend of five years' standing, and with him lived for some months, although, in accord with their own pronounced opinions, no marriage ceremony had been performed; in deference to the opinions of others, however, they departed from this position, and a marriage was duly celebrated five months before the birth of their daughter Mary (Shelley's second wife); contemporary opinion shows her to have been generous and gentle of nature, and animated throughout by a noble zeal for the welfare of humanity (1759-1797).

GODWIN, WILLIAM, a political writer and novelist, the son of a Presbyterian minister, born in Wilsbeach, Cambridgeshire; was educated for the Church, and was for five years in the ministry; during this period his opinions on politics and religion underwent a radical change, and when in 1787 he threw up his holy office to engage in literature, he had become a republican in the one and a freethinker in the other; various works had come from his pen, including three novels, before his celebrated

"Political Justice" appeared in 1793. "Caleb Williams," a novel, and his best-known work, being published in the following year; in 1797 he married Mary Wollstonecraft (see preceding), who died the same year, and four years later he married a widow, Mrs. Clement; to the close of his long life he was a prolific writer on literary, historical, and political subjects, but his carelessness and lack of business habits left him little profit from all his literary activity; his writings are clear and vigorous in the expression, if visionary and impracticable in theory (1768-1836).

GOETHE, JOHANN WOLFGANG VON, German poet, born in Frankfurt-on-the-Main 10 years before Robert Burns, died in the small duchy of Weimar the same year as Sir Walter Scott; was the son of an imperial chancellor, a formal man and his pedagogue in boyhood, and of Elizabeth Textor, daughter of the chief magistrate of the city, a woman of bright intelligence, who was only eighteen at the time of his birth. Spiritually and bodily he was perfectly formed, symmetrically proportioned, justly balanced, and completely cultivated; his priceless value to the world lies in this, that in his philosophy and life there is found the union in one of what to smaller people appears entirely and absolutely antagonistic. Of utmost scientific scepticism and highest spiritual faith and worth. Carlyle, who is never done recalling his worth, confesses an indebtedness to him which he found it beyond his power to express. His life lies latent in his successive works, above all in "Goetz," in "Werther," in "Faust," and in "Meister." Of the last of the four works named, Carlyle once said, "There are some ten pages of that book that, if ambition had been my object, I would rather have written than all the literature of my time." In addition to his vast literary labour, poems and dramas, he was engaged in the study of science, making discoveries in comparative anatomy and in optics (1749-1832).

GOETZ VON EBERSTEIN (of the Iron Hand), a German knight of the 10th century; was involved in turbulent movements, and lost his right hand at the siege of Landslut, which he replaced by one of his own invention made of steel; spent his life in feuds, and left an autobiography which interested Goethe, who dramatised his story, "to save," as he said, "the memory of a brave man from darkness," a drama that had the honour of being translated by Sir Walter Scott.

GOG AND MAGOG, names that occur in the Bible of foes of Israel, and designative in the Apocalypse of enemies of the kingdom of God, as also of a Scythian tribe, N. of the Caucasus. The names are applied likewise to two giants, survivors of a race said to have been found in Britain by Brutus of Troy, chiefs of whom are in the Guildhall, symbolic defenders of the city, though, actually, the two represent Gogmagog, a legendary British giant.

GOGOL, NICOLAI VASILIEVITCH, a popular Russian novelist, born in Poltava; in 1829 he started as a writer in St. Petersburg, but met with little success till the appearance of his "Evenings in a Farm near Dikanka"; the success of the included sketches of provincial life induced him to produce a second series in 1834, which are characterised by the same freshness and fidelity to nature; in 1837 appeared his masterpiece, "Dead Souls," in which all his powers of pathos, humour, and satire are seen at their best; for some time he tried public teaching, being professor of History at St. Petersburg, and from 1836 to 1846 lived chiefly at Rome; many of his works, which rank beside those of Pushkin and Turgenev, are translated into English (1809-1852).

GOLDONDA, a fortified town in the Nizam's dominions, 7 m. W. of Hyderabad; famous for its diamonds, found in the neighbourhood; beside it are the ruins of the ancient city, the former capital of the old kingdom; the fort is garrisoned, and is the treasury of the Nizam; it is also a State prison.

GOLD occurs in the metallic state in quartz rocks and in deposits laid down as the result of the denudation of these rocks; it is extracted by the cyanide process; gold is unaffected by the action of strong nitric acid but can be dissolved by *aqua regia*, a mixture of nitric and hydrochloric acids; British gold coins contain about 8 per cent. of copper.

GOLD COAST, a British crown colony on the Gulf of Guinea, West Africa, with a coastline of 850 m.; from the low and marshy foreshore the country slopes upward and inward to Ashanti; the climate is very unhealthy; palm-oil, india-rubber, gold dust, &c., are exported; Cape Coast Castle is the capital.

GOLDEN AGE, the age of happy innocence under the reign of Cronos or Saturn, in which, as fabled, the earth yielded all fullness without toil, and every creature lived at peace with every other; the term is applied to the most flourishing period in the history of a nation. See **AGE**.

GOLDEN ASS, a romance of Apuleius (*q.v.*).

GOLDEN BULL, an Imperial edict, issued by the Emperor Charles IV., which determined the law in the matter of the Imperial elections, and that only one member of each electoral house should have a vote; so called from the gold case enclosing the Imperial seal attached.

GOLDEN FLEECE, the fleece of a ram which Phryxos (*q.v.*), after he had sacrificed him to Zeus, gave to Aëtes, king of Colchis, who hung it on a sacred oak, and had it guarded by a monstrous dragon; it was the object of the Argonautic expedition under Jason to recover and bring back the fleece to Greece, an object which they achieved. See **ARGONAUTS**.

GOLDEN FLEECE, ORDER OF THE, an order of knighthood founded by Philip III., Duke of Burgundy and the Netherlands in 1429, and instituted for the protection of the Church.

GOLDEN HORN, the inlet on which Constantinople is situated.

GOLDEN LEGEND, a collection of lives of saints and other tales, such as that of the "Seven Sleepers" and "St. George and the Dragon," made in the 13th century by Jacques de Voragine, a Dominican monk, to the glory especially of his brotherhood.

GOLDEN ROSE, a cluster of roses on a thorny stem, all of gold; perfumed, and blessed by the Pope on the fourth Sunday in Lent, and sent to a prince who has during the year shown most zeal for the Church.

GOLDONI, CARLO, the founder of Italian comedy, born in Venice; in his youth he studied medicine and subsequently law, but in 1732 appeared as a dramatist with his tragedy "Bellisario"; moving from place to place as a strolling-player, he in 1736 returned to Venice, and, finding his true vocation in comedy-writing, turned out a rapid succession of sparkling character plays after the manner of Molière; in 1761 he went to Paris as a playwright to the Italian theatre; became Italian master to Louis XV's daughters, and subsequently was pensioned; his comedies displaced the burlesques and farces till then in vogue on the stage in Italy (1707-1793).

GOLDSCHMIDT, MADAME. See **LIND, JENNY**.

GOLDSMITH, OLIVER, English man of letters, born in Pallas or Pallasmore, co. Longford, Ireland, and celebrated in English literature as the author of the "Vicar of Wakefield"; a born genius, but of careless ways, and could not be trained to any profession, either in the Church, in law, or in medicine, though more or less intended for all three in succession; set out on travel on the Continent without a penny, and supported himself by his dute and other unknown means; came to London, tried acting and teaching, then literature, doing hack-work, his first work in that department being "An Inquiry into the Present State of Polite Learning in Europe," which was succeeded by his "Citizen of the World"; became a member of the "Literary Club," and associated with Johnson, Reynolds, Burke, and others; produced poems, "The Traveller" and the "Deserted Village," besides comedies, such as "She Stoops to Conquer"; lived extravagantly, and died in debt; wrote histories of Greece and Rome, and "Animated Nature" (1728-1774).

GOLDSMITHS' COMPANY, THE, one of the oldest Livery Companies of the City of London. It received its charter from Richard II.

GOLF, a game played with long clubs and a small ball on commons with short grass, in which the player who drives the ball into a succession of small

holes in the ground, usually 18, with the fewest strokes, or who reckons up the most holes in the round by taking them with the fewest strokes, is the winner; played since early times in Scotland, and introduced into England by James I. The most notable golf club in the world is the Royal and Ancient at St. Andrews, which frequently has Royalty for Captain. Growing rapidly in popularity after about 1850, golf is now played by women as well as men; Britain and America compete for the Ryder Cup, while other events are the Open, Amateur, and Professional championships. Famous golfers have been Duncan, Herd, Ball, Braid, Cotton, and B. Jones.

GOLGOTHA (*s.e.* place of a skull), the scene of Christ's crucifixion, identified with a small hill to the north of Jerusalem.

GOLIATH, a Philistine giant of Gath slain by David with pebbles from a brook thrown by a sling (1 Sam. xvii.).

GOMARISTS, a sect of Calvinists in Holland, so called from their leader Gomarus (1583-1641), a bitter enemy of Arminius (*q.v.*).

GONCOURT, EDMOND AND JULES DE, French novelists, born, the former in Nancy, the latter in Paris; a habit of elaborate note-taking whilst on sketching tours first drew the brothers towards literature and inoculated them with the habit of minute and accurate observation which gave value to their subsequent writings; their first real venture was a series of historical studies, designed to reproduce with every elaboration of detail French society in the later half of the 18th century, including a "History of French Society during the Revolution"; later they found their true province in the novel, and a series of striking works of fiction became the product of their joint labours, works which have influenced subsequent novelists not a little; "Les Hommes de Lettres" (1860) was the first of these, and "Madame Gervaisals" (1860) is perhaps their best; their collaboration was broken in 1870 by the death of Jules; but Edmond still continued to write, and produced amongst other novels "La Fille Elisa," the "Journal" of the brothers appeared in 1888 in six vols. (Edmond, 1822-1896; Jules, 1830-1870).

GONDAR, a once populous city and the capital of Amhara (*q.v.*), situated on a beautiful ridge in the Wogra Mountains, 23 m. N. of Lake Tzana; there are ruins of an old castle, churches and mosques, and establishments for the training of Abyssinian priests.

GONERIL, an unnatural daughter of King Lear.

GONSALEZ, a Spanish hero of the 10th century, celebrated for his adventures, whose life was twice saved by his wife.

GONZAGA, the name of a princely family from Bergamo, settled in Mantua, from which the dukes were descended who ruled the territory from 1828 to 1708; one of the family, Luigi (1564-1591), was canonised as St. Alexander (*q.v.*).

GONZALVO DI CORDOVA (the popular name of Gonzalo Hernandez y Aguilar), a renowned Spanish soldier, born in Montilla, near Cordova; he first became prominent in the wars with the Moors of Granada and with Portugal, and was rewarded with an estate and pensioned; in 1498 he so distinguished himself in assisting the king of Naples (Ferdinand II.) to drive out the French that he became known henceforth as *El Gran Capitan*, and was created Duke of San Angelo; subsequent heroic achievements in Naples, which won the kingdom for Spain (1503), roused a feeling of jealousy in the Spanish king, so that Gonzalvo was recalled and ill-treated for his great services (1453-1515).

GOOD FRIDAY, the Friday before Easter, held sacred from early times by the Church in commemoration of the crucifixion of Christ, observed originally with fasting and prayer.

GOOD REGENT, the Regent Murray (*q.v.*).

GOOD TEMPLARS, a total abstinence fraternity organised in New York in 1851, which has lodges, subordinate, district, and grand, now all over the world; they exact a pledge of lifelong abstinence from intoxicating drink, and advocate the suppression of the vice by statute; there is a juvenile section pledged to abstinence from tobacco, gambling, and bad language, as well as drink.

GOODMAN OF BALLENGEIGH, a name assumed by James V. of Scotland in his disguised nocturnal perambulations about Edinburgh.

GOODER, JOHN, eminent Scottish anatomist, born in Anstruther; was trained at St. Andrews and Edinburgh, in which latter city he served an apprenticeship in dentistry; he settled in Anstruther and there wrote his noted essay on "Teeth"; in 1840 he became keeper of the museum of the Royal College of Surgeons in Edinburgh, and lecturer on Diseases of the Bones in 1842; four years later he succeeded Dr. Monro in the chair of Anatomy in Edinburgh University, which he adorned, having for some time previously acted as assistant (1814-1867).

GOODWIN SANDS, a famous sandbank stretching 10 m. along the E. coast of Kent, about 51 m. from the shore; with the flowing of the tidal current the hidden sands are apt to shift and change their outline, and when storms of great violence sweep over them, despite their being well marked by four lightships and nine buoys, they have often been the occasion of a long series of melancholy shipwrecks; the shoal forms a splendid breakwater for the Downs, an excellent anchorage stretching between the Goodwins and the shore; they are supposed popularly to be the remnants of an estate which belonged to the great Earl of Godwin (q.v.), but this supposition is dependent upon legend; it is recorded that they were swallowed up by the sea in 1099.

GOODY TWO SHOES, a character in a nursery story published in 1765, and supposed to have been written by Goldsmith when in straits.

GOODYEAR, CHARLES, the inventor of vulcanised rubber, born in New Haven, Connecticut; his career was a troubled one; he failed as an iron-founder, and when, after 10 years' labour, amidst every disadvantage of poverty and privation, he in 1844 produced his new method of hardening rubber by means of sulphur, he became involved in a fresh series of troubles, as well as poverty, consequent on the infringement of his inventions; his patents latterly amounted to 60, and medals and honours were awarded him both in London and Paris (1800-1860).

GOORKHAS, or **GURKHAS**, a brave and powerful native race in Nepal claiming Hindu descent; in 1814 they were subdued by the British, and have since rendered valuable service to Britain in the Mutiny, in the Afghan and Sikh Wars, and in the Great War; there are now ten regiments of Goorkhas.

GOOSENS, EUGENE, British composer and conductor. Born in London, he joined the Queen's Hall Orchestra; after an extensive musical education conducted the Becham Opera Company in 1915, besides composing several orchestral and vocal pieces (1893-).

GORDIAN KNOT, a knot by which the yoke was fastened to the beam of the chariot of Gordius (q.v.), and which no one could untie except the man who was destined to be the conqueror of Asia; Alexander the Great, being ambitious to achieve this feat, tried hard to undo it, but failing, cut it with his sword and marched on to conquest.

GORDIANUS, the name of three Roman Emperors, father, son, and grandson. Marcus Antonius Gordianus, surnamed Africanus, rose to be an aedile, consul twice, and subsequently became proconsul of Africa; on the deposition of the Emperor Maximinus in 238, he, then in his eightieth year, was proclaimed emperor, his son (b. A.D. 192) being associated with him in the imperial office; grief at the death of his son, killed in battle, caused him to commit suicide a month after he had assumed the purple; he was a man of refined and generous nature. Marcus Antonius Gordianus, grandson of preceding, was early raised to the dignity of Caesar, and in 238, while only fifteen, was proclaimed emperor; his most important achievement was his driving back of the Persians beyond the Euphrates and his relief of Antioch; he was assassinated in 244 by his own soldiers while preparing to cross the Euphrates.

GORDIUS, a boor, the father of Midas (q.v.), who was proclaimed king of Phrygia because he happened, in response to the decree of an oracle, to be the first to ride into Gordium during a particular assembly of the people; he rode into the city on a wagon,

to which the yoke was attached by the Gordian knot, and which he dedicated to Zeus.

GORDON, ADAM LINDSAY, Australian poet; author of "Bush Ballads and Galloping Rhymes" and other verse dealing with colonial life; died by his own hand (1833-1870).

GORDON, GENERAL CHARLES GEORGE, born in Woolwich, son of an artillery officer; entered the Royal Engineers; served in the Crimea as an officer in that department, and was, after the war, employed in defining the boundaries of Asiatic Turkey and Russia; being employed in 1860 on a mission to square up matters with the Chinese, on the settlement of the quarrel lent himself to the Emperor in the interest of good order, and it was through him that the Taiping Rebellion in 1863-1864 was extinguished, whereby he earned the title of "Chinese" Gordon; he returned to England in 1866, and was for the next six years engaged in completing the defences of the Thames at Gravesend; he was Vice-Consul of the delta of the Danube during 1871-1873, at the end of which term he conducted an expedition into Africa under the Khedive of Egypt, and was in 1877 appointed governor of the Sudan; he relinquished this post in 1880, and in 1884, the English Government having resolved to evacuate the Sudan, he was commissioned to superintend the operations, and started at once, and arrived at Khartoum in February of that year, where, by the end of April, all communication between him and Cairo was cut off; an expedition was fitted out for his relief, but was too late in arriving, the place was stormed by the Arabs, and he with his comrades fell dead under a volley of Arab musketry, January 26; from the commencement to the close of his career he distinguished himself as a genuine Christian and a brave man (1833-1885).

GORDON, LORD GEORGE, anti-Papal agitator, born in London, son of the third Duke of Gordon; he adopted the navy as a profession, and rose to be lieutenant; entered Parliament and made himself conspicuous by his indiscriminate attacks on both Whigs and Tories; gave a passionate support to the London Protestant Association, formed for the purpose of bringing about the repeal of the Catholic Emancipation Bill of 1778; in 1780, as president of the Association, took the leading part in the famous No Popery riots in London; was tried but acquitted, mainly through the eloquent defence of Erskine; subsequently he was excommunicated for contempt of court, and eventually, after endeavouring to escape prosecution for two treasonable pamphlets, was apprehended, but acquitted as being insane; he died in Newgate (1751-1793).

GORDON, SIR JOHN WATSON, a portrait-painter, born in Edinburgh; was a pupil of Raeburn, and his successor as a painter of portraits; executed portraits of most of the eminent Scotchmen of his time, and among the number Sir Walter Scott, the Duke of Buccleuch, Lord Cockburn, Dr. Chalmers, and Professor Wilson (1786-1844).

GORE, CHARLES, one time bishop of Oxford, a Fellow of Trinity College, Oxford, and an exponent of High Church tenets; the editor of *Lus Mundi*, and the author of the Bampton Lecture for 1891, on "The Incarnation of the Son of God" (1859-).

GÖRGEI, ARTHUR, a Hungarian patriot; at the age of 27 entered the army, and designed to devote himself to the study of chemistry and the administration of his estate; but on the outbreak of the Revolution in 1848 he joined the revolutionists; crushed the Croats at Osora; at the head of a patriot army faced the Austrians under Windischgratz on the western frontier, and despite a temporary repulse, succeeded in asserting the supremacy of the Hungarian cause in a series of victories; Russian assistance accorded to Austria, however, changed the fortune of war; Kossuth resigned, and Görgei became dictator; but, hopeless of success, he immediately negotiated a peace with the Russians; in 1851 he published a vindication of his policy and surrender, and in 1885 was exonerated by his compatriots from the charges of treachery brought against him by Kossuth (1818-1916).

GORGIAS, a celebrated Greek sophist, born in Syracuse, in Sicily; settled in Athens, a swash-buckler of a man, who attached himself to the Eleatics (q.v.), and especially Zeno, in order that by their dialectic "he might demonstrate that nothing exists, or if something exists, that it cannot be known, or if it can be known, that it cannot be communicated"; his work bore, characteristically enough, the title "Of the Non-Existent, or of Nature". He figures in a dialogue by Plato (civ. 483-375 B.C.).

GORGONS, three sisters, Medusa, Euryale, and Stheno, with hissing serpents on their heads instead of hair, of whom Medusa, the only one that was mortal, had the power of turning into stone any one who looked on her. See **PERSEUS**.

GORHAM, GEORGE CORNELIUS, an English ecclesiastic; being presented to the vicarage of Bramford Speke, N. Devon, was refused institution by Dr. Philipps, the bishop of Exeter, because he was unsound in the matter of baptismal regeneration, upon which he appealed to the Court of Arches, which confirmed the bishop's decision, but the sentence of the court was reversed by the Privy Council, and institution granted (1787-1867).

GORILLA, the largest of the anthropoid apes, native to the equatorial forests of West Africa.

GORKY, MAXIM, Russian author, his real name being Alexei Maximovitch Greshkov. He had little schooling and indulged in various trades, including work on a Volga steamer; he published his first story "Makar Churda" in 1892, and soon achieved success; was imprisoned in 1905 for political activities; served with the Red Cross during the Great War, and for a time after the revolution acted as propagandist for the Bolsheviks; he left Russia in 1926 (1868-).

GÖRLITZ, a fortified town in Prussian Silesia, 52 m. W. of Liegnitz, on the Meuse, where Jacob Boehme (q.v.) lived and died.

GORTSCHAKOFF, MICHAEL, Russian general, brother of the succeeding; served in the war between Russia and Turkey in 1828-1829; commanded in the Danubian Principalities in 1853; distinguished himself in the defence of Sebastopol (1795-1861).

GORTSCHAKOFF, PRINCE, an eminent Russian general; was engaged in Finland in 1809, in the Turkish War in 1810, in the French War, 1812-1814, and the Crimean War (1789-1866).

GOSCHEN, GEORGE JOACHIM, VISCOUNT, statesman, born in London; entered Parliament in the Liberal interest in 1833; served in office under Lord John Russell and Gladstone; was opposed to Home Rule, joined the Liberal-Unionist party and held office under Lord Salisbury as First Lord of the Admiralty; he became Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1886, in which position he brought about a successful conversion of the national debt; in 1900 he retired and was elevated the peerage, but he reappeared in 1906 as champion of free trade in opposition to Joseph Chamberlain (1831-1907).

GOSHEN, a fertile district along a branch of the Nile, in the eastern part of the delta of Lower Egypt; assigned by Pharaoh to the children of Israel when they came to sojourn in the land.

GOSPELS, the name by which the four accounts in the New Testament of the character, life, and teaching of Christ are designated; have been known since as early as the 3rd century, of which the first three are called "Synoptic," because they are summaries of the chief events, and go over the same ground in the history, while the author of the fourth gospel follows lines of his own; the former aim mainly at mere narrative, while the object of the latter is dogmatic, as well as probably to supply deficiencies in the former; moreover, the interest of John's account centres in the person of Christ and that of the others in His gospel; the writers were separately represented as attended, Matthew by a man, Mark by a lion, Luke by an ox, and John by an eagle.

GOSPORT, a fortified port and market-town in Hants, on the W. side of Portsmouth harbour, opposite Portsmouth, with which it is connected by a

floating bridge; its industries embrace flourishing iron-works, barracks, the Royal Clarence Victualling Yard, and shipyards. On Haslar creek is the Royal Naval Hospital.

GOSS, SIR JOHN, British organist and composer, choir-master and organist of the Chapel Royal and St. Paul's Cathedral, and the author of several anthems. He was knighted in 1878 (1800-1880).

GOSSIE, SIR EDMUND, poet, essayist, and critic, born in London, the son of the succeeding; author of "History of Nineteenth Century Literature," a collection of lyrics, and a series of monographs, in particular "Life of Gray" (1849-1928).

GOSSIE, PHILIP HENRY, naturalist, born in Worcester, in business in Newfoundland, Canada, and the United States; spent his leisure hours in the study of natural history, chiefly insects; after a visit of two years to Jamaica wrote an account of its birds; compiled several works introductory to the study of animal life, and latterly devoted himself to the study of marine animals (1810-1888).

GOTHA, northern capital of the former duchy of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, and situated on the Leine Canal, 6 m. from the northern border of the Thuringian Forest; is picturesquely laid out, and has considerable manufactures; the famous Perthes' geographical publishing-house is at Gotha; Friedenstein Castle, the ducal residence, built in 1648, has a library of 200,000 vols. and 6000 MSS.

GOTHA, a type of German aeroplane used extensively for air raids on England during the Great War.

GOTHA, ALMANACH DE, an annual publication, first issued by Perthes in 1763, which gives genealogies of royal families and members of nobility throughout Europe, in addition to much statistical and general information; there are two editions, one in French, one in German.

GOTHAMITES, American cockneys, New York being called Gotham.

GOTTHARD, ST., the central mountain mass (9850 ft. high) of the Middle Alps and core of the whole Alpine system; it forms a watershed for rivers flowing in four different directions, including the Rhône and the Rhine; the famous town (6696 ft.) from Lake Lucerne to Lake Maggiore forms an excellent carriage-way, has hotels and a hospice at its summit; on the lower slopes is the St. Gotthard railway (opened 1882), with its celebrated tunnel (9½ m.).

GOTHENBURG, the second town of Sweden, at the mouth of the Gotha, 284 m. SW. of Stockholm, is a clean and modern built town, intersected by several canals; it has a splendid harbour, and one of the finest botanical gardens in Europe; its industries include shipbuilding, iron-works, sugar-refining, and fisheries; its licensing system has become famous; all shops for the sale of liquor are in the hands of a company licensed by government; profits beyond a 5 per cent. dividend to the shareholders are handed over to the municipality.

GOTHIC ARCHITECTURE, a varied style of architecture distinguished by its high and sharply-pointed arches, and clustered columns, which originated in the Middle Ages and prevailed from the 12th to the 15th centuries, though the term Gothic was originally applied to it as indicating a barbarous degeneracy from the classic, which it superseded.

GOTTLAND: (1) the southernmost of the three old provinces of Sweden; chiefly mountainous, but with many fertile spaces; forest and lake scenery give a charm to the landscape; Gothenburg is the chief town. (2) A Swedish island in the Baltic, 44 m. E. of the mainland, area 1217 sq. m.; forms, with other islands, the province of Gothland or Wisby; agriculture, fishing, and shipping are the main industries; Wisby is the chief town (also called Gottland).

GOTHES, a tribe of Teutons who in formidable numbers invaded the Roman empire from the east and north-east from as early as the third century, and though they were beaten back at the battle of Chalons, eventually broke it up; portions of this great nation, who absorbed lesser tribes, overran France, Spain, Germany, and Italy as Ostrogoths (East Goths) and Visigoths (West Goths), establishing powerful kingdoms that lasted until the 6th and 7th centuries.

GOTTFRIED VON STRASSBURG, a mediæval German poet and one of the famous *minnesingers*; flourished in Strassburg at the close of the 12th century and beginning of the 13th; his great poem "Tristan und Isolde," completed in 1210, extends to 19,552 lines, and has a grace and freshness suggestive of Chaucer.

GÖTTINGEN, an ancient Hanoverian town, prettily situated in the valley of the Leine, 50 m. S. of Hanover; is chiefly noteworthy on account of its university (1734), with its library of 500,000 vols. and 5000 MSS.; the students exceed 800, and are instructed by 200 professors; there is a flourishing book-trade.

GOTTSCHIED, JOHANN CHRISTOPH, a German literary notability, born near Königsberg, professor of Philosophy and Belles-lettres at Leipzig; was throughout his life the literary dictator of Germany; did much to vindicate the rights and protect the purity of the German tongue, as well as to improve the drama, but he wrote and patronised a style of writing that was cold, stiff, and soulless (1700-1766).

GOUGH, SIR HUBERT, British general. Joining the Lancers in 1880, he served in the Tirah expedition of 1897, and in the Boer War. In 1914 he resigned his commission rather than lead his troops against the Ulster volunteers, but on the outbreak of the Great War he went to France in command of the 5th cavalry brigade. In 1916 he was given command of the 5th Army in the battle of the Somme, and was prominent in the German offensive of March, 1918, being recalled on account of the British reverses. He was knighted in 1916 (1870-).

GOUGH, HUGH, VISCOUNT, a distinguished English general, born in Woodstown, co. Limerick; he first saw service at the Cape and in the West Indies; afterwards fought with distinction in the Peninsular war; subsequently, as major-general, he took part in the Indian campaign of 1827, and in 1840 commanded the forces in China; during seven years (1843-1850) he was commander-in-chief of the Indian army, and carried through successfully the Sikh War, which added the Punjab to the British dominions. In 1849 he was created a viscount, and a field-marshal in 1862 (1778-1869).

GOUGH, JOHN BARTHOLOMEW, temperance orator, born in Kent; bred a bookbinder; early a victim to intemperance; took the pledge in 1842, and became an eloquent and powerful advocate of the temperance cause both in England and America (1817-1880).

GOUJON, JEAN, a celebrated French sculptor and architect, born in Paris; he did the reliefs on the Fountain of the Innocents and the facade of the old Louvre; was a Huguenot, but died before the massacre of St. Bartholomew in 1572.

GOULD, SIR FRANCIS CARRUTHERS, British artist, especially well-known as a newspaper cartoonist, much of his work for the *Westminster Gazette* being reproduced in book form (1844-1925).

GOULD, JOHN, eminent ornithologist, born in Lyme Regis, Dorsetshire; his works are entitled, "A Century of Birds from the Himalaya Mountains," "The Birds of Europe," "The Birds of Australia," "The Birds of Asia," "The Birds of Great Britain," and "Humming-Birds," of which last his collection is at the Natural History Museum, London; the volumes in which these works were published were large folios and very expensive, with coloured illustrations of the birds described, the whole done under Mr. Gould's own eye, and in many cases by his own hand (1804-1881).

GOUNOD, CHARLES FRANÇOIS, an eminent French composer, born in Paris; a prize gained at the Paris Conservatoire followed by a government pension enabled him to continue his studies at Rome, where he gave himself chiefly to the composition of religious music; the "Messe Solennelle" was published on his return to Paris; turning his attention to opera he produced "Bapho" in 1851, a popular comic opera; "Le Médecin Malgré Lui" in 1858, and a year later his famous setting of "Faust," which placed him in the front rank of composers; other operas followed, with various masses, anthems, hymns, &c.; his oratorio "Redemption" appeared in 1882 (1818-1893).

GOVAN, a town in Lanarkshire, Scotland, on S. bank of the Clyde, virtually a western suburb of Glasgow; the staple industry is shipbuilding.

GOW, NATHANIEL, youngest son of Neil, won celebrity as a composer of songs and other pieces; his 200 compositions include the popular "Callie Hurth" (1766-1831).

GOW, NEIL, a famous Scottish fiddler, born in Inver, near Dunkeld, of lowly origin; during his long life he enjoyed a wide popularity amongst the Scottish nobility, his especial patron being the Duke of Atholl; Raeburn painted his portrait on several occasions; he composed over a hundred strathspeys, lamenta, &c., giving a fresh impulse and character to Scottish music, but his fame rests mainly on his violin playing (1727-1807).

GOWER, JOHN, an English poet, contemporary and friend of Chaucer, but of an older school; was the author of three works: "Speculum Meditantis," the "Thinker's Mirror," written in French, lost for long, but recovered eventually; "Vox Clamantis," the "Voice of One Crying," written in Latin, an allegorical, moralising poem, cataloguing the vice of the time, and suggested by the Wat Tyler insurrection, 1381; and "Confessio Amantis," "Confession of a Lover," written in English, treating of the course of love, the morals and metaphysics of it, illustrated by a profusion of apposite tales; was appropriately called by Chaucer the "moral Gower"; his tomb is in St. Saviour's, Southwark (1325-1408).

GOWRIE CONSPIRACY, a remarkable and much disputed episode in the reign of James VI. of Scotland; the story goes that Alexander, Master of Ruthven, and his brother, the Earl of Gowrie, enticed the king to come to Gowrie House in Perth on August 5, 1600, for the purpose of murdering or kidnapping him, and that in the scuffle Ruthven and Gowrie perished. Historians have failed to trace any motive incriminating the brothers, while several good reasons have been brought to light why the king might have wished to get rid of them.

GOZO, an island in the Mediterranean which, together with Malta and Comino, forms a British crown colony; lies 4 m. NW. of Malta. Rabato is the chief town.

GOZZI, COUNT CARLO, Italian dramatist, born in Venice; was 39 when his first dramatic piece, "Three Oranges," brought him prominently before the public; he followed up this success with a series of dramas designed to uphold the old methods of Italian dramatic art, and to resist the efforts of Goldoni and Chiari to introduce French models; these plays dealing with wonderful adventures and enchantments in the manner of Eastern tales ("dramatic fairy tales," he called them), enjoyed a wide popularity, and spread to Germany and France. Schiller translated "Turandot" (1720-1806). His older brother, Count Gaspare Gozzi, was an active littérateur; the author of various translations, essays on literature, besides editor of a couple of journals, was press-censor in Venice for a time, and was in his later days engaged in school and university work (1713-1786).

GRACCHUS, CAIUS SEMPRONIUS, Roman tribune and reformer, brother of the succeeding, nine years his junior; devoted himself and his oratory on his brother's death to carry out his measures; was chosen tribune in 123 B.C., and re-elected in 122; his measures of reform were opposed and undone by the Senate, and being declared a public enemy he was driven to bay, his friends rallying round him in arms, when a combat took place in which 8000 fell, upon which Gracchus made his slave put him to death; "overthrown by the Patricians," he is said, "when struck with the fatal stab, to have flung dust toward heaven, and called on the avenging deities; and from this dust," says one, "there was born Marius—not so illustrious for exterminating the Cimbrs as for overturning in Rome the tyranny of the nobles."

GRACCHUS, TIBERIUS SEMPRONIUS, Roman tribune and reformer, eldest son of Cornelia, and brought up by her; proposed, among others, a measure for the more equal distribution of the public land, which he had to battle for against heavy odds three successive times, but carried it

the third time; was killed with others of his followers afterwards in a riot, and his body thrown into the Tiber and refused burial, 138 a.c., aged 40.

GRACE, the term in Scripture for that which is the free gift of God, unmerited by man and of eternal benefit to him.

GRACE, DR. WILLIAM GILBERT, celebrated cricketer, born near Bristol; he played first-class cricket for 36 years, principally for Gloucester and England; at a time when wickets were in no way comparable with those of to-day he scored 51,000 runs with an average of 45 per innings, and in addition took 2800 wickets at an average cost of 23 runs. In all he made 121 centuries, which remained a record till beaten by J. B. Hobbs in 1925 (1848-1915).

GRACES, THE, reckoned at one time two in number, but originally they appear to have been regarded as being, what at bottom they are, *one*, were finally spoken of as *three*, and called *Aglaia*, *Euphrosyne*, and *Thalia*; *Thalia*, the blooming one, or life in full bloom; *Euphrosyne*, the cheerful one, or life in the exuberance of joy and sympathy; and *Aglaia*, the shining one, or life in its effulgence of sunny splendour and glory. They are three sisters, as such always inseparable, and in their inseparability alone are Graces.

GRACIOSA, a princess in a fairy tale, persecuted by her stepmother, and protected by Prince Percinet, her lover.

GRADGRIND, THOMAS, a character in Dickens' "Hard Times," who weighs and measures everything by a hard and fast rule and makes no allowances.

GRAFTON, AUGUSTUS HENRY FITZROY, DUKE OF, English statesman in the reign of George III.; held various offices of State under Rockingham, Chatham, and North; was bitterly assailed in the famous "Junius Letters" (1735-1811).

GRAHAM, SIR JOHN, companion of Sir William Wallace, who fell at the battle of Falkirk; d. 1298.

GRAHAM, JOHN, VISCOUNT DUNDEE. See CLAVERHOUSE.

GRAHAM, THOMAS, celebrated Scottish chemist, born in Glasgow, where in 1830 he became professor of Chemistry in the Andersonian University; seven years later he was appointed to a similar chair in University College, London; in 1855 he resigned his professorship on succeeding Herschel as Master of the Mint; his name is associated with important researches relating to the diffusion of gases and liquids and with contributions to the atomic theory of matter (1805-1869).

GRAHAM-WHITE, CLAUDE, British aviator and engineer. He was the first Britisher to be given a pilot's certificate, won the Gordon Bennett aeroplane race in 1910, served in the Great War in the R.N.A.S., and also worked on the construction of aeroplanes (1879-).

GRAHAME, JAMES, a Scottish poet, born in Glasgow; bred a lawyer; took to the Church; author of a poem on the "Sabbath," instinct with devout feeling, and containing good descriptive passages (1765-1811).

GRAHAM'S DYKE, a Roman wall extending between the Firths of Forth and Clyde.

GRAHAMSTOWN, town in the eastern portion of Cape Province, 25 m. from the sea and 106 m. N.E. of Port Elizabeth; is beautifully situated 1728 ft. above sea-level at the base of the Zuurberg Mountains; has an exceedingly salubrious climate, some fine buildings, and is the seat both of a Catholic and a Protestant bishop.

GRAIPE, three old women in the Greek mythology, born with grey hair, who had only one tooth and one eye among them, which they borrowed from each other as they wanted them; were personifications of old age.

GRAIL, THE HOLY, the cup or vessel, said to have been made of an emerald stone, that was used by Christ at the Last Supper, and the one in which Joseph of Arimathea caught up the blood that flowed from His wounds on the Cross; it was brought to England by Joseph, it is alleged, but after a term disappeared; to recover it formed an object of quest to the Knights of the Round Table, in which Sir Galahad succeeded, when it was seen for the first time by certain other knights.

GRAMONT, or GRAMMONT, PHILIBERT, COMTE DE, a celebrated French courtier in the age of Louis XIV.; he greatly distinguished himself in the army, as also at the court by his lively wit and gallant bearing, and soon established himself in the king's favour, but an intrigue with one of the royal mistresses brought about his exile from France; at the profligate court of Charles II. of England he found a warm welcome and congenial surroundings; left memoirs which were mainly the work of his brother-in-law, Anthony Hamilton, and which give a marvellously witty and brilliant picture of the court-misuse and intrigue of the 17th-century court life (1621-1707).

GRAMOPHONES, instruments for reproducing recorded sound and especially music; the invention of E. Berliner towards the end of the 19th century.

GRAMPIANS, (1) a name somewhat loosely applied to the central and chief mountain system of Scotland, which stretches E. and W. right across the country, with many important offshoots running N. and S.; the principal heights are Ben Nevis (4406 ft.), Ben Macduil (4296 ft.), Cairntoul (4200 ft.). (2) A range of mountains in the W. of Victoria, Australia, highest elevation 5600 ft.

GRANADA, the last of the ancient Moorish kingdoms to be conquered (1492) in Spain, in the S.E. of Andalusia, fronting the Mediterranean, now divided into Granada, Almería, and Málaga; the modern province has an area of 4928 sq. m.; Granada, the capital, is beautifully situated at the foot of the Sierra Nevada, on an eminence 2245 ft. above sea-level, 140 m. S.E. of Seville; the Jenil flows past it; has a large university, a cathedral, and monastery; was founded by the Moors in the 8th century, but has been largely rebuilt on modern principles.

GRANADA, NEW, a commercial town in Nicaragua, Central America, on the N.W. shore of Lake Nicaragua.

GRANBY, JOHN MANNERS, MARQUIS OF, an English general, eldest son of the third Duke of Rutland; rose to be commander-in-chief of the British army in Germany during the Seven Years' War; distinguished himself at Warburg; in 1763 he was master-general of the ordnance, and in 1768 commander-in-chief of the army; was the victim of some of Junius's most scathing invectives (1721-1770).

GRAND ALLIANCE, an alliance signed at Vienna, 1699, by England, Germany, and the States-General to prevent the union of France and Spain.

GRAND JURY, a jury appointed to decide whether there are grounds for an accusation to warrant a trial.

GRAND LAMAISM, a belief of the people of Tibet that Providence sends down always an incarnation of the deity into every generation.

GRAND MONAQUE, THE, Louis XIV. (c.v.) of France, so called.

GRAND PENSIONARY, a state official in the Dutch Republic; in earlier times the Grand Pensionary was Secretary and also Advocate-General of the province of Holland; later his duties embraced the care of foreign affairs; held office for five years, but was generally re-elected; the office was abolished in 1795.

GRANDISON, SIR CHARLES, the hero of Richardson's novel of the same name, a character representative of an ideal Christian and gentleman.

GRANDVILLE, the pseudonym of Jean Ignace Isidore Gérard, a French caricaturist, born in Nancy; his fame was first established by the "Metamorphoses du Jour," a series of satirical sketches representing men with animal faces characteristic of them; his subsequent work embraced political cartoons and illustrations for "Gulliver's Travels," "Don Quixote," "Robinson Crusoe," "La Fontaine's Fables," &c. (1803-1847).

GRANGEMOUTH, a busy port in Stirlingshire, on the Forth, 3 m. N.E. of Falkirk; exports ironware and coal; has excellent docks, and does some ship-building.

GRANICUS, a river in Asia Minor, flowing from the slopes of Mount Ida and falling into the Sea of Marmora, where Alexander gained, 334 b.c., the first of the three victories which ended in the overthrow of the Persian empire.

GRANITE, a common igneous rock, which solidified at great depths below the surface, of coarse texture, consisting largely of quartz, feldspar, and micas, the individual crystals of which can be distinguished; granites are known as "acid rocks," i.e. they contain a relatively high percentage of silica; similar rocks with a smaller proportion of silica are known as diorites, syenites, and gabbros.

GRANT, MRS. ANNE, née M'VICAR, authoress, born in Glasgow; took to literature as a means of livelihood after the death of her husband, and produced several volumes descriptive of the Highlands of Scotland and the character of the people: "Letters from the Mountains" enjoyed a wide popularity and first gave to the public some adequate conception of the charm and character of the Highlands (1755-1838).

GRANT, SIR FRANCIS, artist, born in Edinburgh; was educated for the Scottish bar, but took to painting, and became celebrated for his hunting pictures, into which portraits of well-known sportsmen were introduced; also executed portraits of the Queen and Prince Consort on horseback, of Palmerston, Macaulay, and others, and became president of the Royal Academy (1808-1878).

GRANT, JAMES, novelist, born in Edinburgh; joined the army as an ensign at 17, but after a few years resigned and adopted literature as his profession; "The Romance of War" (1846), his first book, was followed by a series of novels, most of which have been translated into Danish, German, and French; he turned Catholic in 1875 (1822-1887).

GRANT, SIR JAMES HOPE, GENERAL, brother of Sir Francis Grant, born in Kilmarnock, Perthshire; first distinguished himself in the Sikh Wars, and took a leading part in the suppression of the Indian Mutiny; in 1859 he commanded the British forces in China, and captured Peking; was created a G.C.B. in 1860 and a general in 1872; he published several works bearing upon the wars in which he had been engaged (1808-1875).

GRANT, ULYSSES SIMPSON, GENERAL, born in Mount Pleasant, Ohio; bred to the military profession, served in Mexico, and held several appointments in the army; retired to civil life in 1864, but on the outbreak of the Civil War he entered the army and fought on the side of the North with such success that in 1864 he was appointed general-in-chief; he was eventually raised to the Presidency in 1868, and re-elected in 1872; on the expiry of this second term he made a tour round the world, and was everywhere received with the distinction he deserved (1822-1885).

GRANTHAM, a market-town in Lincolnshire, on the Witham, 25 m. SW. of Lincoln, with a fine 13th-century church; in the grammar-school Newton was educated, and in 1643 Cromwell won his first victory here; its industries embrace agricultural-implement making and malting; a 30-m. canal connects it with the Trent.

GRANTVILLE, GEORGE LEVESON-GOWER, 2ND EARL, statesman; entered Parliament as a Liberal in 1836, and became a supporter of free trade; in 1846 succeeded to the peerage, and in 1851 became Foreign Minister under Lord Russell; four years later became leader of the Lords; figured in every Liberal cabinet till 1886, usually as Colonial or Foreign Secretary; in 1859 he failed to form a ministry of his own; was a staunch supporter of Gladstone's Home Rule policy (1816-1891).

GRAPHITE, a form of carbon found as a mineral in Central Europe and Ceylon; used for "lead" pencils and as a polishing material.

GRAFFIOLITES, fossils abundant in and restricted to pelmatozoic rocks; they were simple animals somewhat like a quill pen in shape, composed of a horny substance; in some forms the stems are branched; they are the type fossils of the Silurian strata.

GRASMERE, a picturesque lake in Westmorland, near Windermere; about 1 m. long; the village of the same name close by is associated with Wordsworth and Hartley Coleridge.

GRASS SNAKE, a non-venomous reptile common in parts of England and widely distributed throughout Europe; grey-brown in colour, with black spots, it is often mistaken for the viper (g.v.); it feeds on frogs and fish mainly.

GRATIAN, a celebrated canonist of the 12th century born in Chiusi, Tuscany; was a Benedictine monk at Bologna, and compiled the "Decretum Gratiani" between 1139 and 1142.

GRATIANUS, AUGUSTUS, Roman emperor from 375 to 383, eldest son of Valentinian I., born in Pannonia; at 16, in conjunction with his four-year-old brother, Valentinian II., became ruler over the Western Empire, and three years later found himself, by the death of his uncle Valens, head also of the Eastern Empire, a year after which he summoned Theodosius to be his colleague; his reign is noted for the stern repression of the remains of the heathen worship; in 383, while endeavouring to combat the usurper Maximus, he was captured at Lyons and there put to death (350-383).

GRATING, an optical device consisting of a flat piece of glass on which are cut thin lines, at the rate of several thousand to the inch, which gives rise to a spectrum as the result of diffraction; used for the determination of the wave-length of light.

GRATTAN, HENRY, great Irish patriot and orator, born in Dublin, and by birth a Protestant; studied at Trinity College, where he stood high in classics; was called to the Irish bar in 1772, and entered the Irish Parliament three years after, where he distinguished himself as the champion of legislative freedom, by maintaining that the crown had no right to legislate on matters affecting Irish interests, and particularly Irish commercial interests, without consulting the Irish Parliament, and by securing thereby in a measure the legislative independence of Ireland; on the question of Irish Parliamentary reform he quarrelled with his compatriots, and he confined his own efforts to Catholic emancipation; in 1798 he retired from public life, but came forth as an opponent of the Union in 1800, though, on its accomplishment, he represented first Malton in Yorkshire, and then Dublin in the United Parliament, devoting the rest of his life to the political emancipation of his Catholic fellow-subjects; before the rupture referred to fell out, he received a grant of £50,000 from the Irish Parliament; in private as in public life he was a man of irreproachable character, while as an orator he ranks among the foremost of his time (1746-1820).

GRATZ, or GRÄTZ, capital of Styria, in Austria, picturesquely situated on the Mur, 141 m. SW. of Vienna; its many old and interesting buildings include a cathedral (1462), four monasteries, and the Landhaus, an ancient ducal residence; there is a flourishing university, with upwards of 1100 students; its industries embrace iron and steel works, sugar-refining, soap and candle factories.

GRAVELOTTE, a village in Lorraine, 7 m. W. of Metz; was the scene of a German victory over the French in 1870.

GRAVESEND, a thriving river-port and manufacturing town in Kent, on the Thames, opposite Tilbury Fort, 24 m. SE. of London; the new town rises amid picturesque surroundings above the old town; it is the chief pilot station for the river; there is a busy trade in shipbuilding, iron-founding and brewing.

GRAVITATION, name given to the apparent force of attraction of all particles of matter upon one another, and in particular to the force which appears to draw all terrestrial bodies towards the centre of the earth. Newton's Law of Universal Gravitation stated that every piece of matter attracts every other with a force which is proportional to their masses and inversely proportional to the square of the distance between them; this law explains the motion of all the heavenly bodies to a great degree of accuracy; no satisfactory explanation of the cause of the force of gravitation has ever been put forward. According to the ideas of Einstein there is no such thing as "a force of gravity," the behaviour of bodies being explained as due to a curvature of space-time in the neighbourhood of massive bodies; Einstein's theory explained certain irregularities in the orbit of Mercury, which were inexplicable by Newton's law.

GRAY, ASA, a distinguished American botanist, born in Paris, Oneida County, New York; graduated in medicine in 1842; became Fisher professor of Natural History at Harvard, and in 1874 succeeded Agassiz as Regent of the Smithsonian Institution;

his writings did much to promote the study of botany in America on a sound scientific basis, and also to forward the theories of Darwin: in conjunction with Dr. Torrey he wrote "The Flora of North America," and by himself various manuals of botany and "Natural Science and Religion" (1810-1888).

GRAY, AULD ROBIN, the title of a ballad by Lady Anne Lindsay, from the name of its hero, a good old man who marries a young girl whose lover is thought to be dead, but who turns up to claim her a month after.

GRAY, JOHN EDWARD, English naturalist, born in Walsall; studied medicine, and at 24 entered the British Museum as an assistant in the Natural History department; in 1840 he became keeper of the Zoological Collections, of which he made a complete catalogue, enriched with most valuable notes; is the author of books and papers to the number of 500, and was an active promoter of scientific societies in London (1800-1875).

GRAY, THOMAS, English poet, born in Cornhill, London, for whom Horace Walpole conceived a warm attachment, which, after a brief rupture, lasted with life; gave himself up to the study of Greek literature, and began to cultivate the muse of poetry; produced in 1747 "Ode on a Distant Prospect of Eton College," and in 1750 his well-known "Elegy written in a Country Churchyard"; these were followed by the "Pindaric Odes," the "Progress of Poesy," and "The Bard," which was finished in 1757; in 1760 he was presented by the Duke of Grafton with the professorship of Modern History in Cambridge, a sinecure office with £400 a year (1716-1771).

GREAT BARRIER REEF. See **BARBIER**.

GREAT COMMONER, William Pitt, who became Earl of Chatham (q.v.).

GREAT DUKE, Duke of Wellington (q.v.).

GREAT EASTERN, the name of the largest ship of the day; was designed by Brunel and Scott Russell; laid down at Millwall in 1854, and launched in 1858, having cost £732,000; it did not prove a successful venture; was used for laying the Atlantic cables of 1862 and 1863 and others; and in the end was sold in 1898 for iron.

GREAT ELECTOR, Frederick William, Elector of Brandenburg (1620-1688).

GREAT HARRY, a man-of-war built by Henry VII., the first of any size built in England.

GREAT SALT LAKE, in N. of Utah, U.S., stretches upwards of 80 m. along the western base of the Wasatch Mountains, about 4200 ft. above the sea-level; it is from 20 to 32 m. broad, and very shallow; Antelope Island, 18 m. long, is the largest island; the coast is rugged and desolate; its clear waters hold no fish, and the surplus inflow is carried off by evaporation only.

GREAT SLAVE LAKE, 300 m. long and 50 at its greatest breadth; lies within the Canadian N.W. Territory; the Mackenzie River carries its overflow to the Arctic Ocean.

GREAT UNKNOWN, THE, the name applied to the author of "Waverley" and Waverley novels before Scott acknowledged the authorship.

GREATHEAD, JAMES HENRY, British engineer, inventor of the Greathead shield used in the construction of the London tube railways and other tunnels (1844-1890).

GREATHEART, in the "Pilgrim's Progress," the name of Christiana and her family to the Celestial

city, a republic of S. Europe occupying most of a peninsula which projects into the Mediterranean between the peninsula of Italy and the mainland of Turkey; it is made up of the N. and S. divisions connected by the narrow and canalised isthmus of Corinth, the Ionian islands in the W., and the Cyclades and Sporades in the E.; it is a mountainous region, and many of the peaks are rich in classic associations, e.g. Olympus, Parnassus, and Helicon; the rivers are of no great size, and the lakes, though numerous, are inconsiderable; in the valleys the soil is fertile and agriculture is actively engaged in, although the methods adopted are still somewhat primitive; but favoured by a delightful climate the vine, olive, and other fruit-trees

fourish; currants are the chief article of export, and textiles and cereals the principal imports; milling, dyeing, distilling, and tanning are important industries; various minerals are found, and the marble from Paros is famed as the finest for statue carving; there is a considerable mercantile marine, and a busy shipping trade of a small kind among the islands and along the deeply indented coast, and also valuable coral and sponge fisheries; the bulk of the people belong to the established Greek Church, but in Thessaly and Epirus there are about 25,000 Mohammedans; education is free and compulsory, but is badly administered, and a good deal of illiteracy exists; the story of Greece lies in her past, in the imperishable monuments of her ancient literature and art; by 146 B.C. she had fallen before the growing power of the Romans, and along with the rest of the Byzantine or Eastern empire was overrun by the Turks in A.D. 1453; her renaissance as a modern nation took place between 1821 and 1829, when she threw off the Turkish yoke and reasserted her independence, which she had anew to attempt by arms in 1897, this time with humiliation and defeat, till the other powers of Europe came to the rescue and put a check to the arrogance of the high-handed Turk. The Balkan War of 1913 gave her Macedonia, Epirus, Crete, and other islands, and after the Great War she was ceded nearly all Turkey in Europe. The government was a limited monarchy, but in 1924 a republic was established after further fighting with Turkey.

GREEK or EASTERN CHURCH, that section of the Church which formerly separated from the Roman or Western in 1054, which assumed an independent existence on account of the arrogant claims of the latter, and which acknowledges the authority of only the first seven general councils; it descends from the *Nicene* doctrine (q.v.), administers the Eucharist in both kinds to the laity, and is zealously conservative of the orthodoxy of the Church.

GREEN FIRE, a combustible of highly inflammable quality, but of uncertain composition, used by the Greeks of the Byzantine Empire against the Saracens; a source of great terror to those who were assailed by it, as it was difficult to extinguish, so difficult that it was said to burn under water.

GREELEY, HORACE, American journalist and politician, born in Amherst, New Hampshire, the son of a poor farmer; was bred a printer, and in 1831 settled in New York; in a few years he started a literary paper, the *New Yorker*, and shortly afterwards made a more successful venture in the *Log Cabin*, a political paper, following that up by founding the *New York Tribune* in 1841, and merging his former papers in the *Weekly Tribune*; till his death he advocated temperance, anti-slavery, socialistic and protectionist principles in these journals; in 1848 he entered Congress and became a prominent member of the Republican party; he visited Europe, and was chairman of one of the juries of the Great Exhibition; in 1872 he unsuccessfully opposed Grant for the Presidency; in religion he was a Unitarian; his works include "The American Conflict," "Recollections," "Essays," &c. (1811-1872).

GREEN, CHARLES, British aviator, who, in 1821, was the first man to ascend in a hydrogen balloon. Between then and 1852 he made several ascents (1785-1870).

GREEN, JOHN RICHARD, historian, born in Oxford; took orders, and was for a time vicar of St. Philip's, Stepney, contributing articles the while on historical subjects to the *Saturday Review*; and pursuing his historical studies with a zeal that undermined his health; in 1874 he published his "Short History of the English People," which was speedily adopted in schools, and was accepted at large as one of the ablest summaries of the history of the country; the welcome with which this small work was received induced the author to essay a larger, which he accordingly by-and-by published in 4 volumes, and which he dedicated to "My Masters in the study of English History, Bishop Stubbs and Professor Freeman"; this was followed by "The Making of England" and "The Conquest of England," the latter being published after his decease (1837-1888).

GREEN, THOMAS HILL, philosopher, born in Yorkshire; studied at Balliol College, Oxford; was elected a Fellow and became eventually Whyte's professor of Moral Philosophy; his philosophy had a Kantian root, developed to a certain extent on the lines of Hegel, which, however, he applied less in a speculative than a spiritual interest, though he was not slow, on the ground of it, to assail the evolution theory of Herbert Spencer and G. H. Lewes (1836-1892).

GREENAWAY, KATE, artist and designer, famous for her books for children, distinguished by quaintness and charm; "Birthday Book for Children" (1880) was followed by several others, the originality of which won them immediate popularity; she became a member of the Institute of Painters in Water-colours (1846-1901).

GREENBACKS, a name given to the inconvertible paper currency issued in the United States during the Civil War, so called from the colour of the ink on the back of the notes, bonds, &c.; the name has since been popularly applied to the paper money of the States; the notes were made convertible in 1879.

GREENE, NATHANIEL, a celebrated American general, born in Warwick, Rhode Island; though the son of a Quaker, he promptly took up arms on the outbreak of hostilities with the mother-country, and in 1775, as brigadier-general, headed the force in Rhode Island; his gallant conduct at the battles of Princetown and Brandywine won him promotion, and in 1780 he was advanced to the command of the army of the south; after a temporary reverse from Cornwallis at Guilford Court, he conducted his operations with so much success that, with the crowning victory at Eutaw Springs (1781), he cleared the British from the States; his last days were spent on his estate in Georgia, a gift from government in recognition of his services; next to Washington he was the great hero of the war (1742-1786).

GREENE, ROBERT, dramatist and contemporary of Shakespeare; born in Norwich, came to London at 20 to begin writing plays and pamphlets; among the former were "Orlando Furioso" and "George n' Green" (c. 1660-1692).

GREENLAND, an extensive but imperfectly defined territory lying mostly within the Arctic circle to the N.E. of North America, from which it is separated by Davis Strait and Baffin Bay; the area is variously estimated from 320,000 to 512,000 sq. m.; the land lies submerged beneath a vast plain of ice, pierced here and there by mountain tops, but it is conjectured to consist of one large island-continent enlivened by groups of smaller islands; only on the S. coast, during the meagre summer, is there any appearance of vegetation; there is a great variety of birds, and the animals include the wolf, fox, bear, reindeer, musk ox, and Arctic hare, while whales, seals, and many kinds of fish are found; the inhabitants are chiefly Esquimaux, but there are some Danish settlements, begun in 1721, and the trade is a Danish monopoly; the country was known in early times to the Scandinavians (of whose settlements there are interesting remains), and was rediscovered by John Davis in 1585.

GREENOCK, a flourishing seaport of Renfrewshire, on the Firth of Clyde, 22 m. W. of Glasgow; it stretches some 4 m. along the shore and climbs the hill slopes behind, whence it commands a splendid view of the river and Highlands beyond; the west end is handsomely laid out, and contains some fine buildings, including the Watt Institute, with library of 130,000 vols.; the harbourage is excellent, and favours a large foreign shipping trade; the staple industries are shipbuilding, engineering, spinning, and sugar-refining; coal and iron are the chief exports, and sugar and timber the largest imports.

GREENOUGH, HORATIO, an American sculptor, spent most of his life in Rome and Florence; executed the colossal statue of Washington in front of the Capitol in Washington City, and a group of figures entitled "The Rescue" (1805-1852).

GREENWICH, an important borough, within the county of London, on the Thames, 5 m. S.E. of London Bridge; its active industries embrace engineering, telegraph works, chemical works, &c.;

the Royal Observatory, founded by Charles II. in 1675, occupies a commanding site within the Park; it is from this point that degrees of longitude with us are reckoned.

GREENWICH HOSPITAL, founded in 1694 by Queen Mary after designs by Christopher Wren, was from 1705 till 1869 an asylum for disabled sailors; since then the funds have been distributed in pensions and also utilised for the upkeep of Greenwich Hospital Schools (where 1000 children of seamen receive board and education); since 1873 this hospital has served as the college for the Royal Navy.

GREENWOOD, 1ST BARON OF LLANBISTER (SIR HAMAR), British politician. Born in Canada, he entered the British House of Commons in 1806 as a Liberal. In the Great War he served in France, and in 1819 became under-secretary at the Home Office; in 1820 he became Irish Secretary, and was in that post during the most troubled period of Irish history; he was raised to the peerage in 1829 (1870-).

GREENWOOD, FREDERICK, publicist and journalist; editor of *Pall Mall Gazette* and *St. James's Gazette*, author of *Life of Napoleon III.*, *Love's Lexicon*, and "Dreams"; was instrumental in the purchase by the British Government of the Khedive's shares in the Suez Canal in 1875 (1830-1909).

GREG, WILLIAM RATHBONE, literary and political essayist, born in Manchester. In 1856 became a Commissioner of Customs, and from 1864 till his resignation in 1877 acted as Controller of H.M. Stationery Office; his works embrace "The Creed of Christendom," "Enigmas of Life," "Political Problems," &c., and are marked by vigorous thought couched in a lucid, incisive style; from his evil prognostications was designated Cassandra Greg (1809-1881).

GREGOIRE, HENRI, bishop of Blois, born in Vého, near Lunéville, one of the clerical deputies to the States-General of 1789; attached himself to the *Tiers-état*, was a member of the National Convention, and a staunch advocate for civil and religious liberty; but refused resolutely to follow "Cocote Gobel," the archbishop of Paris, to renounce the Christian religion and deny his Master (1750-1831). See Carlyle's "French Revolution."

GREGORIAN CALENDAR, the calendar introduced by Pope Gregory XIII. in 1582; it corrected the Julian calendar, which allowed the year 11 minutes 10 seconds too much; it was gradually adopted in all European countries.

GREGORIAN YEAR, the civil year according to the correction of the Gregorian calendar.

GREGORY, the name of 16 Popes: G. I., ST., the Great, Pope from 590 to 604; G. II., ST., Pope from 715 to 731; G. III., Pope from 731 to 741; G. IV., Pope from 827 to 844; G. V., Pope from 998 to 1011; G. VI., Pope from 1045 to 1048; G. VII., Pope from 1073 to 1085; G. VIII., Pope in 1187; G. IX., Pope from 1227 to 1241; G. X., Pope from 1271 to 1276; G. XI., Pope from 1370 to 1378; G. XII., Pope from 1408 to 1415; G. XIII., Pope from 1572 to 1585; G. XIV., Pope from 1590 to 1591; G. XV., Pope from 1621 to 1623; G. XVI., Pope from 1831 to 1846. Of these the following are worthy of note:—

GREGORY I., THE GREAT, and ST., born in Rome, son of a senator; made pretor of Rome; relinquished the office and became a monk; devoted himself to the regulation of church worship (instituting, among other things, the liturgy of the Mass), to the reformation of the monks and clergy, and to the propagation of the faith; saw some fair-haired British youths in the slave-market at Rome one day; on being told they were Angles, he said they should be Angles, and resolved from that day on the conversion of the nation to which they belonged, sending overseas for that purpose a body of monks under Augustine (540-604).

GREGORY II., ST., born at Rome and bred a Benedictine; is celebrated for his zeal in promoting the independence of the Church and the supremacy of the See of Rome, and for his defence of the use of images in worship; d. 731.

GREGORY III., born in Syria; was successor of Gregory II., and carried out the same policy to the territorial aggrandisement of the Holy See at

a time when it might have been overborne by secular invasions; d. 741.

GREGORY VII. **HILDEBRAND**, born in Tuscany; bred up as a monk in a life of severe austerity; he became sensible of the formidable evils tending to the corruption of the clergy, due to their dependence on the Emperor for investiture into their benefices, and he set himself with all his might to denounce the usurpation and prohibit the practice, to the extent of one day excommunicating certain bishops who had submitted to the royal claim and those who had invested them; his conduct roused the Emperor, Henry IV. who went the length of deposing him, upon which the Pope retaliated with a threat of excommunication; it ended in the final submission of Henry at Canossa (*q.v.*); the terms of submission imposed were intolerable, and Henry broke them, elected a Pope of his own, entered Rome, was crowned by him, and besieged Gregory in San Angelo, from which the latter was delivered by Guileard and enabled to retire to Salerno, where he died, 1085; he was a great man and a good Pope.

GREGORY IX. **UGOLINO**, born in Campania; had during his pontificate contests with the Emperor Barbarossa, whom he twice over excommunicated; was the personal friend of St. Francis of Assisi, whom he canonised; died at a very advanced age, of 1241.

GREGORY XIII. born in Bologna; was skilled in canon law; distinguished himself in the Council of Trent, and by his zeal against the Protestants; celebrated the Bartholomew Massacre by public thanksgivings in Rome, and reformed the calendar (1562-1585).

GREGORY XVI. born in Belluno; occupied the Papal chair at a time of great civil commotion, and had much to do to stem the revolutionary movements of the time; developed ultramontanist notions, and paved the way for the hierarchical policy of his successor Pío Nono (1785-1846).

GREGORY NAZIANZEN, ST., bishop of Constantinople, born in Cappadocia; studied in Athens, where he became the friend of St. Basil, and held discussions with Julian, afterwards emperor and apostate, who was also studying there; had been bishop of Nazianzus before he was raised by Theodosius to the bishopric of Constantinople, which he held only for a year, at the end of which he retired into solitude; he was the champion of orthodoxy, a defender of the doctrine of the Trinity, and famed for his invectives against Julian; he has left writings that have made his name famous, besides letters, sermons, and poems (328-389). Festival, May 9.

GREGORY OF NYSSA, ST., one of the Fathers of the Greek Church, brother of St. Basil, and bishop of Nyssa, in Cappadocia; he was distinguished for his zeal against the Arians, and was banished from his diocese at the instance of the Emperor Valens, who belonged to that sect, but returned to it after his death; he was an eminent theologian and a valiant defender of orthodoxy, according to Harnack, something like Hegelian lines (332-400). Festival, March 9.

GREGORY OF TOURS, ST., bishop of Tours, French theologian and historian, born in Clermont; was involved a good deal in the political strife of the time, and suffered not a little persecution; was the author of a "History of the Franks," the earliest of French chronicles, entitling him to be regarded as the "Father of Frankish History"; his work contains a great number of valuable documents, though it is written in a barbarous style, and not infrequently evinces a lack of moral sensibility (540-594).

GREGORY TRAMATURGUS, ST., a theologian of the Greek Church, and a convert and disciple of Origen; became bishop of Neo-Cæsarea in Pontus; was present at the Council of Antioch; numerous conversions from paganism are ascribed to him, as well as many miracles. Festival November 12 (210-270).

GREGORY, DAVID, nephew of succeeding, born in Aberdeen; became professor of Mathematics in Edinburgh at the age of 23, and in 1691 was appointed Savilian professor of Astronomy at Oxford; was one of the first publicly to teach the principles of Newton's philosophy (1661-1708).

GREGORY, JAMES, inventor of the reflecting telescope, born in Aberdeen; after a three years' residence in Padua received the appointment of professor of Mathematics in St. Andrews, which he held from 1669 to 1674, when he was elected to the corresponding chair in Edinburgh; author of various mathematical treatises which display a fine originality; he was struck blind whilst working at his telescope (1638-1675).

GREGORY, JAMES, son of succeeding, was his successor in the chair of Medicine at Edinburgh, and wrote "Philosophical and Literary Essays"; co-edited "Gregory's mixture" (1753-1821).

GREGORY, JOHN, grandson of James (1), born in Aberdeen, where he became professor of Medicine in 1755, whence ten years later he was translated to fill the corresponding chair in Edinburgh; his works include, among others, "A Comparative View of the State and Faculties of Man with those of the Animal World" (1724-1778).

GREGORY, SIR RICHARD, British scientist; professor of astronomy at Queen's College, London; at one time assistant to Sir Norman Lockyer; wrote several books on physical geography and science (1864-).

GREGORY, WILLIAM, son of James (2); held successively the chairs of Chemistry in Glasgow, Aberdeen, and Edinburgh; he translated Liebig's "Agricultural Chemistry" and was the first to advance and expound Liebig's theories (1805-1858).

GRENADA, one of the most picturesque of the Windward Islands, in the British West Indies, of volcanic origin; lies about 60 m. N. of Venezuela; the harbour of St. George, the capital, is the most sheltered anchorage in the island group; fruits, cocoa, and coffee are cultivated; it was ceded by France in 1783.

GRENADIERS, soldiers originally attached to most regiments for throwing grenades. They were formed into the First Foot Guards in 1660, and received their present name in 1816.

GRENELL, FRANCIS WALLACE, BARON, Field-Marshal and Sirdar of the Egyptian army, born in London; distinguished himself in Zulu, Transvaal, Egyptian, and Nile expeditions (1886-1892), and commanded forces in Egypt (1897-1898); was presented by the Khedive with a sword of honour on his retirement, in souvenir of the victories of Gilis, Camalzo, and Tokki (1841-1925).

GRENELL, WILFRED THOMASON, British missionary. He studied medicine at the London Hospital, and in 1892 went to Labrador, where he built hospitals and acted as medical missionary. During the Great War he served in an American unit (1865-).

GRENoble, a strongly fortified city of France, capital of the dep. of Isère, on the river Isère, 58 m. SE. of Lyons; there are several fine old churches, and a university with a library of 170,000 vols.; the manufacture of kid gloves is the staple industry.

GRENVILLE, GEORGE, statesman, younger brother of Earl Temple; was called to the bar in 1785, and six years later entered Parliament; held various offices of State, and in 1793 succeeded Bute as Prime Minister; his administration is noted for the prosecution of Wilkes (*q.v.*), and the passing of the American Stamp Act, a measure which precipitated the American Revolution (1712-1770).

GRENVILLE, SIR RICHARD, a gallant seaman of Queen Elizabeth's time; already a knight, commanded the first expedition sent by Raleigh to colonise Virginia; took part in the defeat of the Armada, and in 1591, while commanding the *Revenge* in Lord Howard's squadron, engaged single-handed the entire Spanish fleet off the Azores; after a desperate fight of about 18 hours, during which time four of the Spanish vessels were sunk, and upwards of 2000 of their men slain or drowned, he surrendered, was carried wounded on board a Spanish ship, in which he died; the fight is celebrated in Tennyson's noble ballad "The Revenge" (1541-1591).

GRENVILLE, WILLIAM WYNDHAM, LORD, statesman; entered Parliament in 1782; was not a man of brilliant parts, but his integrity and capacity for work raised him to the highest offices of State; in 1789 he was Speaker of the House of Commons, and

a year later was raised to the peerage and made Home Secretary under Pitt; in 1791 he was Foreign Secretary; supported Catholic Emancipation and the Abolition of the Slave-trade; he was Premier from 1806 to 1807; later he supported Canning and Earl Grey (1759-1834).

GRESHAM, SIR THOMAS, founder of the Royal Exchange, born in London; son of Sir Richard Gresham, a wealthy mercer, who was knighted and made Lord Mayor in Henry VIII's reign; after studying at Cambridge entered the Mercers' Company, and in 1552, as "King's agent" in Antwerp, negotiated important loans with the Flemish merchants; under the Catholic régime of Mary he was dismissed, but was shortly after restored, and in 1559 appointed ambassador in Antwerp; between 1566 and 1571 he carried through his project of erecting an Exchange, and his munificence was further displayed in the founding of a college and eight almshouses; in 1569 he was instrumental in bringing about the important fiscal arrangement of borrowing from home merchants instead of, as formerly, from foreign merchants (1519-1579).

GRESHAM COLLEGE, college founded by Sir Thomas Gresham in 1575, and managed by the Mercers' Company, London, where lectures are delivered, twelve each year, by successive lecturers on physics, rhetoric, astronomy, law, geometry, music, and divinity, to form part of the teaching of University

—N, the German diminutive for Margaret, and the name of the guileless girl seduced by Faust in Goethe's tragedy of the name.

GRETTA GREEN, a village in Dumfriesshire, over the border from England, famous for clandestine marriages, celebrated in the blacksmith's shop.

GRETRY, ANDRÉ ERNEST, a celebrated musical composer, born in Liège, composed 40 operas marked by feeling and expression, the "Deux Avares," "Zemire et Azor," and "Richard Cœur de Lion" among them; he bought Rousseau's hermitage at Montmorency, where he died (1741-1813).

GREUZE, JEAN BAPTISTE, a French painter, much esteemed for his portraits and exquisite *genre* pieces; he died in poverty (1725-1805).

GRÈVE, PLACE DE, place of public execution in Paris at one time.

GREVILLE, CHARLES CAVENDISH FULKE, celebrated for his "Memoirs"; after quitting Oxford he acted as private secretary to Earl Bathurst, and from 1821 to 1860 was Clerk of the Council in Ordinary; it was during his tenure of this office that he enjoyed exceptional opportunities of meeting the public men of his time, and of studying the changing phases of political and court life, of which he gives so lively a picture in his "Memoirs" (1794-1865).

GREVILLE, SIR FULKE, a minor English poet, born at Beauchamp Court, Warwickshire; was educated at Cambridge and Oxford; travelled on the Continent; played a part in the court life of Elizabeth's time; was knighted in 1597, and in 1620 was created Lord Brooke; he was murdered in a scuffle with his valet (1554-1628).

GREVY, FRANÇOIS PAUL JULES, third French President, born in Mont-sous-Vaudrey, Jura; became prominent at the Paris bar, and after the 48 Revolution entered the Constituent Assembly, of which he became Vice-President; his opposition to Louis Napoleon, and disapproval of his *coup d'état*, obliged him to retire; but in 1869 he again entered the political arena, and was four times chosen President of the National Assembly; in 1879 he was elected President of the Republic for seven years, and in 1886 was confirmed in his position for a similar period, but ministerial difficulties induced him to resign two years later (1807-1893).

GREY, CHARLES, 1ST EARL, soldier; as Sir Charles Grey of Howick he distinguished himself in the wars with the American Colonies and the French Republic, and in 1804 was rewarded with a Barony, and two years later was made Earl Grey (1728-1807).

GREY, CHARLES 2ND EARL, party to the impeach-

ment of Warren Hastings; tried to impeach Pitt; denounced union with Ireland; became leader of the House of Commons in 1806; carried Act for the Abolition of the African Slave-trade; succeeded to the earldom in 1807, and denounced the Bill against Queen Caroline; becoming Prime Minister in 1830, he was defeated, and resigned twice over the Reform Bill; returning to power in 1832, with permission to make as many peers as might be needed, he succeeded at last in passing the Bill; he was head of a powerful party in the reformed Parliament, and carried the bill abolishing slavery in the Colonies, but resigned over Irish troubles in 1834 (1764-1845).

GREY, SIR GEORGE, colonial governor and statesman, born in Lisburn, Ireland; while a captain in the army he, in 1837 and 1838, explored Central Australia and the Swan River district; in 1841, having retired from the army, he became Governor of South Australia; was made K.C.B. for his services; in 1846 was Governor of New Zealand, and in 1854 Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Cape of Good Hope, where he conciliated the Kaffirs; in 1858 a difference with the home government led him to resign, but he was soon re-established; from 1861 to 1867 he was at his former post in New Zealand, where he pacified the Maories; in 1875 he was Superintendent of Auckland, and in 1877-1884 was Premier of New Zealand; he is the author of "Journals of Discovery in Australia," "Polynesian Mythology," &c. (1812-1898).

GREY, LADY JANE, the ill-fated "nine days' queen," born in Bradgate, Leicestershire; was the daughter of the Duke of Suffolk and the great-granddaughter of Henry VII.; her talents were of a rare order and sedulously cultivated; she attained to great proficiency in Greek, Latin, and also in modern languages, while she was skilled in all the accomplishments of womanhood; a plot entered into by Suffolk and the Duke of Northumberland, whose son Lady Jane had been forced to espouse at 15, brought about her proclamation as Queen in 1553; the attempted usurpation was crushed in ten days, and four months later Lady Jane and her husband were executed (1537-1554).

GREY, FRIZARS, the Franciscans (q.v.), from their grey habit.

GREY OF FALLODON, VISCOUNT (Sir Edward Grey), British politician, entering Parliament in 1885 as a Liberal, he first took office in 1892, and in 1905 became Foreign Secretary, a position he held in 1914, when he strove hard to avert the Great War. He resigned from the government with Asquith in 1916, and followed his leader politically throughout his career. Falling sight has handicapped his later years (1862-).

GREYHOUND RACING, a sport similar to coursing, the dogs chasing an electric hare instead of a real one. It was introduced into England in 1926, and at once leapt into popularity, despite opposition from the churches on account of the amount of money wagered on the races.

GREYWETHERS, large blocks of sandstone found in Wiltshire and other southern counties, as at Stonehenge; so called from their resemblance to sheep.

GRID, name given to one of the electrodes of the triode valve, used in wireless apparatus. See VALVE.

GRIGG, EDVARD, Norwegian composer, born in Bergen, of Scottish descent; received his first musical lessons from his mother, and at 15 went to Leipzig; in 1863 was at Copenhagen and then established himself as a teacher at Christiania, where he continued eight years and became intimate with Ibsen; subsequently, after leading an unsettled life, he received a government pension, and after that devoted himself to musical composition; his music, chiefly pianoforte pieces and songs, achieved a wide popularity in England and Scotland (1843-1907).

GRIERSON, SIR ROBERT, OF LAG, a notorious persecutor of the Covenanters, whose memory is still regarded with odium among the peasants of Galloway; was for some years Steward of Kirkcudbright; was in 1685 made a Nova Scotia baronet, and awarded a pension (1655-1733).

GRIESEBACH, JOHANN JACOB, German theologian and Biblical critic, born in Hesse-Darmstadt; pro-

duced a critical revision of the text of the New Testament, the chief labour of his life, for which he visited and ransacked the various libraries of Europe (1745-1812).

GRIFFIN, or GRIFFON, a chimerical fabulous animal, pictured in Babylonian and Persian art, with the body and legs of a lion in symbol of strength, with the wings and beak of an eagle in symbol of swiftness, with the ears of a horse in symbol of watchfulness, and instead of a mane the fin of a fish; figures among heraldic symbols with the significance here indicated.

GRIFFITH, ARTHUR, Irish politician. A journalist in his early years, he became one of the founders of *Sinn Féin*, was arrested in 1918, and acted as President of the Dail in De Valera's absence in 1919. He was the chief Irish signatory of the treaty establishing the Irish Free State, after which he parted company with De Valera and the anti-treaty party, and became first President of the Dail when that body was given legal status (1897-1923).

GRILLPARZER, FRANZ, popular Austrian dramatist, born in Vienna; studied law and then entered the Civil Service, in which he remained from 1813 to 1856; his first notable drama was the tragedy "Die Ahnfrau," the motif of which is an extreme fatalism; "Sappho," "Das goldene Vlies," and many others followed, all of which are marked by dramatic power and lyric grace; he stands in the front rank of Austrian poets (1791-1872).

GRIMALDI, JOSEPH, a famous English clown, son of an Italian dancing-master, born in London; was bred to the stage from his infancy, appearing on the boards when not yet two years old; his Memoirs were edited by Dickens, who describes him as "the genuine droll, the grinsome, sliching, irresistible clown" (1779-1837).

GRIMM, BARON, a German litterateur and critic, born in Ratibon; a man of versatile powers and vast attainments; settled in Paris and became acquainted with Rousseau and the leading Encyclopédists and Madame d'Épinay; on the breaking out of the Revolution he retired to the court of Gotha and afterwards to that of Catherine II. of Russia, who made him her minister at Hamburg; his correspondence is full of interest, and abounds in piquant literary criticism (1723-1807).

GRIMM, JACOB LUDWIG, German philologist, born in Hanau; held office as librarian to Jerome Bonaparte, king of Westphalia, and afterwards to Göttingen University, as well as a professorship there, devoting himself the while chiefly to studies in early German lore, and afterwards with his brother settled in Berlin, and with him in 1812 produced the celebrated "Grimm's Fairy Tales"; his principal works were, "Deutsche Grammatik," "Deutsche Mythologie," "Geschichte der Deutschen Sprache," and the "Kinder-und-Haus-Märchen" in collaboration with his brother (1795-1863).

GRIMM, WILHELM KARL, philologist, younger brother of the preceding, born in Hanau; was associated both in his appointments and work with his brother, the two being known as the Brothers Grimm; edited several old German poems, his principal work "Die Deutsche Heldensage" (1786-1859).

GRIMM'S LAW, as enunciated by J. L. Grimm, is the law regulating the interchange of mute consonants in languages of Aryan origin, aspirates, flats, and sharps in the classical languages corresponding respectively to flats, sharps, and aspirates in Low German, and to sharps, aspirates, and flats in High German tongues.

GRIMSBY, or GREAT GRIMSBY, a seaport of Lincolnshire, on the S. shore of the Humber, opposite Spurn Head, 30 m. S.E. of Hull; was a port of importance in Edward III.'s time; is now noted as the largest fishing-port in the kingdom; has extensive docks, shipbuilding, tanning, brewing, and other industries.

GRINDAL, EDMUND, archbishop of Canterbury; was suspended for respecting his conscience more than the Queen (Elizabeth), but restored; offered to resign, but the Queen would not accept his resignation; became in the end blind from grief (1510-1583).

GRINDELWALD, a resort in Bernese Oberland, in

Switzerland, in a beautiful valley 12½ m. long and 4 m. broad, and nearly 3500 ft. above sea-level; popular with tourists in the summer and for its winter sports.

RINGO, a name of contempt in Mexico and South America for interlopers of English descent or speech.

GRINGORE, PIERRE, a French poet, commonly known as Gringore; flourished in the reigns of Louis XII. and Francis I.; was received with favour at court for political reasons, though he lashed its vices and those of the clergy; wrote satirical farces, and one especially at the instance of Louis against Pope Julius II., entitled "Le Jeu du Prince des Sots" (1476-1544).

GRIGUALAND, WEST AND EAST, British territories in South Africa. The former lies to the N.E. of Cape Province, and is situated between the Orange River on the S. and Bechuanaland on the N.; the diamond industry, of which Kimberley is the centre, is the chief source of wealth, and was begun in 1867. The latter, situated in No-Man's-Land, between the Kaffir country and S. Natal, is chiefly inhabited by Griquas and Basutos. The first has been part of Cape Province since 1891, and the second was annexed to that colony in 1871, though it is controlled by a chief magistrate. Griqua is a name given to half-bloods of Dutch fathers and Hottentot mothers.

GRIEBELDA, or GRIESELDE, a famous heroine of mediæval tradition; figures in Boccaccio, Petrarch, and Chaucer, and in later dramatists of England, Germany, and Spain; the beautiful daughter of a Piedmontese peasant, she was loved and married by the Marquis Walter of Saluzzo; his jealous affection subjected her to several cruel tests of love, which she bore with "wifely patience," and in the end "love was aye between them two."

GRISI, GIULIA, a celebrated singer, born in Milan; Paris and London were the chief scenes of her triumphs; her greatest success was in playing the part of "Norma," in the opera of the name; she was famous alike for the beauty of her person and the quality of her voice (1811-1869). See **MARIO**.

GRISNEZ, CAPE, a headland with a lighthouse on the French coast opposite Dover, and the nearest point in France to England.

GRISONS, the largest of the Swiss cantons, lies in the S.E. between Tyrol and Lombardy; consists of high mountains and valleys, amongst which are some of the most noted Alpine glaciers; the Engadine Valley, through which flows the Inn, is a celebrated health resort, as also the Davos Valley in the E.; some cereals are raised, but pasture and forest land occupy a large part of the canton, and supply the cattle and timber export trade; the population, which is small for the extent of territory, is a mixture of German, Romanic, and Italian elements.

GROCYN, WILLIAM, classical scholar, born in Colerne, Wilts.; was the first to teach Greek at Oxford, and the tutor in that department of Sir Thomas More and Erasmus (1442-1519).

GRODNO, a province and town of Russia; the latter is on the Niemen, 148 m. N.E. of Warsaw; has a Polish palace and medical school. The former is a wide, pine-covered, swampy, yet fertile district, which produces good crops of cereals, and is a centre of the woollen industry.

GROLIER, JEAN, a famous bibliophile, whose library was dispersed in 1675; the bindings of the books being ornamented with geometric patterns, have given name to bindings in this style; they bore the inscription, "Io. Grolieri et Amicorum" (the property of Jean Grolier and his friends) (1479-1556).

GRONINGEN, a low-lying province in the N.E. of Holland, fronting the North Sea on the N. and having Hanover on its eastern border; its fertile soil favours extensive farming and grazing; shipbuilding is an important industry. The capital is situated on the Hunne, 94 m. N.E. of Amsterdam; has several handsome buildings, a university (1614), botanic gardens, shipbuilding yards, and tobacco and linen factories.

GRONOVIVS, the name of two Dutch scholars, father and son, professors successively of belles-lettres at Leyden; John died 1671, and Jacob 1710.

GROS, ANTOINE JEAN, BARON, a French historical painter, born in Paris; his subjects were taken from events in the history of France, and especially in the career of Napoleon; his first work, received with unbounded enthusiasm, was "Pestiférés de Jaffa," and his latest, a picture in the cupola of the Church of Geneviève, in Paris (1771-1835).

GROSE, CAPTAIN FRANCIS, an English antiquary, born in Greenford, Middlesex; was educated for an artist, and exhibited; proved a good draughtsman; became captain of Surrey militia; published the "Antiquities of England and Wales" (1773-1787); went to Scotland in 1789 on an antiquarian tour, and made the acquaintance of Burns, who celebrated him in his "Hear, Land o' Cakes and Brither Scots," as "a chield's amang ye takin' notes, and, falth, he'll prent it"; was an easy-going man, with a corpulent figure, a smack of humour, and a hearty boon companion; lived to publish his "Antiquities of Scotland and Ireland"; died at Dublin in an apoplectic fit (1731-1791).

GROSSETESTE, ROBERT, a famous bishop of Lincoln, born in Stradbroke, Suffolk, of peasant parents; a man of rare learning, he became a lecturer in the Franciscan school at Oxford, and rose through various stages to be bishop of Lincoln in 1235; he was an active Parliamentarian, and gave valuable assistance to his friend Simon de Montfort in the struggle with Henry III., and headed the Church reform party against the nepotism of Innocent IV.; according to Stubbs, "he was the most learned, the most acute, and most holy man of his time" (1175-1253).

GROSSMITH, GEORGE, actor, famous for leading parts in Gilbert and Sullivan's operas, and as giving single-handed dramatic sketches and songs, written by himself and set to music by himself (1847-1912).

GROTE, GEORGE, historian and politician, born in Clay Hill, near Beckenham, of German descent; was a banker; spent his leisure time in the study of philosophy and history; contributed to the *Westminster Review*, an philosophical radical organ at that time; represented the City of London in that interest from 1833 to 1841, when he retired to devote all his time to his "History of Greece," of which the first volumes appeared in 1846 and the last in 1856, making 12 volumes in all; this work contributed to dispel many erroneous impressions, in regard particularly to Athens and its political constitution; wrote on Plato and Aristotle, but his philosophical creed made it impossible for him to do justice to the Greek metaphysics (1794-1871).

GROTEFEND, GEORG FRIEDRICH, antiquary and philologist, born in Minden, Hanover; was director of the Lyceum, Hanover; was the first to decipher the Babylonian cuneiform inscriptions, a discovery which he gave to the world in 1802 (1775-1853).

GROTEQUE, THE, the combination in art of heterogeneous parts, suggested by some whimsically designed paintings in the artificial grottoes of Roman houses.

GROTIUS, HUGO, or HUG VAN GROOT, a celebrated Dutch jurist and theologian, born in Delft; studied at Leyden under Scaliger, and displayed an extraordinary precocity in learning; won the patronage of Henri IV. while on an embassy to France; practised at the bar in Leyden, and in 1613 was appointed pensionary of Rotterdam; he became embroiled in a religious dispute, and for supporting the Arminians was sentenced to imprisonment for life; escaped in a book chest (a device of his wife), fled to Paris, and was pensioned by Louis XIII.; in 1625 he published his famous work on international law, "De Jure Belli et Pacis"; from 1634 to 1645 he acted as Swedish ambassador at Paris; his acute scholarship is manifested in various theological, historical, and legal treatises; his work "De Veritate Religionis Christiane" is well known (1583-1645).

GROUCHY, EMMANUEL, MARQUIS DE, a French marshal, born in Paris; entered the army in 1780, and later gave enthusiastic support to the Revolution, laying aside his title; took part in the Vendean campaign, the abortive attempt on Ireland, and, under Joubert, in the conquest of Italy; was a gallant and daring commander in the Piedmontese, Austrian, and Russian campaigns of Napoleon, and

by skilful generalship covered the retreat of the French at Leipzig; he was among the first to welcome Napoleon back from Elba, defeated Blücher at Ligny, but failed to be forward in the field of Waterloo; led the remnants of the French army back to Paris afterwards, and then retired to the United States; in 1819 he returned, and in 1831 was reinstated as marshal (1766-1847).

GROVE, SIR GEORGE, born in Clapham; trained as a civil engineer, and assisted Robert Stephenson in constructing the Britannia tubular bridge; in 1849 he became secretary to the Society of Arts, a position he held till 1852, when he became secretary and director of the Crystal Palace Company; subsequently he was editor of *Macmillan's Magazine*, a contributor to Smith's "Dictionary of the Bible," and is best known for the "Dictionary of Music and Musicians" which he edited and partly wrote; was knighted in 1883 (1820-1900).

GROVE, SIR WILLIAM ROBERT, lawyer and physicist, born in Swansea; called to the bar; was made a judge in 1871, and knighted a year later, and from 1875 to 1887 he was one of the judges in the High Court of Justice; throughout his life he busied himself in optical and electrical research; in 1839 invented the electric battery named after him, and from 1840 to 1847 lectured on Natural Science in the London Institution; in 1866 he was president of the British Association; his scientific publications were various, and are important contributions to their subjects (1811-1896).

GRUB STREET, a street in London near Moorfields, formerly inhabited by a needy class of jobbing literary men, and the birthplace of inferior literary productions.

GRUNDTVIG, NIKOLAI FREDERIK SEVERIN, Danish poet and theologian, born in Zealand; was early smitten with a passion for the old Saga literature of the North, and published in 1808 "Northern Mythology," which was followed by other works of a similar nature, patriotic songs, and a translation of "Beowulf"; he entered the Church as a curate in 1811; engaged in ardent controversy with the rationalists; became leader of a Church reform party, the Grundtvigians; was for seven years suspended from preaching, and eventually rose to be a bishop in Copenhagen, but had no see (1783-1852).

GRUNDY, MRS., an old lady referred to in Thomas Morton's comedy of "Speed the Plough" (1798), personifying the often affected extreme offence taken by people of the old school at what they consider to be violations of propriety.

GRUYERE, a small town in Freiburg (q.v.), where whole-milk cheese is made.

GUACHO, a native of the South American pampas.

GUADALQUIVIR, the most important river of Spain, rises in the Sierra de Cazorla, in the southern province of Jaén, and flows in a S.W. direction through Andalusia, passing Cordova and Seville, being navigable for steamers up to the latter city; after a course of 374 m. it discharges into the Gulf of Cadiz at San Lucar de Barrameda.

GADELOUPE, a French island among the Lesser Antilles, in the W. Indies; is subject to earthquakes; produces sugar and coffee; has belonged to France since 1816.

GUADIANA, an important river of Spain, has its source in the E. of the plateau of Mancha, and for a short distance is known as the Zancara, flows in a westerly direction as far as Badajoz, where it bends to the S., then forms the border between Portugal and Spain for a short distance, bends into Alentejo, and again, ere reaching the Gulf of Cadiz, divides the two countries; it is 510 m. long, of which only 42 are navigable.

GUANAJUATO, a central province of Mexico; is rich in minerals, especially silver, and mining is the chief occupation; but stock-raising is of some importance, and large cotton and woolen factories have of recent years been introduced. The capital, Guanajuato, is built on both sides of a deep ravine traversed by a dashing torrent; it is the centre of the mining industry.

GUANCHES, a primitive people of the Canary Islands, now almost extinct; are of low type, living in the

poorest conditions; their language is allied to that of the Berbers.

GUANO, deposits found in islands off the coast of South America and elsewhere, rich in phosphates and ammonium compounds, which are of great value as fertilisers; they are formed from the dung of comorants, who consume large quantities of fish, obtaining more phosphate than they require; a comorant will eat one and a half times its own weight of fish in a day.

GUARDIANS, elected bodies charged with looking after the relief of the poor, both in workhouses and with out-relief. They were set up under the Poor Law Act in 1834, and were abolished in 1930, when their work was transferred to county councils and the larger boroughs.

GUATEMALA, a republic of Central America, fronting the Pacific on the W., between Mexico on the N. and San Salvador and Honduras on the S.; is for the most part mountainous, with intervening valleys of rich fertility; minerals are abundant, and gold and silver are worked, but the wealth of the country lies in its fertile soil, which produces abundance of coffee, sugar, cotton, tobacco, and fruits of all kinds; there is some manufacture of textiles, pottery, &c.; Roman Catholicism prevails, and the government is vested in a President and Council; its independence was proclaimed in 1829. The capital, Guatemala, stands on a plateau 72 m. N.E. of its port, San José; there is a cathedral and an archbishop's palace, while the city is up-to-date with electric light and tramways.

GUAYAQUIL, the principal port of Ecuador, stands at the entrance of the river Guayaquil into the Gulf of the same name; the foreign trade is centred here; there are sawmills and iron-works; coffee is by far the largest export; the town is badly laid out, and yellow fever is common.

GUBERNATIS, ANGELO DE, a distinguished Italian scholar, born in Turin; in 1863 he was appointed professor of Sanskrit at Florence; was for a time smitten with the anarchist ideas of Bakunin, whose daughter he married, and resigned his chair, but soon returned to his professional labours; in 1891 he became professor of Sanskrit at Rome; his numerous writings witness to his unceasing industry and versatility, and deal with Orientalism, mythology, archaeology, and general literature (1840-1913).

GUDRUN, a heroine in an old German epic so called; betrothed to Herwig, king of Zealand, and carried off by Hochmut, king of Norway, a rejected suitor; preferred out of respect to her vow to serve as a menial in his mother's kitchen rather than be his wife; was rescued from duress by her brother and her betrothed, and being married to Herwig, pardoned the suitor that had stolen her from his embraces.

GUELDERLAND, a province of Holland, stretching from the Zuider Zee on the NW. to Prussia on the SE.; agriculture is the staple industry; the Rhine crosses it in the S.

GUELPHS, a political party in Italy, who from the 11th to the 14th centuries maintained, against the claims of the Emperors, the independence of Italy, and the supremacy of the Pope, in opposition to the Ghibellines (q.v.).

GUERRICK, OTTO VON, a German physicist, born in Magdeburg; experimented on air, and invented the air-pump (1802-1866).

GURIN, MAURICE DE, a French poet, of noble birth; bred for the Church, but broke away from it; of a genius of marked promise, his days were cut short by an early death; his works included a prose poem called the "Centaur" (1810-1838).

GURIN, PIERRE NARCISSE, BARON, a French painter; treated classical subjects in the classical style (1774-1833).

GURNEY, the second in size of the Channel Islands (q.v.); fruit and vegetables are largely exported, and it is noted for a fine breed of cows; St. Peter's Port is the only town, and has an excellent harbour.

GUERRAZZI, FRANCESCO DOMENICO, an Italian patriot and author, born in Leghorn; was trained to the law, but took to literature and produced a number of brilliant political novels; after the

flight of the Duke of Tuscany in 1849 he was proclaimed dictator of the duchy, although little in sympathy with the republican government, and on the restoration of the duke was imprisoned for three years and banished to Corsica; later he sat in the Turin Parliament from 1862 to 1865 (1804-1873).

GUESCLIN, BERTRAND DU. See **DU GUESCLIN, BERTRAND**.

GUEUX, "the Beggars," the name assumed by the nobles and others in the Low Countries in the War of Independence against Philip II. of Spain; being called beggars in reproach by the court party, they adopted the name as well as the dress, wore a fox's tail for a plume and a platter for a brooch.

GUIANA, an extensive tract of country in the N. of S. America, fronting the Atlantic, bordering on Venezuela on the W., and for the rest hemmed in by Brazil; it is divided into British, Dutch, and French Guiana, all fronting the sea; the physical characteristics of all three are practically the same: a fertile alluvial foreshore, with upward-sloping savannahs and forests to the unexplored highlands, dense with luxuriant primeval forest; rivers numerous, climate humid and hot, with a plentiful rainfall; vegetation, fauna, &c., of the richest tropical nature; timber, balsams, medicinal barks, fruits, cane-sugar, rice, cereals, &c., are the chief products; also some gold. British Guiana is the most westerly, and borders on Venezuela; area, 83,650 sq. m.; divided into Berbice, Demerara, and Essequibo; Georgetown (q.v.) is the capital. Dutch Guiana, or Surinam, occupies the central position; area, 46,058 sq. m.; capital Paramaribo (q.v.). French Guiana, or Cayenne, lies to the E.; area, 31,000 sq. m.; capital, Cayenne (q.v.).

GUICCIARDINI, FRANCESCO, an Italian statesman and historian, born in Florence; studied law; became professor of Jurisprudence there; was disciple of Macchiavelli; did service as a statesman in the Papal territories; took a leading part in the political changes of Florence; secured the restoration of the Medici to power, and on his retirement composed a History of Italy during his Own Time, which he had all but completed when he died (1485-1540).

GUICOWAR, the hereditary title of the Mahratta princes who rule over Baroda (q.v.), in Gujarat, East India.

GUIDO ARETINUS, a Benedictine monk who flourished at Arezzo, in Italy, during the 11th century, the first to promote the theoretical study of music; he is credited, amongst other things, with the invention of counterpoint, and was the first to designate notes by means of alphabetical letters, and to establish the construction of the scale.

GUIDO RENI, Italian painter of the school of Bologna; best known by his masterpiece "Aurora and the Hours" at Rome, painted on a ceiling, and his unfinished "Nativity" at Naples (1575-1642).

GUIENNE (a corruption of Aquitaine), an ancient province of SW. France, now subdivided into the departments of Gironda, Dordogne, Lot, Aveyron, and embraces parts of Lot-et-Garonne and Tarn-et-Garonne.

GUIGNES, JOSEPH DE, an eminent French Orientalist, and Sinologist especially; was author of "Histoire Générale des Huns, des Turcs, des Moguls, &c." a work of vast research (1721-1800).

GUILDFORD, town of Surrey, on the Wey, 30 m. SW. of London, a quaint old town with interesting buildings, and the ruins of a Norman castle; is noted for its "Surrey wheats" and live-stock markets; and has corn, paper, and powder-mills, also iron-works. The Surrey assizes are held here, and it was at one time the county town.

GUILDHALL, a building in London and a hall for banquets of the City Corporation; destroyed by the fire of 1666 and rebuilt in 1789.

GUILDS, associations of craftsmen or tradesmen in the Middle Ages to watch over and protect the interests of their crafts or trades, and to see that they were honourably as well as economically conducted, each with a body of officials to superintend its affairs; they were associations for mutual help, and of great benefit to the general community, religiously and morally, as well as municipally.

GUILLOTINE, a beheading-machine, an improved type of one invented in Italy, introduced in France at the time of the Revolution by a Dr. Guillotin, and recommended by him to the National Convention, which adopted it; it was anticipated by the *Maiden* in Scotland, which the Regent Morton employed in 1566.

GUINEA, a name somewhat loosely applied to an extensive tract of territory on the W. coast of Africa, generally recognised as extending from the mouth of the Senegal in the N. to Cape Negro in the S., and is further designated as Lower and Upper Guinea, the boundary line being practically the Equator; the territory is occupied by various colonies of Britain, France, Portugal, Belgium, and the Negro Republic of Liberia.

GUINEGATE, a village in Hainault, SW. of Belgium, where Henry VIII. defeated the French in 1513 in the Battle of the Spurs (q.v.).

GUINEVERE, the wife of King Arthur; the most beautiful of women, conceived a guilty passion for Lancelot, one of Arthur's knights, and married Modred, her husband's nephew. In the king's absence on an expedition against the Romans, on hearing of which he returned, met Modred on the field of battle, slew him, and fell mortally wounded himself, while she escaped to a nunnery. Tennyson gives a different version in his "Idylls."

GUISCARD, ROBERT, Duke of Apulia and Calabria, born in Coutances, Normandy; along with his brothers, sons of Tancred de Hauteville, he, the sixth of twelve, following others of the family, invaded S. Italy; won renown by his great prowess, and in the end the dukedom of Apulia; he engaged in war with the Emperor of the East, but returned to suppress a revolt in his own territory; when Pope Gregory VII. was besieged in San Angelo by Henry IV. of Germany he came to the rescue and the emperor made off (1015-1085).

GUISE, a celebrated French ducal family deriving its title from the town of Guise in Aisne.

GUISE, CHARLES, CARDINAL OF LORRAINE, son of the succeeding, and considered the ablest of the Guise family, was archbishop of Rheims in 1568, and cardinal of Lorraine in 1547; was prominent at the Council of Trent, and in conjunction with his brother fiercely opposed Protestantism (1524-1574).

GUISE, CLAUDE OF LORRAINE, FIRST DUKE OF, fifth son of René II., Duke of Lorraine; distinguished himself in the service of Francis I., who conferred on him the dukedom of Guise; was the grandfather of Mary, Queen of Scots, through his daughter Marie, wife of James V. of Scotland (1498-1550).

GUISE, FRANCIS, SECOND DUKE OF, and son of preceding; rose to the highest eminence as a soldier, winning, besides many others, the great victory of Metz (1552) over the Germans, and capturing Calais from the English in 1556; along with his brother Charles (q.v.) he was virtual ruler of France during the feeble rule of Francis II., and these two set themselves to crush the rise of Protestantism; he was murdered by a Huguenot at the siege of Orleans (1519-1563).

GUISE, HENRY I., THIRD DUKE OF, son of Francis; the murder of his father added fresh zeal to his inborn hatred of the Protestants, and throughout his life he persecuted them with merciless rigour; he was a party to the massacre of St. Bartholomew (1572); his ambitious designs on the crown of France brought about his assassination (1550-1588).

GUISE, HENRY II., FIFTH DUKE OF, grandson of preceding; at 15 he became archbishop of Rheims, but the death of his brother placed him in the dukedom (1640); he opposed Richelieu, was condemned to death, but fled to Flanders; with Mazarin he made a fruitless attempt to seize the kingdom of Naples, and eventually settled in Paris, becoming grand-chamberlain to Louis XIV. (1614-1664).

GUIZOT, FRANÇOIS PIERRE GUILLAUME, a celebrated French historian and statesman, born in Nîmes; his boyhood was spent at Geneva, and in 1805 he came to Paris to study law, but he soon took to writing, and in his twenty-fourth year had published several works and translated Gibbon's great history; in 1812 he was appointed to the

chair of History in the Sorbonne; on the second restoration (1814) became Secretary-General of the Ministry of the Interior; the return of Napoleon drove him from office, but on the downfall of the Corsican he received the post of Secretary to the Ministry of Justice; in 1830 he threw in his lot with Louis Philippe, became Minister of Public Instruction, Foreign Minister, and Prime Minister; his political career practically closed with the downfall of Louis Philippe; his voluminous historical works, executed between his terms of office and in his closing years, display wide learning and a great faculty of generalisation; the best known are "The History of the English Revolution" and "The History of Civilisation"; as a statesman he was honest, patriotic, but short-sighted (1787-1874).

GUJARAT, a N. maritime province of the Presidency of Bombay, lying between the Gulfs of Cutch and Cambay; it is a rich alluvial country, and chiefly comprises the native States of Kathiawar, Cutch, and Baroda.

GULF STREAM, the most important of the great ocean currents; it issues by the Strait of Florida from the Gulf of Mexico (whence its name), a vast body of water 50 m. wide, with a temperature of 84° and a speed of 5 m. an hour; flows along the coast of the U.S. as far as Newfoundland, whence it merges into the equatorial drift current, or Gulf Stream drift, which spreads itself in a N.E. direction across the Atlantic, throwing out a branch which skirts the coasts of Spain and Africa, while the main body sweeps N. between the British Isles and Iceland, its influence being perceptible as far as Spitzbergen; it is the genial influence of this great current which gives to Great Britain and Norway their warm and humid atmosphere, and preserves them from experiencing a climate like Labrador and Greenland, a climate to which their latitude would otherwise subject them.

GULL, SIR WILLIAM WITHEY, physician, born in Thorpe-le-Soken; received his medical training at London; and in 1843 became professor of Physiology at the Royal Institution; four years later he was appointed clinical lecturer at Guy's Hospital; in 1871 his attendance on the Prince of Wales brought him a baronetcy; published various lectures and papers on cholera, paralysis, &c. (1816-1890).

GULLIVER, LEMUEL, the hero of Swift's satirical romance, "Gulliver's Travels," which records his adventures among the pigmies of Lilliput, the giants of Brobdingnag, the quacks of Laputa, and the Houyhnhnms.

GULLY, WILLIAM COURT, VISCOUNT SELEY, Speaker of the House of Commons 1895-1905; represented Carlisle from 1886 to 1906; was the son of Dr. Gully of water-cure celebrity (1835-1909).

GUN-COTTON, a powerful explosive formed by the action of nitric and sulphuric acid on cotton or some similar vegetable fibre. It enters into the composition of cordite and blasting gelatine.

GUN-METAL, a tough, close-grained alloy of copper and tin, in the proportion of nine parts of copper to one of tin.

GUNNINGS, two beautiful Irish girls, Maria (1738-1780) and Elizabeth (1734-1790), the elder of whom became Countess of Coventry, and the younger married first the Duke of Hamilton (1752) and afterwards the first Duke of Argyll (1759).

GUNPOWDER, an explosive mixture of saltpetre, sulphur, and carbon; it is said to have been invented by the Chinese, was probably known to the ancient Greeks, and was first used in Europe at the Battle of Crecy (1346); it has been largely superseded by more powerful explosives.

GUNPOWDER PLOT, an attempt on the part of a conspiracy to blow up the Parliament of England on Nov. 5, 1605, on the day of the opening, when it was expected the King, Lords, and Commons would be all assembled; the conspirators were a small section of Roman Catholics dissatisfied with King James's government and were headed by Robert Catesby, the contriver of the plot; the plot was discovered, and Guy Fawkes was arrested as he was proceeding to carry it into execution, while the rest, who fled, were pursued, taken

prisoners, and the chief of them put to death. November 5 has since become a day for fireworks and "guy" burning.

GUNTHER, EDMUND, mathematician, born in Hertfordshire; was educated at Oxford for the Church, but his natural bent was towards mathematical science, and in 1819 he became professor of Astronomy in Gresham College, London, a position he held till his death; his "Canon Triangulorum" (1820) was the first table of logarithmic sines and tangents drawn up on Briggs' system; amongst other of his inventions was the surveying chain, a quadrant, Gunter's scale, and he was the first to observe the variations of the compass (1681-1626).

GUNTHER, king of Burgundy and brother of Clémence; his ambition was to wed Brunhilda (q.v.), who could only be won by one who surpassed her in three trials of skill and strength; by the help of Siegfried, who veiled himself in a cloak of darkness, he succeeded not only in winning her hand, but in reducing her to wifely subjection after she was wed.

GUPPY, the name of a part, concealed, but commonplace lawyer's clerk who figures in Dickens' "Bleak House."

GURNEY, JOSEPH JOHN, a Quaker philanthropist and writer, born at Karilham Hall, near Norwich; in 1818 he became a Quaker minister; he energetically co-operated with his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Fry, in bringing about a reform of the prison system, and otherwise spent his life in philanthropic work; his works include "Prison Discipline," 1819, "Religious Peculiarities of the Society of Friends," 1824 (1789-1847).

GUSTAV V., king of Sweden. He married in 1881 Princess Victoria of Baden, and succeeded to the throne in 1907 (1858-).

GUSTAVUS (I.) VASA, or **GUSTAVUS ERIKSSON**, king of Sweden from 1523 to 1560, born in Lindholm, in Uppland; having conceived the idea of freeing his country from the yoke of Denmark, under which it had fallen in 1519, and his early efforts to infuse a spirit of patriotic rebellion into the Swedes proving ineffectual, he was captured by the Danes; escaping from captivity, he became a wanderer in his own land, working in mines and enduring great privations, but at last, in 1520, the Swedes were goaded to rebellion, and under him eventually drove the Danes from their land in 1523; during his long reign Gustavus gradually brought his at first disorganised empire into a peaceful and united realm (1496-1560).

GUSTAVUS (II.) ADOLPHUS, king of Sweden from 1611 to 1632, born in Stockholm, grandson of preceding and son of Charles IX.; successful territorial wars with Denmark and Russia occupied him during the early years of his reign, and in 1629 he concluded an advantageous truce for six years with Poland; next he espoused the Protestant cause in Germany against the Catholic League; victory crowned his efforts at every step, but in the great battle of Lützen (near Leipzig), whilst facing Wallenstein (q.v.), his most powerful opponent, he fell in the act of rallying his forces, and in the hour of success, not without suspicion of having been assassinated; he ranks amongst the greatest of champions (1594-1632).

GUSTAVUS III., king of Sweden from 1771 to 1792; succeeded his father Adolphus Frederick; he found himself early at conflict with his nobles, and in 1772, supported by popular feeling, imposed a new constitution on the country, greatly diminishing their power; Gustavus was an enlightened ruler, but somewhat alienated his people from him by his extravagance and fondness for French modes of life; in 1788 he became embroiled in a purposeless war with Russia; he was assassinated when about to take up arms in behalf of the Bourbon cause against the French Republicans (1746-1792).

GUSTAVUS IV., king of Sweden from 1792 to 1809, son of preceding; his incompetency and stubbornness made him an ill ruler; territory was lost to the French, and Finland to Russia, while an attack on Norway proved a failure; popular indignation rose to a height in 1809; he was deposed, and the crown given to his uncle, Charles XIII.; after this he lived on the Continent (1778-1837).

GUTENBERG, JOHANNES or **HENNIE**, also called Gensfleisch, claimed by the Germans to have been the inventor of the art of printing with movable

types, born in Mainz; for some time lived in Strasbourg as a pollisher of precious stones, mirrors, &c., he set up his first printing-press at Mainz about 1450 (1400-1468).

GUTHRIE, ST., a celebrated hermit of Crowland, of noble lineage; figured in religious pictures as scourging demons; d. about 1714.

GUTHRIE, THOMAS, a Scottish clergyman, distinguished as a pulpit orator and a philanthropist, born in Brechin; was minister at Arbikie, near Arbroath, and then in Edinburgh; left the Established Church at the Disruption, and became minister of St. John's; traversed the country (1845-1846) to raise a fund to provide manes for the Disruption ministers, and realised £116,000 for the object; came forward as an advocate for ragged schools, and founded one in Edinburgh; he was a warm-hearted man as well as an eloquent, who could both move his audience to tears and rouse it to enthusiasm (1809-1878).

GUTHRIE, THOMAS ANSTEE, author; under the pen-name of F. Anstey wrote "Vice Versa," "The Giant's Hobe," and "The Bram Bottle"; a contributor to Punch (1856-).

GUTTA-FERROHA, the juice of a tree found in the Malay Archipelago, closely related to rubber and used for similar purposes.

GUY, THOMAS, founder of Guy's Hospital, London, born in Southwark; he started in business as a bookseller in 1668, and after the importation of English Bibles from Holland was stopped he obtained the privilege of printing Bibles for Oxford University; lucky speculation in South Sea stock, combined with his printing business, enabled him to amass an immense fortune, which he devoted largely to charitable purposes; from 1695 to 1707 he sat in Parliament (1646-1724).

GUY OF WARWICK, a hero of English romance of the 13th century, who won the hand of the daughter of the Earl of Warwick by a succession of astonishing feats of valour, but repented of the slaughter he had made, and went a pilgrimage to the Holy Land; returned to his wife disguised as a pauper; relapsed into a hermit's ways; when about to die sent a ring to her, upon which she came and interred him; she died 15 days after him, and was buried by his side.

GUYN, SIR, a knight in Spenser's "Faerie Queene," the impersonation of temperance and self-control; he subdued the sorceress Acrasia (s.e. Intemperance), and was the destroyer of her "House of Bliss."

GWALIOR, a native State of Central India, under British protection since 1803; governed by the Maharajah Sindhis; area, 29,007 sq. m.; consists of scattered districts in the basins of the Juma and Nerbudda; opium is the chief export. Gwalior, the capital, is situated 65 m. S. of Agra; the citadel is very strongly posted on a steep rocky base 840 ft. high.

GWYNN, NELL, a "pretty, witty" actress of Drury Lane, who became mistress of Charles II., whose son by her was created Duke of St. Albans; the king was very fond of her and took special thought of her when he was dying (1650-1687).

GYGES, a young shepherd of Lydia, who, according to classic legend, possessed a magic ring of gold by which he could render himself invisible; he repaired to the Court of Candaules, whose first minister he became, whose chamber he entered invisibly, and whom he put to death to reign in his stead.

GYMNOSOPHISTS, a set of contemplative philosophers among the Hindus who practised an extreme asceticism and went about almost naked.

GYMNOSPERMS, name given to a class of plants which includes the evergreen conifers, s.e. pines and firs.

GYMNOTUS, an electric eel of South America, found in the fresh waters of Brazil and Guiana.

GYPSUM, a soft mineral composed of sulphate of lime; it is often deposited from solution in the drying up of salt lakes, since sulphate of lime is more soluble in salt than in pure water; when heated, the water of crystallisation is driven off, leaving a white powder known as plaster of Paris, which sets to a hard mass when mixed with water.

GYRO-COMPASS, a form of compass used on ships, based upon the principle that a spinning gyroscope keeps its axis of rotation steadily pointing in a fixed direction, independent of the motion of the ship.

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HAARON VII., king of Norway. He married Princess Maud, a daughter of King Edward VII. of England, in 1896, and succeeded to the throne on the dissolution of the union with Sweden in 1905 (1872-).

HAARLEM, a handsome town in the province of N. Holland on the Spaarne, 4 m. from the sea, and 12 m. W. of Amsterdam; has a fine 16th-century church with a famous organ (8000 pipes), linen and other factories, &c., and is noted for its tulip-gardens and trade in flower-bulbs: it is intersected by several canals as well as the rivers; there existed at one time a lagoon of the Zuider Zee called **Haarlem Lake**, which stretched southward as far as Leyden, between Amsterdam and Haarlem; but destructive inundations, caused by the tidal advance in 1856, compelled the Government to set about draining it, and this difficult engineering operation was successfully carried through by an English company during 1859-1862.

HABAKKUK, a book of the Old Testament by a Levite, whose name it bears, and who appears to have flourished in the 7th century B.C., containing a prophecy which belongs, both in substance and form, to the classic period of Hebrew literature, and is written in a style which has been described, as being "for grandeur and sublimity of conception, for gorgeousness of imagery, and for melody of language, among the foremost productions of that literature." The spirit of it is one: faith, namely, in the righteous ways of the Lord; but the burden is twofold: to announce the judgment of God on the land for the violence and wrong that prevailed in it, as about to be executed on it by a power still more violent and unjust in its ways; and to comfort the generation of the righteous with the assurance of a time when this very rod of God's wrath shall in the pride of its power be broken in pieces, and the Lord be revealed as seated in His Holy Temple.

HABBERTON, JOHN, American writer; author of many popular stories, in which "Helen's Babies" achieved the greatest success (1842-1921).

HABRAS CORPUS, an Act of Parliament passed in the reign of Charles II. to ensure the protection of one accused of a crime prior to conviction in an open court of justice.

HABBINGTON, THOMAS, a Worcester gentleman of fortune, involved at one time in a conspiracy to release Mary, Queen of Scots, from prison, and convicted at another of concealing some of the agents in the Gunpowder Plot (1560-1647).

HABBINGTON, WILLIAM, poet and historian, son of the preceding; a devoted Catholic; author of "Castara," a collection of exquisite lyrics in homage to his wife, and in celebration of her charms and virtues (1605-1654).

HACHETTE, JEAN, French mathematician; one of the founders of the École Polytechnique (1769-1834).

HACHETTE, JEANNE, a French heroine, born in Beauvais, who took part in the defence of her native town when besieged in 1472 by Charles the Bold.

HAACKLANDER, FRIEDRICH WILHELM VON, German novelist and dramatist, born near Aix-la-Chapelle; his writings, which show a genial humour, have been compared to those of Dickens (1816-1877).

HACKNEY, London borough, adjacent to the river Lea, 3 m. N.E. of St. Paul's; returns three members of Parliament.

HAO, or HAAKON, V., king of Norway from 1223 to 1263; was defeated by Alexander III. of Scotland at Largs, and died at the Orkneys on his way home.

HADDINGTON, the county town, on the Tyne, 17 m. E. of Edinburgh; has interesting ruins of an abbey church, called the "Lamp of Lothian," a cruciform pile with a central tower, a corn exchange, &c.; was the birthplace of John Knox, Samuel Smiles, and Jane Welsh Carlyle.

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HADDINGTONSHIRE, or EAST LOTHIAN, a maritime county of Scotland, on the E. fronting the Firth of Forth and the North Sea, N. of Berwickshire; on the southern border lie the Lammermuir Hills; the Tyne is the only river; considerable quantities of coal and limestone are wrought, but agriculture is the chief industry, 64 per cent. of the land being under cultivation.

HADEN, SIR FRANCIS SEYMOUR, an etcher and writer on etching, born in London; was bred to medicine, and in 1857 became F.R.C.S.; in 1843 he took up etching; won medals in France, America, and England for the excellency of his workmanship, while his various writings largely contributed to revive interest in the art; he was President of the Society of Painters, and in 1894 a knighthood was conferred upon him (1818-1910).

HADES (H. the Unseen), the dark abode of the shades of the dead in the nether world, the entrance into which, on the confines of the Western Ocean, is unvisited by a single ray of the sun; originally the god of the nether world, and a synonym of Pluto (q.v.).

HADFIELD, SIR ROBERT, British scientist, intimately connected with the steel industry of Sheffield; carried out much metallurgical research; discoverer of manganese steel (1858-).

HADITH, the Mohammedan Talmud, being a traditional account of Mohammed's sayings and doings; forms a supplement to the Koran.

HADJI, a Mohammedan who has made his Hadj or pilgrimage to Mecca, and kissed the Black Stone of the Kaaba (q.v.), thereby entitled to wear a green turban; the term is also applied to pilgrims to Jerusalem.

HADLEIGH, an interesting old market-town of Suffolk, on the Bret, 94 m. W. of Ipswich; its cloth trade dates back to 1391; Guthrum, the Danish king, died here in 890, Dr. Rowland Taylor suffered martyrdom in 1555. Also a small parish of Essex, near the N. shore of the Thames estuary, 37 m. E. of London, where in 1892 the Salvation Army planted a farm-colony.

HADLEY, JAMES, an American Greek scholar, and one of the American committee on the revision of the New Testament (1821-1872).

HADLEY, JOHN, natural philosopher; constructed an improved reflecting telescope, and invented a quadrant which bears his name, though the honour of the invention has been assigned to others, Newton included (1682-1744).

HADRAMAUT, a dry and healthy plateau in Arabia, extending along the coast from Aden to Cape Ras-al-Hadd, nominally a dependency of Turkey.

HADRIAN (PUBLIUS SEPTIMIUS HADRIANUS), Roman emperor, born in Rome; distinguished himself under Trajan, his kinsman; was governor of Syria, and was proclaimed emperor by the army on Trajan's death in A.D. 117; had troubles both at home and abroad on his accession, but these settled, he devoted the last 18 years of his reign chiefly to the administration of affairs throughout the empire; visited Gaul in 120, whence he passed over to Britain, where he built the great wall from the Tyne to the Solway; he was a Greek scholar, had a knowledge of Greek literature, encouraged industry, literature, and the arts, as well as reformed the laws (76-138).

HAECKEL, ERNST HEINRICH, a German biologist, born in Potsdam; carried through his medical studies at Berlin and Vienna; early evinced an enthusiasm for zoology, and, after working for some time at Naples and Messina, in 1855 became professor of Zoology at Jena; here he spent a life of unceasing industry, varied only by expeditions to Arabia, India, Ceylon, and different parts of Europe in the prosecution of his scientific theories; he was the first among German scientists to embrace and apply the evolutionary theories of Darwin, and along these lines he produced several works of first-rate importance in biology; his great works on

calcareous sponges, on jelly-fishes, and corals are enriched by elaborate plates of outstanding value; he made important contributions to the *Challenger* reports, and was among the first to outline the genealogical tree of animal life; his name is associated with far-reaching speculations on heredity, sexual selection, and various problems of embryology; "The Natural History of Creation," "Treatise on Morphology," "The Evolution of Man," are amongst his more popular works (1884-1919).

HEMOGLOBIN, the substance giving the red colour to the blood of vertebrates, consisting of proteins and iron compounds; its function in the blood is oxygen capture.

HAFIZ, his real name Mohammed Shams-ed-Din, the great lyric poet of Persia, born in Shiraz, where he spent his life; he has been called the Anacreon of Persia; his poetry is of a sensuous character, though the images he employs are interpreted by some in a supersensuous or mystical sense; Goethe composed a series of lyrics in imitation; the name Hafiz denotes a Mohammedan who knows the Koran and the Hadith by heart (1320-1391).

HAFNIUM, a chemical element closely related to zirconium, discovered by Coster and Ilovey in 1923; it was found to fill a gap in the periodic table (q.v.) corresponding to an element of atomic number 72.

HAGAR, Sarah's maid, of Egyptian birth, who became by Abraham the mother of Ishmael and of the Ishmaelites.

HAGEDORN, FRIEDRICH VON, a German poet, born in Hamburg; was secretary to the English factory there; wrote fables, tales, and moral poems (1708-1754).

HAGEN, king of Burgundy; the murderer of Siegfried in the "Nibelungen Lied," who is in turn killed by Christmilda, Siegfried's wife, with Siegfried's sword.

HAGENAU, a town of Alsace-Lorraine, situated in the Hagenau Forest, on the Moder, 21 m. NE. of Strasbourg; has two quaint old churches of the 12th and the 13th centuries respectively; hops and wine are the chief articles of commerce.

HAGENBACH, KARL, a German theologian, born in Basel, and professor there; was a disciple of Schleiermacher; wrote a church history; is best known by his "Lehrbuch der Dogmengeschichte," or "History of Dogmas" (1801-1874).

HAGGADAH, a system of professedly traditional, mostly fanciful, amplifications of the historical and didactic, as distinct from the legal, portions of Jewish scripture; is a reconstructing and re-modelling of both history and dogma, for the Jews seem to have thought, though they were bound to the letter of the Law, that any amount of licence was allowed them in the treatment of history and dogma.

HAGGAI, one of the Hebrew prophets of the Restoration (of Jerusalem and the Temple) after the Captivity, who, it would appear, had returned from Babylon with Zerubbabel and Joshua. Signs of the divine displeasure having appeared on account of the laggard spirit in which the Restoration was prosecuted by the people, this prophet was inspired to lift up his protest and rouse their patriotism, with the result that his appeal took instant effect, for in four years the work was finished and the Temple dedicated to the worship of Jehovah, as of old, in 516 B.C.; his book is a record of the prophecies he delivered in that connection, and the style, though prosaic, is pure and clear.

HAGGARD, SIR HENRY RIDER, born in Norfolk; after service in a civic capacity in Natal, and in partly civil and partly military service in the Transvaal, adopted the profession of literature; first rose into popularity as author in 1885 by the publication of "King Solomon's Mines," the promise of which was sustained in a measure by a series of subsequent novels beginning with "She" in 1887 (1886-1925).

HAGGIS, a Scottish dish, composed of the chopped lungs, heart, and liver of a sheep mixed with suet and oatmeal, seasoned with onions, pepper, salt, &c., and boiled in a sheep's stomach.

HAGIOGRAPHIA, the third division of the Jewish canon of scripture, which included the books of Job,

Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Canticles, Ruth, Lamentations, Esther, Daniel, Chronicles, Ezra, and Nehemiah.

HAGUE, THE, the capital of the Netherlands, seat of the Court and of the Government, 15 m. NW. of Rotterdam and 2 m. from the North Sea; is handsomely laid out, in spacious squares and broad streets, with stately buildings, statues, and winding canals beautifully fringed with lindens and spanned by many bridges; has a fine picture-gallery, a royal library (200,000 vols.), archives rich in historical documents of rare value, an ancient castle, palace, and a Gothic church of the 14th century; industries embrace cannon-foundries, copper and lead smelting, printing, &c.; it is connected by tramway with Scheveningen, a fashionable watering-place on the coast. It became famous for its conventions and peace conferences in the early years of this century; in 1899 the International Court of Arbitration was established there, and the town has also a magnificent Palace of Peace.

HAHNEMANN, SAMUEL, a German physician, the founder of Homeopathy (q.v.), born in Meissen; established himself in practice in Dresden on orthodox lines and enjoyed a high reputation, but retired to revise the whole system of medicine in view of which he had begun to study physiology, and by various researches and experiments came to the conclusion that the true principle of the healing art was *similia similibus curantur*, "like things are cured by like," which he announced as such to the medical world in 1796, and on which he proceeded to practise first in Leipzig and finally in Paris, where he died (1755-1843).

HAIDEE, a beautiful Greek girl in Byron's "Don Juan," who, falling in love with the hero and losing him, came to a tragic end.

HAJDUK, or HAJDUK (i.e. cowherd), a name bestowed on a body of irregular infantry in Hungary who kept up a guerrilla warfare in the 16th century against the Turks; in 1806 a stretch of territory on the left bank of the Theiss was conferred upon them, together with a measure of local government, and certain other privileges; but in 1876 their territory was incorporated in the county of Hajdu; the name was in later times applied to the Hungarian infantry and to noblemen's retainers.

HAIG, 1ST EARL OF BERNERSYDE (Sir Douglas Haig), British general. Taking a commission in the 7th Hussars in 1885, he served in the Sudan and in the Boer War, where he was chief-of-staff to French. In 1914 he went to France with the British Expeditionary Force in command of the 1st Army Corps, and in January, 1915, he was given command of the 1st Army. He succeeded French in command of the British forces on the western front in December, 1915, working first with Joffre, then with Nivelle, and in 1918, when the German offensive was launched, he was nearly retired owing to differences with the Government. Foch was placed as supreme general of the Allied forces, and with Haig giving him loyal support the war was ended in the autumn with an attack on the Hindenburg line. He was raised to the peerage in 1919, founded the British Legion (q.v.), and devoted the rest of his life to the welfare of ex-servicemen (1861-1928).

HAILES, LORD, (Sir David Dalrymple) Scottish judge and antiquary, born in Edinburgh; was called to the Scottish bar in 1748, and raised to the bench in 1768; ten years later he became a Justiciary lord; he devoted his vacations to literary pursuits, and a series of valuable historical works came from his pen, which include "Annals of Scotland from Malcolm III. to Robert I." and "Annals of Scotland from Robert I. to the Accession of the House of Stuart." "A Discourse on the Gowrie Conspiracy," &c. (1726-1792).

HAILEYBURY COLLEGE, lies 2 m. SE. of Hertford; was founded in 1806 by the East India Company as a training institution for their cadets, and was in use till 1856, when the company ceased to exist; in 1862 it was converted into a public school.

HAILSHAM, 1ST BARON (Sir Douglas Hogg), British politician and lawyer. Attorney-General in 1922 and 1924, he was made Lord Chancellor in 1928, an office he held till the defeat of the Conservative Government in 1929 (1872-).

HAINAN, an island of China, in the extreme S., between the Gulf of Tonking and the China Sea, 15 m. S. of the mainland; agriculture is the staple industry; the mountainous and wooded interior is occupied by the aboriginal *Li*.

HAINAULT, a southern province of Belgium, bordering on France, between W. Flanders and Namur; the N. and W. is occupied by fertile plains; the Forest of Ardennes extends into the S., where also are the richest coalfields of Belgium; iron and lead are wrought also; the chief rivers are the Scheldt, Sambre, Dender, and Haine; textiles, porcelain, and iron goods are manufactured; Mons is the capital.

HAKIM, or **HAKEM**, a Mohammedan name for a ruler, a physician, or a wise man.

HAKIM BEN ALLAH, or **BEN HASHEM**, surnamed **MOEANNA** (i.e. the Veiled or the One-Eyed); the founder of a religious sect in Khorassan, Persia, in the 8th century; he pretended to be God incarnate, and wore over his face a veil to shroud, as his followers believed, the dazzling radiance of his countenance, but in reality to hide the loss of an eye, incurred in earlier years when he had served as a common soldier; the sect was after fierce fighting suppressed by the Caliph, and Hakim is said to have flung himself into a vessel of powerfully corrosive acid in the hope that, his body being destroyed, a belief in his translation to heaven might spread among his followers; the story of Hakim is told in Moore's "Lalla Rookh."

HAKLUYT, RICHARD, English author; was educated at Oxford, and became chaplain to the English embassy in Paris; wrote on historical subjects; his principal work, published in 1589, "Principal Navigations, Voyages, and Discoveries of the English Nation by Land and Sea," a work which, detailing as it does the great deeds of Englishmen, particularly on the sea, has borne very considerable fruit in English life and literature since (1582-1616).

HAKODATE, one of the open ports of Yezo in Japan, with a large harbour and considerable export trade. ***HAL**, a town of Belgium, 8 m. SW. from Brussels; noted for its 14th-century church, which contains a black wooden image of the Virgin credited with miraculous powers, and resorted to by pilgrims.

HALACHA, the Jewish law as developed into validity by the decisions of the Scribes, on the basis of inferential reasoning or established custom; it was of higher authority than the law as written, though not held valid till sanctioned by a majority of the doctors.

HALBERSTADT, an interesting old town in Prussian Saxony, 30 m. SW. of Magdeburg; the 13th-century cathedral is a fine specimen of Pointed Gothic, and the Church of Our Lady, a 12th-century structure, is in the Byzantine style; its industries embrace gloves, cigars, machines and sugar.

HALCYON DAYS, days of peace, happiness, and prosperity, properly the seven days before and the seven after the winter Solstice, days of quiet, during which the halcyon, or kingfisher, is fabled to be breeding.

HALDANE, 1ST VISCOUNT, British politician. The son of a Scottish lawyer, he was called to the bar in 1879, became a Q.C. in 1890, and having entered Parliament in 1888 as a Liberal he was made Secretary for War in 1905, in which capacity he founded the Territorials (q.v.). In 1912 he became Lord Chancellor, retiring on the formation of the Coalition of 1915. When the Labour Government of 1924 was formed he again took office as Lord Chancellor (1866-1928).

HALDANE, ROBERT, born in London, and **JAMES**, born in Dundee, brothers; entered the English navy, and after distinguishing themselves in it, left the service, and devoted their time and their wealth to evangelistic labours and the building of "tabernacles," as they were called, for religious worship, in connection eventually with the Baptist body; they both contributed to theological literature in the Calvinistic interest; Robert died in 1842, being born in 1764, and James in 1851, being born in 1768.

HALE, GEORGE ELLERY, American astronomer, director of the Mount Wilson observatory; carried out much research in all branches of astronomy and astrophysics (1868-).

HALE, SIR MATTHEW, Lord Chief Justice of England, born in Alderley, Gloucestershire; in 1629 he entered Lincoln's Inn after some years of roving and dissipation, and eight years later was called to the bar; as he held aloof from the strife between king and commons, his services as advocate were in requisition by both parties, and in 1653 he was raised to the bench by Cromwell; on the death of the Protector he declined to receive his commission anew from Richard Cromwell, and favoured the return of Charles; after the Restoration he was made Chief Baron of the Exchequer and knighted; in 1671 he was created Lord Chief Justice; charges of "trimming" have been made against him, but his integrity as a lawyer has never been impugned (1609-1676).

HALES, ALEXANDER OF, a scholastic philosopher, surnamed "Doctor Irrefragabilis," who flourished in the 13th century; author of "Summa Theologiae."

HALES, STEPHEN, scientist, born in Bekebourne, Kent; became a Fellow of Cambridge in 1702; took holy orders, and in 1710 settled down in the curacy of Teddington, Middlesex; science was his ruling passion, and his "Vegetable Statics" is the first work to broach a true morphology of plants; his papers on ventilation led to a widespread reform in prison ventilation, and his method of collecting gases greatly furthered the work of subsequent chemists (1677-1761).

HALÉVY, JACQUES FRANÇOIS ÉLIAS, a French operatic composer, born in Paris; became a professor at the Conservatoire; wrote a large number of operas, of which "La Juive" and "L'Éclair" were the best, and enjoyed a European reputation (1799-1862).

HALÉVY, JOSEPH, French Orientalist and traveller, born in Adrianople; his most notable work was done in Yemen, which he crossed during 1869-1870 in search of Sabaean inscriptions, no European having traversed that land since A.D. 24; the result was a most valuable collection of 800 inscriptions, &c.; his works are numerous, and deal with various branches of Oriental study (1827-1908).

HALIBURTON, THOMAS CHANDLER, Nova Scotian judge and author, born in Windsor, Nova Scotia; was called to the bar in 1820, and soon after was elected a member of the House of Assembly; in 1840 he became Judge of the Supreme Court, and two years later retired to England, where, in 1869, he entered Parliament; he wrote several books bearing on Nova Scotia and aspects of colonial life, but is best known as the author of "Sam Slick," Yankee clockmaker, peripatetic philosopher, wit, and dispenser of "soft sawder" (1796-1865).

HALICARNASSUS, a Greek city, and the chief of Caria, in Asia Minor, on the sea-coast opposite the island of Cos, the birthplace of Herodotus; celebrated for the tomb of Mausolus, called the Mausoleum (q.v.).

HALIDON HILL, an eminence in Northumberland, on the Tweed, 2 m. from Berwick, the scene of a bloody battle in 1333 between the English and Scots, to the defeat of the latter.

HALIFAX, (1) a prosperous manufacturing town, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, situated amid surrounding hills on the Hebble, 43 m. SW. of York; the staple industries are carpet and worsted manufacturing, the carpet works being the largest in the world; cotton, merinos, and damasks are also woven and dyed. (2) Capital of Nova Scotia; the naval and military headquarters of the British in North America, and the chief port in East Canada; is situated near the head of Chebucto Bay, which forms a magnificent harbour; a citadel and masked batteries defend the town; it is an important railway and shipping terminus and coaling station; its graving-dock is the largest in America; it is the seat of Dalhousie University.

HALIFAX, CHARLES MONTAGUE, EARL OF, a celebrated Whig statesman, born in Horton, Northamptonshire; a clever scribe on Dryden's "Hind and Panther," entitled "The Town and Country Mouse," written in collaboration with Prior after he had left Cambridge, brought him some reputation as a wit; in 1698 he entered the Convention Parlia-

ment, and attached himself to William's party, when his remarkable financial ability soon brought him to the front; in 1692 he brought forward his scheme for a National Debt, and two years later founded the Bank of England in accordance with the scheme of William Paterson; in the same year he became Chancellor of the Exchequer, and in 1697 Prime Minister; in conjunction with Sir Isaac Newton, Master of the Mint, he carried through a re-coinage, and was the first to introduce Exchequer Bills; in 1699 he was created a Baron, and subsequently was made the victim of a prolonged and embittered but unsuccessful impeachment; with the accession of George I. he came back to power as Prime Minister, and received an earldom (1691-1715).

HALIFAX, GEORGE SAVILE, MARQUIS OF, a noted statesman who played a prominent part in the changing politics of Charles II.'s and James II.'s reigns, and whose apparently vacillating conduct won him the epithet of "Trimmer"; he was an orator of brilliant powers and imbued with patriotic motives, and through his various changes may be seen a real desire to serve the cause of civil and religious liberty, but he was never a reliable party man; on the abdication of James II. he, as President of the Convention Parliament, proffered the crown to William of Orange; he rose through successive titles to be a marquis in 1682; his writings, chief of which is "Character of a Trimmer" (practically a defence of his own life), are marked by a pungent wit and graceful persuasiveness (c. 1630-1695).

HALIFAX, 2ND VISCOUNT, the British peer who for fifty years led the High Church party and who was a prime mover in the Malines conversations (q.v.) for restoring unity with Rome (1839-).

HALL, BASIL, explorer and miscellaneous writer, born in Edinburgh, son of Sir James Hall of Dunglass, a noted chemist and geologist; rose to be a post-captain in the navy, and in 1816 made a voyage of discovery on the coast of the Corea and the Great Loo Choo Islands, his account of which forms a fascinating and highly popular book of travel; during 1820-1822 he commanded the *Conceyo* on the W. coast of South America, and his published journals covering that period of Spain's struggle with her colonies are of considerable historical value; "Travels in North America in 1827-1828" is an entertaining record of travel; was also author of some tales, &c.; he died insane (1788-1844).

HALL, CHARLES, American chemist, inventor of the electrical process for the preparation of aluminium (1803-1914).

HALL, CHARLES FRANCIS, Arctic explorer, born in Rochester, New Hampshire; the mystery surrounding Franklin's fate awakened his interest in Arctic exploration, and during 1860-1862 he headed a search party, and again in 1864-1869; during the latter time he lived amongst the Eskimo, and returned with many interesting relics of Franklin's ill-fated expedition; in 1871 he made an unsuccessful attempt to reach the North Pole, and died at Thank God Harbour in Greenland; he published accounts of his expeditions (1821-1871).

HALL, SIR EDWARD MARSHALL, English criminal lawyer, who was called to the bar in 1883, and who from 1900 till his death took part in nearly every murder trial of importance. For some years he sat in the House of Commons, and was knighted in 1917 (1858-1927).

HALL, or HALLE, EDWARD, English lawyer and historian, born in London; studied law at Gray's Inn; in 1640 he became one of the judges of the Sheriff's Court; his fame rests on his history, "The Union of the Two Noble Families of Lancaster and York," a work which sheds a flood of light on contemporary events, and is, moreover, a noble specimen of English prose (1490-1547).

HALL, JOSEPH, bishop, first of Exeter and then of Norwich, born in Ashby-de-la-Zouch; was accused of favouring Puritanism, and incurred the enmity of Laud; was sent to the Tower for joining 12 prelates who had protested against certain laws passed in Parliament during their enforced absence from the House; being released on bail, he returned to Norwich, and was persecuted by the Puritans, who

plundered his house and spoiled the cathedral; was the author of a set of political satires and of "Meditations," early instances in English literature of an interest in biography (1574-1656).

HALL, ROBERT, an eminent Baptist minister and pulpit orator, born near Leicester; began his ministry in Bristol, and ended it there after a pastorate in Cambridge; was an intimate friend of Sir James Mackintosh (1764-1881).

HALL, SAMUEL CARTER, founder and editor of the *Art Journal*, born at Geneva Barracks, co. Waterford; was for a time a gallery reporter; succeeded Campbell, the poet, as editor of the *Art Monthly Magazine*, and after other journalistic work started in 1839 the *Art Journal*, which he continued to edit for upwards of 40 years; in 1880 he received a civil-list pension (1800-1889); his wife, Anna Maria Fielding, was in her day a popular and voluminous writer of novels and short tales (1800-1881).

HALLAM, ARTHUR HENRY, eldest son of the succeeding, the early friend of Tennyson, who died suddenly at Vienna, to the bitter grief of his father and of his friend, whose "In Memoriam" is a long elegy over his loss (1811-1833).

HALLAM, HENRY, English historian, born in Windsor, of which his father was a canon; bred for the bar; was one of the first contributors to the *Edinburgh Magazine*; was the author of four great works, "The State of Europe during the Middle Ages," published in 1818; "The Constitutional History of England from the Accession of Henry VII. to the Death of George II.," published in 1827; and the "Introduction to the Literature of Europe in the Fifteenth, Sixteenth, and Seventeenth Centuries," published in 1838; "was the first," says Stophord Brooke, "to write history in this country without prejudice" (1777-1859).

HALLE, a flourishing city in Prussian Saxony, on the Saale, 20 m. NW. of Leipzig; has a splendid university attended by upwards of 1500 students, with a library of over 250,000 vols., and some fine old Gothic churches, medical institutes, hospitals, &c.; it is an important railway centre, and is famed for its saltworks.

HALLÉ, SIR CHARLES, an eminent pianist, born in Hagen, in Westphalia; in 1848 he came to England, with reputation already gained at Paris, and settled down in Manchester; his fine orchestra, which from year to year visited the important cities of the kingdom, did a great work in popularising classical music and educating the public taste in its regard; in 1888 he was knighted (1819-1895). His wife, née Wülfelmus Néruda, a violinist of rare talent, born in Brünn, in Moravia, appeared first in Vienna when only seven years old; in 1864 she married Normann, a Swedish composer, and in 1885 became the wife of Sir Charles.

HALLECK, HENRY WAGER, an American general; distinguished himself on the side of the North in the Civil War, and was promoted to be commander-in-chief; was author of "Elements of Military Art and Science" (1815-1872).

HALLEL, name given to Psalms cxlii.-cxlviii., chanted by the Jews at their great annual festivals.

HALLER, ALBRECHT, VON, a celebrated anatomist, physiologist, botanist, physician, and poet, born in Bern; professor of Medicine at Göttingen; author of works in all these departments; took a keen interest in all the movements and questions of the day, literary and political, as well as scientific; was a voluminous author and writer (1708-1777).

HALLEY, EDMUND, astronomer and mathematician, born near London; determined the rotation of the sun from the spots on its surface, and the position of 350 stars; discovered in 1680 the great comet called after his name, which appeared again in 1825; was entrusted with the publication of his "Principia" by Sir Isaac Newton; made researches on the orbits of comets, and was appointed in 1719 astronomer-royal (1656-1742).

HALLIWELL-PHILLIPS, JAMES ORCHARD, a celebrated Shakespearean scholar and antiquary, born in Chelsea; studied at Cambridge; his love for literary antiquities manifested itself at an early age, and his research in ballad literature and folk-lore, &c., had gained him election as Fellow to the Royal and Antiquarian Societies at the early age

of 19; devoting himself more particularly to Shakespeare, he in 1848 published his famous "Outlines of the Life of Shakespeare," which has grown in fullness of detail with successive editions, and remains the most authoritative account of Shakespeare's life we have; his "Dictionary of Archæic and Provincial Words" is also a work of wide scholarship; having succeeded in 1872 to the property of his father-in-law, Thomas Phillips, he added Phillips to his own surname (1820-1889).

HALL-MARK, an official mark or attestation of the genuineness of gold and silver articles.

HALLOW'EEN, the eve of All Saints' Day, October 31, which it was customary, in Scotland particularly, to observe with ceremonies of a superstitious character, presumed to have the power of eliciting certain interesting secrets of fate from wizard spirits of the earth and air, allowed, as believed, in that brief space, to rove about and be accessible to the influence of the charms employed.

HALOGENS, name given to the elements fluorine, chlorine, bromine, and iodine, which combine with metals, forming substances similar to common salt; the name halogen means "salt-producer."

HALE, FRANZ, an eminent Dutch portrait-painter, born in Antwerp; considered to be the founder of the Dutch school of genre-painting; his portraits, of which the "Laughing Cavalier" is the most famous, are full of life and vigour; Vandeyck alone among his contemporaries was considered his superior (1680-1666).

HALESBURY, HARDING STANLEY GIFFORD, EARL, Lord Chancellor of England, born in London; called to the bar in 1850, he was Solicitor-General in the last Disraeli Government; entered Parliament in 1877, and in 1885 was raised to the peerage and made Lord Chancellor, a position he held in successive Conservative Governments (1825-1921).

HALYBURTON, THOMAS, Scottish divine, known as "Holy Halyburton," born in Duppell, near Perth; was minister of Ceres in Fife, and from 1710 professor of Divinity in St. Andrews; was the author of several widely-read religious works (1674-1722).

HAM, a son of Noah, and the Biblical ancestor of the southern dark races of the world as known to the ancients.

HAM, a town in the dep. of Somme, France, 70 m. NE. of Paris, with a fortress, used as a State prison, in which Louis Napoleon was confined from 1840 to 1846.

HAMADAN, an ancient Persian town, at the foot of Mount Elwend, 160 m. SW. of Teheran, is an important entrepôt of Persian trade, and has flourishing tanneries; it is believed to stand on the site of Ecbatana (q.v.).

HAMADRYAD, a wood-nymph identified with a particular tree that was born with it and that died with it.

HAMADRYAD, the giant cobra of India, also found in southern China and the Philippines; sometimes attains a length of 12 ft., is highly venomous, and ophiophagous; yellowish in colour, with black banded markings.

HAMAH, the Hamath of the Bible, an ancient city of Syria, on the Orontes, 110 m. NE. of Damascus; manufactures silk, cotton, and woollen fabrics; is one of the oldest cities of the world; has some trade with the Bedouins in woollen stuffs; during the Macedonian dynasty it was known as Epiphania; in 1812 Burckhardt discovered stones in it with Hittite inscriptions.

HAMAN, an enemy of the Jews in Persia, who persuaded the king to decree the destruction of them against a particular day, but whose purpose was defeated by the reversal of the sentence of doom.

HAMANN, JOHANN GEORG, a German thinker and writer, born in Königsberg; a man of genius, whose ideas were appreciated by such a man as Goethe, and whose writings deeply influenced the views of Herder (1730-1788).

HAMBURG, MARK, British pianist. Born in Russia and studying in Vienna, he came to England after a successful debut in Moscow and became a naturalised British subject (1879-).

HAMBURG, a small German State which includes the city of Hamburg and suburbs, and Bergedorf, and Cuxhaven; the city, the chief emporium of

German commerce, is situated on the Elbe, 75 m. E. of the North Sea, and 177 NW. of Berlin; was founded by Charlemagne in 808, and is to-day the fifth commercial city of the world; the old town is intersected by canals, while the new portion, built since 1842, is spaciouly laid out; the town library, a fine building, contains 400,000 volumes; its principal manufactures embrace cigar-making, distilling, brewing and sugar-refining.

HAMEL, GUSTAV, British aviator. One of the pioneers of flying in this country, he won the Brooklands race in 1911, and the Aerial Derby in 1912; he was lost in the Channel while flying from Paris to London two years later (1889-1914).

HAMELN, a quaint old Prussian town and fortress in the province of Hanover, situated at the junction of the Hamel with the Weser, 25 m. SW. of Hanover city; associated with the legend of the Pied Piper; a fine chain bridge spans the Weser; there are prosperous iron, paper, and leather works, breweries, &c.

HÄMERKIN, or HAMMERLEIN, the paternal name of Thomas à Kempis (q.v.).

HAMERLING, ROBERT, Austrian poet, born in Kirchberg in the Forest, Lower Austria; his health gave way while teaching at Trieste, and, while for upwards of 30 years an invalid in bed, he devoted himself to poetical composition; his fine taste chiefly on his satirical epics and lyric compositions, among the former "The King of Iron," "The Seven Deadly Sins," and "Cupid and Psyche," and among the latter "Venus in Exile" (1830-1889).

HAMERTON, PHILIP GILBERT, English critic, particularly of art; edited the *Portfolio*, an art magazine; author of a story of life in France entitled "Marmorne," and of a volume of essays entitled "The Intellectual Life" (1834-1894).

HAMILCAR BARCA, a Carthaginian general and one of the greatest, the father of Hannibal, commanded in Sicily, and held his ground there against the Romans for six years; concluded a peace with them and ended the First Punic War; invaded Spain with a view to invade Italy by the Alps, and after gaining a footing there fell in battle; had his son with him, a boy of nine, and made him swear upon the altar before he died eternal enmity to Rome; d. 229 B.C.

HAMILTON, a town of Lanarkshire, on the Clyde, 10 m. SE. of Glasgow; mining is the chief industry. Also a city of Canada, on Burlington Bay, at the west end of Lake Ontario, 40 m. SW. of Toronto; is an important railway centre, and has manufactories of iron, cotton, and woollen goods.

HAMILTON, ALEXANDER, American soldier and statesman, born in West Indies; entered the American army, fought in the War of Independence, became commander-in-chief, represented New York State in Congress, contributed by his essays to the favourable reception of the federal constitution, and under it did good service on behalf of his country; was mortally wounded in a duel (1757-1804).

HAMILTON, ELIZABETH, novelist and essayist, born, of Scottish parentage, in Belfast; is remembered for her early advocacy of the higher education of women and for her faithful pictures of lowly Scottish life; "Letters of a Hindoo Rajah" and "Modern Philosophers" were clever skits on the prevailing scepticism and republicanism of the time; "The Cottagers of Glenburnie" is her best novel (1758-1816).

HAMILTON, EMMA, LADY, née Amy Lyon or "Hart," born in Ness, Cheshire, a labourer's daughter; appeared as the lady in the charlatan Graham's "Temple of Health" London; became the mother of two illegitimate children, and subsequently was under the protection of the Hon. Charles Greville and of his uncle Sir Wm. Hamilton, whose wife she became in 1791; her notorious intimacy with Lord Nelson began in 1793, and in 1801 their daughter Horatia was born; although left a widow with a goodly fortune, she fell into debt and died in poverty (1763-1815).

HAMILTON, SIR IAN STANDISH, British general. He entered the Gordon Highlanders in 1873, served in the Afghan War of 1878, the Boer War of 1881, in the Nile, Burma, Chitral, and Tirah campaigns,

and the South African War, in which he was chief-of-staff to Kitchener. In 1915 he was in command at Gallipoli and was censured for the failure of the campaign; he retired in 1920 (1855-).

HAMILTON, PATRICK, a Scottish martyr, born in Kincaid, Linlithgowshire; returning from his Continental studies at Paris and Louvain he came to St. Andrews University, where his Lutheran sympathies involved him in trouble; he escaped to the Continent, visited Wittenberg, the home of Luther, and then settled in Marburg, but returned to Scotland at the close of the same year (1527) and married; the following year he was burned at the stake in St. Andrews for heresy; his eager and winning nature and love of knowledge, together with his early martyrdom, have served to invest him with a special interest (c. 1504-1528).

HAMILTON, WILLIAM, a minor Scottish poet, born near Uphall, Linlithgowshire; was a contributor to Ramsay's *Tea-Table Miscellany*; became involved in the second Jacobite rising and fled to France; subsequently he was permitted to return and take possession of his father's estate of Bangour, near Uphall; his collected poems include the beautiful and pathetic ballad, "The Braes of Yarrow" (1704-1754).

HAMILTON, SIR WILLIAM, distinguished philosopher of the Scottish school, born in Glasgow; studied there and in Oxford with distinction; contributed to the *Edinburgh Review*, having previously published "Discussions in Philosophy"; in 1836 he became professor of Logic and Metaphysics in Edinburgh University, in which capacity he exercised a great influence in the domain of philosophic speculation; his lectures were published after his death; his system was attacked by John Stuart Mill, and criticised in part by Dr. Hutchison Stirling, (1788-1856).

HAMILTON, SIR WILLIAM ROWAN, an eminent mathematician, born in Dublin; such was his precocity that at 13 he was versed in thirteen languages, and by 17 was an acknowledged master in mathematical science; while yet an undergraduate at Trinity College, Dublin, he was appointed in 1827 professor of Astronomy in Dublin University, and Astronomer-Royal of Ireland; his mathematical works and treatises of the most original and a far-reaching character, brought him a European reputation, and embraced his "Theory of Systems of Rays," "A General Method in Dynamics," and the invention of "Quaternions"; he was knighted in 1835 (1805-1865).

HAMILTONIAN SYSTEM, a system of teaching languages by Interlinear translation.

HAMMER, German Orientalist and historian, born in Götting; author of a "History of the Ottoman Empire" (1774-1856).

HÄMERFEST, the most northerly town in Europe; is situated on the barren island of Kvalø, and is the port of the Norwegian province of Finnmark; fishing is the staple industry; during two months in summer the sun never sets.

HAMMERSMITH, a London municipal and parliamentary borough on the N. side of the Thames, west of Fulham.

HAMMOND, HENRY, English divine, born in Chertsey; suffered as an adherent of the royal cause, being chaplain to Charles I.; author of "Paraphrase and Annotations of the New Testament" (1605-1660).

HAMPDEN, JOHN, a famous English statesman and patriot, cousin to Oliver Cromwell, born in London; passed through Oxford and studied law at the Inner Temple; subsequently he settled down on his father's estate, and in 1621 entered Parliament, joining the opposition; he came first into conflict with the king by refusing to contribute to a general loan levied by Charles, and subsequently became famous by his resistance to the ship-money tax; he was a member of the Short Parliament, and played a prominent part in the more eventful transactions of the Long Parliament; an attempt on Charles's part to seize Hampden and four other members precipitated the Civil War; he took an active part in organising the Parliamentary forces, and proved himself a brave and skilful general in the field; he fell mortally wounded while opposing Prince Rupert in a skirmish at Chalgrove Field;

historians unite in extolling his nobility of character, statesmanship, and single-minded patriotism (1594-1643).

HAMPDEN, RENN DICKSON, theologian and bishop, born in Barbadoes; became a Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford, and in 1832 delivered his celebrated Hampden lectures on the "Scholastic Philosophy considered in its Relation to Christian Theology," which drew upon him the charge of heresy and produced an embittered controversy in the Church of England; he was successively Principal, professor of Moral Philosophy, and of Divinity at St. Mary's Hall, and became bishop of Hereford in 1847 (1793-1868).

HAMPOLE, HERMIT OF. See **ROLLE, RICHARD**.

HAMPSHIRE, or abbrev. **HANTS**, a county of S. England, fronting the English Channel between Dorset on the W. and Sussex on the E.; in the NE. are the 'rolling Downs,' affording excellent sheep pasturage, while the SW. is largely occupied by the New Forest; the Test, Itchen, and Avon are principal rivers flowing to the S.; besides the usual cereals, hops are raised, while Hampshire bacon and honey are celebrated; Winchester is the county town, while Southampton, Portsmouth, and Gosport are the chief trading and manufacturing centres.

HAMPSTEAD, a municipal and parliamentary borough, a hilly and bright district, 4 m. NW. of London; is a popular place of resort with Londoners, and contains many fine suburban residences; beyond the village is the celebrated Heath; many literary associations are connected with the place; the famous Kit-Cat Club of Steele and Addison's time is now a private house on the Heath; here lived Keats, Leigh Hunt, Hazlitt, Romney, and Constable.

HAMPTON, a village of Middlesex, on the Thames, 15 m. SW. of London; in the vicinity is Hampton Court Palace, a royal residence down to George II.'s time, which was built originally by Wolsey, who presented it to Henry VIII.; in William III.'s time considerable alterations were made under the guidance of Wren; there is a fine picture-gallery and gardens; it is now occupied by persons of good family in reduced circumstances; the Hampton Court Conference to settle ecclesiastical differences took place here in 1604 under the presidency of James I., the decisions at which proved unsatisfactory to the Puritan members of it; it was here, too, at the suggestion of Dr. Reynolds, that the authorised version of the Bible was undertaken.

HAMSUN, KNUT, Norwegian writer and farmer. He had no education, spent some years in the United States, and then settled in Norway. "Hunger," "Paupers," and "The Growth of the Soil," are his best-known works (1859-).

HANAU, a Prussian town in Hesse-Nassau, at the junction of the Kitzig and the Main, 11 m. NE. of Frankfurt; is celebrated for its jewellery and gold and silver work, and is otherwise a busy manufacturing town; it is the birthplace of the brothers Grimm.

HANCOCK, WINFIELD SCOTT, a noted American general, born near Philadelphia; he had already graduated and served with distinction in the Mexican War, when, on the outbreak of the Civil War, he received a commission as brigadier-general of volunteers; he led a heroic charge at Fredericksburg, and in 1864 his gallant conduct in many a hard-fought battle was rewarded by promotion to a major-generalship in the regular army; subsequently he held important commands in the departments of Missouri, Dakota, &c., and in 1880 unsuccessfully opposed Garfield for the Presidency (1824-1886).

HÄNDEL, GEORGE FREDERICK, musical composer, born in Halle; distinguished for his musical ability from his earliest years; was sent to Berlin to study when he was 14; began his musical career as a violinist at Hamburg in 1703; produced his first opera in 1704; spent six years in Italy, devoting himself to his profession the while; came, on invitation, to England in 1710, where, being well received, he resolved to remain, and in many, for nearly fifty years, he added to his fame by his diligence as a composer; he produced a number of operas and oratorios; among the latter may be

noted his "Saul," his "Samson," and "Judas Macabehus," and pre-eminently the "Messiah," his masterpieces (1685-1759).

HANDLEY PAGE, a type of large biplane used by the British air forces for bombing raids in the Great War; the design of the aeroplane was modified for passenger-carrying purposes after the war; was designed by Frederick Handley Page, C.B.E.

HANG-CHOW, a Chinese town, a treaty-port since the war with Japan; is at the mouth of the Tsin-tang at the entrance of the Imperial Canal, 110 m. SW. of Shanghai; it is an important literary, religious, and commercial centre; has flourishing silk factories, and is noted for its gold and silver ware.

HANGING GARDENS OF BABYLON, one of the seven wonders of the world, had an area of four acres, formed a square, and were a series of terraces supported by pillars sloping upwards like a pyramid and seeming to hang in air; they are ascribed to Semiramis or, by others, to Nebuchadnezzar.

HANIF, name given to a Mohammedan or an Arab of rigidly monotheistic belief.

HANKOW, a Chinese river-port, at the confluence of the Han and Yangtze Rivers; it is properly an extension of the large towns Wu-chang and Han-yang; there is a considerable amount of shipping; tea is the principal article of export, and a large trade is carried on with the inland provinces. The foreign settlement was surrendered in 1927.

HANLEY, a busy manufacturing town in the "Potteries," 18 m. N. of Stafford; with collieries and ironworks in the neighbourhood.

HANMER, SIR THOMAS, Speaker of the House of Commons; elected in 1718, discharged the duties of the office with conspicuous impartiality; published an edition of Shakespeare (1677-1746).

HANNAY, JAMES, a novelist and critic, born in Dumfries; spent his boyhood in the navy, on quitting which he settled in London and took to letters; was for a time editor of the *Edinburgh Courier*, a Tory paper, and subsequently consul at Barcelona, where he died; was author of two novels of sea life and some volumes of literary criticism (1827-1878).

HANNAY, REV. JAMES OWEN, British novelist who writes under the pen name of George A. Birmingham. Made a canon of Dublin in 1912, he has written several novels, largely about Ireland, in a humorous vein, and also plays (1865-).

HANNIBAL, the great Carthaginian general, son of Hamilcar (q.v.); learned the art of war under his father in Spain; subjugated all Spain south of the Ebro by the capture of the Roman allied city of Saguntum, which led to the outbreak of the Second Punic War and his leading his army through hostile territory over the Pyrenees and the Alps into Italy; defeated the Romans in succession at the Trebia, the Trebia, and Lake Trasimene, to the extirpation of the army sent against him; passed the Apennines and descended into Apulia, where, after being harassed by the tantalizing policy of Fabius Maximus, he met the Romans at Cannae in 216 B.C. and inflicted on them a crushing defeat, retiring after this into winter quarters at Capua, where his soldiers became demoralised; he next season began to experience a succession of reverses, which ended in the evacuation of Italy and the transfer of the seat of war to Africa, where Hannibal was met by Scipio on the field of Zama in 201 B.C. and defeated; he afterwards joined Antiochus, king of Syria, who was at war with Rome, but on that monarch's defeat he fled to Prusias, king of Bithynia, where, when his surrender was demanded, he ended his life by taking poison (247-183 B.C.).

HANNINGTON, JAMES, first bishop of Eastern Equatorial Africa, born in Hursstapierpoint, Sussex; was ordained in 1879 after passing through Oxford, and in 1882 undertook missionary work in Uganda, under the auspices of the Church Missionary Society; his health breaking down when he had gone as far as Victoria Nyanza, he returned home; but two years later, as bishop, he entered upon his duties at Frere Town, near Mombasa; in the following year he was killed by natives when making his way to the mission station at Rubaga, in Uganda (1847-1885).

HANNO, the name of several eminent Carthaginians, one of whom, surnamed the Great, was a persistent

opponent of the Barcine faction, headed by Hamilcar; another was a navigator who, in the 5th century B.C., made a voyage round the western coast of Africa, of which he left an account in his "Periplus" or "Circumnavigating Voyage."

HANOVER, a Prussian province since 1866, formerly an independent kingdom; stretches N. from Westphalia to the North Sea, between Holland on the W. and Saxony on the E.; the district is well watered by the Elbe, Weser, and Ems; in the S. are the Harz Mountains; for the rest the land is flat, and much of it is occupied by uncultivated moors; agriculture and cattle-rearing are, however, the chief industries, while the minerals of the Harz are extensively wrought; in 1714 George Ludwig, second Elector of Hanover, succeeded Anne on the English throne as her nearest Protestant kinsman, and till 1837 the dual rule was maintained, Hanover meanwhile in 1814 having been made a kingdom; in 1837 the Hanoverian crown passed to the Duke of Cumberland, Queen Victoria, as a woman, being ineligible; in 1866 the kingdom was conquered and annexed by Prussia.

HANOVER, the capital of the above province, is situated on the Leine, 78 m. SE. of Bremen; it consists of an old and a new portion; presents a handsome appearance, and its many fine buildings include the royal library (170,000 vols.), the Geestner Museum, several palaces and art-galleries, &c.; it is the centre of the North German railway system, and its many industries embrace iron-works, the manufacture of pianos, tobacco and linen.

HANSARD, record of the proceedings and debates in the British Parliament, published by the printers Hansard, the founder of the firm being Luke Hansard, a printer of Norwich, who came to London in 1770 as a compositor, and succeeded as proprietor of the business in which he was a workman; d. 1828.

HANSEATIC LEAGUE, a combination of towns in North-western Germany for the mutual protection of their commerce against the pirates of the Baltic and the mutual defence of the liberties against the encroachments of neighbouring princes; it dates from 1241, and flourished for several centuries, to the extension of their commerce far and wide; numbered at one time 64 towns, and possessed fleets and armies, an exchequer, and a government of their own; the League dwindled down during the Thirty Years' War to six cities, and finally to three, Hamburg, Lübeck, and Bremen.

HANSOM CAB, a two-wheeled horse vehicle in which the driver sits behind and over the passengers, the invention of Joseph Hansom about 1840.

HANSTEN, CHRISTOPHER, a Norwegian astronomer and mathematician, born in Christiania, where he became professor of Mathematics; is famous for his researches and discoveries in connection with the magnetism of the earth, and the impetus he gave to the study of it; he prosecuted his magnetic researches as far as the E. of Siberia, and published the results (1784-1873).

HANSWURST (i.e. Jack Pudding), a pantomimic character in comic performances on the German stage; a great favourite at one time with the vulgar; distinguished for his awkwardness, his gluttonous appetite, and his rotundity.

HANUMAN, the monkey-god of the Hindus, a friend of Rama, for whose benefit he is declared to have reared a causeway across seas to Ceylon.

HANWAY, JONAS, a traveller and philanthropist, born in Portsmouth; travelled through Russia and Persia, and settled in London as one of the navy commissariat; devoted himself to the reclaiming and befriending of unfortunate sailors of all kinds; was a man of very eccentric ways and is chiefly remembered as the first to regularly adopt the umbrella (1712-1786).

HAPSBURG, or **HABSBURG**, **HOUSE OF**, a famous royal house which has played a leading part in the history of Continental Europe from its foundation in the 12th century by Albert, Count of Hapsburg; was represented until the conclusion of the Great War by the Imperial family of Austria. Representatives of this family wore the Imperial crown of the Holy Roman Empire for centuries. It takes its name from the castle of Hapsburg or Habichtsburg (Hawk's Tower), on the Aar, built by Werner,

bishop of Strasburg, in the 11th century, a castle, however, which has long since ceased to be in the possession of the family.

HARBOUR GRACE, a seaport and the second town of Newfoundland, lies on the W. side of Conception Bay, 24 m. NW. of St. John's; its commodious harbour is somewhat exposed; it is the seat of a Roman Catholic bishop, and has a cathedral and convent.

HARBURG, a prospering Prussian seaport in Lüneburg, on the Elbe, 5 m. S. of Hamburg; its industries embrace grutte-percha goods, oil, chemicals, &c.; is a favourite watering-place.

HARCOURT, SIR WILLIAM VERNON, statesman, born, a clergyman's son, at Nuneham Park, Oxfordshire; was highly distinguished at Cambridge, and in 1854 was called to the bar; was a Q.C. in 1856, and professor of International Law at Cambridge (1860-1887); he won considerable repute by his articles in the *Saturday Review* and his "Historical" letters to the *Times*, and in 1868 entered Parliament, representing Oxford in the Liberal interest; in 1873 he became Solicitor-General, and received a knighthood; he was a vigorous opponent of the Disraeli Government, and on the return of the Liberals to power in 1880 became Home Secretary; under Gladstone in 1886, and again in 1892, he held the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer; he staunchly supported Gladstone in his Home Rule policy; became leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons on Gladstone's retirement, a post which he resigned in 1899 owing to a party split (1827-1904).

HARDENBERG, FRIEDRICH VON. See **NOVALIS**.
HARDENBERG, PRINCE VON, a Prussian statesman, born in Hanover; after service in Hanover and Brunswick entered that of Prussia under William II., and became Chancellor of State under William III.; distinguished himself by the reforms he introduced in military and civic matters to the benefit of the country, though he was restrained a good deal by the reactionary proclivities of the king (1750-1822).

HARDICANUTE, king of England and Denmark, the son of Canute and his successor on the Danish throne; was king of England only in part till the death of his brother Harold, whom he survived only two years, but long enough to alienate his subjects by the re-imposition of the Danegelt (c. 1019-1042).

HARDIE, JAMES KEIR, British politician. He started as a Scottish miner, took to writing and entered Parliament as Labour member for West Ham in 1892. He founded the Independent Labour Party, and edited for several years *The Labour Leader* (1856-1915).

HARDING, JOHN, or **HARDYNG**, an English rhyming chronicler in the reign of Edward IV.; had been a soldier, and fought at Agincourt (1378-1465).

HARDING, STEPHEN, a Benedictine monk, born in Devonshire, of noble descent, an ascetic who set himself to restore his order to its primitive austerity; retired with a few others into a dismal secluded place at Cîteaux, and became abbot; was joined there by the great St. Bernard, his kindred, and followers, to the great aggrandisement of the order; d. 1134.

HARDING, WARREN G., American politician. Elected to the Senate in 1915, he became President in 1921, at once embarking on a peace policy. He convened the Washington Conference (q.v.) in 1921. He died suddenly while on a speechmaking tour of the States (1865-1923).

HARDINGE, HENRY, VISCOUNT, a distinguished soldier and Governor-General of India, born in Wrotham, Kent; joined the army in 1768, and served through the Peninsular and Waterloo campaigns, but, wounded at Ligny, he was unable to take part in the final struggle with Napoleon; he now turned his attention to politics; was Secretary of War under Wellington, and subsequently twice Chief Secretary for Ireland; in 1844 he was appointed Governor-General of India, and later distinguished himself under Gough in the first Sikh War; a viscountcy and pension followed in 1846, and seven years later he succeeded Wellington as Commander-in-Chief of the British army (1786-1860).

HARDOUN, JEAN, a French classical scholar, born in Quimper, Brittany; early entered the Jesuit order; was from 1633 librarian of the College of Louis le Grand in Paris; he is chiefly remembered for his wild assertion that the bulk of classical literature was spurious, and the work of 16th-century monks; Virgil's "Æneid" he declared to be an allegorical account of St. Peter's journey to Rome, and the original language of the New Testament to be Latin; his edition of Pliny, however, evinces real scholarship (1646-1739).

HARDWAR, a town on the Ganges, 39 m. N.E. of Saharunpur, North-West Provinces; famous for its large annual influx of pilgrims seeking ablution in the holy river; a sacred festival held every twelfth year attracts some 300,000 persons.

HARDY, THOMAS, novelist, born in Dorsetshire, with whose scenery he has made his readers familiar; bred an architect; first earned popularity in 1874 by his "Far from the Madding Crowd," which was followed by, among others, "The Return of the Native," "The Woodlanders," and "Tess of the D'Urbervilles," the last in 1892. He also wrote a considerable number of poems, of which the greatest is "The Dynasts." His writing is pessimistic, and in it one sees mankind as the plaything of fate (1840-1928).

HARDY, SIR THOMAS DUFFUS, an eminent paleographer, born in Jamaica; he acquired his skill in MS. deciphering as a clerk in the Record Office in the Tower; in 1831 he was elected deputy-keeper of the Public Records, and nine years later received a knighthood; his great learning is displayed in his editions of various "Rolls" for the Record Commission, in his "Descriptive Catalogue of MSS." &c. (1804-1878).

HARDY, SIR THOMAS MASTERMAN, a brave naval officer, whose name is associated with the closing scene of Nelson's life, born in Portsmouth, Dorsetshire; as a commander in the battle of the Nile he greatly distinguished himself, and gained his post-commission to Nelson's flagship, the *Vanquisher*; at Trafalgar he commanded the *Victory*, and subsequently brought Nelson's body to England; he received a baronetcy, and saw further service eventually attaining to the rank of vice-admiral (1769-1839).

HAREM, the apartment or suite of apartments in a Mohammedan's house for the female inmates and their attendants, and the name given to the collective body of them.

HARFLEUR, a village in France with a strong fortress, 4 m. S. of Havre, taken by Henry V. in 1415, and retaken afterwards by both French and English, becoming finally French in 1450; was for a long time the principal French harbour on the Channel.

HARGRAVES, EDMUND, discoverer of the goldfield in Australia, born in Gosport, Devon; had been to California; concluded that as the geological formation was the same in Australia where he had come from, he would find gold there too and found it in New South Wales in 1851, for which the Government gave him £10,000 (1816-1891).

HARGRAVES, JAMES, inventor of the spinning-jenny, born in Standhill, near Blackburn; was a poor and illiterate weaver when in 1760 he, in conjunction with Robert Peel, brought out a carding-machine; in 1766 he invented the spinning-jenny, a machine which has since revolutionized the cotton-weaving industry, but which at the time evoked the angry resentment of the hand-weaver; he was driven from his native town and settled in Nottingham, where he started a spinning-mill; he failed to get his machine patented, and died in comparative poverty (1746-1778).

HARI-KIRI, called also the "happy despatch," a form of suicide once practised in Japan, but now obsolete, permitted to offenders of high rank to escape the indignity of a public execution; the nature of it may be gathered from the name, "a gash in the belly."

HARING, GEORG WILHELM, German novelist, born in Breslau; bred for law, but abandoned it for literature; wrote two romances, "Walladmor" and "Schloss Avalon," under the pseudonym of "Walter Scott," which imposed upon some; he

afterwards assumed the name of Wilibald Alexis, a name by which he was long honourably known (1797-1871).

HARRINGTON, SIR CHARLES, British general. Entering the army at the age of 20, he saw service in the Boer War, in France and Italy in the Great War, and when in command of the British forces at Chanak (q.v.) averted a serious clash with Turkey by his tact and diplomacy (1872-).

HARRINGTON, SIR JOHN, courtier and miscellaneous writer, translated by desire of Queen Elizabeth Ariosto's "Orlando Furioso" (1561-1612).

HARIZI, AL ("the silk merchant"), the popular name of Abu Mohammed Al Kasim Ibn al-Buhārī, an Arabic philologist and poet of the 11th century, born in Basorah; celebrated far and wide as the author of "Makamat," a collection of tales in verse, the central figure in which is one Abu Seid, a clever and amusing production, and evincing a unique mastery of Arabic.

HARLAW, BATTLE OF, a battle fought at Harlaw, 18 m. NW. of Aberdeen, on July 24, 1411, which decided the supremacy of the Lowland Scots over the Highland.

HARLECH, an old Welsh town in Merionethshire, facing the sea, 10 m. N. of Barmouth; its grim old castle by the shore was a Lancastrian fortress during the Wars of the Roses, and its capture by the Yorkists in 1468 was the occasion of the well-known song, "The March of the Men of Harlech."

HARLEQUIN, a character in a Christmas pantomime, in love with Columbine, presumed to be invisible, and deft at tricks to frustrate those of the clown, who is his rival lover.

HARLEY, ROBERT, EARL OF OXFORD, a celebrated English politician, born of good family; entered Parliament shortly after the Revolution (1688) as a Whig, but after a period of vacillation threw in his lot with the Tories and in 1701 became Speaker of the House. In 1704 he was associated with St. John (Bolingbroke) in the Cabinet as Secretary of State, and set about undermining the influence of Godolphin and Marlborough; he became Chancellor of the Exchequer and head of the Government; was created Earl of Oxford and Lord High Treasurer; from this point his power began to wane; was displaced by Bolingbroke at last in 1715; was impeached for intriguing with the Jacobites and sent to the Tower; two years later he was released, and the remainder of his life was spent in the pursuit of letters and in the building up of his famous collection of MSS., now deposited in the British Museum (1661-1724).

HARMATTAN, a hot, withering wind, laden with dust from the desert, blowing over the coast of Guinea to the Atlantic from the interior of Africa, more or less from December to February.

HARMER, SIR SIDNEY, zoologist, lecturer at Cambridge and director of the Natural History Museum, South Kensington (1862-).

HARMODIUS, an Athenian who in 514 B.C. conspired with Aristogiton, his friend, against Hipparchus and his brother Hippias, the tyrant, but being betrayed both were put to death; the two figured in the traditions of Athens as political martyrs, and as such were honoured with statues.

HARMONIC MOTION, the motion of a particle which moves under the influence of a force which varies as the distance of the particle from a fixed point; for a small arc of swing the motion of a pendulum is approximately harmonic.

HAROLD I., king of England from 1035 to 1040, younger son of Cnut; the kingdom was practically divided between him and his brother Hardicanute (q.v.); but, the latter remaining in Denmark to protect his possessions there, England passed into Harold's hands.

HAROLD II., the last of the Saxon kings of England, held the crown for a few months in 1066, was the second son of the great Earl Godwin (q.v.); in 1053 he succeeded his father in the earldom of the West Saxons, and during the later years of Edward's feeble rule was virtual administrator of the kingdom; on his accession to the throne his title was immediately challenged by his brother Godwin and William, Duke of Normandy; having crushed his brother's invasion at Stamford Bridge, he imme-

diately hurried S. to meet the forces of William at Hastings; Norman strategy won the day, and Harold fell in the battle pierced through the eye by an arrow; historians unite in ascribing to him every kindly quality—a noble presence, sagacity, and a brave yet gentle nature (1022-1066).

HAROLD I. OF NORWAY, surnamed *Harfagra* (fair-haired); by him the petty kingdoms of Norway were all conquered and knit into one compact realm; the story goes that he undertook this work to win the hand of his lady-love, and that he swore an oath neither to cut nor comb his hair till his task was done; d. 933.

HAROLD III. OF NORWAY, surnamed *Hardraade* (hard in counsel); chief of the Varangian guards at Byzantium; succeeded to crown of Norway at death of Magnus; fell at Stamford Bridge, 1066.

HAROLD, BLUE-TOOTH, first Christian king of Denmark, accepting baptism to placate the Emperor Otto (936-986).

HAROUN AL-RASCHID ("Aaron the Orthodox or Just"), the most renowned of the Abbasid caliphs; succeeded to the caliphate in 786 on the death of his elder brother, El Hadi, and had for grand-vizier the Barmecide Yahya, to whom with his four sons he committed the administration of affairs, he the while making his court a centre of attraction to wise men, scholars, and artists, so that under him Bagdad became the capital of the civilised world; his glory was tarnished by one foul blot towards the end of his reign, and that was the massacre out of jealousy of the Barmecide family, members of which had contributed so much to his fame, an act which he had soon occasion to repent, for it was followed by an insurrection which cost him his life; the halo that invests his memory otherwise was, however, more fabulous than real, largely due to the picture of him, presented by the "Arabian Nights"; history shows him at his best to have been avaricious, resentful, and cruel (c. 764-809).

HARPIES, fabulous ravenous creatures, living in fith and defiling everything they touched, with the head and breast of a woman, the wings and claws of a bird, and a face pale with hunger, the personification of whirlwinds and storms, conceived of as merely ravening, wasting powers.

HARRINGTON, JAMES, political writer; author of a political romance entitled "The Commonwealth of Oceana," in which he argued that all secure government must be based on property, and pleaded for a democracy on this basis (1611-1677).

HARRIS, a parish in the southern peninsula of the island of Lewis, Outer Hebrides, including St. Kilda and other islands; produces wool woven into the familiar "tweeds"; islanders are crofters and fishermen.

HARRIS, SIR AUGUSTUS, theatrical manager; born in Paris; after a few years on the stage became lessee of Drury Lane Theatre, London, where he produced a succession of plays and pantomimes; later became manager also of Covent Garden, Her Majesty's, and the Olympic theatres (1852-1896).

HARRIS, ROWEL, a noted Welsh Methodist, born in Trevecca, Brecon; embracing Calvinism, he at the age of 21 became an itinerant preacher, confining himself chiefly to Wales; in 1752 he took up his abode at Trevecca, where he erected a large house to accommodate those who sought his ministrations (1714-1773).

HARRIS, JUEL CHANDLER, American writer, born in Georgia, U.S.; author of "Uncle Remus," his chief work, a study of negro folklore, followed by interesting sketches and stories (1848-1908).

HARRIS, THOMAS LAKE, founder of the "Brotherhood of the New Life," born in Buckinghamshire, a spiritualistic Socialist; his system founded on Swedenborgianism (q.v.) on the one hand and a form of communism on the other, with a scriptural Christianity spiritualised as backbone; the destiny of man he regards as angelhood, or a state of existence like that of God, in which the unity of sex, or fatherhood and motherhood, meet in one; Laurence Oliphant and John Piusford were among his disciples (1823-1906).

HARRISBURG, capital of Pennsylvania, is beautifully situated on the Susquehanna, 106 m. NW. of Phila-

- delphia: the industries include extensive iron and steel works and a flourishing lumber trade.
- HARRISON, BENJAMIN**, President of the United States and grandson of William Henry Harrison, a former President, born in North Bend Ohio; started as a lawyer in Indianapolis, became an important functionary in the court of Indiana, and subsequently proved himself a brave and efficient commander during the Civil War; engaging actively in politics, he in 1880 became a United States Senator; as the nominee of the Protectionist and Republican party he won the Presidency against Cleveland, but at the election of 1892 the positions were reversed; in 1893 he became a professor in San Francisco (1893-1901).
- HARRISON, FREDERIC**, barrister, born in London, professor of Jurisprudence in the Inns of Court; author of articles contributed to reviews and essays, and of lectures on a variety of current questions, historical, social, and religious, from the standpoint of the positivism of Auguste Comte; author of "Order and Progress," "The Meaning of History," "Life of Ruakin," and other critical studies (1831-1923).
- HARRISON, JOHN**, a celebrated mechanician, born in Foulby, Yorkshire; was the first to invent a chronometer which, by its ingenious apparatus for compensating the disturbing effects caused by variations of climate, enabled mariners to determine longitude to within a distance of 18 m.; by this invention he won a prize of £20,000 offered by Government; amongst other things he invented the compensating *oridron pendulum*, still in use (1693-1776).
- HARRISON, WILLIAM**, a noted historical writer, born in London; graduated at Cambridge, and after serving as chaplain to Lord Cobham, received the rectorship of Radwinter, in Essex; subsequently he became canon of Windsor; his fame rests on two celebrated historical works, "Description of England," an invaluable picture of social life and institutions in Elizabethan times, and "Description of Britain," written for Holinshed's "Chronicle" (1534-1593).
- HARROGATE**, a popular watering-place, prettily situated amid forest and moorland, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, 20 m. NW. of York; it enjoys a wide repute for its sulphurous, saline, and chalybeate springs.
- HARROW**, a town of Middlesex, built on an eminence 200 ft. high, 12 m. from St. Paul's, London; its church, St. Mary's, founded by Lanfranc, is a Gothic structure of great architectural interest. Harrow School, a celebrated public school, was founded in 1571 for the free education of 30 poor boys of the parish, but subsequently opened its doors to "foreigners," and now numbers upwards of 500 pupils.
- HARRY, BLIND**, a famous Scottish minstrel who flourished in the 15th century; the few particulars of his life which have come down to us represent him as a blind and vagrant poet, living by reciting poems "before princes and peers"; to him is attributed the celebrated poem, "The Life of that Noble Champion of Scotland, Sir William Wallace, Knight," completed about 1488, a spirited, if partly apocryphal, account of Wallace, running to 11,981 lines in length.
- HART, SOLOMON ALEXANDER**, born in Plymouth; served as an engraver's apprentice in London; studied at the Royal Academy, and excelled in miniature painting; he became celebrated as a painter of historical scenes and characters; elected R.A. in 1840, he was appointed professor of Painting in the Royal Academy in 1854, and subsequently librarian; his works include "Henry I. receiving intelligence of the Death of his Son," "Milton visiting Galileo in Prison," "Wolsey and Buckingham," and "Lady Jane Grey in the Tower" (1806-1881).
- HASTE, FRANCIS BRET**, American humorist and novelist, born in Albany, New York; went to California at 15; tried various occupations, mining, school-mastering, printing, and literary sketching, then got on the staff of a newspaper, and became eventually first editor of the *Oregonian Monthly*, in the columns of which he established his reputation

- as a humorist by the publication of his verses, "The Heavens Chinese" and other productions, such as "The Luck of Roaring Camp"; after a short term as Professor of Literature at California University, he was appointed Consul at Crefeld and subsequently, Glasgow; later years spent in England; author of "Gabriel Conroy," "In the Carquines Woods," "A Wolf of the Plains," and other novels. (1839-1902).
- HARTFORD**, the capital of Connecticut, U.S., on the Connecticut, 50 m. from its mouth and 112 m. N.E. of New York; is handsomely laid out, and contains an imposing white marble capitol, Episcopalian and Congregational colleges, hospitals, libraries, &c.; is an important depot for the manufacture of firearms, ironware and tobacco, and is a busy banking and insurance centre.
- HARTLEPOOL**, a seaport of Durham, situated on a tongue of land which forms the Bay of Hartlepool, 4 m. N. of the Tees estuary; the chief industries are shipbuilding, cement works, and shipping trade, chiefly in coal and iron. West Hartlepool lies on the opposite and south side of the bay, 1 m. distant, but practically forming one town with Hartlepool, and carries on a similar trade, but on a somewhat larger scale; the extensive docks, stretching between the two towns, cover an area of 300 acres.
- HARTLEY, DAVID**, an English philosopher and physician; wrote "Observations on Man, his Frame, his Duty, and his Expectations"; ascribed sensation to vibration in the nerves, and applied the doctrine of the association of ideas to mental phenomena (1705-1757).
- HARTMANN, KARL ROBERT EDUARD VON**, a German philosopher, born in Berlin; established his fame by a work entitled "The Philosophy of the Unconscious"; he also wrote on pessimism, the moral and the religious consciousness, the philosophy of the beautiful, and spiritualism; he founded a new school of philosophy, which professed to be a synthesis of that of Hegel and that of Schopenhauer, and to aim at the reconciliation of philosophic results with scientific (1842-1906).
- HARTMANN, MORITZ**, a German poet; had a keen sympathy with the liberal political ideas that prevailed in 1848, and which his poems contributed to foster, but got into trouble on that account (1821-1872).
- HARTY, SIR HERBERT HAMILTON**, British composer and conductor who became famous as the conductor of the Hallé orchestra at Manchester in 1920, and who has also composed a number of orchestral pieces and songs; he was knighted in 1925 (1880-).
- HARTZENBUSCH, JUAN EUGENIO**, Spanish dramatist, born in Madrid, of German extraction; was educated under the Jesuits, but abandoned his intention of joining the Church, took to literature, and was given a post in the National Library at Madrid; his dramas are fresh and vigorous, and enjoy a wide popularity; he rose to be Director of the National Library, and in 1862 was President of the Theatrical Council (1806-1880).
- HARUSPICES**, among the Romans, soothsayers who affected to foretell future events by the inspection of the entrails of animals offered in sacrifice, as well as by study of abnormal phenomena.
- HARVARD UNIVERSITY**, the oldest and premier educational institution in the United States, is located at Cambridge, Massachusetts, 3 m. W. of Boston; it is named after the Rev. John Harvard, a graduate of Cambridge, who by the bequest of his library and small fortune helped to launch the institution in 1638; it was originally intended for the training of youths for the Puritan ministry, but it has been extended into a university of the first rank, under emancipation from all sectarian control; it has a student roll of about 5000, is splendidly equipped, and richly endowed.
- HARVEST-MOON**, the full moon which in our latitude, at the autumnal equinox, rises for an evening or two about the same time.
- HARVEY, SIR GEORGE**, a Scottish artist, born in St. Ninians, Stirling, was one of the original associates of the Royal Scottish Academy, of which he at length became president; among his paintings

are the "Covenanters' Preaching." "The Curers," and "John Barrow in Jail" (1806-1876).

HARVEY, SIR JOHN MARTIN, British actor. For a number of years he acted under Irving. "The Only Way" is his most famous production. He was knighted in 1921 (1868-).

HARVEY, WILLIAM, a celebrated English physician, born in Folkestone; graduated at Cambridge, and in 1602 received his medical diploma at Padua; settling in London, he in a few years became physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and subsequently lecturer at the College of Physicians; in 1628 he announced in a published treatise his discovery of the circulation of the blood; for many years he was Court physician, and attended Charles I. at the battle of Edgehill (1578-1657).

HARWICH, a seaport and market town of Essex; is situated on a headland on the E. side of the conjoined estuaries of the Stour and the Orwell, 5 m. N. of the Naze and 65 m. N.E. of London; it is an important packet station for Holland, has a good harbour and docks, with an increasing commerce.

HARZ MOUNTAINS, a mountain range of N. Germany, stretching for 67 m. between the Weser and the Elbe to the S. of Brunswick; it forms a picturesque and diversified highland, is a favourite resort of tourists, and rises to its greatest elevation in the far-famed *Brocken* (q.v.), the scene of the Walpurgisnacht in "Faust"; silver, iron, and other metals are found in considerable quantities, and, with the extensive forests, give rise to a prosperous mining and timber industry.

HASDRUBAL, the name of several distinguished Carthaginian generals, of whom the most noted were (1) the son of Hamilcar Barca (q.v.) and brother of Hannibal (q.v.); he played a prominent part in the Second Punic War, conquered Cn. Scipio in Spain (212 B.C.), and subsequently commanded the Carthaginian army in Italy; he fell at the battle of the Metaurus in 207 B.C.; (2) the son-in-law of Hamilcar Barca, whom he succeeded in 228 B.C. as administrator of the new empire in the Iberian peninsula; he pushed the western frontiers back to the Tagus, and by his strong yet conciliatory government firmly established the Carthaginian power; he was assassinated in 221 B.C.

HASE, KARL AUGUST VON, German theologian, born in Steinbach, Saxony, professor at Jena; author of a "Text-book of Evangelical Dogma," a "Life of Christ," and a "Church History," was equally opposed to orthodoxy and rationalism, and sought to reconcile the creed of the Church with the conclusions of science (1800-1890).

HASHISH, an intoxicant made from Indian hemp, having different effects on different people according to the dose and to the constitution of the individual.

HASLINGDEN, a town of Lancashire, 19 m. NW. of Manchester; has cotton, silk, and woollen factories, and in the vicinity are coal-mines, iron-works, &c.

HASSAN-BEN-SABAH, known as "The Old Man of the Mountains," founder of the sect of the Assassins (q.v.); terrorised part of Persia and Syria with his followers (1054-1124).

HASSAN PASHA, a Turkish grand-vizier of African birth; twice reduced the beys of Egypt; commanded, at the age of 86, the Turkish forces against Russia in 1788, but being defeated, was dismissed and put to death in 1790.

HASSELT, a Belgian town, capital of the province of Limburg, 47 m. N.E. of Brussels; distilling, and the manufacture of lace, linen, and tobacco are the staple industries.

HASTINGS, a popular holiday and health resort in Sussex; occupies a fine situation on the coast, with lofty cliffs behind, 38 m. E. of Brighton; has a splendid esplanade 3 m. long, parks, public gardens, &c., and ruins of a Norman castle.

HASTINGS, BATTLE OF, fought on October 14, 1066, on Senlac Hill, 6 m. NW. of Hastings (where now stands the little town of Battle), between William, Duke of Normandy and Harold II., King of England; victory rested with the Normans, and Harold was slain on the field.

HASTINGS, FRANCIS RAWDON-HASTINGS, MARQUIS OF, Governor-General of India; entering the army in 1771, he saw active service in the American

War and in Holland; succeeded his father in the earldom of Moira; was in 1813 appointed to the Governor-Generalship of India; he was instrumental in extending the Company's territories, and pacifying the warlike Goorkhas, for which, in 1816, he was created Marquis of Hastings; in later years he held the Governorship of Malta (1784-1836).

HASTINGS, WARREN, first Governor-General of India, born in Churchill, Oxfordshire; early left an orphan, he was maintained at Westminster School by his uncle, and at 17 received a clerkship in the East India Company; for 14 years his life was occupied in mercantile and political work, at the close of which time he returned to England; in 1760 he was back in India as a member of the Madras Council; married the divorced wife of Baron Imhoff, and in 1772 was appointed President of the Council in Bengal; under the new arrangement for the governing of the provinces Hastings was raised to the position of Governor-General in 1773; despite jealousies and misrepresentations both among his colleagues in India and the home authorities, he steadily, and with untiring energy, extended and brought into orderly government the British dominions; in 1785 he voluntarily resigned, and on his return was impeached before the House of Lords for oppression of the natives, and for conniving at the plunder of the Begums or dowager-princesses of Oudh; the trial brought forth the greatest orators of the day, Burke, Fox, and Sheridan leading the impeachment, which, after dragging on for nearly eight years, resulted in the acquittal of Hastings on all the charges; his fortune having been consumed by the enormous expenses of the trial, he was awarded a handsome pension by the Company, and thereafter lived in honoured retirement (1732-1818).

HATFIELD, or BISHOP'S HATFIELD, a market-town of Hertfordshire, 18 m. NW. of London; its parish church dates from the 13th century, and in the vicinity stands Hatfield House, a noble architectural pile of James I.'s time, the seat of the Marquis of Salisbury.

HATHERLEY, BARON (William Page Wood), barrister, elected to represent Oxford in Parliament; in 1847 was Solicitor-General, in 1853 raised to the bench, and in 1868 made Lord Chancellor; retired in 1872 from falling sight (1801-1881).

HATHRAS, an important commercial town in the NW. Provinces, India, 97 m. SE. of Delhi; exports large quantities of sugar, grain, cotton, &c., and is famed for its beautiful carved stone and wood-work.

HATS AND CAPS, the name of two political factions in Sweden in the middle of the 18th century, the former favouring France and the latter Russia.

HATTERAS, CAPE, a low sandy headland of a small island separated from the mainland of N. Carolina, U.S., by Pamlico Sound; it is a storm-swept and treacherous point, and is marked by a powerful light, 190 ft. high.

HATTI-SHERIFF, a name given to an edict of the Sultan which is irrevocable, though many a one of them has proved a dead letter.

HATTO, archbishop of Mainz, of whom tradition alleges that he was assailed in his palace by an army of mice, to escape whose ravages he retired to a tower on the Rhine, whither the mice followed him and ate him up, a judgment due, as is alleged, to his having, during a great famine in 970, gathered the poor into a barn and burnt them to death, as "like mice, good only for devouring corn," he said. The story, however, may owe its genesis to the Mauthurm, or toll-tower, on the Rhine, the name of which was corrupted into Mäusethurm, or mouse-tower.

HAUBERK, a coat or tunic of mail made of interwoven steel rings and extending below the knees.

HAUCH, JOHANNES CARSTEN, Danish poet and novelist, born in Frederikshald, in Norway; in 1846 he became professor of Northern Literature at Kiel, and four years later of Aesthetics at Copenhagen; his historical tragedies, lyrics, tales, and romances are instinct with true poetic feeling, and are widely popular in Denmark (1790-1872).

HAUFF, WILHELM, a German prose writer, born in Stuttgart, who died young; wrote "Memoirs of Setan" and "The Man in the Moon," and a number

of charminly told "Tales," which have made his name famous (1803-1837).

HAUG, a German Orientalist, professor of Sanskrit at Poona, and afterwards at Munich; devoted himself to the exposition of the Zendavesta (1827-1876).

HAUPTMANN, GERHARD, German dramatist, born in Salzbrunn; besides many successful tragedies and comedies, wrote novels (1862-).

HAUSER, KASPAR, a boy of about 16 who mysteriously appeared in Nuremberg one day in the year 1828, was found to be as helpless and ignorant as a baby, and held a letter in his hand giving an account of his history. The mystery of his case interested Lord Stanhope, who charged himself with the care of him, but he was enticed out of the house he was boarded in one day, returned mortally wounded, and died soon after.

HAUSSEA, or **HOUSSEA**, a subject people of Central Soudan, whose language has become the common speech of some 15 millions of people between the Mediterranean and the Gulf of Guinea. The language is allied to the Hamitic tongues, and is written in modified Arabic characters. The people themselves, of negro race, are warlike and brave; since 1874 they have fought as allies of the British and have supplied native regiments of soldiers and police.

HAUSSEMAN, GEORGE EUGENE, BARON, a celebrated Prefect of the Seine, who, while holding that position (1853-1870), carried through extensive architectural improvements in Paris, which transformed it into one of the handsomest cities of Europe; the enormous cost entailed brought about his dismissal, but not before he had received many distinctions, and been ennobled by Napoleon III.; in 1881 he was elected to the Chamber of Deputies (1809-1891).

HAVANA, fortified capital of the island of Cuba, in the West Indies; has a spacious and securely sheltered harbour, an old Spanish cathedral, a university, botanical garden, and several fine theatres; the town is ill laid out, badly drained, and subject to yellow fever; the staple industries are the raising of tobacco and sugar, and the manufacture of cigars.

HAVEL, an important tributary of the Lower Elbe, which it joins a few miles from Wittenberg; it rises in Mecklenburg, and takes a circuitous course past Potsdam of 180 m.

HAVELOCK, SIR HENRY, British general, born in Bishop Wearmouth; entered the army in 1815, and embarked in the service for India in 1823; served in the Afghan and Sikh Wars, as also in Persia; on the outbreak of the Mutiny he was in 1857 sent to the relief of Cawnpore and Lucknow, the latter of which places he entered on Sept. 25, where, being beleaguered, he entrenched himself in the Residency, and held his own until November, when Sir Colin Campbell came to his relief, but his health had been undermined from his anxieties, and he died on the 22nd of that month; for his services on this occasion a baronetcy and a pension of £1000 was conferred on him, but as he did not live to enjoy them the honour with the pension was transferred to his son; he was a Christian soldier, and a commander of the Puritan type (1795-1857).

HAVELOCK, the Danish hero of a legendary story in which a founding prince romantically becomes king of Denmark and part king of England; the legend has been associated with the town of Grimaby.

HAVFORDWEST, seaport and capital of Pembroke, Wales, prettily situated on the Cleddon, 10 m. N.E. of Milford; has a 14th-century castle and a ruined priory; the chief industry is paper-making.

HAVEGAL, FRANCES EIDLEY, a hymn-writer, born in Astley, where her father, known as a musical composer, was rector; was authoress of "Ministry of Songs," and collections which have been highly popular (1836-1879).

HAVESMAN CANALS, canals in the bones to convey the vessels that nourish them, so named after Clopton Havers, an eminent physician and anatomist (1655-1702).

HAVRE, LE, the second commercial port in France, on the N. side of the Seine estuary, 143 m. N.W. of Paris, in the dep. of Seine-Inférieure; has a fine

harbour, docks, &c., but shipping is incommoded by the shifting sandbanks of the estuary, and railway facilities are poor; it is an important centre of emigration, and its industries embrace shipbuilding, iron-works and flour-mills.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS (named by Cook the Sandwich Islands), a group of volcanic islands, 12 in number, situated in the North Pacific; total area somewhat larger than Yorkshire. Of the five inhabited islands Hawaii is the largest; it contains the famous volcano, Kilauea, whose crater is one of the world's wonders, being 9 m. in circumference, and filled with a glowing lake of molten lava which ebbs and flows like an ocean tide. The island of Maui has the largest crater on the earth. The climate of the group is excellent, and vegetation (including forests) is abundant; sugar and rice are the chief crops. Honolulu (on Oahu), with a splendid harbour, is the capital. The islands are now under the jurisdiction of the United States.

HAWARDEN, a town 7 m. W. of Chester, near which is Hawarden Castle, where Gladstone resided and died.

HAWES, STEPHEN, an English poet; held a post in the household of Henry VII.; author of an allegorical poem on the right education of a knight, entitled "The Pae-tyme of Pleasure"; d. about 1528.

HAWICK, a prosperous and ancient town of Roxburghshire, at the confluence of the Teviot and Eilrig, 62 m. S.E. of Edinburgh; is a flourishing centre of the tweed, yarn, and hosiery trade, and has besides dyeworks, tanneries, &c.

HAWK-EYE STATE, Iowa, U.S., so called from the name of an Indian chief once a terror in those parts.

HAWKE, LORD, an English admiral, born in London; entered the navy at an early age, and won distinction in the naval fight off Toulon in 1744; defeated a French fleet off Finisterre and captured six ships of the line in 1757, and two years later defeated Admiral Confans and a French squadron in Quiberon Bay; was made a peer in 1776 (1705-1781).

HAWKER, HARRY GEORGE, British aviator. Of Australian birth he early took to flying, set up a height record of 12,900 ft. and also flew for 84 hours in 1915, later the same year covering a distance of 1000 miles. He was the first British airman, with Mackenzie Grieve, to attempt an Atlantic crossing in 1919; they were forced down in mid-ocean through engine trouble, but were picked up by a steamer. He died two years later in a flying accident at Hendon (1891-1921).

HAWKER, ROBERT STEPHEN, a Cornish clergyman and poet; was vicar for 40 years of Morwenstow, a parish on the N. Cornwall coast; author of "Cornish Ballads"; was a humane man, of eccentric ways, and passionately fond of animals; was the author of several works besides his ballads, in particular "Echoes from Old Cornwall" and "Footprints of Former Men in Far Cornwall" (1808-1875).

HAWKESWORTH, JOHN, a miscellaneous writer; wrote a book of "Voyages," an account of the first voyage of Captain Cook; was a friend of Johnson, and associated with him in literary work (1715-1773).

HAWKINS, SIR JOHN, an English navigator and admiral, born in Plymouth; was rear-admiral of the fleet sent against the Armada and contributed to its defeat; has the unenviable distinction of having been the first Englishman to traffic in slaves, which he carried off from Africa and imported into the West Indies (1632-1696).

HAWKINS, SIR JOHN, retired attorney, born in London; wrote a "History of Music," and edited Walton's "Compleat Angler" with notes (1719-1789).

HAWKSHAW, SIR JOHN, railway engineer; his undertakings included the building of the Severn tunnel; president of the British Association, 1875 (1811-1891).

HAWKWOOD, SIR JOHN DEL, an English captain, born in Essex; embracing the profession of arms, served with distinction at Crecy and Poitiers, and was in consequence knighted by Edward III.; afterwards fought as free-lance with his White Company in the wars of Italy, and finally in the

service of Florence, where he spent his last days and died in 1893. For an account of his character, military ability, and manner of warfare, see Euskin's "Forn Clavigera."

HAWORTH, a village of Yorkshire, situated on a rising moorland in the W. Riding, 2 m. SW. of Kellsby, memorable as the lifelong home of the Brontës and their final resting-place.

HAWTHORNE, NATHANIEL, American novelist, born in Salem, Massachusetts; his early ambition was to be a literary man, and "Twice-told Tales" was the first production by which he won distinction, after the publication of which he spent some months at Brook Farm (q.v.), leaving which he married and took up house at Concord; from 1844 to 1850 he held a State appointment, and in his leisure hours wrote his "Scarlet Letter," which appeared in the latter year, and established his fame as a master of literature; this was followed by "The House of the Seven Gables," "The Snow Image," "The Blithedale Romance," "The Marble Faun," and "Our Old Home" (1804-1864).

HAY, JOHN, American politician and writer; born in Salem, Indiana; private secretary to President Lincoln; Assistant-Secretary of State of the U.S.A. 1870-1881; ambassador to Great Britain, 1897, and Secretary of State under Presidents McKinley and Roosevelt; author of a *Life of Abraham Lincoln*, and "Pike County Ballads," a volume of humorous verse (1838-1905).

HAYDN, JOSEPH, German composer, born in Rohrau, in Austria, of poor parents; early evinced a musical talent, and became at the age of eight a cathedral chorister; came into notice first as a street musician; soon became a popular music-master in Vienna, and under the patronage of the Esterhazys, kapellmeister to Prince Nicolaus, a passionate lover of music; he produced operas, symphonies, and oratorios, &c.; he is at his best in quartettes and symphonies, and in "The Creation and The Seasons"; he was a man of a happy disposition, and his character appears in his music; he was known popularly as Father Haydn (1732-1809).

HAYDON, BENJAMIN ROBERT, an English historical painter, born in Plymouth; studied at the Royal Academy, and in 1807 exhibited "Joseph and Mary resting on the Road to Egypt"; two years later occurred his memorable split with the Royal Academy over a supposed slight to his picture, "Dentatus"; "Christ's Entry into Jerusalem" brought him £1700 by exhibition, and his "Judgment of Solomon," considered his finest work, sold for 700 guineas; despite large sums obtained for "The Mock Election," "The Reform Banquet," &c., he was continually in debt, and his high-strung, sensitive temperament, smarting under imaginary slights and weary of unrealised ambitions, led him to commit suicide by shooting himself in his studio; he was an artist of great but unequal genius; he was fascinated with the Elgin Marbles, and the admiration he expressed for them contributed to persuade the Government to purchase them (1786-1846).

HAYES, ISAAC ISRAEL, Arctic explorer, born in Pennsylvania; after graduating in medicine, joined the Kane expedition in search of Franklin in 1853, and subsequently made two other voyages to the Arctic regions, accounts of which are given in his "An Arctic Boat-Journey," "The Land of Desolation," &c.; subsequently he served as a surgeon during the Civil War, and sat in the New York Assembly (1833-1891).

HAYES, RUTHERFORD BIRCHARD, President of the United States, born in Delaware, Ohio; graduated at Kenyon College, Ohio; studied law at Harvard, and started practice at Cincinnati; he served with distinction through the Civil War, entered Congress in 1865, and was thrice governor of Ohio; in 1876 he was elected President in the Republican interest after a protracted and bitterly disputed election; he did much to pacify the South, reform the civil service, advance education, and to bring about resumption of specie payments, measures which greatly restored the prosperity of the country (1822-1893).

HAY-FEVER, a sort of catarrh, accompanied with paroxysms of sneezing, irritation in the eyes, pains in the head, &c., most frequent in early summer.

HAYLEY, WILLIAM, poet, the friend and biographer of Cowper; wrote "Triumphs of Temper," a poem (1745-1820).

HAYNAU, JULIUS JAKOB, BARON VON, a notorious Austrian general, born in Casel, Germany; entered the army in 1801, and, while holding a command during the Italian campaigns of 1848-1849, crushed the revolt at Brescia with such brutal ferocity as to gain him the name of the "Hyena of Brescia"; he was for a time dictator of Hungary, but his murderous cruelty towards the subjugate people became a European scandal and led to his removal; in London he was mobbed and narrowly escaped with his life (1786-1863).

HAYTI (Hispaniola or Santo Domingo), next to Cuba the largest of the W. Indian islands, in the group of the Greater Antilles, lies midway between Cuba on the W. and Porto Rico on the E.; its area, somewhat larger than Scotland, is apportioned between the negro Republic of Hayti in the E., over which the United States took control in 1915, with a 20 years' protectorate, and the mulatto Dominican Republic in the W.; the island is mountainous, and forests of valuable timber abound; a warm, moist climate favours rice, cotton, &c., and minerals are plentiful; but, under native government, the island has not progressed, agriculture and mining being at a standstill, while the natives seem incapable of self-government; the language spoken is a corrupt French; Port-au-Prince and San Domingo are the chief towns; discovered in 1492 by Columbus, the island was soon denuded of its aboriginals, then peopled by imported negroes, joined latterly by French buccaneers; in 1697 the island was ceded to France, but in 1791, under Toussaint l'Ouverture (q.v.), the blacks, after a bloody revolution, swept the island clear of Europeans; population of island somewhat over a million.

HAYWARD, ABRAHAM, English essayist; bred to law, but took to literature; executed a prose translation of Faust, &c. (1811), and was author of "Diaries of a Lady of Quality" and "Biographical and Critical Essays"; was a noted whist player and writer on the game (1802-1884).

HA, LITT, WILLIAM, critic and essayist, born in Maldstone, of Irish descent; began life as an artist, but abandoned art for letters, and contributed to the reviews; wrote on the English poets and dramatists, the "Characters of Shakespeare's Plays," "The Spirit of the Age," a "Life of Napoleon," &c.; criticism was his forte, and he ranks among the foremost devoted to that art; his life was not well regulated, his health gave way, and he died in poverty (1778-1830).

HEAD, SIR EDMUND WALKER, writer on art, born near Maidstone, Kent, succeeded to the baronetcy in 1838; became lieutenant-governor of New Brunswick in 1847, and governor-general of Canada in 1854; wrote "Handbook of Spanish Painting," also "French Art," and some poems (1805-1868).

HEAD, SIR FRANCIS BOND, soldier and author; governor of Upper Canada, where he suppressed an insurrection; wrote a "Life of Bruce the African Traveller," "Bubbles from the Brunnens of Nassau," "A Faggot of French Sticks," &c. (1793-1875).

HEAD-HUNTERS, name given to the Dyaks of Borneo, from their habit of preserving in the way of trophy the heads of those whom they slew in battle, as the Red Indians did with scalps.

HEALTH, MINISTRY OF, the department of State dealing with local government, was established in 1919 to supersede the old Local Government Board.

HEALY, TIMOTHY MICHAEL, Irish Nationalist, born in Bantry, Cork; came into prominence during the Land League agitation in 1880, and in the same year was returned to Parliament; was called to the Irish bar in 1884, and was active in promoting the interests of the Home Rule movement; in 1890 he was one of the leaders in the revolt against Parnell. In 1922 on the formation of the Irish Free State he became first governor-general, a position he held for six years (1856-).

HEARN, LAFCADIO, writer. Born in Lafcada, Greece, after which he was named; a son of Irish and Greek parents, he was educated in Ireland and at Durham; emigrated to America, where he

engaged in journalism, and later proceeded to Japan, to settle there as professor at Tokio; married a Japanese wife and became a naturalized Japanese subject. His novels and other works, such as "Unfamiliar Japan" and "Kokoro," reveal the life of the East to Western minds (1850-1905).

HEARNE, SAMUEL, Canadian fur-trader and explorer; traversed the North-West, 1770-1772, discovered the Coppermine River and Athabasca country, and was the first white man to reach the Arctic Ocean overland.

HEARNE, THOMAS, a noted English antiquary, born in White Waltham, Berks; graduated at Oxford in 1699, and subsequently became second keeper of the Bodleian Library; his compilations and editions of old English texts, e.g. Camden's "Annals," Robert of Gloucester's "Chronicle," display wide and ingenious scholarship; he figures in Pope's "Dunciad" (1678-1735).

HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH, American newspaper proprietor; controls a powerful group of papers, including the *New York Journal* and *New York American*, with a total circulation of some ten millions; is a democrat and anti-British in his propaganda. As a politician he failed in attempts to become governor of New York State and mayor of New York City (1863-).

HEART OF MIDLOTHIAN, the old Tolbooth or jail (pulled down in 1817), of Edinburgh, the capital of Midlothian, which gives name to one of Scott's best novels.

HEATHFIELD, GEORGE AUGUSTUS ELIOTT, LORD, British general, the defender of Gibraltar, son of Sir Gilbert Elliott, born in Stobs, Roxburghshire; saw service first in the war of the Austrian Succession, fighting at Dettingen and Fontenoy; as a colonel he fought with English troops in alliance with Frederick the Great against Austria, for his heroic defence of Gibraltar (1779-1783) against the combined forces of France and Spain he was raised to the peerage (1717-1790).

HEAVEN, in Christian theology the place of the immediate Divine presence, where God manifests Himself without veil, and His saints enjoy that presence and know as they are known. In Scripture it denotes, (1) the atmosphere, (2) the starry region, (3) a state of bliss, (4) as defined, the divine presence, and (5) God Himself.

HEAVE-OFFERING, among the Jews, an offering for the support of divine service, so called as, when offered, lifted up in presence of the people.

HEAVISIDE LAYER, the upper part of the atmosphere which is supposed to be ionised, making it opaque to wireless waves which are reflected back to the earth.

HEBEL, FRIEDRICH, lyricist and dramatist, born in Wesselsburen, Dithmarsh; settled in Vienna in 1846; "Die Nibelungen" is his best play, others are "Judith," "Maria Magdalena," &c.; his dramas are vigorous and original, but ill-proportioned, and in the passions they depict abnormal; his works are collected in 12 vols (1813-1863).

HEBE, goddess of eternal youth, daughter of Zeus and Hera; was the cup-bearer of the gods; was superseded by Ganymedes, and became the wife of Hercules after his admission among the Immortals.

HEBER, REGINALD, bishop of Calcutta, born in Cheshire, author of a prize poem entitled "Palestine" and a volume of "Hymns," several of them famous, as "From Greenland's Icy Mountains"; died at his post in Trichinopoly; left a narrative of a "Journey through India" (1783-1826).

HEBERT, JACQUES RENÉ, commonly called Père Duchesne, as editor of a journal of that name, a violent revolutionary organ; took part in the September Massacres; brutally insulted the queen at her trial, to the disgust of Robespierre; was arrested by his colleagues, whom he dared to oppose, and guillotined (1756-1794).

HEBREW, a Semitic language, the ancient language of the Jews, and that in which the Old Testament is written; its words, as indeed are others of the same stock, are derived from tri-literal roots, and its verbs have no present tense, only a past and a future, convertible, moreover, into one another.

HEBREW POETRY is of two kinds, either lyric or gnomic, i.e. subjectively emotional or sentimentously

didactic, the former belonging to the active or stirring, and the latter to the reflective or quiet periods of Hebrew history, and whether expressed in lyric or gnomic rhaps in the conscience and terminates in action; for Hebrew thought needs to go no higher, since therein it finds and affirms God; and it seeks to go no farther, for therein it compasses all being, and requires no epic and no drama to work out its destiny. However individualistic in its features, as working through the conscience, it yet relates itself to the whole moral world, and however it may express itself, it beats in accord with the pulse of eternity. The lyric expression of the Hebrew temper we find in the Psalms and the Lamentations of Jeremiah, and the gnomic in the books of Proverbs and Ecclesiastes; while the book of Job, which is only dramatic in form, is partly lyric and partly dramatic.

HEBREW PROPHECY had throughout regard for the Jews as a nation and to see that it fulfilled its destiny as such in the world. This purpose we see carried out by five steps or stages. It taught, first, by the Nefilim (g.e.), that the nation must regard itself as one nation; secondly, by Elijah, that it must have Jehovah alone for its God; thirdly, by Amos, that as a nation it was not necessarily God's chosen; fourthly, by Isaiah, that it existed for the preservation of a holy seed; and finally, that it ceased to exist when it was felt that religion primarily concerned the individual and was wholly an affair of the conscience. Thus does Hebrew prophecy terminate when it leads up to Christianity, the first requirement of which is a regeneration of the heart (John iii. 3), and the great promise of which is the outpouring of a spirit that "will guide into all truth" (John xvi. 13).

HEBREWS, EPISTLE TO THE, an epistle of the New Testament of uncertain authorship addressed to Christians of Jewish descent, who were strongly tempted, by the persecution they were subjected to at the hands of their Jewish brethren, to renounce the cross of Christ, which it was feared they would too readily do, and so to their own ruin crucify the Son of God afresh, there being only this alternative for them, either crucifixion with Christ or crucifixion of Christ, and death of all their hopes founded on Him.

HEBRIDES, or WESTERN ISLANDS, a general name for the islands on the west coast of Scotland (save the islands of the Firth of Clyde), about 500 in number, of which 100 are inhabited; they belong to the counties of Ross, Inverness, and Argyll, and are divided by the Little Minch and the Minch into the Outer Hebrides, of which the chief are Lewis, Harris, North and South Uist, Benbecula, and Barra; and the Inner Hebrides, including Skye, Rum, Mull, Iona, Jassa, and Colonsay; they have wild and rocky coasts, but are picturesque and verdurous, and are much frequented by tourists; the climate is mild and moist; cattle and sheep rearing and fishing are the chief industries; chief town, Stornoway, in Lewis.

HEBRON, an ancient town and city of refuge, originally called Kirjath-arba, i.e. four cities, only 20 m. S. of Jerusalem; it is a poor place now, but still abounds in orchards and vineyards.

HECATÆUS OF MILETUS, styled the "logographer," who flourished about 500 a.c.; visited many countries, and wrote two books, "The Tour of the World" and "Genealogies of Histories," the former containing descriptions of the places he visited, and the latter an account of the poetical fables and traditions of the Greeks.

HECATE, in the Greek mythology a mysterious divinity of the Titan brood and held in honour by all the gods, identified with Phoebe in heaven, Artemis on earth, and Persephone in Hades, invested with authority in all three regions, and thus figured with three bodies or heads; came to be regarded exclusively as an infernal deity, having under her command and at her beck all manner of demons and phantoms spirits.

HECKER, FRIEDRICH KARL FRANZ, a German revolutionary, born in Lichtersheim, Baden; practised as an advocate in Mannheim, and in 1842 became an active democrat and Socialist; frustrated in an attempt during the '48 Revolution to create

a republican assembly, he headed a revolutionary attack upon Baden, was defeated, and subsequently settled in the United States, where he took to farming; took part in the Civil War at the head of a regiment of Germans, and became a commander of a brigade (1811-1881).

HECKER, JUSTUS FRIEDRICH KARL, author of a great work on the "Epidemics of the Middle Ages"; was a professor of Medicine at Berlin (1798-1850).

HECKMOND WICK, a market-town in Yorkshire, 8 m. N.E. of Huddersfield; is the principal seat of the carpet and blanket manufactures in the West Riding.

HECLA, or **HEKLA**, the loftiest of 20 active volcanoes in Iceland (5102 ft.); is an isolated peak with five craters, 68 m. E. of Reykjavik; its most violent outbreak in recent times continued from 1845 to 1846.

HECTIC FEVER, a fever connected with consumption, and showing itself by a bright pink flush on the cheeks.

HECTOR, the chief hero of Troy in the war with the Greeks, the son of Priam and Hecuba; fought with the bravest of the enemy and finally slew Patroclus, the friend of Achilles (q.v.), which roused the latter from his long lethargy to challenge him to fight; Achilles chased him three times round the city, pierced him with his spear, and dragged his dead body after his chariot round Ilum; his body was at the command of Zeus delivered up to Priam and buried with great pomp within the city walls.

HECUBA, the wife of Priam, king of Troy; distinguished both as a wife and a mother; on the fall of the city she fell into the hands of the Greeks, and, according to one tradition, was made a slave, and, according to another, threw herself in despair into the sea.

HEDIN, SVEN ANDERS VON, explorer, born in Stockholm, Sweden; travelled first through Persia and Mesopotamia; later explored the Pamirs and mountain ranges of Yark and Karak; visited Mongolia and Tibet in 1890 and succeeding years, making important discoveries (1885-).

HEHJAZ, with Najd a kingdom of Central Arabia, stretching from the Persian Gulf to the Red Sea. For the most part the inhabitants are nomadic Arabs, and the country is of vital importance to the Eastern world as it contains the Holy City of Mecca. A stronghold of the Wahabites in the 18th century, it fell under the Turkish yoke till 1918, when it declared some measure of independence. In 1925 the kingdom greatly extended its borders.

HEGONISM, the doctrine of the Cyrenaics that pleasure is the end of life and the measure of virtue, or the *eumaimonism*.

HEEM, JAN DAVIDSZ VAN, a famous Dutch painter, born in Utrecht; had a prosperous and uneventful career in Antwerp, where in 1635 he became a member of the Guild of Painters; he is considered the greatest of the "still life" painters; his pictures, masterpieces of colouring and chiaroscuro, have a great monetary value, and are to be found in the famous galleries of Amsterdam, Vienna, Berlin, Leningrad, &c. (1606-1684).

HEEREN, LUDWIG, a German historian; professor of History at Göttingen; wrote on ancient and modern history, especially the ancient and its antiquities; eminent in both (1760-1842).

HEFEL, KARL JOSEPH VON, a Catholic Church historian, born in Unterkothen, in Württemberg; in 1840 became professor of Church History and Christian Archaeology in the Catholic Theological Faculty in Tübingen University, and in 1869 Bishop of Bottenburg; was for some time seriously opposed to the doctrine of the Papal infallibility, but subsequently acquiesced, putting, however, his own construction on it; his best-known works are the "History of the Christian Councils" and "Contributions to Church History" (1809-1898).

HEGEL, GEORG WILHELM FRIEDRICH, German philosopher, the greatest of all, born in Stuttgart; studied first at Tübingen, with a view to theology; as a student attracted no particular attention, was outstripped by Schelling; did domestic tutoring for a time; qualified at Jena for an academic career; adhered to and collaborated with Schelling in philosophy; first announced himself in 1807 by his work,

"Phenomenology of the Spirit"; became rector of the Academy at Nürnberg, where in 1812-1816 he composed his "Logic"; was in 1816 appointed professor of Philosophy at Heidelberg, whence he was removed to Berlin in 1818, where, his philosophy being now matured, he began to apply it with intense earnestness to every subject of human interest; he was the last of a line of thinkers beginning with Kant, with whom, however, he affiliated directly, and in his idealism philosophy first reached the goal to which it was till then with hesitating steps only stretching forward; he wrote all 22 goodly sized volumes, and his system may be grouped under three heads, the "Science of Logic," the "Philosophy of Nature," and the "Philosophy of Spirit" (1770-1831).

HEGELIANISM, the philosophy of Hegel, which resolves being into thought, and thought into the unity of the logical moments of simple apprehension, judgment, and reason, all purely spiritual acts, whereby being in itself, or *seyn*, becomes other than itself, or *daseyn*, and returns into itself, or *für sich seyn*, the universal being first by separating from itself particularised, and then by return into itself individualised, the whole being what Hegel characterises as *Der Prozess des Geistes*, "The Process of the Spirit." Something like this is what Dr. Stirling calls "The Secret of Hegel," and an open secret it is, for he finds it pervading the whole system; "open where you will in Hegel," he says, "you find him always engaged in saying pretty well the same thing"; always identically by otherness passing into selfness, or making that for itself which is at first in itself;—a philosophy which is anticipated by the doctrine of St. Paul, which represents God as the One from whom are all things as Father, and through whom are all things as Son, and to whom are all things as Spirit, the One who is thus All; it is also involved in the doctrine of Christ when He says God is Spirit, or the Living One who lives, and manifests Himself in life, for Himself, from Himself, and through Himself, who, so to say, thus concretises Himself throughout the universe.

HEGESIAS, a Cyrenaic philosopher, who held that life was full of evils, that it was in vain to seek after pleasure, and that all a wise man could do was to fortify himself as best he could against pain.

HEGESIPPUS, a Church historian of the 2nd century, a convert from Judaism; called "the father of Church history"; only fragments of his "Memorials of Ecclesiastical Affairs" remain, preserved by Eusebius and Photius.

HEIDELBERG, a celebrated German city, in Baden, situated amid beautiful surroundings, on the Neckar, 13 m. S.E. of Mannheim; has many interesting buildings, including ruins of a splendid 13th-century castle, but is chiefly celebrated for its flourishing university, whose professoriate has included many of the most distinguished German scholars; it was long the centre of Calvinism; its chief trade is in books, tobacco, wine, and beer.

HEIDELBERG MAN, an early sub-man, remains of which were found in a sandpit at Mauer on a tributary of the Rhine in 1907; the remains included the lower jaw and teeth and were found among the bones of animals living in the early pleistocene age; it is now considered to be of later date than the Pittdown man (q.v.), though earlier than the Neanderthal.

HEIN, or HEYN, PETER PETERSEN, a famous Dutch admiral, born in Delftaven; from being a cabin-boy rose to be commander of the Dutch fleet; off the east coast of S. America he twice defeated the Spanish fleet, securing an immense booty, and in 1628 captured a flotilla of Spanish galleons with silver and jewels equal to 16,000,000 Dutch guilders; fell in an action off Dunkirk (1570-1629).

HEILBRONN, a quaint old town of Württemberg, on the Neckar, 23 m. N. of Stuttgart; has a fine 11th-century Gothic church, and the Thier's Tower (Diebethurm); is associated with the captivity of Goetz von Berlichingen (q.v.); it is now a busy commercial centre, and manufactures silver-ware, paper, beet-sugar and chemicals.

HEILSBRONN, a Bavarian market-town, 16 m. S.W. of Nuremberg; is celebrated for its Cistercian

monastery, now suppressed, but whose church still contains monuments and art relics of great historic interest.

HEINE, HEINRICH, a German lyric poet, born in Düsseldorf, of Jewish parents; was bred to law, but devoted himself to literature, and mingled with literary people, and associated in particular with the Varnhagen von Ense circle; first became notable by the publication of his "Reisebilder" and his "Buch der Lieder," the appearance of which created a widespread enthusiasm in Germany; in 1825 he abandoned the Jewish faith and professed the Christian, but the creed he adopted was that of a sceptic, and he indulged in a cynicism that outraged all propriety and even common decency; in 1830 he quitted Germany and settled in Paris, and there a few years afterwards married a rich lady, who alleviated the sufferings of his last years; an attack of paralysis in 1847 left him only one eye, and in the following year he lost the other, but under these privations and much bodily pain he bore up with a singular fortitude, and continued his literary labours to the last; in his songs he was at his best, and by these it is believed he will be chiefly remembered (1797-1856).

HEINZLIUS, JOHANN GOTTLIEB, a celebrated German jurist, born in Elsenberg; was successively professor of Philosophy and subsequently of Law at several universities of Germany; he wrote some learned works in law treated from a philosophical standpoint; mention may be made of his "Historia Juris Civilis Romani" and "Elementa Juris Naturae Gentium" (1681-1741).

HEINRICH, ANTHONY, a noted Dutch statesman, born in Delft; became Grand Pensionary of Holland; was the intimate friend and correspondent of William III. of England, who left the guidance of Dutch affairs largely in his hands (1641-1720).

HEIR APPARENT, one whose right of succession is sure if he survive the present holder.

HEIR PRESUMPTIVE, one whose right of succession is sure if not barred by the birth of one nearer.

HEJAZ, EL, the holy land of the Moslems, a district of Arabia Felix, and so called as containing the sacred cities of Mecca and Medina.

HEJRA, or **HEJRA** (Arabic, "going away"), a word applied to Mohammed's flight from Mecca to Medina in A.D. 622; 'O'Ali Omar, 17 years later, adopted this date as the starting-point of a new Mohammedan calendar.

HEI, or **HELA**, in Scandinavian mythology an inexorable divinity, the daughter of Loki, and the death-goddess who presides over the icy realm of the dead; her maw was insatiable and her heart pitiless.

HELDENBUCH, a collection of German heroic poems relating heroic deeds and events connected with the invasions of the barbarians on the empire.

HELDER, THE, a strongly fortified and flourishing seaport in North Holland, on the Marsdiep, at the N. end of the North Holland Canal, 51 m. N.W. of Amsterdam; is an important naval centre, and has an excellent harbour.

HELEN, the daughter of Zeus and Leda, and the wife of Menelaus, king of Sparta; the most beautiful of women, who was carried off to Troy by Paris, to revenge whose abduction the princes of Greece, who had pledged themselves to protect her, made war on Troy, a war which lasted ten years.

HELENA, ST., the mother of Constantine the Great; is said to have visited Jerusalem and discovered the Holy Sepulchre and the cross on which Christ was crucified; d. 328, at the age of 80. Festival, Aug. 18. There are several other saints of the same name.

HELENSBURGH, a pleasantly situated watering-place in Dumfries, on the Firth of Clyde, at the entrance of the Garoch, 4 m. N. of Greenock.

HELENUS, a son of Priam and Hecuba, celebrated for his prophetic foresight; is said to have deserted his countrymen and joined the Greeks.

HELLAND, an old Saxon poem of the 9th century, of great philological value, but of no great literary merit; deals with the life and work of Christ; of the two extant MSS. one is in the British Museum.

HELICON, a mountain in Boeotia, Greece, sacred to Apollo and the Muses; famous for the fountains on its slopes dedicated to the latter.

HEILIGOLAND, an islet of the North Sea, 85 m. from the mouths of the Elbe and the Weser; German since 1890; consists of the *Oberland*, a plateau, with some 400 houses, and the *Unterland* on the shore, 206 ft. beneath, with a group of 70 dwellings. In the summer it is crowded with visitors, bathing being the chief attraction; fishing is the staple industry of the native Frisians. Off here Germany suffered naval reverses at the hands of Great Britain in August, 1914, and November, 1917. The fortifications erected by Germany were demolished under the terms of the Treaty of Versailles.

HELIODORUS, the most noted, and earliest of the Greek roman novelists, born in Enesa, Syria; flourished in the second half of the 4th century A.D.; his romance "Æthiopica" is a love tale of great beauty and told with naive simplicity; has had considerable influence over subsequent romance writers, e.g. Tasso.

HELIOGA'BALUS, a Roman emperor; invested, while yet a youth, with the Imperial purple by the army in 218; ruled with a show of moderation at first, but soon gave way to every manner of excess; was after four years put to death by the Prætorian Guard, and his body thrown into the Tiber.

HELIOGRAPHY, a method of signalling from distant points by means of the sun's rays flashed from mirrors; messages can in this manner be transmitted a distance of 100 m.; it was at one time of extensive use in military operations.

HELIOPOLIS (i.e. City of the Sun), in Egyptian Oa; one of the oldest and most sacred cities of Egypt; was situated 10 m. N. of Cairo, on the easternmost branch of the Nile; it was the centre of Egyptian learning; Solon and Plato are said to have studied there, and Ptolemy was one of its chief priests; the famous obelisk Pharaoh's Needle stands near; and Cleopatra's Needle, now on the Thames Embankment, was originally of this city. Also the name of Baalbec.

HELIOS, the god of the sun, mistakenly identified with Apollo, but of an older dynasty, was the brother of Selene (q.v.) and Eos (q.v.); a god of the brood of the Titans (q.v.), and the source of light to both gods and men; he rises from the bottom of Oceanus (q.v.) in the morning, and loses himself in his dark abyss every evening.

HELIOTROPE, or **BLOODSTONE**, a variety of quartz (chalcedony or jasper) of a deep green colour, with bright red spots. The finest specimens, which come from South Asia, are of fairly translucent chalcedony; those of jasper are opaque; they are used as seals, ring-stones, &c.

HELIUM, an inert gas discovered in the solar spectrum by Sir Norman Lockyer in 1868, and by Sir William Ramsay in 1895, included in the mineral elements; it exists in the atmosphere in minute quantities and is, next to hydrogen, the lightest substance known; it forms no compounds and is unaffected by all reagents; it is found in all minerals containing the radioactive substances uranium and thorium, and in no others; the Alpha particles expelled by these radioactive substances appear to be atoms of helium which have been ionised, or stripped of their planetary electrons. See **RADIOACTIVITY**.

HELL FIRE CORNER, a point on the Ypres-Menin road, a mile out of Ypres, constantly under German fire during the Ypres battles of the Great War.

HELL GATE, or **HURL GATE**, a narrow pass in the East River, between the city of New York and Long Island; at one time its hidden shoals and swift, narrow current were dangerous to ships, but extensive blasting operations, completed in 1885, greatly widened and cleared the pass.

HELLAS, the name of the abode of the ancient Greeks, and of greater extent than Greece proper.

HELLE, a maiden who, with her brother Phrixus, fled on the golden-fleeced ram to escape from the cruelty of her step-dame Ino, and fell into the strait called the Hellespont after her, in which she was drowned. See **GOLDEN FLEECE**.

HELLENISTS, originally Jews who would fain have seen Jewish thought and life more or less transformed in spirit as well as fashion after a Greek pattern; eventually those who by contact with Greek civilisation became Hellenised, and were open to learn as much from the civilisation of the

Greeks as was consistent with the maintenance in their integrity of the principles of their own religion.

HELLER, STEPHEN, a distinguished pianist and composer, born in Pesth; made his *début* at 9, and by 17 had won a reputation throughout the great cities of Europe; in 1838 he settled in Paris, and gave himself to teaching and composition; his ranks beside Chopin as a master of technique; his works are almost entirely pianoforte pieces (1814-1888).

HELLES, CAPE, at the S. end of Gallipoli, near the entrance to the Dardanelles, where troops were first landed at the start of the Gallipoli campaign of 1915.

HELMHOLTZ, HERMANN VON, an eminent German scientist, born in Potsdam, Brandenburg; was first an army doctor, and in 1849 became professor of Physiology in Königsberg, and subsequently in Bonn and Heidelberg; in 1871 he became professor of Physics in Berlin; was ennobled, and in 1887 nominated head of the Charlottenburg Institute; to physiology he made contributions of great value on the various sense-organs, and to physics on the conservation of energy; but his most original work was done in connection with acoustics in its relation to optics; his published works include "Theory of Sound Sensations" and "Sensations of Tone as a Physiological Basis for the Theory of Music" (1821-1894).

HELMONT, JEAN BAPTIST VAN, a celebrated German chemist, the father of chemistry, born in Brussels; his early years were divided between the study of medicine and the practice of a religious mysticism; the works of Paracelsus stimulated his interest in chemistry and physics, and having married a noble Brabant lady, he settled down on the family estate near Vilvorde, where he devoted himself to scientific research; mixed up a good deal of mysticism and alchemy with his scientific discoveries, and made a special study of gases; he was the first to prove the indestructibility of matter in chemical changes by utilising the balance in analysis; he invented the word *gas*, and first used the melting-point of ice and the boiling-point of water as limits of a thermometric scale (1577-1644).

HELOISE, niece of Canon Fulbert, born in Paris; celebrated for her amour with Abelard (*q.v.*); became prioress of the convent of Argenteuil and abbess of the Paraclete, where she founded a new convent and lived a pious life (1101-1164).

HELOISE, NOUVELLE, a romance by Rousseau.

HELOTS, slaves who formed the lowest grade of the population of Sparta; were descendants of the original inhabitants of Laconia, or prisoners of war; they were slaves belonging to the State, from the State alone could they receive manumission; they were employed as tillers of the ground, waited at meals, filled various menial offices for private individuals, and were treated with the utmost harshness; were whipped annually to remind them of their servile position, slaughtered when their numbers increased too much, and were forced to exhibit themselves under intoxication as a warning to the Spartan youth.

HELPS, SIR ARTHUR, essayist and historian, born in Surrey; for a time held official posts in connection with the government of the day, and finally that of Clerk to the Privy Council, in which capacity he was brought into connection with the Queen, which led to his being appointed editor of the "Principal Speeches and Addresses of the late Prince Consort," and Her Majesty's "Leaves from a Journal of our Life in the Highlands"; he was the author of "Friends in Council," published one series in 1847 and a second in 1869, which dealt with a variety of subjects, and was, along with "Companions of my Solitude," very popular; he did also plays and romances as well as historical sketches (1813-1875).

HELSINGFORS, a strongly fortified seaport and capital of Finland, is in a commanding position placed on a rocky peninsula in the Gulf of Finland, 191 m. W. of Leningrad; the numerous islands and islets at the entrance of the harbour are strongly fortified; the town is handsomely laid out, and has a flourishing university (student roll, 1793), and does a good Baltic trade.

HELST, BARTHOLOMEUS VAN DER, one of the greatest of the Dutch portrait-painters, born in Haarlem, but spent his life in Amsterdam; he enjoyed a great reputation in his day, and many of his pictures are to be found in European galleries; his "Muster of the Burgher Guard" was considered by Sir Joshua Reynolds to be "the first picture of portraits in the world" (1613-1870).

HELVELLYN, one of the Cumberland mountains, 3118 ft. high, rises at the side of Ullswater, midway between Keswick and Ambleside.

HELVETII, a Celtic people mentioned by Caesar as occupying territory in Central Europe now embraced in Switzerland; they suffered tremendous slaughter at the hands of Caesar when endeavouring to make their way to a wider territory in Southern Gaul.

HELVETIUS, CLAUDE ADRIEN, a French philosopher born in Paris, of Swiss origin; author of a book entitled "De l'Esprit," which was condemned by the Parlement of Paris for views advocated in it that were considered derogatory to the dignity of man, and which exposed him to much bitter hostility, especially at the hands of the priests; man he reduced to a mere animal, made self-love the only motive of his actions, and the satisfaction of our sensuous desires the principle of morals, notwithstanding which he was a man of estimable character and of kindly disposition (1715-1771).

HEMANS, FELICIA DOROTHEA, *née* Browne, poetess, born in Liverpool; her marriage was an unhappy one, and after the birth of five children ended in permanent separation; she was the authoress of a number of works, a complete edition of which occupies 7 vols., the best of her productions being lyrics, and enjoyed the friendship of Wordsworth, Scott, and other literary celebrities of the time (1793-1835).

HENAUT, French historian, born in Paris, president of the Parlement of Paris; was author of "Abrégé chronologique de l'Histoire de France" (1685-1770).

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, a busy market-town in Herts 23 m. NW. of London; noted for its straw-plaiting, and has paper-mills, foundries, &c.

HEMS, or HOMS, a noted Syrian city known to the Romans as Emesa, on the Orontes, 63 m. NE. of Tripoli; here stood in ancient times a famous temple of the Sun, one of whose priests, Heliogabalus (*q.v.*), became Roman emperor (218); the Crusaders captured it from the Saracens in 1098; it does a good trade in oil, cotton, silk, &c.

HEMSTERHUIS, TIBERIUS, Dutch philologist, born in Groningen; was professor of Greek at Leyden; one of the greatest Grocians of his day; had for pupils Ruhnkens and Valckenaeer, and edited a number of classical works (1685-1766); his son, Franz, published works on aesthetics and moral philosophy which influenced Goethe (1720-1790).

HENDERSON, ALEXANDER, a celebrated Scottish divine; became professor of Rhetoric and Philosophy in St. Andrews, and subsequently held the living of Leuchars, in Fife; he actively espoused the cause of the Covenanters, and became a prominent leader in negotiations with the king; in 1643 he drafted the "Solemn League and Covenant" which passed into force, and he was one of Scotland's representatives to the Assembly of Divines at Westminster (1683-1846).

HENDERSON, RT. HON. ARTHUR, British politician. He entered Parliament as Labour member in 1903, became chairman of the Labour Party in 1908, and in 1915 took office in the Coalition Government as President of the Board of Education; from 1916 to 1917 he was Labour representative in the War Cabinet; in 1924 he was Home Secretary in the Labour Government, and in 1929 became Foreign Secretary (1863-).

HENGIST AND Horsa, two Saxon brothers who came over to assist Vortigern against the Picts in the 5th century, and were rewarded by a gift of Thanet, though they were afterwards defeated by Vortigern and Horsa slain.

HENGSTENBERG, ERNST WILHELM, a German theologian, born in Westphalia; was editor of the *Evangelische Kirchenzeitung*, and the valiant, un-

wearied assailant of Rationalism in its treatment of the Scriptures and the old orthodox faith; his principal works bear on Old Testament literature, such as its Christology and the Psalms, as well as on the New, such as St. John's Gospel and the Apocalypse (1802-1860).

HENLEY, WILLIAM ERNEST, poet and critic, author of a "Book of Verses" and "Song of the Sword," in which he reveals superior powers as a poet, and of a volume entitled "Views and Reviews," in which he evinces discriminative criticism of the highest order; edited, with T. F. Henderson, the "Centenary Edition of the Poetry of Burns," accompanying it with a "Life of the Poet," and a characterisation somewhat damping to the prevailing enthusiasm in connection with the poet; wrote several plays in collaboration with Robert Louis Stevenson (1849-1903).

HENLEY-ON-THAMES, a borough of Oxfordshire, on the Thames, near the Chiltern Hills, 36 m. W. of London; the river is spanned here by a fine five-arch bridge, and the annual amateur regatta is a noted social event; malting and brewing are the chief industries.

HENOTHEISM, a polytheism which assigns to one god of the pantheon superiority over the rest.

HENRIETTA MARIA, wife of Charles I., born at the Louvre; daughter of Henry IV. of France and of Marie de Medicis; a beautiful and able woman, much beloved, and deservedly so, by her husband, but from her bigotry as a Roman Catholic disliked and distrusted by the nation, not without good reason; by her imprudent conduct she embroiled matters more seriously than they were; menaced with impeachment by the Commons, had to flee the country; returned, in time, with a supply of money and ammunition "purchased by crown jewels," but in 1644 was obliged to seek refuge again in France; revisited the country for a short time after the Restoration, and died near Paris at her retreat there (1609-1669).

HENRIETTA MARIA, daughter of Charles I., and wife of the Duke of Orleans, brother of Louis XIV., born in Exeter; she had an itch for political intrigue like her mother, and was successful in persuading her brother, Charles II., into league with France by signing the treaty of Dover; on her return to France she died suddenly, by poison it is believed (1644-1670).

HENRIOT, a French revolutionary, born in Nanterre; was generalissimo of the National Guard of Paris during the Reign of Terror; marched with his sanaculotte following into the Convention one day and escorted 29 of the Girondists to the guillotine; became the satellite of Robespierre, whom he defended at the last, but could not deliver; arrested himself in a state of intoxication, was dragged out of a drain, and despatched by the guillotine (1761-1794).

HENRY, the unit of inductance of an electric circuit; named after Joseph Henry (q.v.); a coil has an inductance of one henry if a current changing at the rate of one ampere per second produces an electromotive force of one volt; the microhenry is the millionth part of a henry.

HENRY I., king of England from 1100 to 1135, youngest son of William the Conqueror, born in Selby, in Yorkshire; usurped the crown from his elder but irresponsible brother Robert, an act which was confirmed by the Church and the mass of the people, Robert, after a weak resistance, being pensioned off; the epithets Beaucercle and the Lion of Justice, which were bestowed on him, so far accurately describe him as he appeared to his people; his attainments were scholarly for his times, and his reign was distinguished by the strong and organized administration of justice, although morally his life was a depraved one; after seizing Normandy from his brother Robert, whom he imprisoned for life, he governed his kingdom with a firm hand; the turbulent Norman nobles were subdued, while the administration of the law was greatly improved by the institution of the *Curia Regis* (the King's Court) and of itinerant judges; trade took a start, and the religious life of the nation was deepened through the advent of the Cistercian monks and the influence of Anselm; he was married to Matilda (changed

to Matilda), daughter of Malcolm of Scotland (1068-1135).

HENRY II., king of England from 1154 to 1189, first of the Plantagenet line; was the son of Matilda, daughter of Henry I., and her second husband Geoffrey Plantagenet, Count of Anjou, born in Le Mans; when he came to the throne as Stephen's successor he was already in possession, mainly through his marriage with Eleanor, the divorced wife of Louis VII., of more than half of France; he set himself with all the vigour of his energetic nature to reform the abuses which had become rampant under Stephen, and Thomas a Becket was his zealous Chancellor; the Great Council was frequently summoned to deliberate on national affairs; the *Curia Regis* was strengthened, the itinerant judges revived, while the oppression and immorality of the nobles was sternly suppressed by the demolition of the "adulterine castles"; a blow was aimed at the privileges and licentiousness of the clergy by the Constitutions of Clarendon, but their enactment brought about a rupture between the king and Becket, now Archbishop of Canterbury, which subsequently ended in the murder of Becket; in 1171 Ireland was invaded and annexed, and three years later William the Lion of Scotland was forced to declare his kingdom a fief to the English throne; some time previously the Welsh princes had done him homage; the last years of his reign were embittered by quarrels and strife with his ungrateful sons; he was a man of many kingly qualities, perhaps one of the best that England ever had, and his reign marks an epoch in the development of constitutional law and liberty (1133-1189).

HENRY III., king of England from 1216 to 1272, eldest son of King John; succeeded to the throne at the age of nine; during his minority the kingdom was wisely and faithfully served by the Earl of Pembroke and Hubert de Burgh; when he came to years he proved himself a weak ruler, and, according to Stubbs, his administration was "one long series of impulsive and unprincipled acts"; with the elevation of Peter des Roches, a native of Anjou, to the post of chief adviser, French interlopers won became predominant at the Court, and the recipients of large estates and pensions, an injustice further stimulated by the king's marriage with Eleanor of Provence; justice was prostituted, England humiliated under a feeble foreign policy, and the country finally roused by infamous exactions; Simon de Montfort, the king's own brother-in-law, became the leader of the people and the champion of constitutional rights; by the Provisions of Oxford, forced upon the king by Parliament assembled at Oxford (1258), a wider and more freer Parliamentary representation was given to the people, and the king's power limited by a permanent council of 15; as an issue of the Barons' War, which resulted in the defeat and capture of the king at Lewes (1264), these provisions were still further strengthened by the Mise of Lewes, and from this time may be dated the birth of representative government in England as it now exists; in 1265 was summoned the first Parliament as at present constituted, of peers temporal and spiritual, and representatives from counties, cities, and boroughs; internal dissensions ceased with the victory of Prince Edward over the barons at Evesham (1265), when the popular leader De Montfort perished on the field (1207-1272).

HENRY IV., king of England from 1399 to 1413, first of the Lancastrian kings, son of John of Gaunt, and grandchild of Edward III., born in Bolingbroke, in Lincolnshire; Richard II.'s misrule and despotism had damped the loyalty of his people, and when Henry came to England to maintain his ducal rights he had little difficulty in deposing Richard, and, with the consent of Parliament, in assuming the crown; this act of usurpation—for Richard's true heir was Roger Mortimer, a descendant of an older branch of the family—had two important results: it made Henry more obsequious to the Parliamentary power which had placed him on the throne, and it was the occasion of the bloody Wars of the Roses that were to devastate the kingdom during the reigns of Henry VI. and Edward IV.;

Henry's own reign was a troubled one; wars were successfully undertaken against the Welsh under Owen Glendower and against the Scots; while rebellion was raised by the Percies in unsuccessful attempts to win the crown for Mortimer; the only law of importance passed was the statute for burning heretics the first passed in England for the suppression of religious opinion (1366-1413).

HENRY V., king of England from 1413 to 1422, son of preceding, born in Monmouth; during the wars of his father's reign he gave evidence of his abilities as a soldier, distinguishing himself specially by his conquest of Wales; on his accession to the throne he renewed the claims put forward by Edward III. to the French crown, and with the support of his people embarked on his great struggle to win the kingdom of France; in 1415 he gained the glorious victory of Agincourt, strengthened his position by confirmed military successes, and by marrying Catherine, daughter of the French king, and by the treaty of Troyes, got himself appointed regent of France and successor to the throne; he was idolized by his people as the perfect pattern of a warrior king, but he had neither the gifts of statesmanship nor the foresight of Edward I., to whom he is compared, and the English dominion which he established in France was too unsubstantial to endure (1387-1422).

HENRY VI., king of England from 1422 to 1461, son of preceding, born in Windsor; was a child of nine months when his father died, and in the same year was acknowledged king over the N. and E. of France; the Dukes of Bedford and Gloucester became regents respectively over the English and French kingdoms; war was resumed with France, and for thirty years the weary struggle continued, by the end of which time England, despite some early successes, had been stripped of her French possessions, mainly owing to the enthusiasm awakened by the heroic and ill-fated Jeanne d'Arc (q.v.); the growing discontent of the people is indicated by Jack Cade's rebellion (1449), and five years later began the famous Wars of the Roses; six battles were fought between the rival houses; and four times victory rested with the Yorkists; after the final victory of the Yorkists at Towton (1461), Henry fled to Scotland and Edward was proclaimed king; Henry was a man of weak intellect, gentle, and of studious nature, and was ill-mated in his ambitious and warlike queen, Margaret of Anjou; a futile struggle was made to win his kingdom back, but the hopes of the Lancastrians perished at Tewkesbury; the king was captured and confined in the Tower, where, there is little doubt, he was murdered (1421-1471).

HENRY VII., king of England from 1485 to 1509, son of Edmund Tudor, Earl of Richmond, first of the Tudor monarchs, born at Pembroke Castle; after defeating and slaying Richard III. on Bosworth Field he assumed the crown, and by his marriage with Elizabeth of York, daughter of Edward IV., united the claims of the rival roses; his firm and prudent rule established quiet and order in the country; the pretensions of the pretenders Lambert Simnel and Perkin Warbeck were promptly crushed; a peaceful relationship was established with France, and the Scots were conciliated by the marriage of his daughter Margaret to their king, James IV.; increased prosperity followed, maritime enterprise was encouraged, but the kingly power grew at the expense of the constitutional authority of Parliament; resort was had to benevolences and other unconstitutional methods of raising funds, and in his later years the king's exactions became tyrannical; Henry was not a man of fine kingly qualities, but he accomplished much for his country, and is best described in Gardiner's words, "his contemporaries needed a chief constable to keep order, and he gave them what they needed" (1456-1509).

HENRY VIII., king of England from 1509 to 1547, son of preceding, born in Greenwich; was welcomed to the throne with great enthusiasm, and still further established himself in public favour by his gallant exploits at the Battle of Spurs and at the sieges of Tournay and Terouanne in the war of the Holy Alliance against France; in his absence an invasion of James IV. of Scotland was repulsed

and the Scottish army crushed at Flodden (1513); during the first half of the reign public affairs were mainly conducted by the king's favourite minister, Wolsey, whose policy it was to hold the balance of power between Spain and France, but he fell into public disfavour by the heavy burden of taxation which he little by little laid upon the people; Henry, who in 1521 had been named "Defender of the Faith" by the Pope for his published defence of the sacraments against the attacks of Luther, was now moving for a divorce from his first wife Catherine of Aragon; a breach with the Pope ensued, Wolsey was deposed for his double-dealing in the matter, and Henry, having defiantly married Anne Boleyn, put an end to the papal jurisdiction in England to secure himself against appeals to the Papal Court, and got himself acknowledged Supreme Head of the Church of England; the suppression of the monasteries soon followed, and their estates were confiscated (1536-1540); in 1536 the movement of the Reformation was continued by the drawing up of the *Ten Articles* and by an authorized translation of the Bible; but the passing of the *Six Articles* three years later, declaring in favour of the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, clerical celibacy, private masses, auricular confession, &c., was an attempt to stay the rapid spread of Protestant doctrines; in 1541 Henry was declared King of Ireland, and in the two following years successful wars were waged with Scotland and France; the importance of the reign lies in the coincidence of it with the rise and culmination of the Reformation, a movement brought about in the first instance by no higher motive than the king's desire for a divorce as well as for absolute power, but for which a favourable reception had been prepared beforehand by the spread of the new learning and that free spirit of inquiry that was beginning to take possession of men's minds; historians for the greater part agree in representing Henry as a man of versatile powers, considerable intellectual force, but, heedlessly selfish, and cruel in the gratification of his desires; he was six times married; Catherine and Anne of Cleves were divorced, Anne Boleyn and Catherine Howard executed, Jane Seymour died in childbirth, and Catherine Parr survived him; he left behind to succeed him on the throne Mary, daughter of Catherine, Elizabeth, daughter of Anne Boleyn, and Edward, son of Jane Seymour (1491-1547).

HENRY III., an illustrious Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire, son of Conrad II.; in 1026 he became king of the Germans, succeeded to the dukedoms of Bavaria and Swabia, and in 1039 assumed the Imperial crown; under his strong and wise government, dissensions, papal and otherwise, were put down, the territory of the empire extended, and many churches and monastic schools established (1017-1056).

HENRY IV., Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire, son of preceding; his reign is memorable as witnessing the first open claim on the part of the Papal power to have dominion over the crowned heads of Europe; Henry's attempt to depose Gregory VII. was bodily met by a declaration of excommunication; Henry was forced to do penance and to receive his crown afresh from the Pope; but the struggle broke out anew; Clement III. was put up in opposition, and the contest raged with varying success till the deposition of Henry by his ungrateful son (1056-1106).

HENRY IV., king of France from 1594 till 1610, surname "The Great" and "The Good"; during his reign the great struggle between the Huguenots and the Catholics continued with unabated fury; Henry saved his life in the massacre of St. Bartholomew's Day by renouncing his early Calvinism, but was imprisoned; four years later he was again at the head of the Huguenot army and, defeating the Bourbon claimant for the throne, was crowned king, but not before waiving his Protestant principles to conciliate the people; in 1598 he issued the famous Edict of Nantes, giving freedom of worship to the Huguenots; during his administration the nation was consolidated, new roads and a growing trade knit the towns together; financial reforms of great importance were carried out by his cele-

brated minister, Duc de Sally (q.v.); Henry was assassinated by instigation of the Jesuits (1663-1610).

HENRY OF HUNTINGDON, a noted English chronicler of the 12th century, who became archdeacon of Huntingdon, and wrote a Latin history of England down to the death of Stephen in 1154.

HENRY THE NAVIGATOR, son of John I., king of Portugal, born in Oporto; an able, enterprising man, animated with a zeal for maritime discovery, who at his own expense sent out voyagers who discovered the Madeira Islands and explored the coast of Africa as far as Cape Blanco; is said to have been the first to employ the compass for purposes of navigation; his mother was daughter of John of Gaunt (1394-1460).

HENRY, JOSEPH, American scientist; carried out much research in connection with electromagnetism and induction (1799-1878).

HENRY, MATTHEW, a Nonconformist divine; was minister at Hackney, London; was the author of a commentary long in repute among pious evangelical people, and to some extent still, as a practical and devotional guide in the study of the Scriptures (1662-1714).

HENRY, O., pen name of William Sydney Porter, American writer. He edited several periodicals and produced a number of short stories of an original and humorous character (1862-1910).

HENRY, PATRICK, American statesman and orator, born in Virginia; having been in business he took to law, and rose into fame by his eloquent pleadings in the cause of the people; played a conspicuous part in the agitation for independence, especially by his oratory, which was of a quality to move large audiences; he was a member of the first Congress in 1774 (1736-1799).

HENRYSON, ROBERT, an early Scottish poet, flourished in the 16th century; most of his life was spent as a schoolmaster in Dunfermline; his chief works, which are full of pathos, humour, and a fine descriptive power, include "Restment of Cressid," a continuation of Chaucer's tale, "Robene and Makyns," the earliest Scottish pastoral, a metrical version of some of "Æsop's Fables," and the story of "Orpheus and Eurydice" (c. 1430-1508).

HEPHAËSTOS, called Vulcan by the Romans, the Greek god of fire, or of labour in the element of fire, the son of Zeus and Hera, represented as ill-shapen, lame, and ungainly, so much so as to be an object of ridicule to the rest of the pantheon, but he was indispensable to the dynasty, and to none more than his father and mother, who were often unkind to him; he had his smithy in Olympus in the vicinity of the gods, and the marvellous creations of his art were shaped on an anvil, the hammer of which was piled by 20 bellows that worked at his bidding; in later traditions he had his workshop elsewhere, and the Cyclops for his servants, employed in manufacturing thunder-bolts for Zeus; he was wedded to Aphrodite, whom he caught playing false with Ares, both of whom he trapped in a net a spectacle to all the upper deities.

HEPTAD, a term in chemistry to denote an atom that is the equivalent of seven atoms of hydrogen, from Greek *hepta*, seven.

HEPTARCHY, ANGLO-SAXON, the seven kingdoms of Kent, Sussex, Wessex, Essex, Northumbria, East Anglia, and Mercia, the chief of those established by the Saxons during the 6th century in Great Britain.

HEPTATEUCH, a name given to the first seven books of the Bible.

HERA, called Juno by the Romans, daughter of Cronos and Rhea, and sister and wife of Zeus; was the queen of heaven in Greek mythology, and treated with the same reverence as her husband, but being inferior in power was bound to obey him equally with the rest, or suffer if she did not; she was jealous of Zeus in his amours with mortals, and persecuted all his children by mortal mothers. Hercules among the chief.

HERACLIDÆ, Spartans, presumed descendants of Hercules, who at one time invaded and took possession of the Peloponnese.

HERACLES, a Greek philosopher, born in Ephesus.

who flourished about the year 480 B.C.; was the first to note how everything throughout the universe is in constant flux, and nothing permanent but in transition from being to nothing and from nothing to being, from life to death and from death to life, that nothing is, that everything becomes, that the truth of being is becoming, that no one, nothing, is exempt from this law, the law symbolized by the fable of the Phoenix in the fire (q.v.).

HERACLIUS, Emperor of the East from 610 to 642, born in Cappadocia; raised to the throne of the East on account of the services he rendered the citizens of Constantinople in getting rid of a tyrant; waged war against the hostile Persians, defeated Chosroes and compelled a peace, but was unable to withstand the arms of the Moslem invaders.

HERALDS' COLLEGE, a body existing to trace genealogies and to grant coats-of-arms; it was founded in 1488 and is presided over by the Earl Marshal, an hereditary post held by the Dukes of Norfolk.

HERAT, the chief town of the province of Herat, in W. Afghanistan, on the Hari-Rud, 800 m. W. of Kabul; its central position has given it a great commercial and military importance; it has manufactures of leather and wool, and as a place of great strategical value, since the advance of Russia in Asia, is strongly fortified by a British citadel and garrison.

HERAULT, a maritime dep. of S. France fronting the Gulf of Lyons; in the N. are the Cevennes Mountains, but wide plains fringed on the sea border with large lagoons occupy the S.; the climate, except on the marshy coast, is dry and healthy; its former importance as a wine-growing district has greatly diminished, but olives and almonds are cultivated, sheep and silkworms bred; coal is the most important mineral; salt is obtained in large quantities from the salt marshes, and fishing is an important industry.

HERBART, JOHANN FRIEDRICH, German philosopher, born in Oldenburg; Kant's successor at Königsberg, professor also at Göttingen twice; founded his philosophy like Kant on the criticism of subjective experience, but it arrived at different results, and arrayed itself against the whole post-Kantian philosophy of Germany; it is described by Schwegler "as an extension of the monadology of Leibnitz, full of ingenuity but devoid of inward fertility, or any germ of movement"; he failed to see, as Dr. Stirling points out, that "Philosophy is possible only on the supposition of a single principle that possesses within itself the capability of transition into all existent variety and varieties" (1776-1841).

HERBERT, EDWARD, LORD, of Cherbury, diplomatist, soldier, and scholar, born in Montgomery Castle, in Wales; served as a soldier under Maurice of Orange; was twice ambassador in France, but chiefly devoted to philosophical speculation; was the first of the deistical writers of England, though his deism was dogmatic not critical, positive not sceptical, as is that of the subsequent English deists (1583-1633).

HERBERT, GEORGE, poet, brother of the preceding, born in Montgomery Castle; falling in preference at Court, took holy orders and became rector of Bemerton, Wiltshire, a post he lived only two years to hold; was the author of a Christian poem entitled "The Temple", held in high regard by people of the devout and reverently contemplative spirit of the author; his memory is embalmed in a Life of him by Isaac Walton (1593-1633).

HERBERT, SIDNEY (Lord Herbert of Lea), politician, born in Richmond; entered the House of Commons in 1832 as a Tory, and was in turn Secretary to the Admiralty and War Secretary under Peel; during the Aberdeen ministry he, as War Secretary, incurred much popular disfavour for the mismanagement of the Crimean War, but under Palmerston he effected many beneficial reforms while at the head of the War Office; greatly aided Florence Nightingale (q.v.) at Scutari; he was elevated to the House of Lords in 1860 (1810-1861).

HERCULANEUM, a city of ancient Italy, overwhelmed in A.D. 68, 79, and 472, with Pompeii and

Stables by eruptions of Vesuvius, at the north-western base of which it was situated, 5 m. E. of Naples; so completely was it buried by the ashes and lava that its site was practically obliterated, and in time two villages sprang up on the new surface, 40 to 100 ft. below which lay a great part of the buried city; relics were discovered while digging a well in 1706, and since then a considerable portion of the town has been excavated, pictures, statues, &c., of the greatest value having been brought to light.

HERCULES, the typical hero of the Greeks, son of Zeus and Alkmene, and tried therefore by Hera, who persecuted him from his cradle, sending two serpents to devour him as he lay there, but which he strangled with his arms; grown into manhood, and distinguished for his stature and strength, was doomed by the artifice of Hera to a series of perilous adventures before he could claim his rights as a son of his father; these are known as the "Twelve Labours of Hercules": the first, the throttling of the Nemean lion; the second, the killing of the Lernean hydra; the third, the hunt and capture of the hind of Diana, with its hoofs of brass; the fourth, the taking alive of the boar of Erymanthus; the fifth, the cleansing of the stables of Augeas; the sixth, the destruction of the Stymphalian birds; the seventh, the capture of the Cretan bull; the eighth, the capture of the mares of Diomedes of Thrace; the ninth, the seizure of the girdle of the queen of the Amazons; the tenth, the killing of Geryon and capture of his oxen; the eleventh, fetching of the golden apples from the garden of the Hesperides; the twelfth, dragging Cerberus to the light of day. These were the twelve, but in addition, he strangled the giant Antæus, slew the robber Cacus, delivered Hesione, unchained Prometheus from the rocks of Caucasus, and smote the centaur Nessus, the last proving the cause of his death. See **NESSUS**.

HERCULES, THE CHOICE OF, the choice of a life of virtue offered to him by Athens, in preference to a life of pleasure offered by Amphitrite, in his youth.

HERCULES, THE PILLARS OF, two mountains on the opposite sides of the Strait of Gibraltar, originally one, but failed to have been separated by Hercules, Calpe on the Spanish coast and Abyla on the African.

HERCYNIAN FOREST, a forest of Central Germany, extending at one time from the Rhine to the Carpathian Mountains, described by Caesar as nine days' journey in breadth and sixty in length, is now the district of the Harz Mountains.

HERDER, JOHANN GOTTFRIED VON, an eminent German thinker, born in Mohrungen, in East Prussia; studied philosophy under Kant, but gave himself up chiefly to literature; became acquainted at Strassburg with Goethe, who was five years his junior, and exercised a great influence over him in his youth; in after years was invited by him to Weimar, where he became court preacher and consistorial councillor, and where he died; wrote the "Spirit of Hebrew Poetry," "Idea towards a Philosophy of the History of Humanity," and "Poems" (1744-1803).

HEREFORD, the county town of Herefordshire, on the Wye, 144 m. NW. of London; has some fine old buildings, including a noble cathedral begun in 1070, ruins of a castle, &c.; it was made the seat of a bishopric in 676; it is noted for its roses and agricultural produce.

HEREFORDSHIRE, an inland county of West England, lying on the Welsh border between Shropshire and Monmouthshire. It is a pretty agricultural county, through the centre of which runs the Wye; in the E. are the Malvern Hills and in the SW. the Black Mountains (2631 ft.); the rich red soil produces fine wheat, hops, and apples; there is some trade in timber, some stone and marble quarrying, and the cattle are noted; its history is associated with many stirring historical events, and in various parts are antiquities of considerable interest.

HERENNUS, a Semite general, who defeated the Romans at the Caudine Forks, and made them pass under the yoke, 321 B.C.

HERWARD THE WAKE, a Saxon hero, a yeoman, born near Bourne, Lincolnshire, who made a gallant

effort to rally his countrymen against the Norman Conqueror; he made his final stand on the Isle of Ely, Cambridgeshire (1070-1071), cut his way through the besieging army, and escaped to the Fens; subsequently it is supposed he became reconciled to William and held estates; his story is told in Charles Kingsley's "Hereward the Wake."

HERFORD, a Prussian town in Westphalia, 50 m. SW. of Hanover; manufactures textiles, sugar, &c.

HERGESHEIMER, JOSEPH, American novelist, author of "Three Black Pennys" and "Java Head," among other books, all written in an elaborate style (1880-).

HERGEST, THE RED BOOK OF, an important volume of Welsh writings in MS., preserved at Oxford; it dates from the 14th century, and the legends related—mostly Arthurian—are styled the "Mabinogion"; was compiled at Hergest Court, a family seat of the Vaughans, and is the most valuable Welsh MS. extant.

HERIOT, GEORGE, founder of Heriot's Hospital, a splendid educational establishment in his native city, Edinburgh; was a prosperous goldsmith there; did work for Anne of Denmark, consort of James VI. of Scotland; in 1603 removed with the court to London, and combining banking with his other business, he amassed a great fortune, and, dying childless, left his property to found and endow the educational institution above referred to, which still bears his name; in 1837 the accumulated surplus funds were utilised in establishing 16 free schools in Edinburgh, which, however, were closed in 1885, and the original Hospital reconstructed as a secondary and technical school, while a portion of the funds was used in subsidising the Heriot-Watt College and in founding bursaries (1563-1824).

HERISTAL, a town of Belgium, on the Meuse, practically a NE. suburb of Liège; the inhabitants are largely employed in coal-mining and in flourishing ironworks; the ruins of a castle, the birthplace of Penin d'Heristal, still remain.

HERKOMER, SIR HUBERT VON, born in Waul, Bavaria, his father removing to England in 1857; young Hubert became a distinguished student of the Southampton School of Art; he was a prolific artist, and many of his portraits have become celebrated; the "Last Muster" (1875) is reckoned his finest work; was twice Slade professor at Oxford, and in 1890 was elected R.A.; the School of Art at Bushey was founded by him, and he displayed his versatility of talent in carving, engraving, and writing, as well as in painting (1849-1914).

HERMANDAD, SANTA (i.e. Holy Brotherhood), an association of the principal cities of Spain leagued together at first against the pillaging and robberies of the nobles, and eventually against all forms of violence and lawlessness in the State.

HERMANN AND DOROTHEA, the title of an idyll by Goethe.

HERMANNSTADT, an old historic town of Rumania, formerly capital of Transylvania; overlooks the Zibin; 60 m. SE. of Klausenburgh; is the seat of a Greek archbishop and of a "Saxon" university. Amongst its notable buildings is the Bruckenthal Palace, with valuable art, library, and antiquarian collections; has various manufactures.

HERMAS, one of the Apostolic Fathers of the Church; wrote a work in Greek called the "Shepherd of Hermas," extant in Latin, and treating of Christian duties.

HERMES, the Mercury of the Romans; in Greek mythology the herald of the gods and the god of eloquence and of all kinds of cunning and dexterity in word and action; invented the lyre, the alphabet, numbers, astronomy, music, the cultivation of the olive, &c.; was the son of Zeus and Maia; wore on embassy a winged cap, winged sandals, and carried a herald's wand as symbol of his office.

HERMES TRIMEGISTUS, or Hermes the Thrice-greatest, in Greek myth corresponding to the Egyptian god Thoth, to whose teachings or inspirations the Neo-Platonists ascribed the great body of their peculiar doctrines, and whom they regarded as an incarnation or impersonation of the *Logos*; by some of this school he was believed to be a

Chaldean sage who wrote the fragmentary *Hermetic Books* containing ancient Egyptian lore.

HERMIONE, the beautiful daughter of Menelaus and Helen; married to Pyrrhus, son of Achilles, but carried off by Orestes, her first love.

HERMODEUS, a son of Odin and messenger of the Norse gods.

HERNE BAY, seaside resort on the N. coast of Kent. Near it are the village of Herne, where Ridley was vicar, and the old Roman fort of Reculver.

HERNIA, the name given to the protrusion of an internal organ, especially a part of the intestines.

HERO, a priestess of Venus at Sestos, in Thrace, beloved by Leander of Abydos, on the opposite shore, who swam the Hellespont every night to visit her, but was drowned one stormy evening, whereupon at sight of his dead body on the beach she threw herself into the sea.

HERO, a mathematician, born in Alexandria in the first half of the 2nd century; celebrated for his experiments on condensed air, and his anticipation of the pressure of steam; invented a water-clock and hydraulic organ.

HERO, a name given by the Greeks to human beings of such superhuman faculties as to be regarded the offspring of some god, and applied in modern times to men of an intellect and force of character of such transcendent nature as to inspire ordinary mortals with something like religious regard.

HEROD, the name of a family of Idumean origin but Jewish creed, who rose into power in Judea shortly prior to the dissolution of the Jewish nationality; the chief members of which were Herod the Great, king of the Jews by favour of the Romans, who made away with all his rivals, caused his own children to be strangled on suspicion of their conspiring against him, and died a painful death; he massacred the innocents about Bethlehem, and his death took place 4 B.C., the true date of the Nativity of Christ; and Herod Antipas, his son, tetrarch of Galilee, who beheaded John the Baptist, and to whom Christ was remitted by Pilate for examination; he died in exile at Lyons.

HERODIANE, a party in Judea who from motives of self-interest supported the dynasty of the Herods.

HERODOTUS, the oldest historian of Greece, and the "Father of History," born in Halicarnassus, in Caria; travelled over Asia Minor, Egypt, and Syria, and in his old age recorded with due fidelity the fruits of his observations and inquiries, the main object of his work being to relate the successive stages of the strife between the free civilisation of Greece and the despotic barbarism of Persia for the sovereignty of the world, an interest in which Alexander the Great drew sword in the century following (484-408 B.C.).

HEROPHILUS, a celebrated Greek physician who lived into the 3rd century B.C., born in Chalcedon, and settled at Alexandria, where he devoted himself especially to anatomy and helped to found the medical school in that city; his zeal is said to have led him to dissect criminals alive; some of his writings are yet extant.

HERRERA, ANTONIO, Spanish historian, born in Cuellar; under Philip II. he became historiographer of the Indies and Castile; he was a voluminous writer, and his "Description of the Indies" and "History of the World in the Reign of Philip II." from their fairness and accuracy are reckoned authoritative works on Spanish history (1549-1625).

HERRERA, FERNANDO DE, Spanish poet, born in Seville, where he took orders; in his lifetime his lyrics enjoyed popularity, and won for him the epithet "divine"; his "Battle of Lepanto" is a spirited ode, and many of his other works, including a prose history of the "War in Cyprus," are still read (1534-1597).

HERRERA, FRANCISCO, a distinguished Spanish painter; founder of the Seville school, born in Seville; his finest paintings include "The Last Judgment" and a "Holy Family," both in churches at Seville; others are in the Louvre, Paris; they exhibit boldness of execution with faultless technique (1576-1656). He is known as *El viejo*, "the elder," to distinguish him from Francisco Herrera, his son, also a noted painter (1622-1685).

HERRICKE, ROBERT, a Caroline poet, born in London, of good family; was incumbent of Dean Prior in Devonshire; author of the "Hesperides," published in 1648, a collection of "gay and charming" pieces, "in which," says Stopford Brooke, "Horace and Tibullus seem to mingle their peculiar art, which never misses its aim nor fails in exquisite execution" (1591-1674).

HERRIOT, EDOUARD, French politician. Originally a professor, he did considerable writing, and was for years mayor of Lyons and a Socialist leader; he became Food Minister for a short time during the Great War and later Foreign Minister. In 1924 he succeeded to the Premiership, a post which he held for a year, coming to London to confer with Ramsay MacDonald on international co-operation (1874-).

HERRNHUT, a small Saxon town, 50 m. E. of Dresden; gave name to a colony of Moravian Brethren who took refuge there in 1792, and were protected by Count Zinzendorf.

HERSCHEL, CAROLINE LUCRETIA, sister of Sir William; was his assistant, and made important observations of her own, which were published; retired after her brother's death to Hanover, where she died (1780-1848).

HERSCHEL, SIR JOHN, astronomer; only son of Sir William Herschel; followed with great diligence and success the same researches as his father; spent four years at the Cape carrying out a survey of the stars of the southern hemisphere; added much to our knowledge of the stars and carried out experiments in connection with the wave theory of light and photography (1792-1871).

HERSCHEL, SIR WILLIAM, a distinguished astronomer, born in Hanover; son of a musician, and bred to the profession; came to England at the end of the Seven Years' War, and obtained sundry appointments as an organist; gave his leisure time to the study of astronomy and survey of the heavens; discovered the planet Uranus in 1781, which he called *Georgium sidus* in honour of George III., discovered also the two innermost belts of Saturn, as well as drew up a catalogue of 5000 heavenly bodies or clusters of them (1738-1822).

HERSCHELL ISLAND, a small, barren, rocky island in the Arctic Ocean, about 80 m. N.W. of the mouth of the Mackenzie river; is a whaling station and a post of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (c.v.).

HERTFORD, the county town of Hertfordshire, on the Lea, 26 m. N. of London; some few remains of its famous 10th-century castle still exist, and there are several charity schools, a castle built in James I.'s time, and Christ's Hospital for girls; the chief trade is in corn, malt, and flour; in the vicinity is Hatterbury College (c.v.).

HERTFORDSHIRE, *co. HERTS*, an inland county of England, occupying a central position between Buckingham and Bedford on the W. and Essex on the E.; the surface is undulating and much covered with wood; the Lea and the Colne are the chief rivers; large crops of barley, wheat, and hay are raised; straw-plaiting and the manufacture of paper, silk, and chemicals are carried on extensively, while Ware is a centre of the English malting trade; St. Albans (c.v.) is the largest town.

HERTHA, the Scandinavian Cybele, worshipped with kindred ceremonies.

HERTZ, HEINRICH RUDOLF, German scientist; discoverer of electromagnetic waves; professor at Karlsruhe; his experiments laid the foundations for the later development of wireless telegraphy (1857-1894).

HERTZ, HENRIK, Danish poet, born in Copenhagen of Jewish parents; graduated in law at Copenhagen, and produced his first work, a comedy, in 1827; "Letters of a Ghost," a satire, followed three years later, and had a wide vogue; his best-known work is "King René's Daughter," which was translated into English for the fourth time by Sir Theodore Martin (1798-1870).

HERTZ, JOSEPH HERMAN, rabbi and Jewish leader. Of Hungarian birth, he became rabbi at Johannesburg in 1898, went to New York for two years in 1911, and became Chief Rabbi of the British Empire in 1913 (1872-).

HERTZOG, JAMES BARRY MUNNIK, S. African politician. He served as a Boer general in the S. African War, and subsequently became an ardent nationalist; he took office in 1910 as Minister of Education, and in 1914 showed tolerance to De Wet's rebellion. Elected leader of his party in 1915, he succeeded Smuts as Prime Minister in 1924, and was largely responsible for the abolition of the Union Jack as the S. African flag (1866-).

HERWARTH VON BITTENFELD, KARL EBERHARD, a Prussian general; came to the front during the war of liberation, and in 1864, as general, captured the Isle of Alsen, and two years later operated with great success at the head of the army in Saxony and Bohemia; during the Franco-German War he became governor of the Rhine provinces and a field-marshal (1796-1884).

HERZEN, ALEXANDER, a Russian political writer and revolutionary, born in Moscow; expelled from Russia in 1842; settled in England, and published periodicals and works forbidden in Russia but circulating widely there (1812-1870).

HEIODOTUS, one of the earliest Greek poets, born in Boeotia, lived in the 8th century B.C., chiefly at Orchomenos, probably of humble birth; of the works ascribed to him the principal were the "Works and Days," the "Theogony," and the "Shield of Hercules"; his poems treat of the quiet pursuits of ordinary life, the origin of the world, the gods and heroes, while those of Homer are occupied with the restless and active enterprises of the heroic age.

HESPERIDES, maidens of high degree appointed to guard the golden apples presented to Hera by Gaia on her marriage with Zeus, assisted in their office by the dragon Ladon; the apples were stolen by Hercules, but were afterwards restored by Athena.

HESTERUS, the personification of the evening star and an object of worship.

HEESSE, a state of Germany, lies partly in, and partly on the border of, SW. Prussia; consists of two large portions, divided by a strip of Hesse-Nassau, and 11 enclaves; half the land is under cultivation, and the greater part of what remains is covered with forest; its many rivers belong mostly to the Rhine system; corn is raised in large quantities; iron and manganese are found, and there are flourishing manufactures of leather, upholstery, tobacco, &c.; the legislative power is vested in two chambers; Mainz is the largest town, and Darmstadt the capital.

HEESSE-CASSEL, a government district in Hesse-Nassau (q.v.); as an electorate it sided with Austria in 1866, which brought about its incorporation with Prussia.

HEESSE-NASSAU, a province in the SW. of Germany, between the Rhine on the W. and Bavaria and Saxony on the E.; was formed in 1868 out of the electorate of Hesse-Cassel, duchy of Nassau, &c.; the country is hilly, abounds in minerals, which are extensively worked, but agriculture and cattle-rearing are the chief industries; the medicinal springs of Homburg, Wiesbaden, &c., are celebrated; Cassel is noted for its gold and silver ware; damasks and other textiles are produced at Fulda, and at Hanau are flourishing ironworks; Marburg has a fine university.

HESTIA, called Vesta by the Romans, the Greek goddess of the hearth, or rather the fire that burns in it, the guardian of domestic life, conceived of as a most sacred charge.

HEYCHASTS, a religious sect of the 14th century belonging to the Greek Church; consisted chiefly of a community of monks who dwelt at Mount Athos; they professed a kind of Quietism (q.v.), and were noted for their practice of sitting for hours daily with their eyes fixed upon the navel regarding the stomach as the seat of the soul; in this position they professed to see a divine light beaming out upon them, and to enjoy therein a specially intimate communion with God. See

SYRURIUS, a Greek grammarian of the 4th century, born in Alexandria; produced a Greek lexicon of real value.

Method used in wireless telegraphy for the of continuous wave signals, by

the production of beats between the incoming waves and the oscillations of the receiving set itself.

HEWART, RT. HON. GORDON, LORD, British politician and judge. He entered Parliament in 1913; was Solicitor-General from 1916 to 1919; he became Attorney-General that year, and held the post till he was made Lord Chief Justice in 1922 (1870-).

HEWLETT, MAURICE HENRY, novelist, born in Addington, Kent; held appointment in Civil Service; began literary career with "Earthwork out of Tuscany" in 1896, and followed with "The Forest Lovers," "Little Novels of Italy," "The Queen's Quair," "The Fool Errant," and other romantic historical novels (1861-1923).

HEXATEUCH, the name given to the first six books of the Bible.

HEKHAM, an interesting old town in Northumberland, prettily situated on the Tyne, 24 m. W. of Newcastle; has a fine cruciform abbey church, portions of which belong to the 12th century, and beautiful remains of a 7th-century monastery; the staple industries are glove and hat making; the river is spanned by a stone bridge of nine arches.

HEYLIN, PETER, English divine, born in Euford; graduated at Oxford, and in 1829 became chaplain-in-ordinary to Charles I.; was a zealous champion of the Church of England; forfeited his livings and property during the Puritan ascendancy, but was reinstated at the Restoration; he wrote a "Defence of the Church of England," "Life of Bishop Laud," &c. (1600-1662).

HEYNE, CHRISTIAN GOTTLIEB, a German classical scholar, born in Chemnitz, son of a poor weaver, and reared all alone almost on the verge of destitution; became eminent by his intense devotion to scholarship, both as a translator and editor of classical works, his edition of "Virgil" the chief in the latter department; Carlyle almost ranks him among his heroes, and ascribes superlative merit to his book on Virgil (1729-1812).

HEYSE, PAUL JOHANN, German poet and novelist, born in Berlin; in 1854 he settled at Munich, where he enjoyed the patronage of King Max of Bavaria; he was a voluminous writer of popular novelettes, novels, dramas, and narrative poems, besides which he executed translations of Leopardi, Alfieri, and other Italian authors (1830-1914).

HEYWOOD, a town of Lancashire, 9 m. N. of Manchester; owes its rapid growth to the neighbouring coalfields and the development of the cotton industry; has also flourishing iron and brass foundries and woollen factories.

HEYWOOD, JOHN, a dramatic poet, a favourite with Henry VIII. and his court; wrote farces, the characters of which were drawn from real life, presumably not hard to identify at the time (c. 1490-1580).

HEYWOOD, THOMAS, dramatist; prolific writer of plays and pageants, among them "The English Traveller," "Edward IV.," and "The Fair Maid of the West" (c. 1574-1650).

HEZEKIAH, a king of Judah; reigned from 725 to 697 B.C.; distinguished for his zeal in the celebration of the worship of Jehovah and for his weakness in making a parade of his wealth; reigned in the golden age of Hebrew prophecy, Isaiah and Micah being his contemporaries.

HIAWATHA, the subject of a poem by Longfellow; a personage revered by the North American Indians as the founder among them of the arts of peace, as well as the clearer of the forests.

HIBBERT LECTURES, unsectarian lectures instituted by the trustees of Robert Hibbert, a West India merchant, and devoted to the discussion of unsolved problems in theology.

HIBERNIA, the classical name for Ireland, which to the ancient world was in the main a *terra incognita*.

HICKS, ELIAS, an American preacher of the Quaker connection, who adopted Unitarian views and caused a split in the body (1748-1830).

HICKS-BEACH, SIR MICHAEL EDWARD, VISCOUNT ST. ALDWYN, born in London; educated at Eton and Oxford, and in 1864 entered Parliament; took office as Under-Secretary for Home Affairs under Disraeli, and in 1874 became Secretary for Ireland; four years later he was Lord Carnarvon's successor at the Colonial Office, Chancellor of the Exchequer

and Leader of the House of Commons in 1885, Secretary for Ireland in 1886, President of the Board of Trade in 1888, and in 1895, on the formation of a Coalition Ministry, again became Chancellor of the Exchequer (1887-1916).

HIERAPOLIS, (1) an ancient city of Syria Cyrrhestica, now in ruins, situated between Antioch and Mesopotamia, 14 m. W. of the Euphrates; had considerable commercial importance, and was famous for its great temple of Astarte. (2) A city of ancient Phrygia, 6 m. N. of Laodicea; the birthplace of Epictetus, and where Paul founded a church; was celebrated for its hot springs.

HIERO L., tyrant of Syracuse; broke the naval power of Etruria by victory over the Etruscan fleet near Cannae, 474 B.C.; was an enlightened patron of men of letters, many of whom he entertained at his court, *Æschylus*, *Pindar*, and *Simonides* among the number; d. 467 B.C.

HIERO II., king of Syracuse, or nearly half a century the steadfast friend and ally of the Romans; unlike his namesake, he disliked display, and was accustomed to appear in public in the garb of a common citizen; he ruled his country well; d. 216 B.C. at the age of 92 (308-216 B.C.).

HIEROGLYPHUS (sacred writing), the name by which the picture-writing of the ancient Egyptians was known to the Greeks and Romans; two forms of this ideographic written language are known, the *hieratic*, or cursive (employed by the priestly class), and the *demotic*, or popular, style; the discovery of the Rosetta stone (q.v.), with its trilingual inscription, gave the key to the decipherment of hieroglyphics and to their relation to the Roman alphabet.

HIERONYMUS. See **JEROME**.

HIGDEN, RALPH, author of the "Polychronicon"; was a Benedictine monk, who spent his long life in St. Werburgh's monastery, Chester; the work with which his name is associated is an account of the world down to the end of Edward III.'s reign, but the chronicle of the last 50 years is supposed to have been written by other hands; Caxton published a translation made by John Trevisa; d. about 1367.

HIGGINS, MATTHEW JAMES, essayist, wrote under the nom de plume of "Jacob Omnium"; born in Benown, Ireland; was educated at Eton and Oxford, and spent many years in European travel; his numerous papers, which appeared in the leading magazines and newspapers, were principally directed against social abuses, and are characterized by a humour and pungent irony not unlike his friend Thackeray's (1810-1868).

HIGGINSON, THOMAS WENTWORTH, an American author and abolitionist, born in Cambridge, Massachusetts; graduated at Harvard, and took orders, but resigned in 1853 to devote himself to politics in the anti-slavery interest; during the Civil War he commanded the first regiment of freed slaves; subsequently he resumed literary work, and in 1880 became a member of the Massachusetts Legislature; he wrote a "History of the United States," "Army Life in a Black Regiment" (1823-1911).

HIGH CHURCH, that section of the Episcopal Church in England who attach supreme importance to the administration of word and sacrament by clergy duly ordained, and regarded by them as such, the sole divinely appointed media of divine grace.

HIGH PLACES, elevated spots on which altars were erected for worship, in the crude belief that as they were nearer heaven than the plains and valleys they were more favourable places for prayer. The practice of worship on these spots, though from the first forbidden, became frequent among the Jews, and was with difficulty abolished, though denounced time after time by the prophets as an affront to Jehovah.

HIGH SEAS, as understood in international law, means the entire sea or ocean area which lies beyond a three-mile belt of coast water. This coastal strip is called the *mare clausum*, and the rights of fishing, &c., in it are reserved to the country upon which it borders.

HIGHGATE, a suburb of London, 5 m. N. of the General Post-Office; the burial-place of Coleridge, George Eliot, and Faraday; has

an important grammar school founded by Sir Roger Cholmsley in 1565. Dick Whittington's Stone is near the foot of Highgate Hill.

HILARION, ST., founder of monachism in Palestine; was a convert of St. Anthony, and of great repute for sanctity (291-372). Festival, Oct. 31.

HILARY, ST., bishop of Poitiers, of which he was a native; distinguished himself by his zeal against the Arians; his writings valuable in connection with that controversy; d. 367. Festival, Jan. 13.

HILDEBRAND. See **GREGORY VII.**

HILDESBERG, a town in Hanover, Prussia, on the Innerste, 24 m. SE. of Hannover; is a quaint old town, and has several ancient churches, notably a noble cathedral of the 11th century, with famous bronze gates; trades in corn, linen, &c.

HILL, REV. ROWLAND, a popular but eccentric preacher, born in Hawkeston, the son of a baronet, came under the influence of Whitefield and the Methodist movement, and while yet an undergraduate became an itinerant preacher; he took orders in 1774, but continued his open-air preaching till 1783, when he established himself in London, starting an unlicensed place of worship, although still remaining a communicant of the Church of England; he originated the first Sunday School in London, and was the author of several religious works, including a volume of hymns (1744-1838).

HILL, SIR ROWLAND, originator of the penny postage, born in Kidderminster; commenced life as a teacher and educationalist; interested himself in the colonization of South Australia, and held a post in connection with it; published in 1837 his pamphlet, "Post-Office Reform," and saw his scheme of uniform postage rate adopted three years after, though not till 1854 did he become secretary to the Postmaster-General or have full power and opportunity to carry out his views (1795-1879).

HILL, VISCOUNT, British general, born in Shropshire; entered the army at 16, served under Sir John Moore, and under the Duke of Wellington in the Peninsula and at Waterloo, where he commanded a division; succeeded Wellington in 1828 as commander-in-chief (1772-1842).

HILL 60, a low ridge 24 m. SE. of Ypres, captured by British troops in April, 1915, recaptured by the Germans in May, held by the British again for a time in June, 1917, and finally captured in September, 1918.

HILLEL, an eminent and influential Jewish rabbi, born in Babylon about 112 B.C.; devoted his life to the study of the Jewish law, formed a digest of it, and founded a school; was a good and wise man and teacher; died at a great age, 120 years old, it is said.

HIMALAYAS ("the abode of snow"), a stupendous mountain chain stretching 1500 m. along the northern frontier of India, and dividing that country from Tibet; forty-five of its peaks attain a greater height than those of any other mountain system in the world; Mount Everest, the loftiest, reaches 29,002 ft.; the best known pass is the *Karakoram Pass* (18,550 ft.), leading into Eastern Turkestan; there are few lakes, but amid the snowy heights rise the rivers Ganges, Indus and Brahmaputra; gold, iron, copper, and lead are wrought.

HINCKLEY, a town of Leicestershire, 13 m. W. of Leicester; has an interesting old parish church of Edward III.'s time; does trade in basketry, baskets, and boots.

HINO MAR, a famous Frankish churchman; was appointed archbishop of Rheims in which capacity he maintained an independent attitude towards the Papal See, and distinguished himself as a champion of ecclesiastical liberty (806-882).

HIND, JOHN RUSSELL, an eminent astronomer, born in Nottingham; at 17 he obtained a post in the Greenwich Observatory; subsequently became observer in Mr. Bishop's private observatory, Regent's Park, where his untiring assiduity was rewarded by the discovery of several new variable stars and 10 minor planets; he received various honours from societies; was President of the Royal Astronomical Society, and in 1862, was pensioned by Government; his works include "The Comets," and "The Solar System" (1823-1895).

HINDENBURG, PAUL VON, German general and President. He joined the Prussian army at the age of 18, served in the Austro-Prussian and Franco-Prussian wars, retiring in 1911. At the outbreak of the Great War in 1914 he was recalled, was put in charge of the campaign in East Prussia, and won the battle of Tannenberg; he tried to capture Warsaw, and beat the Russians at Kutno, and from 1916 to the end of the war he was in supreme command of the German forces on all fronts. In 1919 he again retired, but in 1925 he was elected President of the German Republic (1847-).

HINDENBURG LINE, a highly fortified line constructed by the Germans in France in 1916, running from Arras to Laon. It was to this line that the German army retreated after the battle of the Somme, and it was not until the summer of 1918 that the Allies smashed it.

HINDLEY, a manufacturing town in Lancashire, 3 m. SE. of Wigan; the staple industry is the manufacture of cotton; in the vicinity are large coal-mines.

HINDU KUSH, a lofty mountain range stretching 365 m. from the western extremity of the Himalayas, from which it is cut off by the valley of the Indus, into Afghanistan, which it divides from Turkestan; it attains an elevation of 23,000 ft.; is crossed by several passes, and is rich in minerals, especially iron; the tribes that inhabit it are chiefly Shinas and Dards.

HINDUISM, the name given to certain forms of religion among the Hindus, the characteristics of which are the worship of divinities exalted above the rest, and the highly concrete and intensely personal conception of these, which comes out in sundry accounts respecting them of a biographical nature, which divinities are identified either with Shiva or Vishnu, and their religions called Shivaite or Vishnuite.

HINDUSTAN, a name sometimes loosely applied to the entire Indian peninsula, but which, strictly speaking, embraces only the country of the upper valley of the Ganges, divided into NW. Provinces, Oude, and Behar; the language spoken is Hindi, a pure Sanskrit tongue, on which Hindustani is based, but with large Persian and Arabic admixtures.

HINDUSTANI, the official and common language of India, that spoken by Hindu Mohammedans being known as Urdu.

HINKLER, CAPT. BERT, Australian aviator. Born in Bundaberg, Queensland, he left school at 14, took to flying and came to England in 1914, and joined the R.N.A.S. In 1928 he carried out a lone flight to Australia in 15 days, covering 10,000 miles, a feat for which he was awarded the A.F.C. (1892-).

HINTON, JAMES, aurist and metaphysician, born in Reading; after taking his degree was for some time at sea and in Jamaica, but in 1850 established himself in London; specialising in ear-diseases, he rose to the top of his profession, becoming lecturer at Guy's Hospital; his leisure was earnestly devoted to philosophy, and gave fruit in "Man and his Dwelling-Place," "The Mystery of Pain," "Philosophy and Religion," &c. (1822-1875).

HIUEN-TSANG, a Chinese Buddhist, who in the 7th century traversed India collecting books bearing upon the creed and law of Buddhism, and spent his time after his return in translating them.

HIPPARCHUS, ancient Greek astronomer, born in Nicaea; flourished in the 2nd century B.C.; discovered among other things the precession of the equinoxes, determined the place of the equinox, and catalogued 1000 fixed stars.

HIPPLAS, tyrant of Athens, son of Pisistratus; expelled from Athens, applied to the Persians to reinstate him, and kindled the first Persian War with Greece; fell at Marathon, 490 B.C.

HIPPOCRATES, the father of medicine, born in Cos, 460 B.C.; was a contemporary of Socrates and Plato; was of widespread renown as a physician; settled in Thessaly and died at Larissa advanced in years; no fewer than 60 writings are ascribed to him, but only a few are genuine.

HIPPOCRENE (H. "the fountain of the horse"), a fountain on Mount Helicon, in Boeotia, sacred to the Muses, and said to have been caused by Pegasus (g.) striking the spot with his hoof.

HIPPODAMIA, in the legendary lore of Greece, was the beautiful daughter of Enomaus, king of Pisa, in Elis, and the pious Sterope; the oracle had foretold death to Enomaus on the occasion of his daughter's marriage, to prevent which the king had made it a condition that each suitor should run a chariot race with him, and that if defeated should be put to death; many had perished in the attempt to beat the king, till Pelops, by bribing Enomaus's charioteer, won the race; the king in a frenzy killed himself, and the kingdom and the fair Hippodamia passed to Pelops.

HIPPOTROME, a stadium of ancient Greece used for horse and chariot races.

HIPPOLYTE, queen of the Amazons, slain by Hercules in order to obtain and carry off her magic girdle.

HIPPOLYTUS, ST., bishop of Portus, near Rome; lived in the 3rd century A.D.; a lost work of his, "A Refutation of all the Heresies," was discovered at Mount Athos in 1842; his authorship of which Bunsen vindicated in "Hippolytus and his Age."

HIROHITO, emperor of Japan. Educated partly in England, he succeeded his father on the throne in 1926 (1901-).

HISPANIA, the ancient name of Spain and Portugal among the Latins.

HISPANIOLA. See HAITI.

HISSAR, (1) a district in the Punjab, India; for the most part sandy, yet in rainy years produces good crops of rice, barley, &c., and is noted for its white cattle; the capital, bearing the same name, is situated on the Western Jumna Canal, 102 m. W. of Delhi. (2) Also a district in Central Asia, a dependency of the Khan of Bokhara, lying N of the Oxus River, and separated from Bokhara by a branch of the Tian Shan Mountains; has a fertile soil, and exports corn, sheep, &c., to Bokhara.

HISTOLOGY, the science of tissues, vegetable and animal.

HITCHCOCK, EDWARD, American geologist, born in Massachusetts; reported on the geology of his native State, and on the agricultural schools of Europe; wrote "Elementary Geology" and the "Religion of Geology" (1793-1864).

HITCHEIN, a very old and still prosperous town of Hertfordshire, on the Hix, 14 m. NW. of Hertford; does a flourishing trade in corn, malt, and flour; brewing and straw-plaiting are important industries, and it has long been noted for its lavender and lavender water.

HITOPADESA (i.e. "good instruction"), a celebrated Sanskrit collection of fables, which in the substance of them have passed into all the civilised literatures of the world.

HITTITES, one of the original tribes of Canaan, and one of the most powerful, whose dominion extended at one time as far as the border of Egypt on the one hand and Mesopotamia on the other, and northward beyond the Taurus Mountains, traces of which have been discovered over all Asia Minor, while they were strong enough to engage in war with the Egyptians; they had two capitals, Kadesh on the Orontes and Carchemish on the Euphrates.

HITZIG, FERDINAND, a German Orientalist and Biblical scholar, born in Baden; devoted himself to Old Testament studies; was professor of Theology first at Zurich and then at Heidelberg; his principal works bore on Old Testament exegesis (1807-1875).

HOADLY, BENJAMIN, an English prelate, born in Kent; was a keen controversialist; argued stoutly in defence of civil and religious liberty, and was an opponent of the pretensions of the High Church party; held successively the bishoprics of Bangor, Hereford, Salisbury, and Winchester (1676-1761).

HOANG-HO ("Yellow River"), one of the chief rivers of China, rises in the plain of Ordos, south of the Kuen-Lin Mountains, and sweeps with impetuous current in a more or less north-easterly direction, discharging into the Gulf of Pechili after a course of 3000 m.; it is for the most part quite unnavigable, and its frequent floods are a constant menace to the districts through which it flows.

HOBART, capital of Tasmania, is situated on the estuary of the Derwent, at the base of Mount Wellington; is handsomely laid out in the form of a square; is the seat of government, and has

many fine public buildings; has a splendid natural harbour; the manufacture of flour, jam and leather, with brewing, shipbuilding, and iron-founding, are its chief industries; it has extensive suburbs, and is a favourite health resort.

HOBBART PASEA (Augustus Charles Hobart-Hampden), admiral in the Turkish navy; was a son of the Duke of Buckingham; distinguished himself in the British navy before he entered the Turkish service; had during the Russo-Turkish war in 1877 to withdraw from the service of Queen Victoria, and shortly afterwards died (1822-1886).

HOB BERA, MEINERT, a famous Dutch landscape-painter, born in Amsterdam; lived chiefly in his native town, and died in poverty; his fine, subdued pictures of woodland life and scenery are ranked amongst the masterpieces of Dutch landscape-painting, and are the valued possessions of the National Galleries in London, Berlin, Vienna, &c. (1638-1709).

HOBBS, THOMAS, an English philosopher, psychologist, and moralist, born in Malmesbury; was educated at Oxford; connected all his days with the Cavendish family, with members of which he travelled on the Continent, and was on friendly terms with Charles II., Bacon, and Descartes; translated Thucydides, wrote a number of works, "De Clive" among others, and the "Leviathan," all more or less leading up to the doctrine that the absolute sovereign power in all matters of right and wrong is vested in the State as the achieved fact of the emancipation of the race from savagery (1588-1679).

HOBBS, JOHN BERRY, British cricketer. Making his first appearance for Surrey in 1905, he speedily established his reputation as a batsman, and played for England in Australia and S. Africa as well as in Test matches at home. He was the first man to beat the record number of centuries compiled by W. G. Grace (v.v.) (1882-).

HOBHOUSE, JOHN CAM, BARON BROUGHTON, English politician, a friend of Byron; represented Nottingham and Norwich in Parliament in the Liberal interest, and held several ministerial appointments (1786-1869).

HOBOKEN, a city of New Jersey, on the Hudson River, adjoining Jersey City and opposite New York; is an important railway terminus and shipping-port; does a large trade in coal, lead-pencils, iron-casting, &c.

HOBSON, THOMAS, a Cambridge jobmaster, who let out horses on hire, the choice always limited to the one next the door, the one that had been longest in, hence the saying "Hobson's Choice"; was the subject of two humorous epitaphs by Milton.

HOCCEVE, or OCCEVE, THOMAS, an early English poet; had an appointment in the Eschequer Office in Henry V.'s time; his chief work is the "Government of Princes," but his poems have more linguistic than poetic interest; has left us an interesting portrait of his contemporary, Chaucer (1368-1448).

HOCHE, LAZARE, French general, born near Versailles; rose from the ranks to the command of the army of the Moselle; drove the Austrians out of Alsace, and suppressed the rising in La Vendée; while yet a sergeant bore a hand conspicuously at the overturn of the Bastille (1768-1797).

HOCKIRCH, a village in Saxony where Frederick the Great was defeated by the Austrian marshal Daun in 1758.

HOCKEY, a British winter game derived from Irish hurling. The Wimbledon club drew up rules in 1883, and the game is now played internationally, at the universities, schools, and a number of clubs throughout the country; the Hockey Association was formed in 1886, the first Oxford v. Cambridge game played in 1890, and a Women's Association formed in 1895, the year in which England first met Ireland. Popular as it is among players, the game attracts on the whole few spectators, and professionalism is barred.

HODGE, CHARLES, an American theologian, born in Philadelphia; graduated at Princeton, and in 1822 became professor in the Theological Seminary in Princeton, a post he held till the close of his life; besides founding and editing the *Princeton Review*, was the author of various commentaries, but is best

known by his "Systematic Theology," which is still a standard text-book (1797-1878).

HODGKINSON, EATON, a distinguished engineer, born in Anderton, near Norwich; was professor of Engineering in University College, London, became a leading authority on bridge construction, and carried through elaborate experiments testing the strength of iron girders; co-operated in planning the Britannia Tubular Bridge (1789-1861).

HODGSON, BRIAN HOUGHTON, Orientalist, born near Macclesfield; served in the East India Company, and was Resident in Nepal for more than 20 years; was a voluminous writer on Eastern ethnology, languages, and zoology, and his valuable collection of MSS. remains the chief source of our knowledge of northern Buddhism (1800-1895).

HODSON, MAJOR WILLIAM, a noted leader during the Indian Mutiny; joined the Indian Army in 1845, fought through the first Sikh War, and subsequently held a civil post in the Punjab; on the outbreak of the Mutiny he became head of the Intelligence Department, and won celebrity as the daring but wild leader of an irregular cavalry regiment known as Hodson's Horse; he took part in the siege of Delhi, and at Lucknow captured the Mogul Emperor; shot down with his own hand the young prince, and a few months later fell himself while storming a palace in the city (1821-1858).

HOF, a town of Bavaria, on the Saale, 40 m. N.E. of Baireuth; has flourishing textile factories, breweries, and iron-works; is associated with the early studies of Jean Paul Richter.

HOFFER, ANDREAS, Tyrolean patriot; was leader of the Tyrolese against the Bavarians and the French, and the emancipator thrice over of his country, but was eventually betrayed by his enemies into the hands of the French, condemned by court-martial at Mantua, and shot; his family were indemnified afterwards by the Emperor of Austria and his son ennobled (1787-1810).

HOFFMANN, AUGUST HEINRICH, poet and philologist, born in Fallersleben; studied literature and philology under the influence of the Grimms, and in 1835 was appointed professor of the German Language at Breslau, a post he forfeited seven years later by publishing "Lays" of somewhat radical tendencies; he led an unsettled life till 1860, when he became librarian to the Duke of Ratibor; his writings include "German Social Songs of the 16th and 17th Centuries," "German Philology," an "Autobiography" in six vols., lyrics, &c. (1798-1874).

HOFFMANN, AUGUST WILHELM, German chemist, professor at Berlin; his researches were mainly in connection with the aniline or coal-tar dyes; discovered a violet dye named after him; spent several years at the Royal College of Science, South Kensington; discoverer of allyl alcohol (1818-1892).

HOFFMANN, ERNST THEODORE WILHELM, a celebrated German writer, whose versatility displayed itself in numerous tales, sketches, art-criticism, &c., all bearing the impress of a strong, if wayward, intellect; born in Königsberg, was trained to the law, and entered the State service; his position at Warsaw was lost to him on the entry of the French troops in 1806, and for some years he supported himself by musical criticism in Leipzig, and as director of a Dresden opera company; in 1816 he was again in government service at Berlin, where he continued till his death; his writings are strongly characteristic of the romanticism of his time, while he himself was a witty, restless leader of the romantic life (1776-1822).

HOGARTH, WILLIAM, a famous English painter, caricaturist, and engraver, born in London; served his time as a silversmith's apprentice; studied painting, and began to support himself by engraving and etching; unsuccessful in his attempts at portrait-painting, he at length found his true vocation in depicting the follies and vices of his age; "A Harlot's Progress," a series of six pictures engraved by himself, appeared in 1731, and was soon followed by others of a like nature, including "A Rake's Progress," "Strolling Actresses dressing in a Barn," "Marriage à la Mode," "Idleness and Industry"; he also produced some indifferent

historical paintings; in 1757 he was appointed sergeant-painter to the King; in his own department Hogarth has never been equalled, and in the opinion of Sir Joshua Reynolds never will be; the deep moral purpose of his best pictures, made known throughout the country by abundant prints, must have helped not a little to reform the manners of his time (1697-1784).

HOGG, JAMES, a Scottish poet, born in Ettrick; had little or no schooling; was bred a shepherd; took to rhyming; fell in with Sir Walter Scott, whom he assisted with his "Border Minstrelsy"; rented a farm, and first came into notice by the publication of his poem, the "Queen's Wake"; he wrote in prose as well as poetry, with humour as well as no little graphic power; "was," says Carlyle, "a little red-skinned stiff sack of a body, with two little blue or grey eyes that sparkled, if not with thought, yet with animation; was a real product of nature" (1770-1835).

HOGG, QUINTIN, philanthropist and educational reformer. He was the founder in 1882 of the London Polytechnic (1845-1908).

HOGMANAY, Scotland's New Year's Eve festivities, when it was the custom to go from house to house asking in impromptu rhyme for cakes or money.

HOHENLANDEN, a village in Upper Bavaria, 50 m. E. of Munich, celebrated as the scene of a victory by the French under Moreau over the Austrians under Archduke John on December 8, 1800.

HOHENSTAUFENS, THE, the third dynasty of the Romanish kaisers, which held the imperial throne from 1138 to 1254, commencing with Frederick I. or Barbarossa, and ending with Conrad IV., five in all; derived their name from a castle on the Hohenstaufen Berg, by the left bank of the Danube, 80 m. below Stuttgart.

HOHENZOLLERNS, THE, the family which in 1415 became electors of Brandenburg, kings of Prussia, and at length emperors of Germany; derived their name from an old castle so called near the springs of the Danube, a little way north from Constance and its lake. In 1918, at the end of the Great War, Wilhelm II. abdicated and Germany became a republic.

HOKUSAI, Japanese artist, who was the first modern of his race to blend colour in native landscapes. Shortly before he died at the age of 89 he said, "If Fate had given me but five more years I should have been able to become a true painter"; but the verdict of posterity is that Hokusai does rank with the greatest painters of the world (1760-1849).

HOLBACH, BARON VON, a French philosopher born in Heideleheim, in the Palatinate, of wealthy parents; lived from youth all his days in Paris, kept a good table, and entertained all the "Encyclopédie" notabilities at his board; wrote "Système de la Nature," and was a materialist in philosophy and an atheist in religion, but a kind-hearted man (1723-1789).

HOLBEIN, HANS, a German painter, born in Augsburg, trained by his father, a painter of religious subjects; attracted the attention of Erasmus, who took a great interest in him and persuaded him to go to England, and introduced him to Sir Thomas More, who in turn introduced him to Henry VIII.; here under Henry's patronage he remained, executing numerous portraits of his courtiers, till his death of the plague; his "Last Supper" and "Dance of Death" are well known (1497-1543).

HOLBERG, LUDWIG, BARON, an eminent Danish author, born in Bergen, in Norway; graduated at Copenhagen, where, after travel, he became professor of Metaphysics; subsequently he held in turn the chairs of Eloquence and of History; he was an author of great versatility, excelling as a writer of satires, comedies, and as historian of Church and State; his autobiography is an interesting work, and many of his plays and other productions are among the accepted classics of Danish literature (1684-1741).

HOLBROFT, THOMAS, journalist, playwright, and political novelist, born in London; began life as an actor; wrote "Road to Ruin"; was charged with treason, but acquitted; left "Memoirs" (1744-1809).

HOLDEN, SIR ISAAC, inventor, born in Hurlet,

Renfrewshire; worked in a cotton-mill in Paisley, but betook himself to teaching, and in 1829, while a teacher of chemistry in Reading, discovered the principle of the lucifer match; turning to wool-combing as a means of livelihood, he became established near Paris, where he carried out elaborate experiments, which resulted in improvements in wool-combing machinery that brought him fame and fortune; in 1859 he transferred his works to the vicinity of Bradford; entered Parliament in 1865, and was created a baronet in 1893 (1807-1897).

HOLINSHED, RAPHAEL, English chronicler of the Elizabethan age; his "Chronicle," published in two vols. in 1577, supplied Shakespeare with materials for some of his historical plays; d. 1580.

HOLL, FRANCIS MONTAGUE, artist, born in Kentish Town, London; was highly distinguished as an art student, and at 23 won the travelling studentship of the Academy; came into notice first as a genre-painter, exhibiting pictures of a pathetic nature, such as "Want—the Pawnbroker's Shop," "Newgate—Committed for Trial," "Ordered to the Front," &c.; subsequently he won a wide celebrity as a portrait-painter, producing portraits of the Prince of Wales, Gladstone, and other distinguished personages (1845-1898).

HOLLAND, officially known as the Netherlands, a small maritime country of Western Europe, bordered on its N. and W. by the German Ocean, and having Prussia on its E. and Belgium to the S.; its area, somewhat less than one-fourth the size of England and Wales, comprises, besides the mainland, two island groups, one in the N. and one in the S.; its flat surface in great part lies below the level of the sea, and where there are no natural sandhills is protected from inundation by enormous dykes, 365 ft. thick, forming excellent carriage-ways along the coast; much of the soil has been reclaimed by draining lakes and by pushing back the sea walls, the size of the country having been increased by one-half since 1833; canals traverse the country in all directions, and form with the shallow lakes and the great rivers a complete system of waterways. The climate is for the most part similar to that of England, but greater extremes of heat and cold are experienced. Farming is the staple industry, although a considerable portion of the land is still unfit for cultivation; butter and cheese are the most valuable products, and are largely exported; the fisheries, coast and deep sea, are also of much importance; manufactures are retarded by the want of coal, but the wind is made to supply the motive power, by means of windmills, to flourishing textile factories (cotton, woollen, and silk), gin distilleries, pottery works, margarine and cocoa factories, &c. Holland no longer is the premier shipping country of Europe, a position it held in the 17th century, but it still maintains a busy carrying trade with all parts of the world, especially with its many rich colonies in the East and West Indies, which comprise an area 64 times larger than Holland itself. The government is a limited monarchy; the executive power is vested in the crown and the legislation in the States-General, an assembly consisting of two chambers, the one elected (for four years) by direct suffrage, the other (for nine years) by provincial councils. Primary education is free, but not compulsory. Religion is not established, but about two-thirds of the people are Protestants, the remainder Roman Catholics. The birth of Holland as an independent European power took place in the 16th century, when, after an arduous and protracted struggle, it freed itself from the yoke of Spain, then the most powerful nation in the world.

HOLLAND, HENRY RICHARD FOX VASSALL-HOLLAND, BARON, statesman, born in Wilts.; succeeded to the title in 1774; entered on a public career as a Whig under the patronage of his uncle Charles James Fox; held office under Grenville, Grey, and Melbourne; was imbued with a fine humanitarian spirit, and fought ably against the slave-trade and the corn-laws; his cultured literary taste is revealed in his writings, which embrace Spanish translations, lives of Guillen de Castro and Lope de Vega, Memoirs, &c. (1773-1840).

HOLLAND, SIR HENRY, physician and author, born in Knutsford, Cheshire; graduated at Edinburgh in 1811; spent some years in Eastern Europe, and finally settled in London; he rose to be physician-in-ordinary to the Prince Consort and the Queen, and in 1883 was created a baronet; wrote essays on various branches of medicine, physiology, psychology, besides "Recollections of Past Life" (1788-1878).

HOLLAND, NORTH, one of the eleven provinces of Holland; comprises the peninsula lying between the Zuider Zee and the North Sea. South Holland, also a province, in the German Ocean between Zealand and North Holland. These provinces form the most important part of the Netherlands, raise the best farm produce and cattle, and in their great ports, Amsterdam and Rotterdam, the bulk of the trade of Holland is carried on.

HOLLES, DENZIL, LORD, statesman, and one of the "five members," the son of the Earl of Clare, born in Houghton, Northamptonshire; entering Parliament in 1624, he joined the opposition against the king, and actively resisted the imposition of tonnage and poundage, for which he was heavily fined and imprisoned; subsequently he was one of the five members whom Charles attempted to arrest in 1642 on a charge of high-treason; his opposition to the maintenance of a standing Puritan army involved him in trouble, and he fled the country; after Cromwell's death he returned, was prominent in promoting the Restoration, received a peerage, and for some years was engaged in public duties, still remaining a staunch upholder of the rights of Parliament (1599-1680).

HOLLOWAY, a northern district of London, in Islington parish; contains a prison, built in 1800, now confined to women.

HOLLWEG, VON BETHMANN, German politician. As Chancellor of the German Empire from 1909 to 1917 he was one of the Kaiser's right-hand men. He made himself famous by the phrase "a scrap of paper," a phrase he applied to the treaty guaranteeing Belgium's neutrality which the British ambassador protested against Germany invading Belgium in August, 1914 (1856-1921).

HOLMES, OLIVER WENDELL, a celebrated American author, born, the son of a Congregational minister, in Cambridge, Massachusetts, and graduated in arts and medicine at Harvard; became professor of Anatomy and Physiology at Dartmouth College, but resigned and settled in Boston as a general practitioner; in 1847 he was elected to the chair of Anatomy in Harvard, a position he held till his resignation in 1882; a successful professor, it is as an essayist, novelist, and poet that he is remembered; the appearance of "The Autocrat at the Breakfast-Table," with its quaint humour, fresh thought, and charming egotism took literary America by storm; the "Professor" and the "Poet at the Breakfast-Table" followed in after years, and remain his most widely popular works; "Elsie Venner," a novel dealing with the problem of heredity, "The Guardian Angel," "Songs of Many Seasons," "Memoirs of Motley and of Emerson," are some of his many works, all of which, with his poems, have the impress of his bright, engaging personality (1809-1894).

HOLOFERNES, the Assyrian general whom the Jewish Judith, entering his camp as it invested her native place, slew with her own hand, bearing his head as a trophy back to the town.

HOLST, GUSTAV, British composer. Born and educated in Cheltenham, he has written two operas, "The Perfect Fool" and "At the Boar's Head," besides a number of hymns and songs (1874-).

HOLSTEIN, which with Sleswick forms the Prussian province of Sleswick-Holstein (q.v.), was till 1866 a duchy of Denmark, but in that year was annexed by Prussia, but part was returned in 1919 under the Treaty of Versailles.

HOLT, FRANCIS LUDLOW, legal and dramatic author. Matriculated at Christ Church, Oxford, in 1798. Barrister and editor. Wrote "The Land we Live in." His chief legal works were, "The Law of Libel," 1812, and "The Shipping and Navigation Laws," 1820 (1780-1844).

HOLT, SIR JOHN, English lawyer, born in Thame,

Oxfordshire; called to the bar in 1669; was a prominent counsel in the State trials of his age, and rose to be Lord Chief-Justice of the King's Bench under William III., an office whose duties he discharged with unflinching integrity and fairness (1642-1710).

HOLTZMANN, ADOLF, an eminent German philologist, born in Karlsruhe; gave himself to the study of theology and then of philology at various universities, and in 1858 became professor of the German Language and Literature at Heidelberg; author of various learned treatises on philology and kindred subjects (1810-1870).

HOLY ALLIANCE, an alliance of the sovereigns of Russia, Austria, and Prussia on the fall of Napoleon, professedly for conservative ends, but really for the suppression of political liberty and the maintenance of absolute power.

HOLY COAT OF TREVEES, a seamless coat alleged to have been deposited in the cathedral there by the Empress Helena, and to have been the one worn by Christ.

HOLY FAIR, a rural celebration of the Communion once common in Scotland, attended not only by the people of the parish, but by large numbers of strangers from far and near; described by Burns.

HOLY ISLAND, or LINDESFARNE, an islet of Northumberland, 1½ m. S.E. of Berwick; is separated from the mainland by a stretch of sand bare at low water, and some 3 m. broad; has interesting ruins of a Benedictine priory church where St. Cuthbert (q.v.) once ministered; there is a small village and fine old castle.

HOLY OFFICE, name given to the Inquisition (q.v.).

HOLY WARS, name given to the Crusades (q.v.).

HOLY WEEK, the week before Easter, so called as consecrated to the commemoration of the Passion of Christ in view of His death on the Cross.

HOLYHEAD, an important little seaport of Anglesey, North Wales, on the N. side of an island of the same name, 25 m. W. of Bangor; is the chief mail-packet station for Ireland, and has excellent harbours.

HOLYHEAD ISLAND, a rocky islet forming a part of Anglesey, from which it is separated by a narrow strait, dry at low water, and crossed by an arched causeway.

HOLYOAKE, GEORGE JACOB, an active propagandist of advanced social theories, born in Birmingham; lived a busy life as an agitator, lecturing and writing; he espoused the cause of Garibaldi, edited the *Reasoner*; was the last man to be imprisoned in England on a charge of atheism (1841); was a zealous supporter of co-operation and all movements making for the betterment of the social condition of the working-classes; his numerous works embrace a valuable "History of Co-operation in England," "The Limits of Atheism," "Sixty Years of an Agitator's Life," (1817-1906).

HOLYOKE, a city of Massachusetts, 8 m. N. of Springfield, on the Connecticut, whose rapid current supplies the water-power for the many large paper-mills, cotton and woollen factories.

HOLYROOD, an abbey founded at Edinburgh in 1128 by David I., and dedicated in honour of the Holy Cross, a casket of gold shaped like a cross brought to the country by St. Margaret in 1070; a palace was afterwards attached, which became the chief seat of the Scottish sovereigns of the Stuart dynasty; the parks around were at one time a sanctuary for debtors.

HOLYWELL, a market-town of Flintshire, has an elevated situation, 15 m. NW. of Chester; the principal industry is the smelting of lead, iron, copper, and zinc ores obtained from the surrounding mines; the famous well of St. Winifred (whence the name of the town) is over-built by a fine Perpendicular chapel.

HOMBURG, a fashionable watering-place in Hesse-Nassau, Prussia, beautifully situated at the base of the Taunus Mountains, 8 m. NW. of Frankfurt-on-the-Main; has fine chalybeate and saline springs.

HOME, DANIEL DUNGLAS, a noted spiritualist born near Edinburgh; became widely known as a "medium," was presented at Courts and to the Pope; was expelled from the Catholic Church for spiritualistic practices, and latterly became involved in a lawsuit with a Mrs. Lyon, who had bestowed

upon him \$60,000 and forced him to return it: he is supposed to have suggested to Browning his well-known poem "Sludge—the Medium"; wrote several books (1833-1886).

HOMER, JOHN, Scottish divine and dramatist, born in Leith; graduated at Edinburgh, and entered the Church in 1746; became minister at Athelstaneford, near Haddington, where he wrote the tragedies "Agis" and "Douglas"; the latter established his fame, but brought him into disgrace with the Presbytery, and he withdrew to England, becoming secretary to the Earl of Bute; his plays were produced by Garrick, and displaced the stiff and artificial tragedies of Addison, Johnson, &c.; besides his dramatic works and poems he published a "History of the Rebellion of 1745" (1722-1808).

HOME RULE, a form of local self-government, which as applied to Ireland was for long a bone of contention between Liberals and Conservatives. Gladstone introduced the first Home Rule Bill in 1886, and others followed in 1893, 1912, and 1913, all of which were defeated. In 1914 a Bill was passed, but was to remain inoperative till after the Great War, when extremists in southern Ireland refused to accept it and led their country into civil war till 1922 when the Irish Free State (q.v.) was established. Ulster remained a province of the United Kingdom with Home Rule.

HOMER, the great epic poet of Greece, and the greatest of all time; author of the "Iliad" and the "Odyssey"; for the honour of being the place of his birth seven Greek cities contended; is said, when old and blind, to have wandered from city to city rehearsing his verses, and to have lived 900 years before Christ, some time after the reign of Solomon; it is only modern criticism that has called in question his existence, and has ventured to argue that the poems ascribed to him are a mere collection of compositions of the early fabulous age of Greece, but the unity of the plan and the simplicity of the style of the poems go to condemn this theory in the regard of many Homeric scholars.

HOMILDON HILL, in Northumberland, 1 m. N.E. of Wooler; the scene of Hottspur's famous victory over the Scots under Earl Douglas, September 14, 1402.

HOMOEOPATHY, a method of treating diseases advocated by Hahnemann (q.v.) which professes to cure a disease by administering in small quantities medicines that would produce it in a healthy person.

HOMOIOTISIA, name given to the Semi-Arian doctrine that the Son is of like substance with the Father, in opposition to the orthodox doctrine called Homousia that He is of the same substance.

HOMOLOGUMENA, name given to the books of the New Testament accepted as canonical.

HONDURAS, a maritime republic of Central America, whose northern sea-board fronts the Gulf of Honduras in the Caribbean Sea, between Nicaragua on the S. and S.E. and Guatemala on the W., less than four-fifths the size of England; the coast lands are low and swampy, but the interior consists chiefly of elevated tableland diversified by broad, rich valleys; the Cordilleras traverse the country in a NW. direction, and form the watershed of many streams; fever prevails along the low, hot coast, but the highlands are cool and healthful; large numbers of cattle are raised, and fruits, india-rubber, indigo, &c., are exported, but agriculture is backward; its mineral wealth is very great; silver ore is abundant, and other minerals, such as gold, iron, copper, but the enterprise is wanting in the carrying out of mining on a proper scale; Honduras broke away from Spain in 1821, and became an independent State in 1839; the Government is vested in a President and six ministers, and the legislative power in a Congress of 37 members; the population is, with the exception of a few thousands, composed of blacks; Tegucigalpa is the capital.

HONDURAS, BRITISH, a Crown colony in Central America situated on the Caribbean Sea, and bounded on the north by Yucatan and on the west and south by Guatemala; it was originally called Belize, which is now only the name of its capital. The first settlers were buccaners and the first authentic report of them is in the account of a shipwreck in 1638. The chief exports are logwood and mahogany.

It has an area of 8600 sq. m. and a population of 45,000.

HONE, WILLIAM, miscellaneous writer and political satirist, born in Bath; threw up his position as a law clerk in London and started a print and book shop; became a busy contributor to newspapers, and involved himself in serious trouble by the freedom of his political parodies and satires; of his many squibs, satires, &c., mention may be made of "The Political House that Jack Built," "The Queen's Matrimonial Ladder," "The Political Showman," all illustrated by G. Cruikshank (q.v.) (1780-1842).

HONEYCOMB, WILL, a jaunty member of the "Spectator Club," an authority on fashions of the day.

HONFLEUR, a seaport of France, situated on the estuary of the Seine, opposite Havre; has a good harbour; exports dairy produce, cattle, &c.; has sugar refineries and tanworks.

HONG-KONG, an island lying off the mouth of the Canton River, South China; was ceded to Britain in 1842; is hilly and unproductive, but is well watered and tolerably healthy; it owes its great importance as a commercial centre to its favourable position, its magnificent harbour, and to its having been made a free port and the headquarters of the European banks; opium is the chief import, silk and tea the principal exports; Victoria, a handsome city on the N. side, is the capital and seat of the British governor.

HONITON, an ancient market-town of Devonshire, close to the Otter, 17 m. N.E. of Exeter; is famed for its pillow-lace, an industry introduced by some Flemish refugees in the 16th century.

HONOLULU, capital of the Hawaiian Islands (q.v.), situated on an arid strip of land on the S. side of Oahu; is nicely laid out after the manner of a European town, and has the only good harbour in the archipelago.

HONORIUS, the name of four Popes: H. I., the most famous, Pope from 625 to 638; H. II., Pope from 1124 to 1130; H. III., Pope from 1216 to 1227; and H. IV., Pope from 1286 to 1287.

HONORIUS, FLAVIUS, emperor of the West, born in Constantinople, son of Theodosius the Great, a weak ruler, and only able to resist the invasion of the Goths so long as Stilicho, his minister, lived, for after the murder of the latter by treacherous matters with him went from bad to worse, and he saw some of his finest provinces snatched from his grasp (384-423).

HONTHEIM, JOHANN NIKOLAUS VON, a German Catholic theologian, born in Trèves; distinguished for his bold assertion and subsequent retraction of a doctrine called Febronianism, from the *nom de plume* Febronius which he assumed, tending to the disavowment of the Papal authority in the Church (1701-1790).

HONTHORST, GERARD VAN, a Flemish painter, born in Utrecht, painted night and torchlight scenes; "Christ before Pilate" his best-known work (1590-1658).

HOOD, HORACE LAMBERT ALEXANDER, British admiral. A member of the famous naval family of Hoods, he entered the service at 13, saw service in the Nile in 1897, took charge of Osborne College, and in 1916 commanded the third battle-cruiser squadron at Jutland, going down on the *Invincible*, his flagship (1870-1916).

HOOD, ROBIN, a famous outlaw of the time of Edward II., who is assigned by some writers to Richard I.'s reign; of yeoman descent, though attempts have been made to identify him as the Earl of Huntingdon; he and his followers, all noted archers, roved the extensive forest of Sherwood between Nottingham and Yorkshire, winning popular favour by their attacks on the nobles and ecclesiastics who oppressed the poor.

HOOD, SAMUEL, VISCOUNT, a distinguished admiral, born in Thorncombe; entered the navy in 1740, and rising rapidly in his profession evinced high qualities as a leader; in 1782 he brilliantly outmanoeuvred De Grasse in the West Indies, and under Rodney played a conspicuous part in the destruction of the French fleet at the battle of Dominica, for which he was rewarded with an Irish

peerage; he defeated Fox in the celebrated Westminster election, became a Lord of the Admiralty, and as commander of the Mediterranean fleet during the revolutionary wars, captured the French fleet at Toulon and reduced Corsica; in 1796 he was created a viscount (1794-1816).

HOOD, THOMAS, poet and humorist, born in London; gave up business and engraving, to which he first applied himself, for letters, and commencing as a journalist, immortalized himself by the "Song of the Shirt," "The Bridge of Sighs," and his "Dream of Eugene Aram," edited the "Comic Annual," and wrote "Whims and Oddities" in all of which he displayed both wit and pathos (1798-1845).

HOOGHLY, or HUGLI, (1) the most important and most westerly of the several branches into which the Ganges divides on approaching the sea, breaks away from the main channel near Santipur, and flowing in a southerly direction past Calcutta, reaches the Bay of Bengal after a course of 145 m.; navigation is rendered hazardous by the accumulating and shifting silt; the "bore" rushes up with great rapidity, and attains a height of 7 ft. (2) A city on the western bank of the river, 25 m. N. of Calcutta; is capital of a district, and has a college for English and native literature.

HOOK, THEODORE EDWARD, comic dramatist, born in London; wrote a number of farces sparkling with wit and highly popular; appointed to be Accountant-General of the Mauritius, came to grief for peculation by a subordinate under his administration; isolated and supported himself after his acquittal by writing novels (1788-1841).

HOOKER, ROBERT, natural philosopher, born in Freshwater, Isle of Wight; was associated with Boyle in the construction of the air-pump, and in 1665 became professor of Geometry in Gresham College, London; was a man of remarkable inventiveness, and quick to deduce natural laws from meagre premises; thus he in some important points anticipated Newton's theory of gravitation, and foresaw the application of steam to machinery; he discovered amongst other things the balance-spring of watches, the anchor-escapement of clocks, the simplest theory of the arch, and made important improvements on the telescope, microscope, and quadrant (1635-1703).

HOOKER, RICHARD, English Church theologian and ecclesiastical writer, born in Exeter; famous as the author of "Ecclesiastical Polity," in defence of the Church against the Puritans, characterised by Stopford Brooke as "a stately work, and the first monument of splendid literary prose that we possess"; of this work Pope Clement VIII. said, "There are such seeds of eternity in it as will continue till the last fire shall devour all learning"; the author is distinguished by the surname of "The Judicious" for his calm wisdom; he was not judicious, it would seem, in the choice of a wife, who was a shrew and a scold (1554-1600).

HOOKER, SIR JOSEPH DALTON, naturalist and traveller; visited India, Syria, and Morocco, and was appointed director of Kew Gardens in 1866; published valuable works on the flora of India and other countries (1817-1911).

HOOKER, SIR WILLIAM, botanist, born in Norwich; was professor of Botany in Glasgow from 1820 to 1841, after which he held the post of Director of Kew Gardens; his writings in botany are numerous (1785-1865).

HOOLEE, in India, the name of a saturnial festival in honour of Krishna (q.v.).

HOOPER, JOHN, bred for the Church; was converted to Protestantism, and had to leave the country; returned on the accession of Edward VI. and was made Bishop of Gloucester; was committed to prison in the reign of Mary, condemned as a heretic, and burned at the stake in Gloucester (1495-1555).

HOOSAC MOUNTAIN, in the Green Mountain Range in Massachusetts, is noted for its railway tunnel, nearly 5 m. in length, and the longest in America.

HOOPER, HERBERT CLARK, American politician. His early years were spent as a mining engineer in Australia and China. In 1914 he became chairman of the American Relief Committee and later American Food Controller. Under Harding he was Secretary

of Commerce, and in 1928 was elected President of the U.S.A. as a Republican, defeating Al Smith (1874-).

HOPE, ANTHONY, *nom de plume* of Sir Anthony Hope Hawkins, novelist, born in London, educated at Oxford; called to the bar; author of "Men of Mark," "Prisoner of Zenda" and other novels (1863-).

HOPITAL, MICHEL DE L', Chancellor of France; stoutly resisted the persecution of the Protestants, and secured for them a measure of toleration, but his enemies were too strong for him; he was driven from power in 1568, and went into retirement, but was spared during the massacre of St. Bartholomew, but it broke his heart, and he survived it only a few days (1505-1572).

HOPKINS, SIR FREDERICK GOWLAND, British scientist; professor of biochemistry at Cambridge; carried out analytical work for the Home Office; awarded the Nobel Prize for medicine in 1929 for his researches in connection with vitamins (1861-).

HOPKINS, SAMUEL, an American divine, born in Waterbury, Connecticut; was pastor at Newport; was a Calvinist in theology, but of a special type, as he denied imputation and insisted on disinterested benevolence as the mark of a Christian; gave name to a party, Hopkinitians, as they were called, who held the same views (1721-1803).

HOPKINSON, FRANCIS, American poet, author of "Battle of Kings" (1737-1791).

HOPPNER, JOHN, English portrait painter; born in London; being appointed to the suite of the Prince Regent he became the fashionable painter of beauties of the day and eminent men; examples of his work are in the National Gallery (1758-1810).

HORATIUS. See **CURIATIUS**.

HORATIUS FLACCUS, or HORACE, Roman poet, born in Venusium, in Apulia; was educated at Rome and in Athens, and when there in his twenty-first year joined Marcus Brutus, became a military tribune, and fought at Philippi, after which he submitted to the conqueror and returned to Rome to find his estate forfeited; for a time afterwards he had to be content with a frugal life, but by-and-by he attracted the notice of Virgil and was introduced to Maecenas, who took him into his friendship and bestowed upon him a small farm, to which he retired and on which he lived in comfort for the rest of his life; his works, all in verse, consist of odes, satires, and epistles, and reveal an easy-going man of the world, of great practical sagacity and wise remark; they abound in happy phrases and quotable passages (65-8 B.C.).

HORMONES, the name given to the secretions of certain glands which pass into the body, each variety of hormone affecting particular organs in different parts of the body; their discovery had a great effect upon biological theory and followed from the work of Bayliss and Starling; particular attention has been paid to the hormones produced by the thyroid gland, a deficiency in which causes general underdevelopment and cretinism (q.v.). See **SECRETIN, ADRENALIN**.

HORN, CAPE, the most southern point of America, is a lofty, precipitous, and barren promontory of Hermit Island, in the Fuegian Archipelago.

HORNBLÉNDE, a silicate of iron and magnesia abundant in many igneous rocks; it is a black mineral of the amphibole group.

HORNBOOK, was a sheet of vellum or paper used in early times for teaching the rudiments of education, on which were inscribed the alphabet in black or Roman letters, some monosyllables, the Lord's Prayer, and the Roman numerals; this sheet was covered with a slice of transparent horn, and was still in use in George II.'s reign.

HORNE, HENRY SINCLAIR, LORD, British general. He joined the Royal Artillery, served in India and the Boer War, and in 1914 went to France in command of the Artillery, 1st Corps; in 1915 he took command of the second division, served in Gallipoli, and returning to France took command of the fifteenth corps at the battle of the Somme; was knighted that year, and for the rest of the war led that corps; in 1919 he was raised to the peerage 1861.

HORNE, SIR ROBERT, British politician. He entered Parliament in 1918, became Minister of Labour in 1919, President of the Board of Trade in 1920, and Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1921, retiring on the defeat of the Coalition in 1922 (1871-).

HORROCKS, JEREMIAH, a celebrated astronomer, born at Torteth, Liverpool; passed through Cambridge, took orders, and received the curacy of Hoole, Lancashire; was devoted to astronomy, and was the first to observe the transit of Venus, of which he gave an account in his treatise "Venus in Sole Visa" (1617-1641).

HORSE GUARDS, THE, a regiment of cavalry started in 1560, having its headquarters in Whitehall; also applied to the building in Whitehall, once the headquarters of the commander-in-chief of the British army, to signify the centre of military administration.

HORSE-POWER, the unit of power of an engine, being the power to raise 33,000 lbs. one foot in one minute. One horse-power is equivalent to 746 watts.

HORSHAM, a market-town of Sussex, 26 m. NW. of Brighton; has a fine specimen of an Early English church, and does a thriving trade in brewing and tanning. Christ's Hospital is in the neighbourhood.

HORLEY, SAMUEL, English prelate, born in London; celebrated as the champion of orthodoxy against the attacks of Priestley (q.v.), in which he showed great learning but much bitterness, which, however, brought him church preferment; was in succession bishop of St. Davids, Rochester, and St. Asaph (1733-1806).

HORUS, son of Osiris, in Egyptian mythology the sun-god, equivalent to the Greek Apollo.

HOSEA, a Hebrew prophet, a native of the northern kingdom of Israel, and a contemporary of Isaiah, the burden of whose prophecy was that Israel had by her idolatries and immoralities forsaken the Lord, and the Lord had forsaken Israel, in whom alone her salvation was to be found.

HOSHANGABAD, capital of a district of the same name in the Central Provinces, India, situated on the Nerbudda River, 40 m. SE. of Bhopal; is a military station, and has a considerable trade in cotton and grain.

HOSHARPUR, a town in the Punjab, at the base of the Siwalk Hills, 90 m. E. of Lahore; is capital of a district, and is the seat of an American religious mission.

HOSPITALIERS, the name given to several religious brotherhoods or orders of knights under vow to provide and care for the sick and wounded, originally in connection with pilgrimages and expeditions to Jerusalem.

HOSPODAR, a title once borne by the kings of Poland and the governors of Moldavia and Wallachia.

HOSTILIUS, TULLIUS, the third king of Rome, from 670 to 638 B.C.; showed more zeal for conquest than for the worship of the gods, who in the end smote him and his whole house with fire.

HOTCHKISS GUN, an early form of machine gun invented by an American, Benjamin Hotchkiss (1826-1885).

HOTTENTOTS, a name somewhat indiscriminately applied by the early Dutch to the first known inhabitants of the Cape of Good Hope, who, however, comprised two main tribes, the Khoikhoi and the Bushmen, in many respects dissimilar, but speaking languages characterised alike by harsh and clinking sounds, a circumstance which induced the incoming settlers to call them Hottentots, which means practically "jabberers"; the great majority are semi-civilised now, and servile imitators of their conquerors.

HOUDON, JEAN-ANTOINE, an eminent French sculptor, born of humble parentage in Versailles; at 20 he won the *prix de Rome*, and for 10 years studied with enthusiasm the early masters at Rome, where he produced his great statue of St. Bruno; he was elected in turn a member of the Academy and of the Institute, Paris, and in 1805 became professor at the Ecole des Beaux-Arts; he was unrivalled in portraiture, and executed statues of Rousseau, Voltaire, Diderot, Mirabeau, Washington, Napoleon, and others (1741-1828).

HOUGHTON, ALASON BIGELOW, American politician. After a successful business career he became

Ambassador in Berlin in 1922, and from 1925 to 1929 was in a similar capacity in London (1868-).

HOUGHTON, RICHARD MONCKTON MILNES, LORD, poet and patron of letters, born of good family at Fryton Hall, Pontefract; graduated at Cambridge; entered Parliament as a Conservative, but subsequently went over to the other side, and in 1863 was raised to the peerage by Palmerston; was a man of varied interests, a traveller, leader of society, philanthropist, and above all the friend and patron of authors; his works include various volumes of poetry. "Life of Keats." "Monographs Personal and Social." &c. (1809-1885).

HOUSLOW, a town of Middlesex, 10 m. SW. of London; before the days of railways it was an important porting town. In the vicinity are gunpowder mills, barracks, and the famous Hounslow Heath.

HOURL, a beautiful maiden who, according to the Mohammedan faith, awaits the advent of a pious Moslem in Paradise.

HOUSE, COL. E. M., American politician. After America's entry into the Great War in 1917 he came to Europe to consult with the Allies on the adoption of co-operative measures, and after the Armistice he acted as confidential adviser to President Wilson throughout the Peace Conference, a post in which he completely dominated the President (1858-).

HOUSEHOLD BRIGADE, a body of troops consisting of the Royal Horse Guards, the 1st and 2nd Life Guards, and the Grenadier, Coldstream, Scots, Irish, and Welch Guards.

HOUSMAN, ALFRED EDWARD, British poet. After a time in the civil service he became a professor at London, and later at Cambridge; in 1896 he produced his best-known volume of verse, "The Shropshire Lad" (1850-).

HOUSMAN, LAURENCE, British writer and artist. Brother of the preceding, he made his name first as an illustrator of poems, and produced his first successful book, "An Englishman's Love Letters," in 1900, which was followed by volumes of verse and fanciful novels (1865-).

HOUSTON, SAMUEL, President of the Texan Republic, born in Virginia; was adopted by a Cherokee Indian, and rose from the rank of a common soldier to be governor of Tennessee in 1827; as commander-in-chief in Texas he crushed the Mexicans, won the independence of Texas, and became the first President of the new republic in 1836; subsequently represented Texas in the United States Senate; was elected governor and deposed in 1861 for opposing secession (1793-1863).

HOUYENHNMS, an imaginary race of horses in "Gulliver's Travels" endowed with reason.

HOVEDEN, ROGER OF, chronicler, born in Howden, Yorkshire; held an appointment in Henry II.'s household; was engaged in various missions to the monastic houses, and in 1189 became an itinerant justice; his well-known Chronicle begins where Bede's ends, 732, and continues down to 1201.

HOWARD, CATHERINE, fifth wife of Henry VIII., granddaughter of the Duke of Norfolk; was married to Henry in 1540 after his divorce from Anne of Cleves; two years later she was found guilty of immoral conduct prior to her marriage, and was executed (1520-1542).

HOWARD, JOHN, a noted philanthropist, born in Hackney, Middlesex; was left in easy circumstances at his father's death; a bitter experience as a French prisoner of war and observations made whilst acting as sheriff of Bedfordshire roused him to attempt some reform of the abuses and misery of prison life; he made a tour of the county jails of England, and the mass of information which he laid before the House of Commons in 1774 brought about the first prison reforms; he continued his visitations from year to year to every part of the United Kingdom and to every quarter of the Continent; during 1785-1787 he made a tour of inspection through the principal lazarettos of Europe, visited plague-stricken cities, and voluntarily underwent the rigours of the quarantine system; he died at Kherson whilst on a journey to the East; he published at various times accounts of his journeys; his deep piety, cool sense, and single-hearted devotedness to his one great object

won him universal respect throughout Europe (1727-1790).

HOWE, JOHN, a Puritan divine, born in Loughborough; was educated at Oxford and Cambridge, took orders, and became the outpoken and universally respected chaplain to Cromwell; after the Restoration he was ejected from the Church by the Act of Uniformity; subsequently he was in turn domestic chaplain to Lord Massarene in Ireland, and pastor of a Dissenting congregation in London; for some years he settled in Utrecht, but in 1687 returned to England after the Declaration for Liberty of Conscience, and became a leader of the Dissenters; he published a number of works which display a powerful, philosophic, and earnest mind; his "The Good Man the Living Temple of God" remains a masterpiece of Puritan theology; he was a man of exceptional strength of character, and it was said that he could awe Cromwell into silence and Tillotson into tears (1630-1706).

HOWE, RICHARD, EARL, admiral, born in London, son of an Irish viscount; first saw service under Anson against the Spaniards; distinguished himself during the Seven Years' War; in 1783 became First Lord of the Admiralty, and was created an earl; during the French War in 1793 he commanded the Channel Fleet, and gained "the glorious first of June" victory off Ushant (1726-1799).

HOWELL, JAMES, an English writer, whose "Familiar Letters" have won a permanent place in English literature, born in Abernethy, Carmarthenshire; travelled for many years on the Continent in a business capacity; entered Parliament in 1627; was for some years a Royalist spy, and suffered imprisonment at the Fleet; at the Restoration he was created Historiographer-Royal; his works are numerous, but his fame rests upon his entertaining "Instructions for Foreign Travellers" and his graceful and witty "Familiar Letters" (1593-1666).

HOWELS, WILLIAM DEAN, a popular American novelist, the son of a Swedenborgian journalist, born in Martin's Ferry, Ohio; adopted journalism as a profession, produced a popular *Life of Lincoln*, and from 1861 to 1865 was Consul at Venice; resuming journalism he became a contributor to the best American papers and magazines, and was for a number of years editor of the *Atlantic Monthly*, *Harper's Magazine*, and the *Cosmopolitan*; an excellent journalist, poet, and critic, it is yet as a novelist—witty, graceful, and acute—that he is best known; "A Chance Acquaintance," "A Foregone Conclusion," "A Modern Instance," "An Indian Summer" are among his more popular works (1837-1920).

HOWITT, WILLIAM, a miscellaneous writer, who, with his equally talented wife, Mary Howitt (1799-1898) (née Botham), did much to popularise the rural life of England; born, a Quaker's son, in Heanor, Derbyshire; served his time as a carpenter, but soon drifted into literature, married in 1821, and made many tours in England and other lands for literary purposes; was a voluminous writer, pouring out histories, accounts of travel, tales, and poems; amongst these are "Rural Life in England," "Visits to Remarkable Places," "Homes and Haunts of the Poets," &c. (1792-1870). His wife, besides collaborating with him in such works as "Stories of English Life," "Ruined Abbeys of Great Britain," wrote poems, tales, &c., and was the first to translate the fairy-tales of Hans Andersen.

HOWRAH, or HAURA, a flourishing manufacturing town on the Hooghly, opposite Calcutta, with which it is connected by a floating bridge.

HOY, a steep, rocky islet in the Orkney group, about 1 m. S.W. of Mainland or Pomona, remarkable for its huge cliffs.

HOYLAKK, a rising watering-place in Cheshire, at the seaward end of Wirral Peninsula, 8 m. W. of Birkenhead; noted for its golf-links.

HOYLE, EDMOND, the inventor of whist, lived in London; wrote on games and taught whist; his "Short Treatise on Whist" appeared in 1742 (1672-1769).

HBOLF, ROLLO, Duke of Normandy (q.v.).

HUANCAYELICA, a dep. of Peru, lies within the region of the Cordilleras, has rich silver and quick-

silver mines; the capital, bearing the same name, is a mining town 150 m. S.E. of Lima.

HUBER, FRANÇOIS, naturalist, born in Geneva; although blind from youth he made a special study of the habits of bees, and recorded the results in his "Observations sur les Abeilles" (1750-1831).

HUBERT, ST., bishop of Liège and Maastricht, the patron-saint of huntmen; was converted when hunting on Good Friday by a milk-white stag appearing in the forest of Ardenne with a crucifix between its horns; generally represented in art as a hunter kneeling to a crucifix borne by a stag (656-728).

HUBERT DE BURGH, Earl of Kent, chief justiciary of England under King John and Henry III.; had charge of Prince Arthur, but refused to put him to death; was present at Runnymede at the signing of Magna Charta; d. 1234.

HUC, EVARISTE RÉGIS, a French missionary, born in Toulouse; visited China and Tibet, and wrote an account of his experiences on his return (1813-1860).

HUDDERSFIELD, a manufacturing town in the West Riding of Yorkshire, is favourably situated in a coal district on the Colne, 26 m. N.E. of Manchester; is substantially built, and is the northern centre of the "fancy trade" and woollen goods; cotton, silk, and machine factories and iron-founding are also carried on on a large scale.

HUDIBRAS, a satire by Samuel Butler (q.v.) on the Puritans, published in 1688, born of the reaction that set in after the Restoration.

HUDSON, in New York State, one of the most picturesque of North American rivers, rises amid the Adirondack Mountains, and from Glen's Fall flows S. to New York Bay, having a course of 350 m.; is navigable for steam-boats as far as Albany, 145 m. from its mouth. It has valuable fisheries.

HUDSON, GEORGE, the Railway King, a linen-draper and banker in York, the great speculator in the construction and extension of railways, in connection with which he made a huge fortune; acquired civic honours, and was nearly having a statue raised to his honour, but certain frauds being exposed he fell into disgrace and embarrassment, and died in London; he was elected thrice over Lord Mayor of York, and represented Sunderland in Parliament from 1845 to 1859 (1800-1871).

HUDSON, HENRY, English navigator; made three unsuccessful efforts to discover a north-east passage, then went north-westward, and reached the previously discovered river, strait, and bay which bear his name; his sailors in his last expedition in 1611 mutinying, set him and eight others adrift in an open boat, and though an expedition was sent in quest of him his exact fate was never ascertained.

HUDSON BAY, an inland sea in North America, 400 m. long and 100 m. wide, communicating with the Atlantic.

HUDSON BAY COMPANY, a joint-stock company founded in 1670 by Prince Rupert and his associates to obtain furs and skins from North America, under charter granted by Charles II., the possessions of which were in 1869 incorporated in the Dominion of Canada.

HUE, capital of the French protectorate Annam, on the Hué, 10 m. above its mouth; is strongly fortified with walls and a citadel.

HUELVA, a thriving seaport in Spain, 68 m. S.W. of Seville, between the mouths of the Odile and Tinto; fisheries and the exportations of copper, manganese, quicksilver, and wine are the chief industries.

HUERTA, GARCIA DE LA, a Spanish poet, was royal librarian in Madrid; wrote tragedy of "Raquel," thought of very highly (1730-1787).

HUESCA, an interesting old Spanish town, 58 m. N.E. of Saragossa; has picturesque old churches, a university, and a palace; manufactures linen and leather.

HUET, PIERRE DANIEL, a learned French prelate, born in Caen; a pupil of Descartes; associated with Bossuet as scholar, and editor of Origen (1630-1721).

HUG, LEONHARD, a Catholic theologian and Biblical scholar, author of an "Introduction to the New Testament" (1765-1846).

HUGGINS, SIR WILLIAM, British astronomer who built his own observatory at Tulse Hill in 1858; devoted himself to the application of the spectro-scope to astronomy; president of the British Association in 1891 (1824-1910).

HUGH CAPET, the first of the Capetian dynasty of France, son of Hugh Capet, Count of Paris; proclaimed king in 987; his reign was a troubled one by the revolt of the very party that had raised him to the throne, and who refused to own his supremacy; Adelbert, a count of Périgord, had usurped the titles of Count of Flanders and of Tournai, and the king, sending a messenger to ask "Who made you count?" got for answer the counter-challenge "Who made you king?" (946-996).

HUGHENDEN, a parish in Buckinghamshire, in the Chiltern district, 2 m. N. of High Wycombe; is interesting as the seat of Hughenden Manor, for many years the residence of Benjamin Disraeli, Earl of Beaconsfield.

HUGHES, DAVID, American scientist of British birth; inventor of the printing telegraph (1831-1900).

HUGHES, THOMAS, author of "Tom Brown's School-days," born in Uffington, Berks; was at Rugby in Dr. Arnold's time, graduated at Oxford, and was called to the bar in 1848; his famous story of Rugby school life, "Tom Brown's School-days," was published in 1856, and was followed by "Tom Brown at Oxford" and other stories and biographies; he entered Parliament in 1865, and in 1882 became a County Court Judge; throughout his life he was keenly interested in social questions and the betterment of the working-classes (1822-1896).

HUGHES, WILLIAM MORRIS, Australian politician. The son of a Welsh carpenter, he emigrated to Queensland at the age of 20, and first came into prominence by organising the Sydney dockers into a union. In 1894 he became a Labour member of the New South Wales legislature, and in 1904 Minister of External Affairs in Australia's first Labour government; he was again in office in 1908, 1910, and 1914, and in 1915 he became Prime Minister, attended the Peace Conference in 1918, and was defeated by Bruce (q.v.) in 1923 (1864-).

HUGO, VICTOR-MARIE, French poet and novelist, born in Besançon; as a boy he accompanied his father, a general in Joseph Bonaparte's army, through the campaigns in Italy and Spain; at 14 he produced a tragedy, and six years later appeared his "Odes et Ballades"; in 1827 was published his famous tragedy "Cromwell," which placed him at the head of the Romanticists, and in "Hernani" (1830) the departure from the old classic laws was more emphatically asserted; his superabundant genius continued to pour forth a quick succession of dramas, novels, essays, and poems, in which he revealed himself one of the most potent masters of the French language; he was admitted to the French Academy, and in 1845 was created a peer; he engaged in politics first as a Royalist and next as a Democrat, fled to Brussels after the coup d'état; subsequently he established himself in Jersey and then in Guernsey, where he wrote his great novels "Les Misérables," "Les Travailleurs de la Mer," &c.; he returned to France in 1870, engaged in politics again, became a senator, and continued to produce works with undiminished energy; his writings were in the first instance a protest against the self-restraint and coldness of the old classic models, but were as truly a faithful expression of his own intense and assertive egoism, and are characteristic of his school in their exaggerated sentiment and pervading self-consciousness (1802-1885).

HUGUENOTS, a name formerly given to the Protestants of France, presumed to be a corruption of the German word *hugonissen*, i.e. sworn confederates, the history of whom and their struggles and persecutions fills a large chapter in the history of France; their cause was espoused at the first by many of the nobles and the best families in the country, but throughout was in disfavour at Court.

HULL, or KINGSTON-UPON-HULL, a flourishing river-port in the E. Riding of Yorkshire, at the junction of the Hull with the Humber, 42 m. S.E. of York; is an old town, and has many interesting churches, statues, and public buildings; is the

third port of the kingdom; has immense docks, is the principal outlet for the woollen and cotton goods of the Midlands, and does a great trade with the Baltic and Germany; has flourishing ship-building yards, rope and canvas factories, sugar refineries, oil-mills, &c., and is an important centre of the east coast fisheries.

HULLAH, JOHN, professor of music, born in Worcester; did much to popularise music in England (1812-1884).

HUMANIST, one who at the Revival of Letters upheld the claims of classical learning in opposition to the supporters of the scholastic philosophy.

HUBERT L., king of Italy, son of Victor Emmanuel, whom he succeeded in 1878; took while crown prince an active part in the movement for Italian unity, and distinguished himself by his bravery (1844-1900).

HUMBOLDT, FRIEDRICH HEINRICH ALEX., BARON VON, great traveller and naturalist, born in Berlin; devoted his life to the study of nature in all its departments, travelling all over the Continent, and in 1800, with Aimé Bonpland (q.v.) for companion, visiting S. America, traversing the Orinoco, and surveying and mapping out in the course of five years Venezuela, Columbia, Ecuador, Peru, and Mexico, the results of which he published in his "Travels"; his chief work is the "Kosmos," or an account of the visible universe, in 4 vols., originally delivered as lectures in Paris in the winter of 1827-1828; he was a friend of Goethe, who held him in the highest esteem (1769-1859).

HUMBOLDT, KARL WILHELM, BARON VON, an eminent statesman and philologist, born in Potsdam, elder brother of the preceding; represented Prussia at Rome and Vienna, but devoted himself chiefly to literary and scientific pursuits; wrote on politics and aesthetics as well as philology, and corresponded with nearly all the literary grandees of Germany (1767-1835).

HUME, DAVID, philosopher and historian, born in Edinburgh, the younger son of a Berwickshire laird; after trial of law and mercantile life gave himself up to study and speculation; spent much of his life in France, and fraternised with the sceptical philosophers and encyclopaedists there; his chief works, "Treatise on Human Nature" (1739), "Essays" (1741-1742), "Principles of Morals" (1751), and "History of England" (1754-1761); his philosophy was sceptical to the last degree, but from the excess of it provoked a reaction in Germany, headed by Kant, which has yielded positive results; he found in life no connecting principle, no purpose, and had come to regard it as a restless, aimless heaving up and down, swaying to and fro on a waste ocean of blind sensations, without rational plot or counter-plot, God or devil, and had arrived at an absolutely non-possimus stage, which, however, as hinted, was followed by a speedy and steady rebound, in speculation at all events; Hume's history has been characterised by Stopford Brooke as clear in narrative and pure in style, but cold and out of sympathy with his subject, as well as inaccurate; personally, he was a gentleman and kindly man (1711-1776).

HUME, JOSEPH, a politician, born in Montrose; studied medicine, and served as a surgeon under the East India Company in India, made his fortune, and came home; adopted the political principles of Bentham and entered Parliament, of which he continued a prominent member till his death; he was an ardent reformer, and lived to see many of the measures he advocated crowned with success (1777-1855).

HUNDRED DAYS, the name given to the period between Napoleon's return from Elba and his abdication, from March 2 to June 22, 1815, after Waterloo.

HUNGARY, formerly part of Austro-Hungary including Hungary proper, Transylvania, Croatia, and Slavonia, and, except in military and diplomatic matters and customs dues, with a considerable amount of self-government independent of Austria. By the Peace of Versailles it was given its complete independence, but had to resign much of its territory to Rumania and Czecho-Slovakia. The capital is Buda-Pesth.

HUNS, THE, a horde of barbarians of Mongolian origin who invaded Europe from the shores of the Caspian Sea in two wars, the first in the 4th century, and the second in the 5th century, ultimately under Attila, when the main body of them was driven back and even dispersed; they have been described as a race with broad shoulders, flat noses, small black eyes buried in the head, and without beards.

HUNT, HOLMAN, painter, born in London; became a pupil of Rossetti, and "his greatest disciple," and joined the Pre-Raphaelite movement; he began with "worldly subjects," but soon quitted these "virtually for ever" under Rossetti's influence, and "rose into the spiritual passion which first expressed itself in his 'Light of the World,'" with this difference, as Ruskin points out, between him and his "forerunner," that whereas Rossetti treated the story of the New Testament as a mere thing of beauty, with Hunt, "when once his mind entirely fastened on it, it became . . . not merely a Reality, not merely the greatest of Realities, but the only Reality"; his principal works in this spirit are "The Scape-Goat," "The Finding of Christ in the Temple," "The Shadow of Death," and "The Triumph of the Innocents," to which we may add "The Strayed Sheep," remarkable as well for its vivid sunshine (1897-1910).

HUNT, LEIGH, essayist and poet; educated at Christ's Hospital, he was of the Cockney school, a friend of Keats and Shelley; edited the *Examiner*, a Radical organ; was a busy man but a thrifless, and always in financial embarrassment, though finally he had a fair pension; lived near Carlyle, who at one time saw a good deal of him, his household, and its disorderliness, an eyecore to Carlyle, who styled it a "poetical tinkering," in which, however, he received his visitors "in the spirit of a king, apologising for nothing"; Carlyle soon tired of him, though he was always ready to help him when in need (1784-1859).

HUNTER, JOHN, anatomist and surgeon, born near East Kilbride, North Ayrshire; started practice as a surgeon in London, became surgeon to St. George's Hospital, and at length surgeon to the king; was distinguished for his operations in the cure of aneurism; he built a museum, in which he collected an immense number of specimens illustrative of subjects of medical study, which, after his death, was purchased by Government (1728-1793).

HUNTER, SIR WILLIAM, Indian statistician, in the Indian Civil Service, and at the head of the Statistical Department; he wrote several statistical accounts, the "Gazetteer of India," and other elaborate works on India; with Lives of the Earl of Mayo and the Marquis of Dalhousie (1840-1900).

HUNTINGDON, the county town of Huntingdonshire, stands on the left bank of the Ouse 59 m. N. of London; has breweries, brickworks, and nurseries, and was the birthplace of Oliver Cromwell.

HUNTINGDON, COUNTESS OF, a leader among the Whitefield Methodists, and foundress of a college for the "Connexion" at Cheshunt (1707-1791).

HUNTINGDONSHIRE, an undulating county NE. of the Fen district, laid out for most part in pasture and dairy land; many Roman remains are to be found scattered about in it.

HUNYADI, JOHN CORVINUS, a Hungarian captain of the 15th century, a formidable foe of the Turks; (1395-1446).

HURD, RICHARD, English bishop in succession of Lichfield and Worcester; was both a religious writer and a critic; was the author of "Letters on Chivalry and Romance," "Dissertations on Poetry," and "Commentaries on Horace's Ars Poetica," the last much admired by Gibbon (1720-1806).

HURON, a lake in N. America, 263 m. long and 70 m. broad, the second largest on the average of the five on the Lawrence basin, interspersed with numerous islands.

HURONS, THE, a tribe of Red Indians of the Iroquois family, now extinct, who were outside the Iroquois confederacy; gave their name to the lake (above).

HURDISON, WILLIAM, an English statesman and financier; distinguished for his services when in office in the relaxation of restrictions on trade (1770-1830).

HUSS, JOHN, a Bohemian church reformer; was a

disciple of Wycliff, and did much to propagate his teaching, in consequence of which he was summoned in 1414 to answer for himself before the Council of Constance; went under safe-conduct from the emperor, but despite this was imprisoned; on his refusal to recant he was condemned to the stake and burnt (circ. 1370-1415).

HUSSEIN, IBN ALI, king of the Hedjaz, who in 1916 proclaimed the independence of Arabia and co-operated with the Allies in raising Arab troops to fight the Turks. In 1924 he abdicated after an unsuccessful war against the Sultan of Nadj.

HUSSEIN, KAMIL, Sultan of Egypt, who on the death of the Khedive in 1914 was made Sultan, and remained at the head of affairs till his death (1853-1917).

HUTCHESON, FRANCIS, moral philosopher, born in Ulster, son of a Presbyterian minister; educated in Glasgow; became professor in the university there and founder of the Scottish school of philosophy, who, according to Dr. Stirling, has not received the honour in that regard which is his due (1694-1747).

HUTCHINSON, ANNE, a religious fanatic, born in England, settled in New England, U.S.; expelled from the colony for Antinomian heresy, took refuge in Rhode Island, and was with her family butchered by the Indians (1590-1643).

HUTCHINSON, COLONEL, one of the Puritan leaders, and a prominent actor in the Puritan revolt, to the extent of signing the death-warrant of the king, but broke partnership as a republican with Cromwell when he assumed sovereign power, and sullenly refused to be reconciled to the Protector, though the latter begged him towards his end beseechingly as his old comrade in arms (1616-1604).

HUTCHINSON, JOHN, a theological faddist, born in Yorkshire; in his "Thoughts concerning Religion," derived all religion and philosophy from the Bible, but directly, as he insisted, from the original Hebrew, in which view he had a following of a few intelligent people (1647-1737).

HUTTEN, ULRICH VON, a zealous humanist and reformer, born in the castle of Steckelberg, in Hesse, of an ancient and noble family; allied himself as a scholar with Erasmus, and then with Luther as a man; entered heart and soul into the Reformation of the latter to a rupture with the former, and by his writings, which included invectives against the clergy and appeals to the nation, did much, amid many perils, to advance the cause of German emancipation from the thralldom of the Church (1488-1523).

HUTTON, CHARLES, a mathematician, born in Newcastle; became professor at the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich; wrote on mathematics and physics (1787-1823).

HUTTON, JAMES, celebrated geologist, born in Edinburgh; bred to medicine, but devoted himself to agriculture and chemistry, which led on to geology; was the author of the Plutonic theory of the earth, which ascribes the inequalities and other phenomena in the crust of it to the agency of the heat at the centre (1726-1797).

HUXLEY, JULIAN, British scientist, grandson of T. H. Huxley (q.v.); made important researches and wrote much on biological subjects; professor of zoology at King's College, London (1887-).

HUXLEY, THOMAS HENRY, eminent scientist in the department of natural history, born in Ealing, Middlesex; was professor in the Royal School of Mines, Royal College of Surgeons, and Royal Institution; distinguished by his studies and discoveries in different sections of the animal kingdom, in morphology and palaeontology; was a zealous advocate of evolution, in particular the views of Darwin, and a champion of science against the orthodoxy of the Church; he was a man of eminent literary ability as well as scientific, and was president of the British Association at Liverpool in 1870 (1825-1895).

HUYGENS, CHRISTIAN, a Dutch geometrician, physicist, and astronomer, born at the Hague; published the first scientific work on the calculation of probabilities, improved the telescope, developed the undulatory theory of light, discovered the fourth satellite of Saturn, invented the pendulum clock,

and stands as a physicist midway between Galileo and Newton (1622-1686).

HYDASPES, the ancient name of the Jhelum, the northernmost tributary of the Indus.

HYDE PARK, a public park in London, famous for its political gatherings. Originally the property of Westminster Abbey, it passed to the Crown in 1536 and was opened to the public in 1670.

HYDER ALI, a Mohammedan ruler of Mysore; raised himself to be commander-in-chief of the army; organised it on the French model; unseated the rajah; conquered Calicut, Bednur, and Kanakuru; waged war successfully against the English and the Marhattas, and left his kingdom to his son Tipu; Sahib (q.v.) (1728-1782).

HYDERABAD, the capital of the Nizam's dominions in the Deccan, is 6 m. in circumference, strongly protected all round by a belt of rocky desert, and a centre of Mohammedanism in India. Also the capital of Sind, near the apex of the delta of the Indus; manufactures silks, pottery, and lacquered ware, and is strongly fortified.

HYDRA, THE LERNEAN, a monstrous reptile inhabiting a marsh, with a number of heads, that grew on again as often as they were chopped off, and the destruction of which was one of the twelve labours of Hercules, an act symbolising the toil expended in draining the fens of the world for man's habitation.

HYDROCARBONS, substances composed entirely of hydrogen and carbon, including the families known as paraffins, olefins, acetylenes, and benzenes; important hydrocarbons are: marsh-gas, the constituents of paraffin oil, petrol, &c., and many waxes and greases.

HYDROGEN, an explosive gas, produced by the action of hydrochloric acid on many metals; combined with oxygen it forms water and is the essential element in the constitution of all acids; it is the lightest gas known and is therefore used for balloons and airships.

HYDROMETER, an instrument used for finding the specific gravity or density of liquids by noting the depth to which it sinks when floated in them.

HYGEIA, in the Greek mythology the Goddess of Health, and daughter of Æsculapius; is represented as a virgin in a long robe, with a cup in her hand and a serpent drinking out of it.

HYGROMETER, an instrument for determining the dampness of the atmosphere; the chemical hygrometer, which makes use of the fact that anhydrous calcium chloride absorbs water vapour, determines directly the quantity of moisture in a given volume of air; the most common form is Mason's or the wet and dry bulb thermometer; other forms are Daniell's and Regnault's.

HYMEN, in the Greek mythology the God of Marriage, son of Apollo, and one of the Muses, represented as a boy with wings; originally a nuptial song sung at the departure of the bride from her parental home.

HYMER, in Norse mythology a frost Jötun, whose cows are loebers; splits rocks with the glance of his eye.

HYMETTUS, a mountain in Attica, famous for its honey and marble.

HYNDMAN, HENRY MAYERS, British writer and economist. Educated at Cambridge, he became a journalist, reported the Austro-Prussian war, spent several years abroad, and returned to England an ardent Socialist. He founded the Social Democratic Federation and wrote several books on economics (1842-1921).

HYPATIA, a far-famed lady teacher of Greek philosophy in Alexandria, distinguished for her beauty and purity of life, who, one day in 415, on her return home from her lecture-room, was massacred in the streets of the city, at the instance of both Jews and Christians, as a propagator of paganism; is the subject of a novel by Charles Kingsley.

HYPERBOREANS, a people blooming in youth and health, fabled by the Greeks to dwell in the extreme northern parts of the world under favour of Apollo.

HYPERMETROPIA, or **LONGSIGHTEDNESS**, the inability to see near objects distinctly owing to the eye being too short; this defect is rectified by the use of a convex lens.

HYPERMNESTRA, the only one of the Danaides (q.v.) who spared the life of her husband in spite of her father's orders.

HYPNOTISM, the process of inducing sleep by wearying out the optic nerve of the eyes, by making the patient fix them upon a certain spot for a time, generally situated where it is a little wearisome for the eyes to find it. The fatigue thus induced spreads from the ocular muscles to the system, causing deep sleep.

HYPO, the chemical substance used in photography, commonly known as hyposulphite of soda; the correct name is thiosulphate of soda.

HYRCANIA, an ancient province of Persia, on the E. and S.E. of the Caspian Sea, celebrated for the savage animals that inhabited its forests, as well as the savagery of its inhabitants.

HYRCANUS, JOHN, the son of Simon Maccabæus, king of Judea, as well as High-Priest of the Jews from 135 to 105 B.C.; achieved the independence of his country from the Syrian yoke, extended the borders of it, and compelled the Edomites to accept the Jewish faith at the point of the sword; in the strife then rampant between the Sadducees (q.v.) and the Pharisees (q.v.) he sided with the former.

IACHIMO

IACHIMO, an arch-villain in Shakespeare's "Cymbeline," who attempts to violate the chastity of Imogen.

IACHUS, the son of Zeus and Demeter, and the solemn name of Bacchus in the Eleusinian Mysteries.

IAGO, a cool, selfish, malignant, subtle, evil-scheming knave in "Othello," the Moor's "ancient" or ensign, who poisoned his mind against Demondemo.

IAMBLICUS, a Neo-Platonic philosopher of the 4th century in the time of Constantine, who struggled, as it proved, in vain for the revival of Greek philosophy, in the hope of thereby stemming the advance of Christianity.

IAMBUS, a metrical foot, consisting of two syllables, of which the first is short and the second long, or in which the stress is on the second.

IAPETOS, in the Greek mythology a Titan, father of Atlas, Prometheus, and Epimetheus, and by the Greeks fabled to have been the ancestor of the human race.

IBÁÑEZ, VICENTE BLASCO, Spanish novelist. He began his career as an extreme Radical journalist, was imprisoned, and later went to the Argentine, where he started novel writing. To the end of his life he remained a foe of the royal family, and was an exile from his country. "Blood and Sand" and "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" are his best-known works (1867-1928).

IBERIA, the ancient and still poetic name of Spain, from the river Ebro, the Latin form of which was Iberus; anciently also a territory inhabited by an agricultural population between the Black Sea and the Caspian, now called Georgia.

IBIS, the Nile bird, regarded as an avatar of deity, and held sacred by the Egyptians; it did not breed in Egypt, and was supposed to be of mystic origin; it arrives in Egypt when the Nile begins to rise. Similar species are found in America.

IBN SAUD, king of the Hedjaz and Najd. At one time Sultan under Turkish rule, he first threw off the foreign yoke in 1913, and subsequently added to his dominions. From 1917 to 1923 the British Government subsidised him to the extent of £500,000, and in 1925 he further extended the boundaries of his country (1882-).

IBRAHIM BEY, chief of the Mamelukes of Egypt at the time of Bonaparte's expedition to Egypt in 1798 (1789-1816).

IBRAHIM PASHA, viceroy of Egypt, son and successor of Mehmet-Ali; appointed generalissimo of the Egyptian army, remodelled it after the French fashion; was leader of the Turks against the Greeks; gained several victories over them in 1828, but was obliged to retire; overran and conquered Syria from the Sultan, but was forced by the Powers to surrender his conquest and restore it; he was Viceroy of Egypt only for a single year, and died at Cairo (1789-1848).

IBSEN, HENRIK, Norwegian dramatist and poet, born in Skien, in Norway; bred to medicine; is author of a succession of plays of a new type, commencing with "Catharine," a poor attempt, followed by "The Doll's House," "Ghosts," "Pillars of Society," "Brand," and "Peer Gynt," besides others; his characters are vividly drawn as if from life; he was a psychologist, and his productions had all more or less a social bearing (1829-1906).

IBYOUS, a Greek lyric poet, who was murdered by robbers, and who appealed to a flock of cranes that flew past before he died to avenge his death; the birds proved the means by which the murderers were discovered.

ICARUS, son of Daedalus (q.v.), who, flying with his father from Crete on wax-fastened wings, soared so high that the sun melted the wax and he dropped into the sea, giving name to that part of it.

ICE AGES, four in number, occurred in the early Pleistocene period; they were separated by periods of milder climate; at its greatest phase the polar ice covered much of Northern Europe and North America, extending in this country as far south as

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the Thames; the earliest men appeared before the end of the last glacial age.

ICE BLINK, the name given to a white light seen on the horizon, due to reflection from a field of ice immediately beyond.

ICEBERGS, detached portions of glaciers which float into the sea. Found largely in the N. Atlantic in the Spring, they are a menace to shipping on account of the large proportion of a berg's mass which is hidden under the surface. One of them caused in 1912 the loss of the *Titanic*.

ICELAND, a volcanic island larger by a third than Scotland, lying just S. of the polar circle, between Greenland and Norway, distant 250 m. from the former and 500 from the latter; consists of a plateau 2000 ft. high, sometimes sloping to the sea, sometimes ending in sheer precipices, from which rise numerous snow-clad volcanoes, some, like Hecia, still active. The interior comprises lava and sand tracts and ice-fields, but outside these are river valleys and lake districts affording pasturage, and arable land capable of producing root crops. The climate is changeable, mild for the latitude, but somewhat colder than Scotland. There are few trees, and these small; cranberries grow among the heather, and Iceland moss is a plentiful article of food. The island exports sheep and ponies; the fisheries are important, including cod, seals, and whales; sulphur and coal are found; the hot springs are famous, especially the Great Geyser, near Hecia. Discovered by Irishmen and colonised by Norwegians in the 9th century, Iceland passed over to the Danes in 1386, who granted it home rule in 1893. The religion has been Protestant since 1550; its elementary education is excellent. Reykjavik is the capital; most of the population is scattered in isolated farms; stock-raising and fishing are the principal industries, with the manufacture of homespun for their own use.

ICENI, an ancient warlike British tribe of whom Boadicea (q.v.) was queen; inhabited Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridgeshire, and Huntingdon.

ICH DIEN (I serve), the motto of the Black Prince, being that of his mother, and since the 14th century that of the Princes of Wales.

ICHNEUMON, known as the Egyptian mongoose, an animal of the weasel tribe, worshipped in Egypt from its destroying the eggs of noxious reptiles, and of the crocodile in particular.

ICHOR, an ethereal fluid presumed to supply the place of blood in the veins of the Greek gods.

ICHTHYOSAURUS, an extinct reptile attaining to a length of 30 ft., which flourished in the seas in Mesozoic times; it had a fish-like structure and brought forth its young alive.

ICONTIUM, the capital of Lycania, in Asia Minor, a flourishing city in the time of St. Paul, who planted a church there, and of importance in the time of the Crusades; is now named Konlek.

ICONOCLASTS (i.e. breakers of images) the name given to a sect who, in the 8th century, opposed to the presence of images in churches and the worship paid to them, set about the demolition of them as savouring of idolatry, and even in 730 obtained a papal decree or condemnation of the practice; the enthusiasm died out in the next century, but the effect of it was felt in a controversy, which led to the separation of the Church of the East from that of the West.

ICTINUS, great Greek architect of the 5th century B.C., a contemporary of Pericles, designer of temples at Bassae and Eleusis, and joint-designer with Callicrates of the world's one perfect building, the Parthenon, at Athens (487 B.C.).

IDA, king of Bernicia, who united several Saxon and other settlements into one kingdom; became king in Northumbria in 547; died fighting against the Britons in 559.

IDA, the name of two mountains in the East, one in Crete, on which Zeus was brought up in a cave,

and one in Asia Minor, near Troy. "Woody Ida," the scene of the rape of Ganymedes and of the judgment of Paris, also a seat of Cybele worship.

IDAHO, one of the north-western States of the U.S.A., surrounded by Washington and Oregon in the W., Nevada and Utah in the S., Wyoming in the E., and Montana, from which it is separated by a branch of the Rocky Mountains, in the NE.; the short northern boundary touches Canada; the country is traversed by lofty mountain ranges cut up into deep river valleys and cañons, is extremely rugged in its northern parts, and chiefly useful for cattle-raising; there is a plateau in the centre, some arid prairie land in the S., and lake districts in the N. and in the SE.; grain farming is restricted to fringes along the river banks; the Snake River flows through the whole S.; silver, lead, gold, and copper mines are wrought successfully, and coal is found; the State was admitted to the Union in 1890; a fifth of the population are Mormons. Boise City is the capital.

IDDESLEIGH, EARL OF (Sir Stafford Northcote), Conservative financier and statesman, born in London of old Devonshire stock; educated at Oxford; became private secretary to Gladstone in 1842, and five years later was called to the bar; entering Parliament in 1856, he sat in succession for Dudley, for Stamford, and for North Devon; under Lord Derby he was Financial Secretary to the Treasury in 1859, and President of the Board of Trade in 1866; under Disraeli he was at the India Office in 1868, and Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1874; he succeeded Disraeli in the leadership of the Commons, and was raised to the peerage in 1885; was successively First Lord of the Treasury and Foreign Secretary under Lord Salisbury; in 1871 Gladstone appointed him Commissioner in the settlement of the Alabama claim; resigning from the Foreign Office in January, 1887, he died suddenly a few days later at the Prime Minister's residence (1818-1887).

IDEALISM, that view of the universe which, in opposition to Materialism (q.v.), reverses everything to and derives everything from a spiritual root; is Subjective if traced no further back than the ego, and Objective if traced back to the non-ego likewise, its counterpart, or other, in the objective world. Idealism in art is art more or less at work in the region of the ideal in comparative disregard of the actual.

IDELER, CHRISTIAN LUDWIG, a German astronomer, born in Prussia; an authority on chronology, on which he wrote a handbook, as also a work on the reckoning of time among the Chinese (1766-1846).

IDENTIAL NOTE, a term in diplomacy to denote terms agreed upon by two Powers to coerce a third.

IDES, the name given in the Roman calendar to certain days that divide the month; in March, May, July, and October they fall on the 15th, in the rest on the 13th.

IDOMENEUS, king of Crete, grandson of Minos and a hero of the Greeks in the war with Troy.

IDRIS, a giant, prince, and astronomer of Welsh tradition, whose rock-hewn chair on the summit of Cader Idris was supposed to mete out to the bard who spent a night upon it death, madness, or poetic inspiration.

IDUMEA. See **EDOM**.

IDUNA, a Scandinavian goddess who kept a box of golden apples which the gods tasted when they wished to renew their youth; she was carried off one day, but being sent by the gods came back changed into a falcon.

IDYLL, a poem in celebration of everyday life or life in everyday costume amid natural, often pastoral, even romantic, and at times tragic surroundings.

IDYLS OF THE KING, the title of Tennyson's collection of poems based on the Arthurian legend; while their substance is largely derived from Malory's history, in many respects they depart from tradition as recorded in French and Welsh romances, and must not be regarded as authoritative.

IF, an islet in the Gulf of Marcellis, with a castle built by Francis I., and afterwards used as a State prison; it was in this Château d'If that Monte Cristo, the hero of Dumas' great novel, was confined.

IGGDRAASIL, or YGGDRASIL, the Tree of Existence,

as conceived of by the Norse, and reflecting the Norse idea of the universe, "has its roots deep down in the kingdoms of Heia, or Death; its trunk reaches up heaven-high, and spreads its boughs over the whole universe. At the foot of it, in the Death-Kingdom, sit the Three Nornas (q.v.) watering its roots from the sacred Well."

IGNATIEFF, NICHOLAS, Russian general and diplomatist, born at St. Petersburg; was ambassador at Peking in 1859, and at Constantinople in 1864, and secured at both posts important concessions to Russia; he was a zealous Pan Slavist and anti-Semite, too much so to carry with him the support of the country (1852-1908).

IGNATIUS, FATHER, the name by which the Rev. Joseph Loyola was known; born in London, educated at St. Paul's School and Clonsimond, he commenced a movement to introduce monasticism into the Church of England, and built a monastery for monks and nuns at Llanthony Abbey near Abergavenny (1837-1908).

IGNATIUS, ST., surnamed Theophorus, an Apostolic Father of the Church, Bishop of Antioch; died a martyr at Rome about 115, by exposure to wild beasts in the amphitheatre; is represented in Christian art as accompanied by lions, or exposed to them chained; left epistles which, if genuine as we have them, establish prelatry as the order of government in the primitive Church, and lay especial stress on the twofold nature of Christ.

IGNATIUS LOYOLA. See **LOYOLA**.

IGNEOUS ROCKS, those rocks formed by the solidification of molten magma (a) at a great depth (*plutonic rocks*), e.g. granite, (b) in intrusions near the surface (*hypabyssal rocks*), (c) on the surface (*lava*). They are of variable composition and structure and classified according to the proportion of silica; the acid rocks, granite, and obsidians, have a large proportion, the basic rocks, gabbros, dolerites, and basalts, a small proportion; syenites, diorites, and porphyries are intermediate in composition.

IGNACIANTINES, a Jesuit association in the Roman Catholic Church founded in 1679, the object of which was to give instruction to poor children gratis, with the object of winning them over to the Catholic faith.

IGUANODON, an extinct dinosaur, a complete skeleton of which was found in 1878 in the lower cretaceous deposits of Belgium; of a length between 15 and 30 ft., it was herbivorous and somewhat lizard-like in form with a long and powerful tail.

IHRE, JOHAN, a learned Swedish philologist, born in Lund, of Scottish descent; was 40 years professor of Rhetoric and Political Economy at Upsala, and was the founder of Swedish philology (1707-1780).

ILE DE FRANCE, the province of France of which Paris is the capital; was also formerly the name of Mauritius.

ILE DU DIABLE. See **FRENCH GUIANA**.

ILFRACOMBE, a popular watering-place on the coast of N. Devon, in the Bristol Channel; once an important seaport.

ILIAD, the great epic poem of Homer, consisting of 24 books, the subject of which is the "wrath of Achilles," and the events which followed during the last year of the ten years' Trojan War, so called from **ILION**, one of the names of Troy. See **ILIUM**.

ILITHYA, the Greek goddess who presided over the travail of women at childbirth, promoting or retarding the birth as the Fates might ordain.

ILIUM, Troy (q.v.), so called from Ilios, the son of Troas, who founded the city.

ILLINOIS, one of the States of the U.S.A., as large as England and Wales; has the Mississippi for its western, the Ohio for its southern boundary, with Wisconsin and Lake Michigan in the N. and Indiana on the E.; fourth in population, seventeenth in area, "the Prairie State" is level, well watered, and extremely fertile; has a climate subject to extremes, but, except in the swamps, healthy. It produces enormous quantities of wheat, besides other cereals, with tobacco and temperate fruits. Flour-milling and pork-packing are the chief industries. The most extensive coal-deposits in America are in this State; with navigable rivers on its borders, and traversing it Lake Michigan, a great canal, and the largest railway system in the

Union, it is admirably situated for commercial development; originally acquired by Britain from the French, who entered it from Canada, it was ceded to the Americans in 1783, and admitted to the Union 1818; the State has a large and wealthy scientific and agricultural university at Urbana. Springfield is the capital; but Chicago is the largest city.

ILLUMINATI, an ecclesiastical order founded in Bavaria in 1776 with the object of opposing Jesuit teaching; it was suppressed by the rival order some eight years afterwards; the name has been applied to several secret organisations in France, Germany, and Spain during the 17th and 18th centuries, in the first-named country denoting a Republican fraternity with materialistic views.

ILLYRIA, the name anciently given to a broad stretch of mountainous country of varying extent lying E. of the Adriatic Sea. The Illyrians were the last Balkan people to be civilised; becoming a Roman province 35 B.C., Illyria furnished several emperors, among them the notorious Diocletian. The province was extended to include all the country S. of the Danube; at the division of the empire, Greece and Macedonia went to the East, the rest to the West; the name was revived by Napoleon, but has since been dropped.

ILUS, a legendary king of Troy, the grandson of Dardanus, and the legendary founder of Ilium.

IMAGE WORSHIP in the Christian Church is reverence, as distinct from the supreme adoration of the Deity, paid to the crucifix and to pictures, images, or statues of saints and martyrs, and understood really as offered through these to the persons whom they represent. The practice, unknown in apostolic or sub-apostolic times, was prevalent in the 4th century, provoked by its excesses a severe reaction in the 8th century, but carefully defined by the second Council of Nice (787), has continued since both in the Greek and Roman communion; there is still controversy as to its propriety in the Anglican Church; the Lutherans use the crucifix freely, but other Protestant Churches have entirely repudiated the practice. See **ICONOCLASTS**.

IMAM is the title of the officer who leads the devotions in Mohammedan mosques, and in Turkey conducts marriage and funeral services, as well as performs the ceremonies connected with circumcision; the office was filled and the title borne by Mohammed, hence it sometimes signifies head of the faith, and was so applied to the Sultan of Turkey; good Mohammedans believe in the future advent of an Imâm—the hidden Imâm—who shall be greater than the Prophet himself.

IMMAUS, a name the ancients gave to any large mountain chain in Asia, more particularly one bordering on India, or looking down upon it, as the home of the Arvans.

IMITATION OF CHRIST, a book of pious reflections, unique in its kind, and much esteemed by piously thoughtful people; ascribed to Thomas à Kempis (c. 15).

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, the doctrine held by the Roman Catholic Church that the Virgin Mary was conceived and born without taint of sin; first distinctly propounded in the 12th century, at which time a festival was introduced in celebration of it, it became matter of dispute in the 14th century, and it was only in 1854 that it became by a bull an article of the Catholic faith.

IMMERMANN, KARI LEBERECHE, German novelist and dramatist, born in Mardeburg; fought at Waterloo; entered the public service of Prussia and obtained an appointment at Düsseldorf, where he died; his fame rests upon his miscellaneous tales and satirical novels, such as "Münchhausen"; his dramas consisted of both tragedies and comedies (1796-1840).

IMMORTALITY, the doctrine of the continued existence of the soul of each individual after death, a doctrine the belief of which is, in one form or another, common to most religious systems, even to those which contemplate absorption in the Deity as the final goal of existence, as is evident from the prevalence in them of the doctrine of transmigration or reincarnation.

IMMORTALS, a regiment of 10,000 foot soldiers who

formed the body-guard of the ancient Persian kings; in modern times the name given to the 40 members of the French Academy.

IMOGEN, the daughter of Cymbeline, in Shakespeare's play of that name, a perfect female character, pronounced "the most tender and the most artless of all Shakespeare's women."

IMO'LA, a town in Italy, 10 m. N. of Faenza, with some fine palaces; manufactures leather, glass, and silk.

IMPANATION, a name employed to denote the union of the body of Christ with the bread of the Eucharist.

IMPEDANCE, the total resistance of a circuit to an alternating current, being the sum of the ohmic resistance and the reactance.

IMPERIAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, a college at South Kensington, London, connected with but separate from the University of London (q.v.); it was formed in 1907 by the incorporation of the Royal College of Science, the Royal School of Mines, and the City and Guilds Engineering College; many of the students read for the B.Sc. degree of London University.

IMPERIAL CONFERENCE, a meeting of the Prime Ministers of Great Britain and the self-governing dominions held every four years, the first taking place in 1911.

IMPERIAL INSTITUTE, South Kensington, founded by the exertions of the Prince of Wales in 1887 to commemorate Queen Victoria's jubilee, was opened by her in 1893; was intended to include a complete collection of the products of the British Empire, a grand commercial intelligence bureau, and a school of modern Oriental languages; the government to be carried on by a chartered body, whose form of constitution was granted by a royal warrant of date April 21, 1891; in 1902 it was transferred to the control of the Board of Trade, and in 1916 by an Act of Parliament was placed under the management of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, assisted by an executive council; its principal work is the promotion of inter-imperial trade in raw materials, by investigations, exhibitions, &c.

IMPERIAL PREFERENCE, the practice of imposing a preferential tariff on goods imported from within the Empire. Canada took 33½ per cent. off British goods in 1897, and the system now applies to most parts of the Empire, wine and tobacco, for example, coming into England at lower duties than those charged on foreign goods.

IMPETIGO, a cutaneous eruption, generally in clusters, of yellow-scaled pustules, which grow thicker and larger, common among children ill fed and ill cared for.

IMPEY, SIR ELLIAH, Indian judge, born in Hammer-smith; educated at Cambridge, and called to the bar in 1766; was sent out to Bengal as first Chief Justice in 1774; he supported Warren Hastings' administration, and presided over the court which sentenced Nuncomar to death for forgery; in the quarrel over Hastings' alleged malversation he decided in favour of the governor; was recalled and impeached for his conduct of the Nuncomar trial in 1783, but was honourably acquitted; resigning in 1789, he sat in Parliament for New Romney till 1796 (1732-1809).

IMPRESSIONISM, a term in painting that denotes the principle of a new school originating in France before 1870, and introduced into this country some 10 years later; it is a revolt against traditionalism in art, and aims at reproducing on canvas not what the mind knows or by close study observes to be in nature, but the "impression" which eye and mind gather. The influence of the movement has been felt both here and in Germany.

IMPRESSMENT, legalised enforcement of service in the British navy, which has for years been in abeyance.

IMPROPRIATION, the transference of the revenues of a benefice to a layman or lay body to be devoted to spiritual uses.

IMPULSE, a term used in mechanics for the product of a force and the time for which it acts.

IMPUTATION, the theological doctrine of the transference of guilt or merit from one to another who is descended naturally or spiritually from the same stock as the former, as of Adam's guilt to us by

nature or Christ's righteousness to us by faith; although in Scripture the term generally, if not always, denotes the reckoning to a man of the merit or the demerit involved in, not another's doings, but his own, as in a single act of faith or a single act of unbelief, the one viewed as allying him with all that is good, or as a proof of his essential goodness, and the other as allying him with all that is evil, or as a proof of his essential wickedness.

IN CENA DOMINI (i.e. in the Supper of the Lord), a papal bull promulgated in the Middle Ages, denouncing excommunication against all who dispute the claims of the Church, an edict the promulgation of which was felt on all hands to be intolerable; the promulgation has been discontinued since 1778.

INACCESSIBLE ISLAND, belongs to the Tristan D'Acunha group and is a mass of rock with a flat summit, almost square and about two miles long on each side. The highest point is 1840 ft. above the sea. It is the meeting place of myriads of penguins and other seaweal.

INACHOS, in Greek legend the first king of Argos, son of Oceanus and Tethys.

IN-AND-IN, a term applied to the breeding of animals from the same parentage.

INCA, a king or royal prince, originally a war-chief, of the ancient people of Peru.

INCADESCENT LIGHT, or **ELECTRIC LIGHT**, a light produced by a thin strip of a non-conducting body, such as carbon, in a vacuum raised to intense heat by an electric current.

INCARNATION, the humanisation of the Divine in the person of Christ, a doctrine vehemently opposed in the early times of the Church by both Jews and Gnostics, by the former as inconsistent with the greatness of God, and by the latter as inconsistent with the imbed depravity of man.

INCENSE, a fragrance which arises from the burning of certain aromatic gums in connection with sundry religious observances, particularly in the Roman Catholic Church, as an expression of praise presumably well pleasing to God; a practice which Protestants repudiate as without warrant in Scripture.

INCHEALL, ELIZABETH, actress, dramatist, and novelist, daughter of John Simpson, a Suffolk farmer; came to London at the age of 18, seeking a theatrical engagement; after some adventures she met Joseph Luchbald, an actor of no note, to whom she was married in 1772; shortly afterwards she made her debut as Cordelia at Bristol; after seven years in the provinces and nine in London, during which she failed to rise high in her profession, she turned to literature; she wrote and adapted many plays, but the works by which she is remembered are two novels, "A Simple Story" and "Nature and Art" (1783-1821).

INCHEALP, JAMES LYLE MAUKAY, EARL OF, chairman of the P. and O. Steam Navigation Co. from 1894; he also has banking interests; he spent much of his early life in India, and was raised to the peerage in 1911 (1852-).

INCHCOLM, an island in the Firth of Forth, near Aberdeen, on the Fife coast, so called as the residence of St. Columba when engaged in the conversion of the Northern Picts; has the remains of an abbey founded by Alexander I. in 1123.

INCHEWETH, an island in the Firth of Forth, in the county of Fife, 2½ m. N. of Leith, and about ½ m. long, has a lighthouse with a revolving light, and fortifications to protect the Forth.

INCHTATUS, the horse of Caligula (a.e.); had a house and a servant to itself, was fed from vessels of gold, admitted to the priesthood, and created a consul of Rome.

INCUNEDON, CHARLES BENJAMIN, a celebrated ballad-singer with a fine tenor voice, born in Cornwall (1768-1826).

INCOME TAX, was introduced by William Pitt in 1798 to pay for the war with France; it was revived by Peel in 1842, and has since been a regular and increasing source of national revenue. Its rate is graded to give some relief to married men with families, and rises proportionately as incomes increase in size.

INCREMENT, UNEARNED, an expression denoting

increase in the value of landed property due to increased demand and without any expenditure on the part of the proprietor.

INDEPENDENCE, DECLARATION OF, a declaration made July 4, 1776, by the North American States declaring their independence of Great Britain.

INDEPENDENCE, THE WAR OF, the name given to the struggle which the North American colonists maintained against the mother country, 1775-1783.

INDEPENDENCE DAY, a holiday observed throughout the United States annually on July 4 in celebration of the Declaration of Independence in 1776 that day.

INDEPENDENTS, or CONGREGATIONALISTS are a Protestant sect deriving both names from their principle of government; repudiating both Episcopacy and Presbyterianism, they hold that every congregation should manage its own affairs, and elect its own officers independent of all authority save that of Christ; they profess to derive all rules of faith and practice from the Scriptures, and are closely akin to Presbyterians in doctrine. Numerous as early as Queen Elizabeth's time, they suffered persecution then; many fled or were banished to Holland, whence the *Mayflower* conveyed the Pilgrim Fathers to New England in 1620. Regaining ascendancy under Cromwell, they again suffered at the Restoration; but political disabilities then imposed have gradually been removed, and now they are the most vigorous Dissenting body in England.

INDEX EXPURGATORIUS, a list of books issued by the Church of Rome, which, as hostile to her teaching, are placed under her ban, and are under penalties forbidden to be read. The first list published was by Pope Paul IV. in 1557, and in 1562 the Council of Trent appointed a committee whose special business it should be to draw up a complete list of obnoxious writings, a work which it fell to Paul IV. to finish after the sittings of the Council came to a close in an index issued in 1564.

INDIA, an Empire under British control, consisting of the great peninsula in the S. of Asia, which has the Bay of Bengal on the E. and the Arabian Sea on the W., and is separated from the mainland by the Hindu Kush and the Himalaya Mountains; politically the name includes besides the Punjab in the N. and Burma in the E.; the centre of the peninsula is a great plateau called the Deccan, between which and the snow-clad Himalayas stretch the great fertile basins of the Ganges, the Thar Desert, and the arid wastes of the Indus Valley; great varieties of climate are of course met with, but the temperature is prevalently high, and the monsoons of the Indian Ocean determine the regularity of the rainy season, which occurs from June to October; the country generally is insalubrious; the vegetation is correspondingly varied, but largely tropical; rice, cereal crops, sugar, and tobacco are generally grown; cotton in Bombay and the Central Provinces, opium in the Ganges Valley, Jute in Eastern Bengal, and indigo in Behar; coffee and tea are raised by Europeans in the hill country on virgin soil; the chief mineral deposits are extensive coalfields between the Ganges and the Godavari, the most valuable salt deposits in the world in the Punjab, and deposits of iron, the purist found anywhere, in many parts of the country, which, however, are wrought only by native methods; native manufactures are being largely superseded by European methods, and the young cotton-weaving industry flourishes well; the country is well populated on the whole, with a relative scarcity of big towns; the people belong to many different races, and speak languages representing four distinct stocks; the vast bulk of them are Brahmans or Hindus; there are many Mohammedans, Buddhists (in Burma), and Parsees (in Bombay); 2½ millions are Christians, and there are other religions; India has been subject to many conquests; the Aryan, Greek, and Mussulman invasions swept from the NW.; the Portuguese obtained a footing on the SW. coast in the 15th century; the victories of Plassey, 1757, and Seringapatam, 1799, established British rule throughout the whole peninsula, and the principle that native princes where they retained their thrones were vassals; Sind was won in 1843 and the Punjab

in 1849, and the powers of the East India Company transferred to the Queen in 1857, who was proclaimed Empress in 1877; the government is vested in a Viceroy, aided by an executive and a legislative council, in which there is native representation, under control, however, of a Secretary of State for India and council at home; there are governors and lieutenant-governors of the presidencies of Madras and Bombay, and of the various provinces; native States are all attached to and subject to the supervision of the government of a province; there is a native army of 146,000 men, and 74,000 European troops are maintained in the country; British rule has developed the resources of the country, advanced its civilization, and contributed to the welfare of the people.

INDIA. (1) The Imperial Order of the Crown of, founded in 1878, includes the King and certain royal princes, English and Indian, female relatives of the Viceroy, of the governors of Bombay and Madras, and others in high places in India; ribbon, light blue with white edges; (2) The Most Exalted Order of the Star of, founded in 1861 and since enlarged, with the Sovereign for head and the Viceroy as grandmaster, and three different grades, designed severally G.C.S.I., K.C.S.I. (Knight), and C.S.I. (Companion), a blue ribbon with white stripes being the badge; and (3) The Most Excellent Order of the Empire, founded in 1878 and enlarged five times since, with the King at the head, and a knight-hood similar to the preceding, their motto, "Imperatrix auspiciis"; ribbon, purple.

INDIAN CIVIL SERVICE, a service which, besides embracing the ordinary departments of civil administration, includes judicial, medical, territorial, and even military staff appointments, appointments dependent on the possession of regulated, more or less academic, qualifications.

INDIAN MUTINY, a wide-spread rebellion on the part chiefly of the Sepoys against British authority in 1857; it was suppressed by a strong force under Sir Colin Campbell in 1858.

INDIAN OCEAN is that stretch of sea between Africa on the W. and Australia, Java, and Sumatra on the E., which separates in the N. into the Arabian Sea and the Bay of Bengal; the monsoons, or trade-winds, blow here with great regularity; from April to October they are strong from the S.W., from October to April more gentle in the opposite direction; there are many islands and reefs of coral formation, such as the Maldivé group; St. Paul's and Mauritius are volcanic, while Madagascar and Ceylon are typical continental islands.

INDIAN TERRITORY, a stretch of country in the basin of the Arkansas, Canadian, and Red Rivers, with Kansas on the N., Arkansas on the E., Oklahoma Territory on the W., and separated by the Red River from Texas on the S., set apart for the occupation of the Indian tribes of the western prairies; formerly double its present size, it has been reduced by the purchase in 1890 of Oklahoma; in the centre and east are fertile plains and great forests of walnut and maple, in which deer and bears abound; the west is a treeless prairie supporting vast herds of cattle; mineral resources are probably rich, but are undeveloped; the principal tribes, Cherokees, Choctaws, Creeks, and Seminoles, have their own organisations and civilised institutions, churches, schools, banks, and newspapers, but for many years past the Territory has been invaded by white settlers; the towns are small, Tahlequah, Lehigh, and M'Allister are the chief.

INDIANA, one of the smaller but most populous States of the U.S.A., lies between Lake Michigan and the Ohio River, with Ohio on the E. and Illinois on the W.; the climate is marked by extremes of heat and cold; the country is somewhat hilly in the S., is mostly level, well watered, and very fertile; agriculture is the chief industry, cereals, potatoes, and tobacco forming the chief crops; there is great mineral wealth, with extensive and varied industries, embracing iron, glass, and textile manufactures, wagon-building, and furniture-making; petroleum wells are abundant, and in one part of the territory natural gas is found in great quantities. First occupied by the French, Indiana was acquired by Britain in 1763, ceded to America

1783, and admitted to the Union in 1816; education in the State university and schools is free; besides Indianapolis, the capital, the largest towns are Evansville, Fort Wayne, and Terre Haute.

INDIANAPOLIS, capital of Indiana, on the White Ford River, in the centre of the State; a fine city, with wide, tree-lined streets, large iron, brass, and textile manufactures, and canned-meat industry; is a great railroad centre.

INDIANS, AMERICAN, the aborigines of America, who are gradually dying out; these aborigines were called Indians by Columbus, because when he discovered America he thought that it was India. See **AMERICAN INDIANS.**

INDIA-RUBBER, CAOUTCHOUC, or GUM ELASTIC, is a product of the milky juices of several tropical and subtropical plants found in the West Indies, Central and South America, West Africa, and India; there is evidence that its properties were partially known to the Spaniards in the West Indies early in the 17th century; but its first introduction to this country was about 1770, when it was employed by artists for erasing black-lead pencil marks, hence its familiar name; it is collected by making incisions in the tree trunk and gathering the slowly exuding juice, which is first solidified by drying, then purified by boiling and washing; it is flexible and elastic, insoluble in water, and impenetrable to gases and fluids, and these qualities give it great commercial importance; the use of pure rubber has been greatly superseded by that of "vulcanised" rubber; mixed with from 1 to 4 of its weight of sulphur and combined by heat, the rubber acquires greater elasticity, is not hardened by cold or rendered viscid by heat, and is insoluble in many of the solvents of pure rubber; its usefulness is thus largely increased and greatly extended of late; the demand for rubber is in excess of the supply, but no substitute has been found effective; in recent years care has been bestowed on its economical collection and on its scientific culture. Artificial rubber has been made from coprene; the process was used during the Great War, but owing to its cost cannot compete commercially with the natural product.

INDICTION, a cycle of 15 years instituted by Constantine the Great, for fiscal purposes, which began on September 24, 312, the day of his victory over Maximian; to find the indiction of any year add 1 and divide by 15.

INDIGO, a blue dye obtained from plants grown in India and the East Indies; the large trade in this dye has been considerably reduced by the developments in the manufacture of coal-tar dyes.

INDIUM, a metallic element of rare occurrence, first discovered in zinc-blende in 1863.

INDIVIDUALISM, the name given to a social system which has respect to the rights of the individual as sovereign, and is strictly opposed to Socialism.

INDO-CHINA, called also the Eastern Peninsula or Farther India, the name given to the large peninsular territory which lies between the Bay of Bengal and the Chinese Sea, lying almost wholly within the Torrid Zone, and embracing the empires of Burma and Annam and the kingdom of Cambodia and Siam, as well as territories under Britain and France, all now mostly divided between the latter two and Siam; it is sparsely peopled owing to its mountainous character and the swampy lands, and the natives are mainly of the Mongolian type.

INDO-EUROPEAN, an epithet applied to a family of the human race with the languages of its several members descended from the Aryans, and found dispersed over an area including the greater part of Asia and Europe.

INDORE, (1) a native principality, in Central India, somewhat larger than Wales, embraces the Vindhya and Satpura Mountains, and is traversed by the Nerbudda River; there are great forests on the mountains; the valley of the river is fertile; wheat, sugar, cotton, tobacco, and large quantities of opium are raised; the climate is sultry, and at certain seasons unhealthy; the natives are chiefly Mahatta Hindus; among the hills are Bhils and Gonds, the wildest tribes of India; the State is governed by a Maharajah styled Holkar, under supervision of an agent of the Governor-General;

education is progressing. **Indora**, (2) on the Kuthi River, the capital, is a poor city of brick and mud; the palace and the British residency, however, are fine buildings; it is connected by rail with Bombay, distant 400 m. SW., and with Ajmere; it was the scene of a British massacre in 1857.

INDRA, the king of heaven and national god of the Aryans; gives victory to his people, and is always ready to aid them; he is pre-eminently a warlike god, and as he stands on his war-chariot, drawn by five fawn-coloured horses, he is in a sort the type of an Aryan chieftain; he is sometimes assisted by other gods, but he more frequently fights alone; he is the dispenser, moreover, of all good gifts, and the author and preserver of all living; his power extends over the heavens, and he holds the earth in the hollow of his hand; is the Siva of the Hindus.

INDUCTANCE, the effect on the current flowing in a coil caused by the magnetic field set up by the current (self-inductance) or by the current in a neighbouring coil (mutual inductance); the inductance of a coil adds to its resistance to an alternating current, such resistance being called the reactance; the unit of inductance is the *henry* (q.v.).

INDUCTION, the name given to the logical process by which from a study of particular instances we arrive at a general principle or law. The term is also applied to an electric or magnetic effect produced without direct contact and equal to the cause, being essentially its reproduction.

INDUCTION COIL, an apparatus consisting of two coaxial coils; through one (the primary) flows a continuous current which is interrupted several times per second by a "make-and-break" device, giving rise to an alternating current in the other coil (the secondary) of high voltage.

INDULGENCE, remission by Church authority of the guilt of a sin on the penitent confession of the sinner to a priest, which, according to Roman Catholic theology, the Church is enabled to dispense out of the inexhaustible treasury in reserve of the merits of Christ.

INDUS, a great river of India, 1800 m. long; rises in Tibet, on the N. of the Himalayas, flows NW. through Cashmere, then SW. through the Punjab and Sind to the sea; its upper course is through great gorges and very rapid, but after the entrance of the Kabul River its way lies through arid plains, and it is navigable; after receiving the five rivers of the Punjab—the Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi, Beas, and Sutlej—its volume decreases through evaporation and the sinking of some of the many streams into which it divides in the sand; on one of the branches of the delta stands the thriving port of Karachi.

INERT GASES, name given to the gases helium, neon, argon, krypton, xenon, and radon (or radon), which are found in small quantities in the atmosphere and form no compounds with other elements.

INERTIA, that property of a body in virtue of which it remains in a state of rest or of motion with constant velocity in a straight line, unless it is compelled to change that state by an external force; the idea of inertia is implicit in Newton's First Law of Motion.

INEZ DE CASTRO. See **CASTRO**.

INFALLIBILITY, freedom from all error in the past and from all possibility of error in the future, as claimed by the Church of Rome. This claim extends to all matters of faith, morals, and discipline in the Church, and is based on an interpretation of Matt. xvi. 18, xviii. 19; Eph. iv. 11-16 and other passages. It is held that the Church is incapable of embracing any false doctrine from whatever quarter suggested, and that she is guided by the Divine Spirit in actively opposing heresy, in teaching all necessary truth, and in deciding all relative matters of controversy. Infallibility is not claimed in connection with matters of fact, science, or general opinion. The seat of infallibility has been much disputed even in the Roman Catholic Church itself, and the infallibility of the Pope was only decreed so recently as the Vatican Council in 1870. It was always agreed that where the Pope and Bishops were unanimous they were infallible, and their unanimity might be expressed either in a general council or in a decree of a local council tacitly

accepted by the Pope and the rest of the Church, or even in a decree of the Pope alone if the bishops either expressly or tacitly affirmed it. But the Vatican Council decided "that when the Roman Pontiff speaks *ex cathedra*—that is, when he, using his office as pastor and doctor of all Christians, in virtue of his apostolic office, defines a doctrine of faith and morals to be held by the whole Church—he by the Divine assistance, promised to him by the blessed Peter, possesses that infallibility with which the Divine Redeemer was pleased to invest His Church in the definition of doctrine in faith or morals, and that therefore such definitions of the Roman Pontiff are irrefragable in their own nature and not because of the consent of the Church." The Greek Church puts forward a moderate claim to *inerrancy*, holding that as a matter of fact those councils which she regards as oecumenical have not erred in their decrees affecting faith and morals.

INFANTE, INFANTA, the titles given respectively to the royal princes and princesses of Spain and Portugal, corresponding to the mediæval title of "childe" and signifying a knight.

INFERI, the name given by the Latins to the nether world and the gods of it.

INFERNO, the hell of Dante, represented as included in nine circles, of which the first six, constituting the uppermost hell, are occupied by those who cannot govern themselves and have no mind to harm any one else, of which the seventh, constituting the mid-hell, is occupied by those who cannot govern their thoughts, and of which the eighth and ninth, constituting the nether hell, are occupied by those who have wilfully done harm to other people, those in the eighth in hot blood and those in the ninth or lowest in cold blood, the former in passion and the latter without passion, far down below the freezing-point. See Ruskin's "Fors Clavigera" for fuller particulars.

INFLECTION, the name given to the changes in the end of words to indicate relations, not so common in English—being usually expressed among us by prepositions—as in Latin, Greek, and other languages, but occurring in English as king's, mine, ours, to indicate possession; inflection in nouns is called declension, and in verbs conjugation.

INFLUENZA, an epidemic disease, closely resembles, but is quite distinct from, cold in the head. It is characterised by early and marked debility and depression; though usually of short duration, attacks must not be disregarded; fatal results often ensue on carelessness. Convalescence is slow, and complications may ensue. The cause of the malady is obscure; sporadic cases always occur, but from time to time great epidemics of this disease have travelled westward over the world. Their movement seems to depend on atmospheric conditions, but is independent of the season of the year and often contrary to the direction of the wind. One of the severest epidemics in Great Britain was in 1918.

INFRA RED RAYS, invisible heat rays of longer wave-length than the longest visible rays of the spectrum, the red; first observed by Herschel in the solar spectrum in 1800; glass is opaque to these rays.

INFRA LAPSIANS, those Calvinists who believe that election and predestination are subsequent to the Fall, while the Supralapsarians believe that the ordinations are as old as eternity.

INFUSORIA, a name given to certain classes of animalcula or protozoa engendered in stagnant water infused with decaying organic matter.

INGE, VERY REV. W. RALPH, English theologian and writer. He had a brilliant career at Cambridge, and in 1911 was made Dean of St. Paul's, favouring the modernist side in the Church, and gaining among the public the nickname "gloomy Dean" by reason of some of his pessimistic views; works on religion and philosophy have appeared from his pen (1860-).

INGELOW, JEAN, poetess and novelist, born in Boston, Lincolnshire, died at Kensington; her earliest work appeared anonymously, but a volume of verses under her name was successful in 1863; her poetry is chiefly religious and devotional; later she wrote for children; subsequently she turned

to novels, and produced besides several others. "Off the Skelligs" in 1872; she will be remembered for her ballad "High Tide on the Coast of Lincolnshire," and a song "Supper at the Mill" (1820-1897).

INGEMANN, BERNHARD SEVERIN, a Danish poet and novelist; in the latter regard took Scott for his model, his subjects being historical; was a man of varied literary ability (1780-1862).

INGLEBY, CLEMENT MANFIELD, Shakespearean scholar, born near Birmingham, passed from Cambridge, where he graduated in 1847, to practice as a solicitor, but abandoned law for literature in 1859; his early works were of a philosophical nature, but he is best known as the author of a long series of works on Shakespearean subjects, of which "The Shakespeare Fabrications" was the first, and "Shakespeare: the Man and the Book" the chief; he was a Vice-President of the Royal Society of Literature (1823-1896).

INGLIS, SIR JAMES, a Fifeshire gentleman, who in the reign of James IV. distinguished himself against the English and was knighted; author of "Complaint of Scotland" *d.* 1554.

INGLIS, SIR JOHN, English general; entered the army at 19, served in Canada in 1837; was sent to India, and distinguished himself in the Punjab in 1848; at the outbreak of the Mutiny was stationed at Lucknow, where he heroically defended the residency for 87 days till the relief of the city by Havelock and Outram (1814-1892).

INGLIS, SIR ROBERT HARRY, Conservative statesman, opposed every Liberal measure of the period, from that of Catholic Emancipation to the Abolition of the Corn Laws (1786-1855).

INGOLDSBY, THOMAS, the pseudonym of Rev. Richard Barham (q.v.), author of "Ingoldsby Legends," a collection of humorous tales in verse.

INGOLSTADT, a Bavarian town and fortress on the Danube, 60 m. N. of Munich, has many ancient associations; once the seat of a university; its manufactures now are beer, cannon, gunpowder; salt is mined in the vicinity.

INGRAHAM, JOSEPH HOLT, author of "The Prince of the House of David," born in Portland, Maine; after some years spent at sea, became a teacher of languages in Mississippi, and was ordained Episcopal clergyman in 1855; prior to his ordination he wrote stories of adventure, "Captain Kyd," &c., but subsequently confined himself to Biblical subjects (1800-1860).

INGRAM, RT. REV. ARTHUR FOLEY WINNINGTON, English cleric and theologian. Serving first as chaplain to the Bishop of Lichfield, he became rector of Bethnal Green in 1895, a canon of St. Paul's in 1897, and Bishop of London in 1901; from his early days he was actively associated with the High Church party (1858-).

INGRES, JEAN DOMINIQUE AUGUSTE, a great French painter, born in Montauban; studied in Paris; in 1806 went to Rome, and 14 years after to Florence, but became professor of Fine Arts at the Academy in Paris in 1824; wounded by hostile criticisms, he left Paris for Rome again in 1834, where he became Director of the French Academy in Rome; in 1841 he returned to Paris, where he died; he followed his master David in his choice of classical subjects, but his work met with varied reception, now favourable, now the reverse; the "Portrait of Cherubini," and other pictures, however, won for him great admiration in his later days; he was made a Grand Officer of the Legion of Honour (1781-1867).

INGULPH, abbot of Croyland, long credited with the authorship of a history of the monastery, which has since been proved to be a fabrication of a later date, of probably the 13th or 14th century; he was appointed abbot in 1086; *d.* 1109.

INKERMANN, a small Tartar village E. of Sebastopol harbour; the scene of a battle between the Russians and allied forces, to the defeat of the former after a prolonged struggle on November 5, 1854.

INNER TEMPLE. See **INNS OF COURT**.

INNES, COSMO, lawyer and antiquary, born in Durris,

Antiquities," and "Sketches of Early Scotch History" (1798-1874).

INNES, THOMAS (Father Innes), Scottish historian, born in Aberdeenshire, educated at Paris; became a priest in 1692; after three years' service in Banffshire he returned to Paris, where he held a scholastic appointment till his death; in politics a Jacobite, in religious matters he had leanings to the Jansenist heresy; a diligent student of Scottish history, he produced the earliest scientific Scotch-historical works; his "Critical Essay on the Ancient Inhabitants of Scotland" and "Civil and Ecclesiastical History of Scotland" (unfinished), display honesty and penetration (1662-1744).

INNISFAHL (Innis Fodhla, Isle of destiny), an ancient name of Ireland.

INNOCENT, the name of 18 Popes: Innocent I., Pope from 402 to 417; Innocent II., Pope from 1180 to 1143; Innocent III., Pope from 1198 to 1216; Innocent IV., Pope from 1243 to 1254; Innocent V., Pope in 1276; Innocent VI., Pope from 1352 to 1362, resided at Avignon; Innocent VII., Pope from 1404 to 1406; Innocent VIII., Pope from 1484 to 1492; Innocent IX., Pope in 1591; Innocent X., Pope from 1644 to 1655, condemned Jansenism; Innocent XI., Pope from 1676 to 1689; Innocent XII., Pope from 1691 to 1700; Innocent XIII., Pope from 1721 to 1724; of these there were two of note.

INNOCENT III., the greatest of the name, born in Arragon; succeeded Celestine III.; extended the territorial power of the Church, and made nearly all Christendom subject to its sway, essayed the recovery of Palestine, and promoted a crusade against the Albigenses; excommunicated Otto IV., emperor of Germany; put England under an interdict, and deposed King John; was zealous for the purity as well as supremacy of the Church, and countenanced every movement that contributed to enhance its influence and stereotype its beliefs as well as its forms of worship, transubstantiation among the one and sacrilegious confession among the other; though harsh, and even cruel, to those whom he conceived to be the enemies of the faith, he was personally a man of blameless life, and did much to reform the morals of the clergy (*circ.* 1160-1216).

INNOCENT XI., succeeded Clement X., is celebrated for his contest with Louis XIV., and as giving occasion thereby to a protest of the Gallican clergy, and a declaration on their part of what is known as the Gallican Liberties (q.v.), and for a further contest he had with Louis in regard to certain immunities claimed, to the scandal of the Church, by foreign ambassadors residing in Rome, an interference which Louis resented on behalf of his representatives among them, but, as it happened, in vain (1611-1689).

INNOCENTS, THE HOLY FEAST OF, a festival celebrated in the Western Church on December 28 and in the Eastern on the 29th, to commemorate the slaughter by Herod of the children at Bethlehem from two years old and under, who have from the earliest times been included among the holy martyrs of the Church.

INNS OF COURT, are four voluntary societies—Lincoln's Inn, the Inner and the Middle Temple, and Gray's Inn—with whom rests the exclusive right to call men to the English bar; they provide lectures and hold examinations in law, and they have discretionary powers to refuse admission to the bar or to expel and disqualify persons of unsuitable character from it; each Inn possesses considerable property, a dining-hall, library, and chapel, and is subject to the jurisdiction of a self-elective body of Benchers, who are usually judges or senior counsel; these societies originated in the 13th century, when the practice of law passed out of the hands of the clergy.

INNSBRUCK, on the Inn, at the head of the Brenner Pass, 100 m. S. of Munich; is the capital of the Austrian Tyrol, an ancient and beautiful town, rich in art treasures, with a university and manufactures of woollen cloth, glass ware, and stained glass.

INO, the daughter of Cadmus and Harmonia, the wife of Athamas, king of Thebes, who was changed into a sea-deity as she fled for refuge from her husband, who had gone raving mad and sought her life.

INOCULATION is the introduction of disease germs into the system, usually by puncture of the skin or hypodermic injection; many diseases so introduced assume a mild form, and render the subject not liable to the severe form. Inoculation for smallpox, the virus being taken from actual smallpox pustules, was practised by the ancient Brahmins and by the Chinese 800 years before Christ, and its practice continued in the East. It was introduced to this country from Turkey in 1717, and extensively practised until superseded by Jenner's discovery of vaccination at the end of the century, and finally prohibited by law in 1840. Inoculation has been found successful in the prevention of other diseases, notably anthrax, hydrophobia, malaria, and typhoid.

INQUISITION, an ecclesiastical tribunal established by the Roman Catholic Church in 1232 by Pope Gregory IX., and re-organised in 1248 under Pope Innocent IV., and set up successively in Italy, Spain, Germany, and the S. of France, for the trial and punishment of heretics; the Inquisition established in Spain achieved the greatest notoriety from the number of victims it sacrificed, and the remorseless tortures to which they were subjected, both when under examination to extort confession and after conviction. The rigour of its action began to abate in the 17th century, but it was not till 1835, after frequent attempts to limit its power and suppress it, that it was abolished in Spain. Napoleon suppressed it in France in 1808, and after an attempted revival from 1814 to 1820, its operations there came to an end. St. Dominic (q.v.) has the credit of having invented the institution by the zeal which animated him for the orthodoxy of the Church, one of his order, Torquemada, later making his name infamous by his cruelty.

INSPIRATION OF THE SCRIPTURES. According to one view the Scriptures are throughout verbally inspired, and every word in them dictated by the Spirit of God; according to another, though they are not verbally inspired, they contain a record of divine things written under divine inspiration; according to a third, though not written under divine inspiration in any part, they contain a faithful record of a divine revelation; and according to a fourth, they contain a record merely of what a succession of God-fearing men in sympathy with each other and their race saw and felt to be the clear purpose of God in His providence of the world.

INSPIRED IDIOT. Horace Walpole's name for Oliver Goldsmith.

INSTITUTE OF FRANCE was established by the Directory in 1795, to take the place of the four academies suppressed by the Convention two years previously. In 1816 Louis XVIII. gave back the old names to its four sections, viz. *L'Académie Française*, *L'Académie des Inscriptions et Belles-lettres*, *L'Académie des Sciences*, and *L'Académie des Sciences Morales et Politiques*. Each academy has its own separate organisation and work, and participates besides in the advantages of the common library, archives, and funds. Election, which is in every case subject to government confirmation, is by ballot, and every member receives an annual salary of at least 1500 francs. Government votes a sum of money annually to the Institute. Members of the French Academy have special duties and privileges, and in some cases special remuneration. They allot every year prizes for eloquence and poetry; a prize "to the poor Frenchman who has done the most virtuous action throughout the year," and one to the Frenchman who has written and published the book most conducive to good morals. Membership in the *Académie Française* is strictly limited to 40 Frenchmen. The others have, besides, from 40 to 70 members each, also Associate, foreign and corresponding, members. The Institute centralises the pursuit of all branches of knowledge and art, and has been the model of similar national institutes in Madrid, Lisbon, Stockholm, and Leningrad.

INSTITUTES OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION, a celebrated work of Calvin in exposition of the doctrines of the French Protestants, hence called Calvinists in France. See CALVIN.

INSULATOR, a non-conductor of electricity (e.g. glass, mica, porcelain, &c.) used to prevent a leakage in an electrical circuit.

INSULIN, a secretion of the pancreas, which enables the body to assimilate sugar; a deficiency of it gives rise to diabetes; insulin from animals is injected as a treatment for this disease.

INSURANCE, NATIONAL, the compulsory system under which weekly payments by employers and employees bring the latter benefits in the event of sickness or unemployment. Lloyd George introduced the system in 1911, and after considerable opposition it became law the following year.

INTAGLIO, name given to a gem with a design incised in the surface.

INTERFERENCE, the optical effect produced at a point by the coincidence of two wave trains which differ in phase.

INTERLAKEN, a small town, a pretty place, on the Aar, in Switzerland, "between the lakes" Thun and Brienz; it is near to some of the finest Swiss scenery, and is a famous health resort, visited annually by tourists.

INTERNATIONAL, THE, a secret socialistic organisation, the outcome of the teaching of Karl Marx, which, though it has changed its name, has widespread ramifications throughout Europe, the object of which appears to be the emancipation of labour, and the assertion everywhere of the sovereign rights of the working-man, to the extinction of all merely national and class interests. There is a Moscow International and an Amsterdam International, to one or other of which most of the Labour and Socialist parties of the world are affiliated.

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE, an offshoot of the League of Nations for dealing with international labour statistics and similar matters, having its headquarters at Geneva.

INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE, an engine in which the fuel is consumed in the cylinder itself, e.g. petrol engines, as used for motor-cars and aeroplanes, gas engines, and heavy oil engines, such as the Diesel (q.v.).

INTUSSUSCEPTION, a displacement of the bowel, in which a higher portion becomes folded or telescoped into a lower; is a frequent cause of obstruction, and a serious, though not always fatal, condition; the term is also applied to the process by which nutriment is absorbed and becomes part of the system.

INVALIDES, HÔTEL DES, an institution in Paris, founded by Louis XIV. in 1674, for retired court servants and invalided soldiers; the church, the nave of which is adorned with military trophies, is surmounted by a majestic dome, under which the remains of Napoleon were deposited in 1840.

INVAR, an alloy of steel with 36 per cent. of nickel; its thermal expansion is negligible, being but one-thirtieth that of platinum.

INVERARAY, county town of Argyllshire, on the NW. shore of Loch Fyne, close to which is the castle, the residence of the Duke of Argyll.

INVERNESS, county town of Inverness-shire and capital of the Northern Highlands, is situated on the Ness, near the Moray Firth, amid picturesque surroundings, is rich in interesting memories; has important public institutions, several manufactures, and a considerable trade; the inhabitants are distinguished for the purity of their English.

INVERNESS-SHIRE, the largest county in Scotland, stretches from the Moray Firth to the Atlantic, and includes many islands, Skye, the Outer Hebrides (except Lewis), and others; it embraces a large part of the Highlands, is very mountainous, has many glens and lochs, but little fertile land; there are large deer forests, grouse moors, and sheep runs; Ben Nevis, the highest mountain in the British Isles (4406 ft.), is in this county.

INVERTASE, an enzyme whose catalytic action causes the hydrolysis of cane sugar to fructose and glucose, the first process in the fermentation of sugar for the preparation of alcohol.

IO, in the Greek mythology a daughter of Inachos (q.v.), beloved by Zeus, whom Hera out of jealousy changed into a heifer and set the hundred-eyed Argus to watch, but when Zeus had by Hermes slain the watcher, Hera sent a gadfly to goad her over

the world, over which she reared distractedly till she reached Egypt, where Osiris married her, and was in association with him worshipped as Isis.

IODINE, a non-metallic element originally obtained from kelp, but now found in South America in combination with sodium, used largely both free and in combination in medicine and surgery, and in photography.

IODOPHORM, a crystalline substance similar to chloroform in composition, only in it iodine takes the place of chlorine; it is used in surgery as an antiseptic.

IOLAIUS, a town in Thessaly, the port from which the Argonauts sailed in quest of the Golden Fleece.

ION, in the Greek mythology son of Apollo by Creusa, and exposed by her in the cave where she bore him, but was conveyed by the god to Delphi and educated by a priestess, and was afterwards owned by his mother, and became the ancestor of the Ionians, her husband, Xuthus, being kept throughout in ignorance of his fate.

ION, the name given to an atom or molecule which has gained or lost one or more electrons; most salts on solution in water are broken up into ions with opposite charges, a phenomenon utilised in the process of electrolysis and electroplating, and in the electric battery.

IONA, a fertile little island $1\frac{1}{2}$ m. W. of Mull, where St. Columba landed from Ireland A.D. 563, and built a monastery which was for centuries the centre of ecclesiastical life and missionary enterprise among the Scots of Scotland and Ireland and the Angles of the N. of England. The abbey church, later the cathedral, dating from the 12th century, has been restored and reopened for service. The island is $3\frac{1}{2}$ m. long and $1\frac{1}{2}$ broad.

IONIA, ancient name of the western districts of Asia Minor between the Hellespont and the Maeander, with adjacent islands; was colonised by Greeks 1050 B.C., and its chief cities, including Miletus, Ephesus, Samos, Chios, and later Smyrna, formed the Ionian League; the Ionians were noted for wealth, art, and luxury; coming under Persian yoke in 547 B.C. they deserted to Greece 479 B.C. in the great war, and became again independent; from 387 B.C. they were again under Persia till Alexander the Great took them and merged their history in that of the surrounding peoples.

IONIAN ISLANDS, a chain of forty mountainous islands lying off the W. coast of Greece, the largest being Corfu, Santa Maura, Cephalonia, and Zante. The climate is good, and there is much fertile soil in the valleys except in Cephalonia; corn, grapes, and currants are grown; sulphur and coal are found in Corfu; their history has been very chequered; after belonging at different times to Venice, France, and Turkey, they were seized by Britain and constituted a dependency in 1815; never satisfied with British rule, they were a source of constant friction which Gladstone's mission in 1859 was insufficient to allay, and were handed over to Greece in 1868.

IONIC ORDER, an order of Grecian architecture, characterised by the volute of its capital in the form of a ram's horn, and with the cornice dentated, the shaft fluted, and the entablature plain or embellished.

IONIC SCHOOL, the name of the earliest of the schools of philosophy in Greece, the prominent members of which were natives of Ionia, one and all of whom traced the beginning or basis of things back to the action of some physical agent, such as water, air, fire, &c., and among whom are reckoned such men as Thales, Anaximander, Anaximenes, and Heraclitus.

IONIUM, a radioactive element of the uranium series discovered by Boltwood in 1907; it emits an alpha particle and changes into radium (q.v.).

IOWA, one of the United States, on the right bank of the Mississippi River, with Minnesota to the N. and Missouri to the S., and the Missouri River on its western border; is well watered, very fertile, and, though liable to extremes of temperature, very healthy; agriculture flourishes, the country being an undulating plain and most of the soil being arable; cereals and root crops are raised, cattle bred; there are poultry and dairy farms; coal, gypsum, and lead are mined; manufactures include mill

products, canned meats, and agricultural implements; general education in the State is advanced. State policy in this respect being liberal; Iowa was admitted to the Union, 1846; Des Moines is the capital; Iowa is the seat of the State University and of some flour-mills and factories.

IPHIGENIA, a famous Athenian general, the son of a shoemaker, celebrated throughout Greece for his defeat of the Spartans in 392, as well as for other great military exploits, for which he was rewarded by his countrymen with almost unprecedented honour; d. 344 B.C.

IPHIGENIA, the daughter of Agamemnon and Clytemnestra; her father having killed a favourite deer belonging to Artemis in Aulis as he was setting out for Troy, the goddess was offended, and Calchas (q.v.), when consulted, told him she could only be appeased by the sacrifice of his daughter; this he proceeded to do, but as he was preparing to offer her up the goddess descended in a cloud, carried her off to Tauris, and made her a priestess in her temple. The story has been dramatised by Euripides, Racine, and Goethe.

IPSEUS, a small town in Phrygia, the scene of a great contest between the generals of Alexander for succession to the empire.

IPSWICH, a town in Suffolk, on the Orwell, 12 m. from the sea; is an old town and has a number of interesting, as well as some old-fashioned, buildings; it is well provided with churches and educational establishments, and was the birthplace of Cardinal Wolsey; manufactures agricultural implements, and exports besides these leather, oil, coke, and agricultural produce.

IQUIQUE, important seaport in the N. of Chile; exports nitrates, iodine, and silver.

IRAN, the ancient name or plateau of Asia, extending N. and S. between the Hindu Kush and the Persian Gulf, and E. and W. between the Indus and Kurdistan; inhabited by the Aryans; is the official name for Persia.

IRANIAN, the inhabitants of Iran, a people constituting an important branch of the Indo-European family, including the Persians and Medes.

IRAQ, **MESOPOTAMIA**, the area between the rivers Euphrates and Tigris, believed by some to have been the site of the garden of Eden. Bordered by Kurdistan, Syria and the Persian Gulf, it has an area of some 150,000 sq. m. Freed from Turkish rule during the Great War, the country was mandated by the League of Nations to Great Britain; King Faisal was appointed to rule in 1921, and the monarch is assisted in Government by a democratically elected Chamber of Deputies. Baghdad is the capital and chief city. The raising of wheat, barley, and cereals is the main occupation of the people, hampered until irrigation schemes are developed, and cotton could be extensively grown, while there are potential oil supplies.

IRAWADI, or **IRRAWADDY**, a river, navigable throughout its whole course, formed by the union of two streams from the mountains of Tibet; flows S. through Burma 700 miles, passing Mandalay and falling into the Bay of Bengal in a delta, on one branch of which stands Rangoon.

IRELAND, an island rather more than half the size of and lying to the west of England and Wales, from which it is divided by the North Channel (13 m. wide), the Irish Sea (140 m.), and the St. George's Channel (50 m.). Politically it is divided into the province of N. Ireland, set up in 1920, and the Irish Free State (q.v.), a self-governing dominion established in 1922; the former consists of Belfast, Antrim, Armagh, Down, Fermanagh, Londonderry, and Tyrone, with Belfast as its capital; Dublin is the capital of the Irish Free State which comprises the remainder of the island. Geographically Ireland consists of a large undulating plain in the centre, containing extensive bogs, several large loughs—Neagh, the Erne, Allen, Derg, drained by the rivers Shannon, Barrow, Liffey, and Boyne, and surrounded on almost all sides by maritime highlands, of which three on the SW., NW., and E. are the highest. The N. and W. coasts are rugged and much indented. The climate is milder, more equable, and somewhat more rainy than that of England; but the cereal and green crops are the

same. Flax is grown in the N. The tendency is to revert to pasture, however, agriculture being generally in a backward state. Unfavourable land-laws, small holdings, and want of capital have told heavily against the Irish peasantry. Fisheries are declining. The chief manufacture is linen in Belfast and other Ulster towns. Irish exports consist of dairy produce, cattle, and linen, and are chiefly to Great Britain. Primary education is largely supported by government grants; there are many excellent schools and colleges; the chief universities are Dublin and the Royal (an examining body only). In Ulster the Protestants slightly outnumber the Roman Catholics, in all other parts the Roman Catholics are in a vast majority. Ireland was occupied by Iberian peoples in prehistoric times; these were conquered and absorbed by Celtic tribes; many kingdoms were set up, and strife and confusion prevailed. There was Christianity in the island before St. Patrick crossed from Strathclyde in the 5th century. Invasions by Danes, 8th to 10th centuries, and conquest by Normans under Henry II. 1162-1172, fomented the national disquiet. Under Tudor and Stuart rule the history of the country is a long story of faction and feud among the chiefs and nobles, of rebellions, expeditions, massacres, and confiscations. Sympathy with the Stuarts brought on the scourge of Cromwell (1649) and the invasion by William III. Thereafter the penal laws excluded Roman Catholics from Parliament. The union of the Irish with the British Parliament took place in 1801. Catholic disabilities were removed 1829. An agitation for the repeal of the Union was begun in 1842 by Daniel O'Connell, and carried on by the Fenian movement of 1847 and the Home Rule movement led by Charles Parnell. A Home Rule bill was lost in the Commons in 1886, and another in the Lords in 1893; bills of 1912 and 1913 met a similar fate, but one was passed in 1914, though inoperative till after the Great War, when owing to the attitude of the South it was not enforced; civil war lasted till a treaty was signed establishing the Free State, Northern Ireland remaining part of the United Kingdom with Home Rule. N. Ireland is governed by a governor, senate, and House of Commons, and the Irish Free State by a governor-general, a senate, and a lower chamber called the Dail (q.v.). The Church of Ireland (Protestant Episcopal) was disestablished in 1871.

IRELAND, SAMUEL WILLIAM HENRY, a notorious forger of Shakespearean relics, born in London, son of a dealer in old books and prints; imposed on his father and a number of lovers of the antique, till he was exposed by Malone; he published a confession of his forgeries, and died in obscurity and poverty (1777-1885).

IRENEUS, one of the Fathers of the Church; was bishop of Lyons, and suffered martyrdom about 202; had been a disciple of Polycarp; wrote against the Gnostics in a work in Greek, of which only a few fragments in Latin remain.

IRENE, the daughter of Zeus and Themis, the Greek goddess of peace; she was an object of worship both in Athens and Rome, is represented as holding in her left arm a cornucopia, and in her right hand an olive branch.

IRENE, empress of Constantinople, born in Athens, a poor orphan girl, famous for her beauty, her talents, and her crimes; was banished to Lesbos, where she maintained herself by spinning; has been canonized by the Greek Church for her zeal in image worship (752-803).

IRETON, HENRY, born in Alenborough, Notts.; graduated at Cambridge 1629, and studied law; on outbreak of Civil War he joined the Parliamentary party, and marrying Cromwell's daughter, Bridget, acquired great influence; took a leading part in the prosecution of the king, was one of his judges, and signed the warrant for his execution; kept by Cromwell in Ireland in 1650, he proved a stern deputy, and died of the plague before Limerick; he was a man of great vigour of character, whose zeal for justice made him almost cruel (1611-1651).

IRIDIUM, a metallic element of rare occurrence found in the ores of platinum, which it resembles in its properties; it forms useful alloys, e.g. with osmium,

for tipping gold pen-nibs; the platinum standards of weight contain 10 per cent of iridium.

IRIS, the daughter of Thaumas (i.e. wonder) and of the ocean nymph Electra (i.e. splendour); was the goddess of the rainbow, and as such the messenger of the gods, particularly of Zeus and Hera, the appearance of the rainbow being regarded as a sign that communications of good omen were passing between heaven and earth, as it was to Noah that they would continue to be kept up; she is represented as dressed in a long, white tunic, over which hangs a light upper garment, and with golden wings on her shoulders.

IRISH BOUNDARY DISPUTE, a dispute between N. Ireland and the Irish Free State which arose after the Irish Treaty which set up the Free State. The treaty provided for a commission of three with a neutral chairman to fix the frontier between the countries, and as N. Ireland refused to appoint a representative a special Act was passed appointing one for her. The commission met in 1924, toured Ireland and prepared its report. Before its publication, however, Cosgrave and Craig reached a compromise whereby the frontier remained unchanged.

IRISH FREE STATE, a British dominion which began its existence officially in 1922. It is governed by a governor-general, a senate, and chamber of deputies called the Dail, elected by universal adult suffrage. Irish is the official language, and instead of a Prime Minister it has a President of the Executive Council. Dublin is the capital, and the dominion embraces the provinces of Leinster, Munster, and Connaught, and the Ulster counties of Cavan, Donegal, and Monaghan. Agriculture is the chief industry, pork, potatoes, and butter being the main products. The population is predominantly Catholic.

IRISH TREATY, THE, an agreement between the British Government and the leaders of Sinn Fein signed on Dec. 6, 1921. In 1920 the Government of Ireland Act had conferred Home Rule on Southern Ireland, but Sinn Fein had rejected the offer, made war on England, and continued to fight until Lloyd George's cabinet gave way to most of their demands in 1921, which established the Irish Free State (q.v.).

IRKUTSK, a central Siberian province, separated from China by the Sayan Mountains; it has Lake Baikal on the E., Yenisei and Yakutsk on the W. and N.; a rich pastoral country, watered by the navigable rivers Angara and the Lena, agriculture, cattle rearing are prosperous industries; there are gold, iron, and salt mines; one-third of the population are forced colonists; the capital, Irkutsk, is the seat of government for Eastern Siberia, an ecclesiastical centre, and the chief emporium of commerce; it is the finest city in Siberia.

IRMIN, a Teutonic tribal deity; was honoured by wooden pillars with his image on the top, greatly revered by the people; the constellation "The Plough" was known as "Irmin's Chariot."

IRON AGE, the last of the three stages, stone, bronze, iron, which mark the prehistoric development of most now civilised peoples; these occurred at different periods, and were of different duration in different areas; they are named from the material employed in making cutting instruments and weapons; the forms of instruments are freer than in the bronze period, and rectilinear gives places to free curvilinear decoration; this age is marked, too, by the introduction of writing and the beginning of literary and historic records. See AGES.

IRON CITY, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, so named from its numerous ironworks.

IRON CROWN, the crown of the ancient Lombard kings, a golden circlet studded with jewels, and so called as enclosing a ring of iron said to have been one of the nails of the cross, beaten out; Napoleon had it brought from Monza, and crowned himself with it as king of Italy. It is now in Vienna.

IRON DUKE, Duke of Wellington, from his iron will. It is surmised.

IRON GATE, the name given to dangerous rapids in the Danube at Orsova, as it issues out of Hungary.

IRON HAND, Goetz von Berlichingen (q.v.).

IRON MASK, MAN WITH THE, a prisoner who in the reign of Louis XIV. wore, when he was transferred from prison to prison, what seemed an iron mask

to prevent any one discovering and revealing his identity, over which to this day there hangs an impenetrable veil; he is reported to have been young and of noble form, and the conclusion is that he was a man of distinction; while alleged by some to have been of Royal descent (as in Dumas' romances), many investigators place him as one Mattholi, an Italian diplomatic agent who offended the French king Louis.

IRON ORES are those minerals composed of oxides and sulphides of iron, which are capable of yielding the metal on the commercial scale; the chief ores are magnetite and hematite.

IRONCLADS were originally wooden vessels protected by iron plates; they were used at the siege of Gibraltar in 1782; the French had them in the Crimean War, and in 1858 built four iron-plated line-of-battle ships; in 1860 England built the *Warrior*, an iron steam battleship with 4½-inch plates; since then new types have succeeded each other very quickly; the modern ironclad is built of steel and armed with steel plates sometimes 18 ins. thick; the result is now applied to all armoured vessels, whether battleships or cruisers.

IRONIDES, Cromwell's troopers, a thousand strong, and raised by him in the Eastern counties of England, so called at first from the invincibility displayed by them at Marston Moor; were selected by Cromwell "as men," he said, "that had the fear of God before them, and made conscience of what they did. . . . They were never beaten," he added, "and wherever they were engaged against the enemy, they beat continually."

IRONY is a subtle figure of speech in which, while one thing is said, some indication serves to show that quite the opposite is meant; thus apparent praise becomes severe condemnation or ridicule; practical irony is evinced in ostensibly furthering some one's hopes and wishes while really leading him to his overthrow. Life and history are full of irony in the contrast between ambitions and their realisation.

IRONY, SOCRATIC, the name given to a practice of Socrates with pretentious people; "affecting ignorance and pretending to solicit information, he was in the habit of turning round upon the scholar and confounding his presumption, both by his unlooked-for consequences he evoked by his incessant questions and by the glaring contradictions the other was in the end lulled by his admissions."

IROQUOIS, one of the most intelligent branches of the North American Indians, comprised a confederation of five, afterwards six, tribes, among whom the leading place was taken by the Mohawks; their territory lay inland in what is now New York State and the basin of the St. Lawrence. Numbering some 25,000, they maintained their own against the hereditary foes by whom they were surrounded; they took kindly to English and Dutch settlers, but were hostile to the French, and in the wars of the 18th century were allies of England against the French; their descendants, in reservations in Canada and New York, are a peaceful people, have accepted English religion and culture, and have proved themselves skilful and industrious agriculturists.

IRTISSA, an enormous river of Western Siberia and chief tributary of the Obi; its course from the Altai Mountains runs NW. through the Siberian plains for over 2000 m.; it is navigable almost all the way in summer, and in winter it is a highway for sledge traffic; on its banks stand Semipalatinsk, Omsk, and Tobolsk.

IRVING, EDWARD, a great pulpit orator, born in Annan, Dumfriesshire; bred for the Scottish Church, became in 1819 assistant to Dr Chalmers in Glasgow, and removed in 1822 to the Caledonian Church, London, where he attracted to him preaching the world of fashion as well as intellect in the city, who soon grew tired of him and left him, after which he took to extravagances of thought which did not draw them back, and drew around him instead a set of people more fanatical than himself, and whose influence over him, to which he weakly yielded, infatuated him still more; the result was that he was deposed from the ministry of the Church, and became for a time the centre of an organisation which still exists, in a modified form, and bears his name (1792-1834).

IRVING, SIR HENRY (John Henry Brodribb), born near Glastonbury; was at first a clerk in London, appeared on the Sunderland stage in 1856, spent three years in Edinburgh, and gradually worked his way at Glasgow and Manchester, till he was invited to London ten years afterwards; his performance of Hamlet at the Lyceum in 1874 established his reputation as a tragedian; he remained at the head of his profession, and both in this country and in America secured many triumphs in Macbeth, Shylock, and other Shakespearean characters, and in roles like those of Matthias in "The Bells," Mephistopheles in "Faust," &c.; he contributed to the literature of Acting, and received knighthood in 1895 (1838-1905).

IRVING, WASHINGTON, popular American essayist and historian, born of British parentage in New York, was delicate in early life; his education suffered accordingly, and he travelled in Europe, 1804-1806, visiting Italy, France, and England; returning to New York he was called to the bar, but he devoted himself to a literary career, only interrupted by one period of consular life, and occasional short terms of diplomatic service; his first won fame by his "History of New York," by Diedrich Knickerbocker, 1809, a good-natured satire on the Dutch settlers; the years 1815-1832 he spent in Europe studying and writing; his "Sketch-book," 1819-1820, was very successful, as were "Bracebridge Hall," "Tales of a Traveller," and other volumes which followed it; going to Spain in 1826 he began his researches in Spanish history which resulted in "The Life of Columbus," "The Conquest of Granada," and other works which introduced English readers to the Spain of the 15th and 16th centuries; on his return to America he was treated with great respect by his countrymen; declining the honours they would have given him had he turned aside to politics, he continued to write; among his latest works were "Mahomet and his Successors" and a "Life of Washington"; much courted in society, he was kind and generous in disposition; his writings are marked by humour, observation, and descriptive power; these qualities with an excellent style place him in the foremost rank of American authors, he died, unmarried, at Tarrytown, New York (1783-1866).

IRVINGITES, the name given to the Catholic Apostolic Church as founded by Edward Irving (q.v.), which is repudiated by them, as disclaiming all earthly leadership; their ministry is after the Apostolic order, includes prophets, evangelists, and pastors, and they employ material symbols in their worship besides those of water in baptism and wine in communion, such as incense; the Eucharist they regard as a sacrifice, and they believe in the permanency of the spiritual gifts of the primitive Church.

IRWIN, BARON (3rd Frederick Lindley Wood), British politician. Son of the 2nd Viscount Halifax, he was Minister of Agriculture in the Conservative Government of 1924, and succeeded Lord Reading as Viceroy of India in 1926, in which year he was raised to the peerage (1881-).

ISAAC, a Hebrew patriarch, son of Abraham, born to him when he was old; a mild man with no great force of character, and a contrast to Ishmael, his half-brother; lived to a great age.

ISAAC I., COMNENUS, emperor of the East from 1057 to 1059; raised to the throne by the army; ruled well, but falling ill and fearing he had not long to live, he retired and spent his two remaining years in a monastery; he was a student and annotator of Homer.

ISAAC II., ANGELOS, emperor of the East; a good man, but weak; became emperor in 1185, was deposed by his brother Alexis in 1195; reinstated by the Crusaders in 1203, but overthrown six months later in 1204.

ISAAC OF YORK, the father of Rebecca in "Ivanhoe." **ISABELLA**, queen of Castile; her marriage with Ferdinand of Aragon led to the union under one sceptre of the crowns of Aragon and Castile, which was followed 10 years after by their united occupancy of the throne of all Spain; she was an able woman, and associated with her husband in every affair of State (1461-1504). See **FERNAND V.**

ISABELLA II. ex-queen of Spain, daughter of Ferdinand VII.; succeeded him in 1833; was forced to leave the country in 1868; took refuge in France, and in 1870 abdicated in favour of her son (1830-1904).

ISABEY, JEAN BAPTISTE, French portrait-painter, born in Nancy; painted many of the notabilities of France in his day (1767-1865).

ISAÏEUS, an Attic orator, and the teacher of Democritus; wrote 64 orations, of which only 10 are extant, and these not on political issues but forensic, particularly one on the law of inheritance (circ. 420-348 B.C.).

ISAIAH, one of the great Hebrew prophets, the son of one Amos; was a citizen of Jerusalem, evidently of some standing, who flourished between 750 and 700 B.C.; like Amos (q.v.), he foresaw the judgment that was coming on the nation for its unfaithfulness, but felt assured that God would not altogether forsake His people, and that "a remnant," God's elect among them, would be saved—that though theasket would be shattered in pieces, the jewel it contained would be preserved. See **HEBREW PROPHECY**.

ISAIAH, THE ASCENSION OF, an apocryphal book giving an incoherent account of the martyrdom of Isaiah, and a vision he had under the reign of Hesekiah, apparently the origin of the tradition in Heb. xi. 37, about the prophet having been "sawn asunder."

ISAIAH, THE PROPHECIES OF, consist of two divisions, the first extending from chap. i. to chap. xxxix., and the second from chap. xl. to the end; these two divisions were for long believed to be throughout the work of Isaiah the son of Amos, but modern criticism assigns them in the main to different authors, the one living 150 years after the other; and the reasons for this conclusion are that the author of the latter belonged to a different period of Jewish history from that of the former, is not of the same temper, and has much deeper spiritual insight, while his hopes and expectations are built on a more spiritual view of the method of salvation, the Messiah of the former, for instance, being a conquering king, and that of the latter a suffering Redeemer, who to save the nation has to bear the burden of its sins, and the brunt of them, and so bearing, bear them away.

ISAMBERT, FRANÇOIS ANDRÉ, a noteworthy French lawyer, politician, and historian, born in Annay; began to practise in Paris at the age of twenty-six; becoming known in politics, he gained considerable renown by certain works on French law and by his advocacy of the claims of the liberated slaves in the French West Indies; entering the Chamber of Deputies after the Revolution of July, 1830, he set himself to oppose the Jesuits and to further freedom; "The Religious Conditions of France and Europe" and a "History of Jerusalem" were among his later works; he died at Paris (1792-1867).

ISANDULA, or **ISANDLWANA**, a hilly place 110 m. N.W. of Durban, where a force of British troops, belonging to Lord Chalmers's column, was encamped on January 22, 1879, and was set upon and almost annihilated by a body of Zulus.

ISAURIA, in ancient times this name was given to the northern slopes of the Taurus in Asia Minor, what is now Karamania; the Isaurians were a wild, savage people; from the 1st to the 4th centuries they were the terror of neighbouring States, and gave Rome herself considerable trouble; but from the 6th century they disappear from history.

ISOCHIA, a beautiful volcanic island 6 m. off the Bay of Naples; its scenery, climate, and mineral springs make it a health resort; it produces excellent fruits and wines; is liable to severe earthquakes; in the last (1883), 4000 persons perished. The chief town bears the same name.

ISCHL, a town in Upper Austria, picturesquely situated on the river Traun, 33 m. S.W. of Salzburg; famous for its saline baths; has salt-works, where 8000 tons of salt are annually manufactured.

ISENGHEIN, the wolf, typifying the feudal baron in the epic tale of Reynard the Fox, as the fox does the Church. See **REYNARD**.

, a German river, which rises in the Tyrol N. of

Innsbruck, passes through Munich, and falls into the Danube after a course of 180 m.

ISÈRE, a river in the S.E. of France, which gives name to a dep., and which, after a course of 180 m., falls into the Rhône near Valence.

ISERLOHN, a town in Prussian Westphalia, 14 m. S.E. of Dortmund; is picturesquely situated, and is engaged in iron-ware manufacture.

ISHMAEL, the son of Abraham; and the handmaid Hagar, cast out of Abraham's household at 15; he became skilful with the bow, and founded a great nation, the Arabs; for the offering of Isaac on Moriah the Arabs substitute the offering of Ishmael on Arafat, near Mecca; Mohammed claimed descent from him; he gives name in modern life to a social outcast driven into antagonism to social arrangements.

ISIDORE, ST., BISHOP OF SEVILLE, born in Carthage, a distinguished man and ecclesiastic, who exercised great influence on Latin Christianity, and on both civil and ecclesiastical matters in Spain, and left a large number of writings of varied interest; he was animated at once by a severe sense of duty and by an admirable Christian spirit (570-638). Festival, April 4.

ISINGLASS, a gelatine substance prepared from the sounds or air-bladders of certain fresh-water fishes, the sturgeon in particular; it is imported from Russia, Brazil, and the Hudson Bay Territory.

ISIS, an Egyptian divinity, the wife and sister of Osiris and mother of Horus, the three together forming a trinity, which is characteristically Egyptian, and such as often repeats itself in Egyptian mythology, typifying the life of the sun, Osiris representing that luminary slain at night and sorrowed over by his sister Isis, reviving in the morning in his son Horus, and wedded anew to his sister Isis as his wife; passing into the mythology of the Greeks, Isis became identified first with Demeter and then with the Moon, while in that of Rome she figures as the Universe-mother.

ISLA, JOSÉ FRANCISCO DE, a Spanish Jesuit, celebrated as a preacher and a humorist and satirist of the stamp of Cervantes; his principal work "Friar Gerund," a satire on the charlatanism and bombast of the popular preaching friars of the day, as Don Quixote was on the false chivalry; the friars he satirised were too strong for him, and he was expelled from Spain, retired to Italy, and died at Bologna in extreme poverty (1703-1781).

ISLAM, or **ISLAMISM**, the religion of Mohammed (q.v.).

ISLAND OF SAINTS, a name given to Ireland in the Middle Ages.

ISLANDS OF THE BLESSED, fabled islands of the far west of the ocean, where the favoured of the gods after death are conceived to dwell in everlasting blessedness.

ISLAY, a large mountainous island 13 m. W. of Kintyre, Scotland; much of it is cultivated; dairy produce, cattle, and sheep are exported; there are lead, copper, and manganese mines, marble quarries, and salmon fisheries; the distilleries produce 400,000 gallons of whisky annually.

ISLINGTON, a borough of London, 2 m. N. of St. Paul's; includes Holloway, Highbury, Barnsbury, and part of King'sland.

ISMAIL PASHA, khedive of Egypt from 1863, who was obliged by the Powers to abdicate in 1879 (1830-1895).

ISMAILIA, a small town on the Suez Canal; was the headquarters of the work during the construction of the Canal.

ISMAÏLIS, one of the Mohammedan sects which support the claim of the house of Ali, Mohammed's cousin, to supremacy among the faithful; originating about A.D. 770, they rose to importance in the 10th century under Abdallah, a Persian, who introduced Zoroastrian ideas into their creed and prophesied the appearance of a Mahdi or Messiah, who should be greater than the Prophet himself; becoming latterly extremely rationalistic the sect lost its influence in the 13th century, and its representatives in Syria and Persia are now comparatively obscure; in Turkey and Egypt, however, several Mahdis have arisen, of whom the last,

Mohammed Ahmed, b. 1843, gained possession of the Sudan, defeated the Egyptian army in 1883, two years later captured Khartoum, but died at Omdurman shortly afterwards.

ISMENE, the sister of Antigone, who requested, as her accomplice, to be promoted to be sharer in her fate.

ISOBARES, name given to chemical elements having the same atomic mass but different atomic numbers, and consequently, different chemical properties.

ISOBARS, lines drawn on a map through all points where the barometric pressure is the same.

ISOSCELES TRIANGLE, a triangle with two sides equal.

ISOLINIAL, a line drawn on a map through all places where the magnetic dip is the same.

ISOCRATES, an Athenian rhetorician, of a school that was an offshoot of the Sophists (q.v.), and the whole merit of whose oratory depended upon style or literary finish and display; he is said to have starved himself to death after the battle of Cheronea at the age of 98 because he could not brook to outlive the humiliation of Greece by Philip of Macedon and the destruction of its freedom (436-338 B.C.).

ISODORIAN DECRETALS, a body of ecclesiastical decretals imposed upon the Church under the name of Isidore of Seville.

ISOCONAL, a line drawn on a map through all places where the magnetic declination is the same.

ISOLDE (otherwise spelt Isolt, Ysolt, Yseult, and Ysande), the wife of King Mark of Cornwall, who, under the potency of some philter which she had inadvertently taken, conceived an illicit passion for Sir Tristan, her husband's nephew, the story of which is celebrated in mediæval romance.

ISOMERISM, name given by Berzelius in 1831 to the observed phenomenon that two entirely different substances may be composed of the same elements in the same proportion, the difference in properties being due to the arrangement of the atoms in the molecule, e.g. alcohol and dimethyl ether.

ISOMORPHISM, name given to the phenomenon that certain different chemical substances crystallise in the same form.

ISOSTASY, a theory of the continental structure of the earth, originally put forward by Airy, and named by Dutton; it assumes that the continents are composed of lighter material floating on a substratum of heavier material; the theory is confirmed by geological evidence.

ISOTHERMAL EXPANSION, expansion of a gas under conditions which allow of the temperature being unchanged.

ISOTHERMS, lines drawn on a map through all places where the temperature is the same.

ISOTOPES, the name given to elements which are chemically identical and have the same number of outer electrons, but different atomic masses, due to a difference in the structure of the nucleus; the work of F. W. Aston showed that a large number of elements exist in different isotopic forms. See ATOM.

ISOTROPIC SUBSTANCES, those which have the same properties in all directions, particularly with respect to elastic and optical properties; substances which have different properties in different directions (e.g. crystals) are known as anisotropic or anisotropic.

ISPAHAN, the ancient capital of Persia, 226 m. S. of Teheran, on the river Zenderud, which, as its greatest glory, is spanned by a noble bridge of 34 arches; it stands in a fertile plain abounding in groves and orchards, and ruins of its former grandeur, and is a centre of Mohammedan learning; the inhabitants are said to have at one time numbered a million; it produces rich brocades and velvets, firearms, sword-blades, and much ornamental ware; there are many fine buildings, and signs of returning prosperity.

ISRAEL, KINGDOM OF, the name given to the northern kingdom of the 10 tribes of the Israelites which revolted from the kingdom of Judah after the death of Solomon.

ISRAËLS, JOSEF, a Dutch oil and water-colour artist and etcher, born in Groningen; studied in Amsterdam and Paris; devoting himself to genre

subjects, he depicted the pathetic side of the life of the Dutch fisher-folk with great sympathy and power; he won a grand prix at the Paris Exhibition of 1889 (1824-1911).

ISRAFAEL, in the Mohammedan mythology an angel whose office it will be to sound the trumpet on the resurrection morning.

ISSUS, a river in Cilicia, Asia Minor, where Alexander the Great defeated Darius, 333 B.C.

ISSY, a village 4 m. SW. of Paris, where Davout was defeated by Blücher on July 3, 1815; it suffered severely during the siege of Paris by the Germans in 1870-1871.

ISTAMBUL or **STAMBUL**, the Turkish name for Constantinople.

ISTHMIAN GAMES, one of the four Pan-Hellenic festivals; they were periodically celebrated in honour of Poseidon or Neptune at the isthmus of Corinth, in Greece, whence the name.

ISTRIA, a mountainous territory of Austria, in the NE. corner of the Adriatic; yields olive-oil, figs, and vines, though often swept by sirocco and bora winds.

ISUMBRAS, ST., a hero of mediæval romance, a proud man subdued by God's justice into penitence and humility.

ITALIAN ARCHITECTURE. The style of architecture called Italian was first developed by Filippo Brunelleschi, and flourished during the 15th, 16th, and 17th centuries; it was an adaptation of classical circular-arch form to modern requirements. In Rome it conformed most to ancient types; in Venice it assumed its most graceful form. It was more suitable to domestic than to ecclesiastical work; but the dome is an impressive feature, and St. Peter's at Rome is a noble church.

ITALIC SCHOOL, the name given to the school of Pythagoras (q.v.) who taught philosophy in Italy.

ITALIC VERSION, THE, a version of the Scriptures into Latin on the basis of the Septuagint, executed in N. Italy under episcopal authority from other versions in circulation; being of mixed quality and far from satisfactory, Jerome (q.v.) undertook its revision with a view to a new translation into Latin, known as the Vulgate, direct from the Hebrew and Greek originals.

ITALY, the central one of three peninsulas stretching into the Mediterranean Sea, in the S. of Europe, has the Adriatic and Tyrrhenian Seas respectively on the E. and W., and is separated from France, Switzerland, and Austria in the N. by the various ranges of the Alps. Between the Alps and the Apennines lies the extensive, fertile plain of Lombardy, watered by the river Po, and containing several large lakes, such as Garda, Como, and Maggiore. The Apennines form a very picturesque chain of mountains 5000 ft. high down the centre of the country. The climate varies in different districts, but is mostly warm. Malaria causes many parts in autumn. Agriculture is extensive, but primitive in manner, and the peasantry are very poor. The most important crops are cereals, including rice and maize, grapes, olives, and chestnuts, and in the S. oranges and lemons. Italian wines are of indifferent quality. Coal and iron are scarce; sulphur is produced in large quantities in Sicily. There are large quarries of marble and alabaster. The most important industries are silk, glass, and porcelain. There is an extensive foreign trade, chiefly with France and Great Britain; the exports consist of silk, sulphur, marble, fruit, and wine; the imports of coal, iron, and textile goods. The religion is Roman Catholic; education is now compulsory. The Gothic kingdom of Italy was founded on the ruins of the Roman Empire, A.D. 489. In succession the country was conquered by the forces of the Byzantine Empire, by the Lombards, and by the Franks. From the 11th century onwards its history has been one of constant internal strife and confusion. The presence of the papal power in Rome, the rise of such rich trading republics as the cities of Milan, Florence, Naples, Genoa, and Venice, the pretensions of French kings and German emperors, and factions like those of the Guelphs and Ghibellines, produced endless complications and ruinous wars. In the 16th century the influence of the Austro-Spanish house of Charles V. became

dominant; his son, Philip II., was king of Milan and Naples. In more recent times the small states of Italy were continually involved in the wars which devastated Europe, and passed in alliance or in subordination into the hands of Austria, France, and Spain alternately. The 19th century saw the unification of the kingdom. After the abortive movement of Mazzini came Cavour and Garibaldi, who, after severe struggles against the Austrians in the North and the despots of Southern Italy, proclaimed Victor Emmanuel king of Italy in 1861. By various steps the whole of the peninsula, with the islands of Sardinia and Sicily, was brought into the kingdom. The temporal power of the Pope ceased in 1870, though restored in a modified form in 1929. The Government is a constitutional monarchy, though after 1922 chief power was vested in the Fascist under Mussolini (q.v.), who has since ruled autocratically though nominally franchise is exercised by every citizen who can read and write. Conscription is in force for army and navy. These are both strong, the navy being one of the largest in Europe.

ITHACA, one of the Ionian Islands, and one of the smallest, known now under the name Thlaki; it was the home of Ulysses, and his domain as king when he set out for the Trojan War, but he did not see it again till his return after twenty years. Also a town in New York State, U.S., seat of Cornell University (q.v.).

ITHURIEL, an angel whom Milton represents as sent by Gabriel to search for Satan in Paradise, who had found entrance by eluding the vigilance of the guard; he was armed with a spear, the touch of which could unmask any disguise, and by means of which he discovered Satan lurking in the garden in the form of a toad.

ITINERARY, a name given among the Romans to an account or a map of the principal routes through the empire and the stations along them.

ITO, PRINCE HIROBUMI, Japanese statesman; holding advanced views as a result of a study of European conditions, he took an active part in politics and rose to be prime minister of Japan in 1896; under his guidance Japan made considerable strides industrially and took rank as one of the great powers of the world (1841-1909).

ITURBIDE, AUGUSTINE DE, a Mexican general, emancipated Mexico from the yoke of Spain; seized the crown and was proclaimed emperor in 1822, was obliged to abdicate next year and leave the country, but, returning, was immediately arrested and shot (1783-1824).

IVAN (i.e. John), the name of two grand-dukes and four czars of Russia; the two grand-dukes were Ivan I., grand-duke from 1328 to 1340, and Ivan II., his son, grand-duke from 1353 to 1359.

IVAN III., surnamed The Threatening, sought to free Russia from the yoke of the Tartars who had held it tributary for two centuries; gained victories over the Tartars and the Poles, and was the first to receive at Moscow ambassadors from other Powers of Europe; reigned from 1462 to 1505.

IVAN IV., surnamed The Terrible, grandson of the preceding, assumed the sovereignty at 14, had himself crowned in 1546, and took the title of Czar; his first great ambition was to destroy the Tartar power, which he did at Kasan and Astrakhan, receiving homage thereafter from almost all the Tartar chiefs; on the death of his wife in 1563 he lost all self-restraint, and by the ferocity of his wars provoked hostility which the Pope, who had been appealed to, interposed to appease; in a fit of passion he killed his eldest son, whom he loved, remorse for which embittered his last days and hastened his end (1530-1584).

IVANHOE, the hero of Sir Walter Scott's novel of the same, the disinherited son of Cedric of Rotherwood, who falls in love with Rowena, a ward of his father, but by the exhibition of his prowess as a knight is, at the intercession of King Richard, reconciled to his father, with the result that he marries Rowena.

IVANOVA, a Russian town in Vladimir, 210 m. N.E. of Moscow, engaged in the manufacture of cotton, and known as the "Manchester of Russia."

IVES, ST., a town on the Ouse, in Huntingdonshire, 50 m. N. of London, where Oliver Cromwell resided from 1631 to 1635; the chief industries are malting and brewing. Also a fishing town and holiday resort in Cornwall.

IVIZA, the most westerly of the Balearic Isles, is hilly and well wooded, with fertile valleys, important fisheries and lead mines.

IVORY COAST, a territory on the N. of the Gulf of Guinea, belonging partly to Liberia and partly to France and Britain.

IVORY GATE, the gate spoken of in Virgil through which dreams pass that do not turn out true. See **HORN GATE**.

IVRY, a village in the dep. of Eure, N.E. of Dreux, famous for the victory of Henry of Navarre over the Leagueurs in 1590.

IXION, the king of the Lapithæ (q.v.), who being admitted to heaven attempted to do violence to Hera, and whom Zeus deluded to embrace a phantom image of her instead, whereby he became the father of the Centaurs; Zeus thereafter punished him by fastening his hands and feet to an eternally revolving wheel in hell.

IZALIO, a volcano in the republic of San Salvador, which first announced its existence by a fissure opening in 1793 on the plain that now surrounds it, from which there vomited lava and cinders, accompanied with earthquake.

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JABALPUR, a town, district, and one of the four divisions of the Central Provinces, India; the town is an important commercial and railway centre, situated 228 m. SW. of Allahabad; cotton and carpets are amongst its chief manufactures.

JACK, a familiar form of John, the most widely spread of Christian names, and said to be derived from the French Jacques, or, as others maintain, from Jankin, a distinctive form of Johan or John; Johnkin gives us Jock and Jockey; from its extreme commonness it has acquired that slightly contemptuous significance observable in such compounds as "every man Jack," "Jack-of-all-trades," "Jackanapes"; and the name as applied to the knave in playing-cards, and to the small white ball used as a mark in the game of bowls is an example of its transferred sense.

JACK, RICHARD, British artist. He studied in London and Paris, first exhibited in 1893, became an A.R.A. in 1914, and an R.A. in 1920. Portrait painting has been his forte (1860-).

JACKAROO, the name given in Australia to a greenhorn from England inexperienced in bush life.

JACKDAW OF RHEIMS, one of the Ingoldsby Legends (q.v.).

JACKS, LAWRENCE PEARSELL, English theologian. Serving under Stopford Brooke and marrying his daughter, he became minister of Unitarian churches in Liverpool and Birmingham, and from 1902 he edited the *Hibbert Journal*. The following year he became professor of Philosophy at Manchester College, Oxford, and was made its Principal in 1915, a post he held till 1930 (1860-).

JACKSON, (1) a prosperous manufacturing city in Michigan, U.S.A., on the Grand River, 76 m. W. of Detroit, has various mills and iron-works, and bituminous coal-mines on its outskirts. (2) A cotton market-town, capital of Madison County, Tennessee, on the South Fork of the Forked Deer River, 107 m. SE. of Cairo, Illinois.

JACKSON, ANDREW, GENERAL, President of the United States, born in Waxhaw, N. Carolina, adopted law as a profession, and in 1789 became public prosecutor at Nashville; took a prominent part in establishing the State of Tennessee, of which he subsequently became a senator and a judge; during the war with Britain (1812-1814) he came to the front and crowned a series of successes by his great victory over Sir E. Pakenham at New Orleans; for a time he was governor of the newly purchased State of Florida, but, resigning, he again entered the U.S. Senate in 1823; five years later he became President, and in 1832 was again elected; his Presidency is associated with the readjustment of the tariff on a purely protective basis, which led to disputes with S. Carolina, the sweeping away of the United States Bank, the wiping out of the national debt in 1835, and the vigorous enforcement of claims against the French for damage done during the Napoleonic wars; his imperious yet honest nature led him to make a more frequent use of the President's veto than any of his predecessors (1787-1845).

JACKSON, FREDERICK GEORGE, Arctic explorer, born in Denstone, Staffs.; led the Hearnsworth-Jackson Polar expedition in 1894-1897 to Franz Josef Land (1860-).

JACKSON, SIR JOHN, British engineer, connected with many engineering undertakings both at home and abroad, of which mention may be made of Dover Harbour, the Tower Bridge, and the Manchester Ship Canal (1851-1919).

JACKSON, THOMAS JONATHAN, known as Stonewall Jackson, an American general, born in Virginia; bred for the army; distinguished himself in the Mexican War; retired from the army in 1853, and became a professor in Mathematics and Military Science in Virginia; was appointed brigadier-general in the Confederate army at the outbreak of the Civil War, and earned the *nom de guerre* of

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"Stonewall" by his firmness at the battle of Bull Run, July 21, 1861; disapproved himself in subsequent engagements; at Chancellorsville was by mistake fired at in the dark and mortally wounded by his own men on May 6, 1863; he was a man of the Cromwell stamp, and his death was not only a blow to his own party, but matter of grief to the whole American nation (1824-1863).

JACKSONVILLE, (1) the chief seat of commerce in Florida State, is situated on St. John's River, some 20 m. from its mouth; is a busy railway centre, and has an active river trade in lumber, cotton, fruits, &c., and is a health resort. (2) Capital of Morgan County, Illinois, is pleasantly situated on a fertile plain, 34 m. SW. of Springfield; is noted as an educational centre, and for its many charity asylums; its manufactures embrace woollens and paper.

JACOB, a Hebrew patriarch, younger son of Isaac and Rebecca, the favourite of his mother; he had twelve sons, the fathers of the twelve tribes of Israel; his character and the story of his life are naively delineated in the book of Genesis.

JACOB, JEAN CLAUDE, a seer from the Jura Mountains, 120 years old, who was brought from his native place to figure as "don of the human race" in Paris at the great federation festival of June, 1790.

JACOBI, KARL GUSTAVE, a celebrated German mathematician, born in Potadam, of Jewish birth; was professor at Königsberg and Berlin, and one of the founders of the theory of determinants (1804-1851).

JACOBINS, a political club, originally known as the Club Breton, which was founded in Paris during the French Revolution; so called from its place of meeting in the Rue St. Honoré, which had previously been a Jacobin friar convent; it exercised a great influence over the course of the Revolution, and had affiliated societies all over the country, working along with it; its members were men of extreme revolutionary views, procured the death of the king, exterminated the Girondists, roused the lowest classes against the middle, and were the ruling spirits during the Reign of Terror; Robespierre was their chief, and his fall sealed their doom; they were mobbed out of their place of meeting with execrations on Hallow-Eve, 1794.

JACOBITES, a name given to certain partisans of the Eutychean sect in the 7th century in the East, from the name of their leader.

JACOBITES, the name given to the adherents of the Stuart dynasty in Great Britain after their expulsion from the throne in 1688, and derived from that of James II., the last Stuart king; they made two great attempts to restore the exiled dynasty, in 1715 and 1745, but both were unsuccessful, after which the movement exhausted itself in an idle sentimentality.

JACOBS, a German Greek scholar, born in Gotha; editor of "Anthologia Græca" (1767-1847).

JACOBS, WILLIAM WYMARK, author, born in London; held post in Savings-bank department of the Post Office, but retired in 1899 to devote himself to authorship; after publishing a volume of short stories entitled "Many Caravans" he made his name as a humorist, following up his success with "Sea Urchins," "The Skipper's Wife," "A Master of his stories" and other volumes of sea life; one or two of his stories have been dramatized (1863-).

JACOBUS, a gold coin of the reign of James I., worth 25 shillings.

JACOBY, JOHAN, a Prussian politician, born in Königsberg; bred to medicine, but best known as a politician in a liberal interest, which involved him in prosecutions; was imprisoned for protesting against the annexation of Alsace and Lorraine; he was a man of fearless honesty, and one day had the courage to say to the Emperor William I., "It is the misfortune of kings that they will not listen to the truth" (1805-1877).

JACOTOT, JEAN JOSEPH, a celebrated educationist, born in Dijon, France; after holding various educational appointments, he in 1818 became professor of the French Language and Literature at Louvain, and subsequently held the post of Director of the Military Normal School; he is noted for his "Universal Method" of education, which is based on his assumption that men's minds are of equal calibre (1770-1840).

JACQUARD LOOM, a loom with an apparatus for weaving figures in textiles, such as silks, muslins, and carpets, which was the invention of an ingenious Frenchman, born in Lyons, of the name of Joseph Marie Jacquard (1752-1834).

JACQUERIE, the name given to an insurrection of French peasants against the nobles in the Ile de France (q.v.), which broke out on May 21, 1358, during the absence of King John as a prisoner in England; it was caused by the oppressive exactions of the nobles, and was accompanied with much savagery and violence, but the nobles combined against the revolt, as they did not do at the time of the Revolution, and it was extinguished on June 9 following.

JADE, a mineral of the pyroxene group, containing sodium; of a pale green, yellowish, or white colour, it is found in New Zealand, Siberia, and chiefly in China, where it is highly valued.

JAEL, the Jewish matron who slew Sisera the Canaanitish captain, smiting a nail into his temples as he lay asleep in her tent, Judges iv. 18, 21.

JAEN, a picturesque cathedral city, capital of a province of the same name, in Andalusia, Spain, on a tributary of the Guadalquivir, 50 m. NW. of Granada; the province lies along the valley of the Guadalquivir, and was once a Moorish kingdom.

JAFFA, a Syrian seaport town, 30 m. NW. of Jerusalem, with an export trade in olive oil, oranges, and wool; the Joppa of the Bible, whence Jonah embarked for Tarshish, and referred to in the Acts of the Apostles.

JAGANNATHA. See JUGGERNAUT.
JAGGER, CHARLES SARGENT, British sculptor. Born near Sheffield his best-known work is the Royal Artillery Memorial at Hyde Park Corner, London (1885-).

JAGHIR, revenue from land or the produce of it, assigned in India by the Government to an individual as a reward for some special service.

JAHN, FRIEDRICH LUDWIG, a German patriot, born in Pomerania; did much to rouse his country into revolt against the domination of France in 1818; was a teacher of gymnastics and one of the first to inaugurate the principles of physical culture in Germany (1778-1852).

JAHN, JOHANN, a Catholic theologian and Orientalist, born in Moravia; held professorships in Olmütz and Vienna; was distinguished as a Biblical scholar, author of "Biblical Archaeology" in five vols., as well as an introduction to the Old Testament, with grammar, lexicons, &c., in connection with the Biblical languages (1750-1816).

JAHN, OTTO, philologist and archaeologist, born in Kiel; after holding the post of lecturer at Kiel and Greifswald he, in 1847, was appointed to the chair of Archaeology in Leipzig; becoming involved in the political troubles of 1848-1849, he lost his professional position, but subsequently held similar appointments at Bonn and Berlin; his voluminous writings, which cover the field of Greek and Roman art and literature, and include valuable contributions to the history of music, are of first-rate importance (1818-1899).

JAIL FEVER, the popular name of a fever now known to be a severe form of typhus, such as happened in 1879 at the "Black Assize" so called as so many of those in the conduct of it died infected by the prisoners.

JAINAS, sects of Hindus scattered up and down India, allied to the Buddhists, though ecclesiastically in open antagonism to them; they reject the Veda of the Brahmans, and oppose to it another of their own, as also their caste and their sacerdotalism, though they observe the rules of caste among themselves; like the Buddhists, they are divided into an ascetic class and a lay, but monasticism is not developed to the same degree among them.

There are two principal sects, "the white-gowns" and "the air-clad," i.e. naked, though it is only at meals, which they eat in common, that the latter strip naked; they abstain from animal food, drink only filtered water, breathe only through a veil, and go sweeping the ground before them for fear of swallowing or crushing any live thing, even the smallest animalcule. In religion they are atheists, and admit of no Creator or of any perfection of being at the beginning, only at the end.

JALAPA, capital of the Mexican State of Vera Cruz, is prettily situated at the base of the Cordillera, 60 m. NW. of Vera Cruz city; gives its name to jalap, the medicinal plant found in the district.

JALISCO, a maritime state in Mexico facing the Pacific; consists chiefly of elevated plateau; enjoys a fine climate; has long-established mining industries, some agriculture, and a growing trade in cotton and woollen goods, tobacco, &c.; capital, Guadalajara.

JAMAICA ("Land of Springs"), a British crown colony, the largest and most important of the British West India Islands; is one of the Greater Antilles group, and lies some 90 m. S. of the eastern end of Cuba; its greatest length E. and W. 144 m.; is traversed by the Blue Mountains (7400 ft.), whose slopes are clad with luxuriant forests of mahogany, cedar, satin-wood, palm, and other trees; of the numerous rivers, only one, the Black River, is navigable, and that for only flat-bottomed boats and canoes, there are many harbours (Kingston finest), while good roads intersect the island; the climate is oppressively warm and somewhat unhealthy on the coast, but delightful in the interior highlands; for administrative purposes the land area is divided into three counties, Surrey, Middlesex, and Cornwall; the chief trade products are dyewoods, fruit, sugar, rum, coffee, and spices; discovered in 1494 by Columbus, and since 1655 a possession of England.

JAMES, the name of three disciples of Christ; James, the elder son of Zebedee, who by order of the high-priest was put to death by Herod Agrippa; James, the younger son of Alphaeus, and James, the brother of the Lord, destined to death.

JAMES I., king of Scotland from 1424 to 1437, son of Robert III., born in Dunfermline; in 1406, while on a voyage to France, he was captured by the English and detained by Henry IV. for 18 years, during which time, however, he was carefully trained in letters and in all knightly exercises; returning to Scotland in 1424 with his bride, Jane Beaufort, niece of the English king, he took up the reins of government with a firm hand; he avenged himself on the nobles by whose connivance he had been kept so long out of his throne, reduced the turbulent Highlanders to order, and introduced a number of beneficial reforms (e.g. a wider parliamentary franchise, a fixed standard for the coinage, a supreme court of civil jurisdiction, a renovated system of weights and measures), and widened Scotland's commercial relations with the Continent; he was a man of scholarly tastes, a patron of learning, and exhibited no mean poetic gift in his well-known poem, "The King's Quhair"; his vigorous and sometimes harsh and vindictive efforts to lower the powers of the nobility procured him their inveterate hatred, and in 1437 he was murdered in the Dominican monastery at Perth by a band of conspirators (1394-1437).

JAMES II., king of Scotland from 1437 to 1460, son of preceding; during his minority the country was torn by rival factions amongst the nobility, the chief point of contest being the wardship of the young king; an attempt on the part of the conspirators who had murdered James I. to place their leader, the Earl of Athole, on the throne, was frustrated; in 1449 James assumed the duties of his kingship, and in the same year married Mary, the daughter of the Duke of Gueldres; an English war then being waged on the Borders was brought to a close, and the young king entered vigorously upon administrative reforms; in these efforts he was hampered by the opposition of the nobility, and his fiery temper led him to participate in the murder of the chief obstructionist, the Earl of Douglas; protection given to the exiled Douglases

by the Yorkists led James to support the claims of Henry VI. in England; he was killed by the bursting of a cannon at the siege of Roxburgh Castle (1430-1460).

JAMES III., king of Scotland from 1460 to 1488, son of James II.; was during his minority under the care of his mother and Bishop Kennedy of St. Andrews, the Earl of Angus being lieutenant-general of the kingdom; but the bishop and the earl died before he was 14, and the nobility fell into faction and disorder again; the first to gain power was Lord Boyd (whose son married the king's sister), but a charge of treason brought about his downfall and exile; the king married Princess Margaret of Denmark in 1469, and gave himself up to a life of quiet ease, surrounded by men of art and culture, while his brothers Albany and Mar, by their military tastes and achievements, won the affections of the nobles; James, becoming jealous, imprisoned them; Albany, who had intrigued with Edward IV., fled to France. Mar died in Craigmillar Castle; while the king and his army were marching to meet expected English action in 1482 the nobles, instigated by Archibald, Bell-the-Cat, seized and hanged the royal favourites at Lauder, and committed the king to Edinburgh Castle; a short reconciliation was effected, but was soon broken, and civil war ensued; the defeat of the royalist forces at Sauchieburn took place in 1488; the king escaped from the field, but was thrown from his horse, and, taking refuge in a house at Beaton's Mill, was there slain (1451-1488).

JAMES IV., king of Scotland from 1488 to 1513, participated in the rebellion which overthrew his father, James III., and succeeded him; but in remorse for his unfilial conduct wore an iron belt all his life; during his youth his supporters carried on the government in their own interests, and despoiled the nobles who had been loyal to the late king; but when he came of age he showed his independence in choosing good advisers, among them Sir Andrew Wood; his reign was marked by resistance to the claims of the Roman pontiff, by the firm and wise administration of law, the fostering of agriculture, of shipbuilding, and other industries; in 1503 James married Margaret, daughter of Henry VII.; after that king's death relations between the two countries became strained; two English men-of-war captured Andrew Barton's privateers; the jewels which the queen inherited from her father were retained by Henry VIII., and James maintained an alliance with Henry's enemy, France; at the solicitation of the French queen, against the advice of his own queen and nobles, he invaded England in 1513, but the invasion ended in disaster at Flodden, where he and the flower of his army perished; he was an able but a headstrong, a pleasure-loving, and an extravagant man (1473-1513).

JAMES V., king of Scotland from 1513 to 1542, son of James IV., was only an infant when he came to the throne; his mother was regent till her marriage with young Angus, when the nobles called James IV.'s cousin, Albany, from France to assume the regency; French and English factions sprang up; Henry VIII. intrigued in the affairs of the country; anarchy and civil war ensued, and Albany retired to France in 1524; in that year the queen-mother, aided by Henry, took the young king from Sir David Lindsay, to whom he had been entrusted, and assumed the government again in his name; the Douglas family usurped his person and the government in 1525; but James asserted himself three years later, and began to reign in person, displaying judgment and resolution, banishing the Douglases, keeping order in the Highlands and on the Borders, establishing the College of Justice, protecting the peasantry from the tyranny of the barons, and fostering trade by a commercial treaty with the Netherlands; he married (1) Princess Magdalene of France in 1537, and (2) Mary of Guise in 1539; Henry, aggrieved by James's failure to meet him in conference on Church matters, and otherwise annoyed, sent 30,000 men into Scotland in 1542; disaffection prevented the Scottish forces from acting energetically, and the rout of Solway Moss took place; the king, vexed and ashamed, sank

into a fever and died at Falkland; in this reign the Reformation began to make progress in Scotland, and would have advanced much farther but that James had to support the clergy to play off their power against the nobles (1513-1542).

JAMES I. OF ENGLAND AND VI. OF SCOTLAND, son of Mary, Queen of Scots, and Darnley, born in Edinburgh Castle; was proclaimed king of Scotland when only 13 months old, in 1567; entrusted to the Earl of Mar, and educated by George Buchanan; Mary, Lennox, Mar, and Morton were successively regents, till James assumed the government in 1581, executing Morton and choosing Arran and Lennox for his advisers; plots and counter-plots, the Raid of Ruthven (1582), the siege of Striving by some of the nobles with 10,000 troops, mostly from England, the surrender of the king and the fall of Arran in 1585, the insurrection of the Catholic nobles, 1491-1494, and the Gowrie Conspiracy in 1600, betrayed the restlessness of the kingdom and the weakness of the king; James married Anne of Denmark 1589; on the death of Elizabeth, in 1603, he succeeded to the throne of England as James I.; was at first popular, but soon forfeited all confidence by his favoritism; he governed through creatures like Carr, Earl of Somerset, and the infamous Buckingham, whose indiscretion brought about a war with Spain in 1624; James died immediately afterwards; he has been described by Bully as "the wisest fool in Christendom"; his conduct was certainly much less creditable than his conversation; he held absurdly high views of the royal prerogative, but he sold patents of nobility, and was careless of the misdeeds of his ministers; he did not live to see revolution, but he saw its precursor in the loosening of the bonds of sympathy between sovereign and people (1566-1625).

JAMES II. OF ENGLAND AND VII. OF SCOTLAND, the son of Charles I., reigned in succession to Charles II. from 1685 to 1688; during the Commonwealth he was a soldier in France and Spain; at the Restoration returned to England as Duke of York, and became Lord High Admiral; avowing himself a Catholic in 1671, the Test Act of 1673 enforced his resignation, and thenceforward repeated attempts were made to exclude him from the succession; on becoming king he promised to maintain the Church and to respect the liberties of the people, but his government all the same was arbitrary and tyrannical; he paraded his Catholicism, persecuted the Covenanters, subordinated English interests to French, permitted the "Bloody Assize," suspended the Test Act, violated the rights of the Universities, gave Church offices to Roman Catholics, and by these and many other acts of despotism made his deposition necessary; leading statesmen invited William of Orange to assume the throne, and James fled to France; an invasion of Ireland in 1689 ended in his defeat at Boyne Water; he retired again to France, and lived at St. Germain till his death (1633-1701).

JAMES, EPISTLE OF, a catholic epistle of the New Testament, presumed to have been written by James, the brother of the Lord, addressed to Jewish Christians who, in accepting Christianity, had not renounced Judaism, and the sphere in which it moves is that of Christian morality, agreeably to the standard of ethics given in the Sermon on the Mount. The author looks upon Judaism as the basis of Christianity, and as on the moral side leading up to it, in correspondence with the attention of Christ, that "salvation is of the Jews."

JAMES, GEORGE PAYNE RAINFORD, historical novelist, born in London; wrote as many as a hundred novels, beginning with "Rochester" in 1829, which brought him popularity, profit, and honour; was appointed historiographer-royal to William IV.; was burlesqued by Thackeray (1801-1860).

JAMES, HENRY, an American theological writer, a disciple of Swedenborg, and an exponent of his system (1811-1882).

JAMES, HENRY, American novelist, born in New York; studied law at Harvard, but was eventually drawn into literature, and after a spell of magazine work established his reputation as a novelist in 1875 with "Roderick Hudson"; most of his life

was spent in Italy and England, and the writing of fiction was varied with several volumes of criticism, chiefly on French life and literature; his novels are characterized by a charming style, by a delicate, discriminating analysis of rather uneventful lives, and by an almost complete absence of strong dramatic situation (1843-1916).

JAMES, JOHN ANSELL, most influential Congregationalist of his time, born in Dorsetshire; was pastor of Carr's Lane Chapel, Birmingham, from 1805 to 1869; won the esteem of all parties; published the "Anxious Inquirer," and many other works (1795-1869).

JAMES, SIR HENRY, military engineer; superintended the geological survey of Ireland, and became in 1854 director-general of the Ordnance Survey (1803-1877).

JAMES, ST., James, the son of Zebedee, the patron saint of Spain; his attribute the sword, by which he was decapitated.

JAMES, WILLIAM, American psychologist, brother of Henry James (q.v.); professor of Philosophy at Harvard; published many books on psychological subjects, including the "Varieties of Religious Experience" (1842-1910).

JAMES RIVER, an important river of Virginia, U.S., formed by the junction of the Jackson and the Cowpasture; it flows in a south-easterly direction across Virginia, falling into the Atlantic at the S. end of Chesapeake Bay. It has a course of 450 m., and is navigable as far as City Point.

JAMESON, ANNA, *nee* Murphy, authoress and art critic, born in Dublin; wrote "Sacred and Legendary Art," "Legends of the Monastic Orders," "Legends of the Madonna," &c.; left unfinished at her death a work on Our Lord and John the Baptist as represented in art, which was completed afterwards by Lady Eastlake (1794-1860).

JAMESON, GEORGE, a Scottish portrait-painter, born in Aberdeen; many of his portraits are to be met with in Scottish mansion-houses; his work has been unfairly judged, and himself extravagantly designated the "Scottish Van Dyck" (1586-1644).

JAMESON, SIR LEANDER STARR, leader of the mid upon Johannesburg, born in Edinburgh; studied medicine in his native city and in London, established himself at Kimberley in 1878, and under the patronage of Rhodes became the popular administrator for the South African Company at Fort Salisbury in 1891; from Mafeking in December of 1895 he started, with a body of 500 troops, upon his ill-fated incursion into the Transvaal to assist the Uitlanders of Johannesburg; at Krugersdorp the raiders, exhausted by a 24 hours' ride, were repelled by a superior force of Boers, and compelled to surrender; having been handed over to the British authorities "Dr. Jim," as he was familiarly called, was tried in London, and condemned to 15 months' imprisonment, but was liberated on account of ill-health after about five months' incarceration; later became a member of the Cape Legislative Assembly and Premier (1853-1917).

JAMESON, ROBERT, naturalist, born in Leith; appointed professor of Natural History in Edinburgh University in 1804; wrote several works on mineralogy and geology (1773-1853).

JAMES'S PALACE, ST., a palace, a brick building adjoining St. James's Park, London, a royal residence from 1698 to 1837, where levees are now held; gave its name to the English Court in those days as St. Stephen's does to the Parliament, representatives of Foreign Powers still being accredited to "the Court of St. James's."

JAMESTOWN, in Virginia, at mouth of James river; the first permanent English settlement in America; founded in 1607 by the colonists sent out by the London Virginia Company under Captain Newport.

JAMIESON, DR. JOHN, a Scottish antiquary, born in Glasgow; bred for the Church; was Dissenting minister in Nicolson Street Church, Edinburgh; widely known as author of the "Etymological Dictionary of the Scottish Language"; wrote other works of less note (1759-1838).

JAN MAYEN LAND, a volcanic island, 35 m. in length, situated in the Arctic Ocean between Iceland and Spitzbergen; is the headquarters of considerable

seal and whale fisheries; discovered in 1611 by a Dutch navigator of the same name.

JANE EYRE, a novel by Charlotte Brontë; published in 1847.

JANICULUM, one of the hills of Rome, on the right bank of the Tiber.

JANIN, JULES GABRIEL, critic and novelist, born in St. Etienne, France; took to journalism early, and established a reputation by his lively dramatic criticisms in the *Journal des Debats*; his gift of ready composition betrayed him into a too prolific output of work; he succeeded in 1870 to Sainte-Beuve's chair in the French Academy (1804-1874).

JANIZARIES, a Turkish military force organized in 1330, and more perfectly in 1336; composed originally of Christian youths taken prisoners in war or kidnapped, and trained as Mohammedans; from being at first 10,000, and fostered by the privileges granted them, increased to 300,000 or 400,000 strong, till they became unruly and a danger to the State, when, after various unsuccessful attempts to crush them, they were in 1826 overborne by the Sultan Mahmud II. and dissolved.

JANNÆUS, ALEXANDER, the second of the Asmonean kings of Judea; reigned in the beginning of the century before Christ; insulted the Jews by profaning the rites of their religion, and so roused a hostility which was appeased only by his death, the news of which was received with expressions of triumphant exultation.

JANNES AND JAMBRES, the two Egyptian magicians who thought to outwail Moses in the performance of his miracles, supposed to be referred to in 2 Tim. iii. 8 as "withstanding" him.

JANSEN, CORNELIUS, a Dutch theologian and bishop of Ypres, born in Louvain; studied the works of Augustine, and wrote a book entitled "Augustinus" in exposition of that great Father's doctrine of grace, which was published after his death, and which gave occasion to a great controversy between his followers, in France especially, and the Jesuits (1585-1638).

JANSENISTS, a party in the Roman Catholic Church, supporters of Jansen's views, who, in opposition to the Jesuits, maintained the Augustinian principle of the sovereign and irresistible nature of divine grace. The most celebrated members of the party were the Port-Royalists (q.v.) of France, in particular Arnauld and Pascal, and they were opposed not only by the Jesuits, but by both Louis XIV. and the Pope. Driven from France on the death of Louis, they took refuge in Holland, and thither the Pope Clement XI. followed them, first in 1713, hurling a bull against them, and then in 1719 by excommunicating them and driving them for good from within the pale of the Catholic Church.

JANUARIUS, ST., a Christian who suffered martyrdom under Diocletian, and whose head is preserved in Naples with a phial containing his blood, which, on certain occasions, liquefies when brought into contact with the head. Recourse is had to it on the occasion of public calamities, and it is an object of worship. Festival, September 19.

JANUARY, the first month of the year, so called as sacred to Janus (q.v.).

JANUARY, EDICT OF, edict of date January 17, 1562, on which Catherine de Medici granted certain concessions to the Protestants.

JANUS, a very ancient Italian deity who presided over the beginning of the several divisions of time, as well as the beginning of all enterprises, in connection with which he was worshipped; he had two heads, or faces, one of which looked behind into the past and the other before into the future, and this power of penetrating into both it is said Saturn endowed him with as a reward for being received on earth when the latter was driven out of heaven.

JAPAN, an island empire of the N. Pacific, lying along the E. coast of Asia, and separated from Korea and Primorsk by the Sea of Japan, consists of Honshiu, Shikoku, Kyushu, Yezo, and 4000 small islands; though not of volcanic origin, the islands are the most mountainous in the world, have many volcanoes and sulphur springs, and are subject to earthquakes; they are very picturesque, and have

peaks from 8000 to 12,000 ft. high; the rivers are too swift for navigation; the coast, not much indented, has yet some good harbours; the valleys are well wooded, but the soil not very fertile; temperature and climate are various; nowhere is the heat intense, but in some parts the winter is very cold; there is much rain, but on the whole it is healthy; the chief industry is agriculture; farming is careful and intelligent; rice, cereals, pulse, tea, cotton, and tobacco are raised, and many fruits; gold, silver, all the useful metals, coal, granite, and some decorative stones are found, but good building-stone is scarce; the manufacture of porcelain, lacquer-work, and silk is extensive, and in some artistic work the Japanese are unrivalled; the chief ports are Yokohama, on the E. of Honshu, which has grown up since 1854, when the country was opened to trade; Iiyogo, on the S. coast of the same island, where are also shipbuilding yards; at Nagasaki and Osaka; the chief exports are tea, silk, and rice; imports cotton, woollen, iron goods, and chemicals; the Japanese, sprung from an ancient union of Tartars with Ainos and with S. Malays, are a kindly, courteous, law-abiding folk, with highly developed artistic tastes; education is compulsory and well provided for; religion is Shintoism and Buddhism, but Christianity is gaining rapid ground; the government is in the hands of the Mikado, who rules now with the aid of ministers and two houses of parliament; education, government, army, and navy—indeed the whole modern civilisation of the country—is on Western lines, though until 1853 foreigners were excluded; a civil war in 1867-1868 effected the change from the old feudalism, and the success of Japan in the war against China in 1894, and against Russia in 1904, proved that the new civilisation was no meagre veneer; the capital is Tokyo.

JAPHETH, one of the three sons of Noah and the ancestor of the Gentiles, as distinct from the descendants of Shem, or the Semites, and of Ham, or the Hamites. See **IAFETOS**.

JAKES, or the "melancholy," a cynical moraliser in Shakespeare's "As You Like It."

JARNAC, a town on the Charente, celebrated as the scene of a victory which the Catholics, commanded by the Duc d'Angoulême, afterwards Henry III., obtained in 1569 over the Huguenots commanded by Condé.

JAROSLAV, on the Volga, 160 m. N.E. of Moscow, is capital of the government of Jaroslavl; is an important river-port, a seat of legal culture, and has cotton manufactures.

JARPOONK, a memoric or hypnotic state produced by Hindu conjurers.

JARROW, in Durham, on the Tyne, 7 m. below Newcastle; is a coal-shipping port, and has extensive shipbuilding and iron manufactures; in ancient times its monastery was made famous by the Venerable Bede.

JARVIE, **BALIE NICOL**, a Glasgow magistrate; an original character in Scott's "Rob Roy."

JASHER, **BOOK OF**, a Hebrew book twice quoted in the Old Testament, no longer extant; believed to have been a collection of national ballads.

JASMIN, **JACQUES**, a Gascon barber and poet, who by his romances, burlesques, and odes, published between 1835 and 1840, raised the patois of the S. of France to the status of a literary language, and created a wholesome influence on French life and letters (1793-1860).

JASON, a mythological Greek hero, son of Æson, king of Iolcos; brought up by the centaur Chiron, was supplanted on the throne by his half-brother Pelias; undertook the leadership of the Argonautic expedition, assisted by Medea in this enterprise; he took her to wife, but cast her off for Creusa, whom Medea avenged herself killed, with her father and her two sons by Jason, as herself escaping to Athens in a chariot drawn by winged dragons; Jason took refuge from her fury in the sanctuary of Poseidon near Corinth, where the timber of the ship Argo deposited there, breaking up, fell upon him and crushed him to death.

JASPER, an opaque quartz found in all colours, and spotted, striped, and clouded; is valued in ornamental lapidary work because of the polish it takes.

JASSY, ancient capital of Moldavia, situated 89 m.

N.E. of Bucharest; is the seat of an archbishop and a university, and has a large community of Jews; trades largely with Russia in corn, spirits, and wine.

JĀTAKA, a Pāli collection of stories recounting 550 previous "births" of the Buddha, the earliest collection of popular tales, and the ultimate source of many of Æsop's fables and Western folk-lore legends.

JĀTS, are the principal race in the Punjab, where they number 4½ millions, and are engaged in agriculture. There is much debate as to their origin and their racial relationship.

JAVA, the finest island of the Indian Archipelago, lying between Sumatra and Bali, with the Indian Ocean on the S. and the Java Sea separating it from Borneo on the N., lies E. and W., traversed by a mountain chain with a rich alluvial plain on the N.; there are many volcanoes; the climate is hot, and on the coast unhealthy; the mountains are densely wooded, and the teak forests are valuable; the plain is fertile; coffee, tea, sugar, and tobacco are grown and exported; all kinds of manufactured goods, wine, spirits, and provisions are imported; the natives are Malays, more civilised than on neighbouring islands; there are 240,000 Chinese, many Europeans and Arabs; the island is nearly as large as England, and belongs to Holland; the chief towns are Batavia and Samarang, both on the N.

JAVA MAN, or *Pithecanthropus erectus*, remains of an early sub-man found by Dubois in Java in 1894; the remains include the top of the skull, teeth, and the thigh bone, and date back to the Pliocene period.

JAY, **JOHN**, American statesman, born in New York, and called to the bar in 1798; took a part in the struggle for Independence second only to Washington; represented his country subsequently in Madrid and London; was first Chief Justice of the United States, and from 1795 to 1801 governor of New York (1745-1829).

JAY, **WILLIAM**, eminent Congregationalist minister, born in Wiltshire; was first a stonemason, but entered the ministry, and after a short term of service near Chippenham was pastor of Argyle Chapel, Bath, for 62 years. He was an impressive preacher and a popular writer (1769-1853).

JAYADEVA, a Hindu poet, born near Burdwan, in Bengal, flourished in the 12th century, whose great work, the "Gita Govinda," the "Song of the Shepherd Krishna," has been translated by Sir Edwin Arnold as the "Indian Song of Songs," in celebration of the love of Krishna and his wife Radha; it has often been compared with the "Song of Songs," in the Hebrew Scriptures.

JAZZ, syncretised dance music; that is to say, its music moves irregularly from bar to bar. It was introduced from America about 1918, and is derived from native music of Africa.

JEAN D'EPÉE (i.e. the Frenchman with the sword), a name given to Napoleon by his partisans who conspired for his restoration in 1814.

JEANNE D'ALBRET. See **D'ALBRET**, **JEANNE**.

JEANNE D'ARC. See **JOAN OF ARC**.

JEANS, **SIR JAMES**, British scientist, secretary of the Royal Society of London, carried out research and wrote on various scientific subjects, especially the dynamical theory of gases and cosmogony (1877-).

JEBB, **SIR RICHARD CLAVERHOUSE**, Greek scholar, born in Dundee, elected in 1889 Regius Professor of Greek in Cambridge; represented Cambridge in Parliament, edited "Sophocles," "The Attic Orators," "Introduction to Homer," &c. (1841-1905).

JEDBURGH, a county town of Roxburghshire, picturesquely situated on the Jed, 30 m. S.W. of Berwick, and 10 m. S.W. of Kelso; is an ancient town of many historic memories; made a royal burgh by David I.; contains the ruins of an abbey, and has some woollen manufactures.

JEDDAH, a town on the Red Sea, 65 m. W. of Mecca, of which it is the port, where the pilgrims disembark for the holy city; is a place of trade, less considerable than it once was.

JEEJEEHROY, **SIR JAMESJEE**, Indian philanthropist, a Parsee by birth and creed, born in

Bombay; realised a fortune as a merchant, and employed it in releasing debtors from jail by paying their debts, and in founding a hospital and schools, among other public benefactions; in 1857 was made a baronet (1788-1859).

JEFFERIES, JOHN RICHARD, writer on rural subjects, born near Swindon, Wilts, son of a gamekeeper; was first a journalist and novelist, but attained success in "The Gamekeeper at Home," 1878; this work he followed up with many others dealing with nature and wild life; he died after six years' illness at Goring, Sussex; Lord Salisbury pronounced him "the greatest minute describer of English country life since White of Selborne" (1848-1887).

JEFFERSON, JOSEPH, comedian, born in Philadelphia, of theatrical lineage; was on the stage at the age of 8; made his first success in New York as Dr. Pangloss in 1857, and in London in 1855 began to play his most famous rôle, Rip van Winkle, a most exquisite exhibition of histrionic genius (1829-1905).

JEFFERSON, THOMAS, American statesman, born in Shadwell, Virginia; took a prominent part in the Revolution, and claimed to have drawn up the Declaration of Independence; he secured the decimal coinage for the States in 1783; was plenipotentiary in France in 1784, and subsequently minister there; as third President, 1801-1807, he saw the Louisiana purchase and the prohibition of the slave-trade; after his retirement he devoted himself to furthering education till his death at Monticello, Va.; he was a man of extremes, but honest and consistent in his policy (1743-1826).

JEFFREY, FRANCIS, LORD, a celebrated critic and lawyer, born in Edinburgh; trained for and called to the bar in 1794; with a fine cultivated literary taste devoted himself principally to literary criticism, and being at White in politics was associated with the originators of the *Edinburgh Review* (q.v.) and became its first editor in 1802, which he continued to be till 1829, contributing to its pages all along articles of great brilliance; he was distinguished also at the bar in several famous trials; became Lord Advocate of Scotland in 1830, M.P. for Edinburgh in 1832, and finally, in 1834, one of the Judges in the Court of Session; died at Craigrook, near Edinburgh (1778-1850).

JEFFREYS, BARON, of infamous memory, born in Wales; became Chief Justice of England in 1683; was one of the advisers and promoters of the tyrannical proceedings of James II.'s reign, and notorious for his cruel and vindictive judgments as a judge; to the indignation of the people; tried to escape on the arrival of William; was discovered lurking in a public-house at Wapping, and apprehended and committed to the Tower, where he died (1648-1689).

JEHOVAH, the name of God in the Hebrew Scriptures as self-existent, and the Creator and Lord of all things, in the regard of the Jews too sacred to be pronounced, and in the Authorized Version often rendered by the word *Lord* in small capital letters.

JEHOVIST, the presumed author of the Jehovistic portions of the Pentateuch. See *ELOHIST*.

JEKILL, DR., AND MR. HYDE, the good nature and the bad struggling for the ascendancy in the same person, generally to the defeat of the former, as dealt with in R. L. Stevenson's novel of the name.

JELLOOE, JOHN RUSHWORTH, VISCOUNT, British admiral. He entered the navy at the age of 13, saw service in the Egyptian War of 1882 and at Peking in the Boxer Rising, when he was wounded. From 1902 to 1910 he was at the Admiralty, and in 1910 became commander of the Atlantic Fleet. In August, 1914, he became commander of the Grand Fleet, a position he held till after the battle of Jutland in 1916, when he handed over command to Beatty and became First Sea Lord, in which capacity he handled the U-boat menace. He was raised to the peerage in 1919, and the following year went to New Zealand as governor-general. In 1928 he succeeded Halse as President of the British Legion (q.v.) (1859-).

JEMADAR, a native officer in the Indian army, of rank equal to that of lieutenant in the British.

JEMAPPES, a manufacturing Belgian town, 3 m. W.

of Mons, where Dumouriez in the name of the French Republic defeated the Austrians in 1792.

JENA, in Saxo-Weimar, on the Saale, 14 m. S.E. of Weimar, an old town with memories of Luther, Goethe, and Schiller; has a university founded to be a centre of Reformation influence, and since associated with Fichte, Schelling, Hegel, and the Schlegels, who were teachers there; on the same day, on October 14, 1806, two victories were won near the town by French troops over the Prussians, the collective name for both being "the battle of Jena."

"JENKINS'S EAR", refers to an incident which provoked a war with Spain in 1739, viz., the conduct of the officer of a Spanish guardship not far from Havana towards the captain of an English trading ship of the name of Jenkins; the Spaniards boarded his ship, could find nothing contraband on board, but treated him cruelly, cut off his left ear, which he brought home in wadding, to the inflaming of the English people against Spain. The truth of the story, however, is doubted by W. E. Lecky, the historian.

JENNER, EDWARD, an English physician, born in Berkeley, who practised there as the discoverer of inoculation with cowpox as a preventive of smallpox, or vaccination, as it is called, a discovery which immortalised his name (1749-1823).

JENNER, SIR WILLIAM, an eminent physician, born in Chatham; held several professorships in University College; was physician to Queen Victoria and the Prince of Wales (Edward VII.); discovered the symptoms which differentiate typhus from typhoid fever (1815-1898).

JEPHTHAH, one of the Judges of Israel, famed for his rash vow in the event of victory to offer in sacrifice the first object that came out of his house on his return, which happened to be his daughter and only child, and whom it would seem he sacrificed after allowing her two months to bewail her fate along with her maidens; it is not stated that her father actually sacrificed her, and it is thought she was only doomed to perpetual virginity.

JEREMIAH, a Hebrew prophet, born in Anathoth, a priestly city 3 m. N. of Jerusalem, where, after his removal thither, he spent as a prophet the greater part of his life, viz., from 629 to 586 B.C.; his prophecy was a lifelong protest against the iniquity and folly of his countrymen, and was conceived in bitter foreboding of the hopeless ruin they were bringing down upon their heads; his faithfulness offended friend and foe alike, and more than one plot was laid against his life, which was one of ever-deepening sadness and one long wail over the ruin of the country he so loved; he lived to see the issue of his prediction in the captivity of the people, though he did not go into captivity with them, the conqueror having allowed him to remain as he wished; he appears to have died in Egypt; he was the author of "Lamentations," and it is thought of sundry of the Psalms. See *HEBREW PROPHECY*.

JERICHO, an ancient city of Palestine, in the S.W. of a plain of the same name that extends W. of the Jordan and N.W. of the Dead Sea; it was the first city taken by the Israelites when they entered the Holy Land, the walls falling down before them after being compassed for seven days by the priests blowing on rams' horns and followed by the people. In the Great War it was captured by Allenby after severe fighting in 1918.

JEROME, JEROME KLAPKA, dramatist and journalist, author of "Idle Thoughts of an Idle Fellow," "Three Men in a Boat," "Diary of a Pilgrimage," &c., as also of plays; editor of the *Idler* and of a weekly magazine journal, *To-Day* (1859-1927).

JEROME, ST., a Father of the Church, born in N. Illyria, of rich parents, presumably Christian, although he first became Christian himself of his own election after he was grown up; and from the day of his baptism, "he left," as he says, "not only parents and kindred, but the accustomed luxuries of delicate life"; his fame rests on a translation of the Scriptures into Latin, known as the Vulgate, which he executed at Bethlehem at intervals from A.D. 385 to 404, with the design of showing

to the Latin world what was and what was not contained in the original documents for the faith of the Church, and with the result that in the long run the Old and the New Testaments were for the first time presented to and received by the Church as both of equal, or at least common, authority, and as both sections of one book (381-430).

JEROME OF PRAGUE, born in Prague; studied there and at Oxford (where he came under Wycliffe's influence), Paris, Heidelberg, and Cologne; acquired great learning, and displayed great energy and oratorical power; attracted the notice of the kings of Poland and Hungary; joined John Huss in his agitation against the abuses of the Church; became involved in the movement against Huss and, though he recanted, afterwards withdrew his recantation, and was burned at Constance (c. 1385-1416).

JERROLD, DOUGLAS WILLIAM, dramatist and wit, born in London, son of a theatrical manager; began life as a printer; author of "Black-eyed Susan" and other plays; contributed to *Punch*; "Mrs. Caudle's Curtain Lectures" among other pieces, and edited magazines (1809-1867).

JERSEY, the largest and richest of the Channel Islands, lies 15 m. off the French coast, 100 m. S. of Portland Bill, is oblong in shape, with great bays in the coast, and slopes from the SW. to the SE.; the soil is devoted chiefly to pasture and potato culture; the exports are early potatoes for the London market and the famous Jersey cattle, the purity of whose breed is carefully preserved; the island is self-governing, has a somewhat primitive land tenure, is remarkably free from poverty and crime, and has been under the English crown since 1066, the capital is St. Helier, where there is a college, a public library, a harbour, and a good market.

JERSEY CITY, the most populous city in New Jersey, is separated from New York, of which it is practically a part, only by the Hudson River; has no pretension to beauty, but is a busy railway centre; has very varied manufactures, including sugar, flour, machinery, and chemicals, extensive shipping interests, and great trade in iron, coal, and agricultural produce.

JERUSALEM, the capital of Palestine, holy city of the Jews, belonged originally to the Jebusites, but was captured by David and made his capital; a strong place, built on four hills 2000 ft. above the Mediterranean, enclosed within walls and protected nearly all round by deep valleys and rising grounds beyond; it has been so often besieged, overthrown, and rebuilt that the present city stands on rubbish heaps, the ruins of ancient structures. It was captured by British troops under Allenby in December, 1917.

JERUSALEM, KINGDOM OF, kingdom founded by Godfrey of Bouillon in 1099 and overthrown by Saladin in 1187.

JERUSALEM DELIVERED, an epic poem in 20 cantos by Tasso and published in 1575, the appearance of which constitutes one of the great epochs in the history of literature.

JESSAMY BRIDE, THE, the name given by Oliver Goldsmith to Mary Horneck, with whom he fell in love; it is the title of a novel by F. Frankfort Moore, in which the love story of Goldsmith and Mary is told.

JESSICA, Shylock's daughter, in "The Merchant of Venice."

JESUITS, or SOCIETY OF JESUS, the religious order founded by Ignatius Loyola (q.v.) in 1534, and approved of by bull of Paul III. in 1540, for the conversion of heretics and the propagation of the Roman Catholic faith, and reputed, however self-denying at times, to be unscrupulous in the means its members employed to achieve their ends, which were, broadly speaking, to re-establish over Christendom the tyranny of the Church; they formed communities in the several countries of Europe, but their policy was found dangerous to political liberty as well as religious, and in time they lost considerable ground; there are nevertheless still several communities of them in the south of Europe, and even colleges in England, Ireland, and the United States, as well as missions under them in heathen parts.

JESUS, THE SON OF SIRACH, the author of the book of Ecclesiasticus (q.v.).

JESUS CHRIST (i.e. the anointed Divine Saviour), the Son of God and the hope of Israel, Saviour of mankind, who was born in Bethlehem of the Virgin Mary years before the of the era, and who suffered death on the cross for the salvation of His people in A.D. 33, after a life of sorrow over the sins of the world and an earnest pleading with men to turn from sin unto God as revealed in Himself, in the life He led, the words He spoke, and the death He died, and after leaving behind Him a Spirit which He promised would guide those who believed in Him unto all truth, a Spirit which was and would prove to be the spirit of His manifestation in the flesh from birth onwards to death, and through death to the very grave. See **CHRISTIANITY**.

JET, a hard, black, bituminous lignite, capable of an excellent polish and easily carved, hence useful for trinkets and ornaments, which have been made of it from very early times; is found in France, Spain, and Saxony, but the best supplies come from Whitby, Yorkshire.

JEU DE PAUME, an oath which the deputies of the Third Estate took on June 13, 1789, not to separate till they had given France a constitution.

JEUNESSE DORÉE (lit. gilded youth), name given to a body of young dandies who, after the fall of Robespierre, strove to bring about a counter-revolution.

JEVONS, WILLIAM STANLEY, logician and political economist, born in Liverpool; in 1866 was professor of Logic of Owens College, Manchester, and 10 years later professor of Political Economy in University College, London; distinguished himself in the departments of both chairs both as a lecturer and a writer; was drowned while bathing at Bexhill (1835-1882).

JEW, THE WANDERING, a Jew bearing the name of Ahazuerus, whom, according to an old legend, Christ condemned to wander over the earth till He should return again to judgment, because He drove Him brutally away as, weary with the cross He carried, He sat down to rest at a stone before his door; in symbolic token it is surmised of the dispersion of the whole Jewish people over the earth as homeless wanderers by way of judgment for their rejection of Christ.

JEWEL, JOHN, early English Protestant divine, born near Iffracombe; educated at Oxford; became Tutor of Corpus Christi; embraced the Reformed faith, and was secretary to Peter Martyr in 1547; he received the living of Bunningwell, Berks, in 1551, but on Mary's accession fled to Strasbourg; Elizabeth made him Bishop of Salisbury in 1559, and three years later he published his "Apology for the English Church," in his defence of which he sought to base the faith of the Church on the direct teaching of Christ apart from that of the Fathers and tradition (1522-1571).

JEW, THE, a people of Semitic origin, descended from Abraham in the line of Jacob. Their history starts with the migration of the family of Jacob to Egypt, where they stayed for 200 years, until oppressed by the Egyptians and led out by Moses, and after by Joshua, into Palestine, about 1200 B.C. Saul became the first king in 1050 B.C., and in 975 B.C. the country was split into Judah and Israel. The latter was conquered by Shalmaneser of Assyria and the people taken into captivity in Media in 720 B.C., and in 588 B.C. Nebuchadnezzar captured Jerusalem and took the tribes of Judah and Benjamin captive to Babylon. From the time of their captivity in Media the Israelites were lost, and their fate has given rise to speculations (see **RETURN OF THE JEWS**). After 70 years' captivity in Babylon the tribes of Judah and Benjamin returned to Palestine, where they were in turn subject to Alexander the Great, Egypt, Syria, and Rome, and in 135 A.D. after unsuccessful attempts to regain liberty, the country was laid waste and the inhabitants dispersed through Europe and the East. It was not until after the Great War had placed Palestine in British hands that any attempt was made to repatriate the Jews. The race has been conspicuous for the profession of a religion that has issued from them and affected to the core the rest of the civilised world. Their religion

mined by a moral standard; through them more than through any other race has the moral principle, or the law of conscience, been evolved in humanity as the sovereign law of life, and this, at length resolved itself into a faith in one God, the sole ruler in heaven and on earth, the law of whose government is truth and righteousness; but it is to be noted that the Jewish religion never was the religion of the Jewish people, but was from first to last solely the religion of the lawgivers and prophets sent to teach them, to whom they never as a race paid much heed. They were never good for much as a nation, and they are still more powerless for good since it was broken up; there are some 10,000,000 scattered throughout Europe.

JEYPORE, a native state in Rajputana; under British protection since 1818, and was loyal at the Mutiny; the soil is rocky and sandy, but there is much irrigation; copper, iron, and cobalt are found; enamelled gold ware and salt are manufactured; at the capital, Jeypore, the handsomest town in India, there is a State college and a school of art; its business is chiefly banking and exchange.

JEZEBEL, the wicked wife of Ahab, king of Israel, whose fate is recorded in 2 Kings ix. 30-37; gives name to a bold, flaunting woman of loose morals.

JINA (Jñā), the "victorious" one, as contrasted with Buddha, the merely "awakened" one; is in the religion of the Jains (q.v.) a sage who has achieved omniscience, and who came to re-establish the law in its purity where it had become corrupted among men; one of a class, of which it appears there have been 24 in number, who have appeared at intervals after long periods of time, in shapes less imposing or awe-inspiring than at first, and after less and less intervals as time goes on. The Jains claim that Buddha was a disciple of the Jina, their founder, who had finished the faith to which Buddha had only been awakened.

JINGO, a name said to have originated in a popular music-hall refrain, and given to a political party favourable to an aggressive, menacing policy in foreign affairs; first applied in 1877 to that political section in Great Britain which provoked the Turco-Russian war.

JINN, in the Arabian mythology one of a class of genii born of fire, some of them good spirits and some of them evil, with the power of assuming visible forms, hideous or bewitching, corresponding to their character. See **GENII**.

JOAB, the nephew and a general of David; put to death by order of Solomon 1014 B.C.

JOACHIM, **JOSEPH**, a distinguished violinist, born near Presburg; famous as a youthful prodigy; was encouraged by Mendelssohn; visited London and frequently played at concerts; became head of the Academy of Music at Berlin in 1869 (1831-1907).

JOACHIM, **ST.**, the husband of St. Anne, and the father of the Virgin Mary.

JOAN, **POPE**, a woman who, in the guise of a man with male accomplishments, is said for two years, five months and four days to have been Pope of Rome (as John VII.) between Leo IV. and Benedict III. about 853-855, and whose sex was discovered by the premature birth of a child during some public procession. She is said to have been of English parentage, and to have borne the name of Gilberte. The story of her pontificate is found in the "Chronicle" of Marianus Scotus, based on earlier references, but it is of doubtful authenticity and is entirely discredited by Dr. Dollinger.

JOAN OF ARC, **ST.**, or **Maid of Orleans**, a French heroine, born in Domrémy, of poor parents, but nursed in an atmosphere of religious enthusiasm, and subject, in consequence, to fits of religious ecstasy, in one of which she seemed to hear voices calling to her from heaven to devote herself to the deliverance of France, which was then being laid desolate by an English invasion, occupied at the time in besieging Orleans; inspired with the passion thus awakened she sought access to Charles VII., then Dauphin, and offered to raise the siege referred to, and thereafter conduct him to Rheims to be crowned; whereupon, permission being granted, she marched from Blois at the head of 10,000 men, drove the English soldiers from their entrenchments, sent them scattering to a distance, and

thereafter conducted Charles to Rheims to be crowned, standing beside him till the coronation ceremony was ended; with this act she considered her mission finished, but she was tempted afterwards to assist in raising the siege of Compiègne, and on the occasion of a sally was taken prisoner by the Burgundians, handed over to the English, and after an imprisonment of four months tried for sorcery, and condemned to be burned alive; she met her fate in the market-place of Rouen with fortitude. Her sentence was revoked in 1456, and she was canonised in 1920 (1412-1431).

JOANNES, **DAMASCENUS**, theologian and hymn-writer, born in Damascus; was a zealous defender of image-worship; was said to have had his right hand chopped off by the machinations of his foes, which was afterwards restored to him by the Virgin; d. 754, at the age of 70.

JOB, **BOOK OF**, in the Old Testament, partly didactic and partly biographic; that is to say, the object of the author is to solve a problem in part speculatively, or in the intelligence, and in part spiritually, or in the life; the speculative solution being, that sufferings are to prove and purify the righteous; and the spiritual consisting in accepting them not as of merely Divine appointment, but manifestations of God Himself, which is accomplished in the experience of Job when he exclaims at last, "Now mine eye seeth Thee." It is idle to ask if the story is a real one, since its interest and value do not depend on its historic, but its universal and eternal truth; nor is the question of the authorship of any more consequence, even if there were any clue to it, which there is not, as the book offers no difficulty to the interpreter which any knowledge of the author would the least contribute to remove. In such a case the challenge of Goethe is *apropos*, "What have I to do with names when it is a work of the spirit I am considering?" The book of Job was for long believed to be one of the oldest books in the world, and to have had its origin among a patriarchal people, such as the Aramæans, but is now pretty confidently referred to a period between that of David and the return from the captivity, the character of it bespeaking a knowledge and experience peculiarly Jewish.

JOCASTE, the wife of Laius, king of Thebes, and mother of Oedipus; she afterwards married the latter, not knowing that he was her son, and on discovery of the crime put an end to herself, though not till after she had become the mother of Eteocles, Polyneices, Antigone, and Ismené.

JOCELIN DE BRAKELOONDE, an old 12th-century St. Edmundsbury monk, who left behind him a "Chronical" of the Abbey from 1173 to 1202, which, published in 1840 by the Camden Society, gave occasion to the "Past and Present" of Thomas Carlyle; he had been chaplain to the Abbot Samson, the hero of his book, living beside him night and day for the space of six years, and was thus able to make a record of English life and society of his time; d. 1211.

JOCKEY CLUB, the governing body of horse-racing in England, with headquarters at Newmarket, and wide powers.

JODHPUR, largest Rajputana State, under British protection since 1818; is backward in government, education, agriculture, and manufactures; tin, lead, and iron are found; salt is made at Sambhar Lake. The state revolted at the Mutiny. Jodhpur, the capital, is 350 m. S.W. of Delhi, and is connected by rail with Jeypore and Bombay.

JOE MILLER, an English comic actor, whose name provided John Motley with the title for a book of jests (1864-1938).

JOEL, Hebrew prophet, author of a book of the Old Testament that bears his name and that is of uncertain date, but is written on the great broad lines of all Hebrew prophecy, and reads us the same moral lesson, that from the judgments of God there is no outlet for the sinner except in repentance, and that in repentance lies the pledge of deliverance from all evil and of the enjoyment of all good.

JOFFRE, **JOSEPH**, French general. Joining the army in 1870, he was in charge of a battery during the siege of Paris that year. The outbreak of the Great War found him commander-in-chief of the French

army, and he held the position till 1917, co-operating first with French and after 1916 with Haig. In 1917 he resigned his command and was succeeded by Nivelle (1852-).

JOHANNESBURG, the largest town in the Transvaal, 80 m. S. of Pretoria, and 800 m. N.E. of Cape Town; is the centre of Witwatersrand gold-mining fields. Once an ill-equipped town, it made rapid progress last century. Since 1892 railways connect it with Delagoa Bay, Durban, Port Elizabeth, and Cape Town. It possesses many fine buildings, the Town Hall being especially notable. Johannesburg was the seat of the disastrophic among the Uitlanders in 1895, which led to Dr. Jameson's raid.

JOHN, king of England from 1199 to 1216, was the most vicious, short-sighted, tyrannical, and unscrupulous of English monarchs: the son of Henry II., he married Hawisa of Gloucester, and succeeded his brother Richard I., being Richard's nominee, and the tacitly elect of the people; his nephew, Arthur, claimed the French dominions, and was supported by the French king, Philip; in 1200 he divorced Hawisa, and married Isabel of Angoulême, a child-heiress; this provoked the French barons; in the war that ensued Arthur was captured, and subsequently murdered either by John himself or by his orders; Philip invaded Normandy, and with the fall of the Château-Challard in 1204 most of the French possessions were lost to the English crown; then followed John's quarrel with Pope Innocent III. over the election of an archbishop of Canterbury; the Pope consecrated Stephen Langton; John refused to receive him; in 1208 the kingdom was placed under an interdict, and next year the king was excommunicated; John on his side confiscated Church property, exiled the bishops, exacted homage of William of Scotland, and put down risings in Ireland and Wales; but a bull, deposing him and absolving his vassals from allegiance, forced him to submit, and he resigned his crown to the Pope's envoy in 1213; this exaction on Innocent's part initiated the opposition to Rome which culminated in the English Reformation; the rest of the reign was a struggle between the king, relying on his suzerain the Pope, and the people, barons, and clergy, for the first time on one side; war broke out; the king was forced to sign Magna Charta at Runnymede in 1215, but the Pope annulled the Charter, whereupon the barons appealed for help to the Dauphin, and were prosecuting the war when John died at Newark (1166-1216).

JOHN, the name of 23 Popes. J. I., Pope from 523 to 528, was canonised; J. II., Pope from 532 to 535; J. III., Pope from 560 to 578; J. IV., Pope from 640 to 642; J. V., Pope from 686 to 687; J. VI., Pope from 701 to 705; J. VII., Pope from 705 to 707; J. VIII., Pope from 872 to 882; J. IX., Pope from 898 to 900; J. X., Pope from 914 to 928; J. XI., Pope from 931 to 936; J. XII., Pope from 956 to 964—was only 15 when elected, led a licentious life; J. XIII., Pope from 965 to 972; J. XIV., Pope from 984 to 985; J. XV., Pope in 985; J. XVI., Pope from 985 to 996; J. XVII., Pope in 1003; J. XVIII., Pope from 1003 to 1009; J. XIX., Pope from 1024 to 1033; J. XX., anti-Pope from 1043 to 1046; J. XXI., Pope from 1276 to 1277; J. XXII., Pope from 1316 to 1334—a learned man, a steadfast, and a courageous; J. XXIII., Pope in 1410, deposed in 1416—was an able man, but unscrupulous.

JOHN, AUGUSTUS EDWIN, British artist. He studied at the Slade School, started exhibiting with the New English Art Club in 1899, and specialised largely in portraiture. Although unconventional in his art he became an A.R.A. in 1921 (1878-).

JOHN, EPISTLES OF, three Epistles, presumed to have been written by the author of the Gospel, from the correspondence between them both as regards thought and expression; the occasion of writing them was the appearance of Antichrist within the bounds of the Church, in the denial of Christ as God manifest in flesh, and the object of writing them was to emphasise the fact that eternal life had appeared in Him.

JOHN, KNIGHTS OF ST., a religious order of knights, founded in 1048, and institutional properly in 1110,

for the defence of pilgrims to Jerusalem; established a church and a cloister there, with a hospital for poor and sick pilgrims, and were hence called the Hospital Brothers of St. John of Jerusalem; the knights consisted of three classes, knights of noble birth to bear arms, priests to conduct worship, and serving brothers to tend the sick; on the fall of Jerusalem they retired to Cyprus, conquered Rhodes, and called themselves Knights of Rhodes; driven thence they settled in Malta and took the name of Knights of Malta, after which the knight-hood had various fortunes. In England the order was revived in 1834 and now devotes itself to ambulance work.

JOHN, PRESTER, a supposed king and priest of a mediæval kingdom, in the interior of Asia; converted to Christianity by the Nestorian missionaries; was defeated and killed in 1302 by Genghis Khan, who had been tributary to him but had revolted; he was distinguished for piety and magnificence.

JOHN, ST., THE APOSTLE, the son of Zebedee and Salome, the sister of the Virgin Mary; originally a fisherman on the Galilee Lake; after being a disciple of John the Baptist became one of the earliest disciples of Christ; much beloved and trusted by his Master; lived after His death for a time in Jerusalem, and then at Ephesus as bishop, where he died at a great age; he lived to see the rise of the Gnostic heresy, against which, as a denial that Christ had come in the flesh, he protested with his last breath as an utter denial of Christ; he is represented in Christian art as either writing his Gospel, or as bearing a chalice out of which a serpent issues, or as in a cauldron of boiling oil.

JOHN, THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO, the fourth Gospel, of which tradition alleges St. John was the author, and which is presumed to have been written by him at Ephesus about A.D. 78; its great design is to bear witness to the Son of God as having come in the flesh, as being not an ideal, therefore, but a real incarnation, and as in the reality of that being the light and life of man; whereas the scene of the other Gospels is chiefly laid in Galilee, that of John's is mostly in Judea, recording, as it does, no fewer than seven visits to the capital, and while it portrays the person of Christ as the light of life, it represents him as again and again misunderstood, even by those well disposed to him, as if the text of his Gospel were "the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not"; the authenticity of this Gospel has been much debated, and its composition has by recent criticism been referred to somewhere between A.D. 160 and 170.

JOHN OF GAUNT, Duke of Lancaster, third son of Edward III.; an ambitious man; vainly seized the crown of Castile; supported the Wycliffites against the clergy; married Blanche of Lancaster, and was made duke by Henry IV.; afterwards married Constance, daughter of Pedro of Castile; was father of Henry IV., king of England (1340-1399).

JOHN O' GROAT'S HOUSE, on the Calthness coast, 1½ m. W. of Duncairn Head, marks the northern limit of the Scottish mainland; the house was said to have been erected eight-sided, with a door at each side and an octagonal table within, to compromise the question of precedence among eight branches of the descendants of a certain Dutchman, John o' Groat.

JOHN OF LEYDEN, originally a tailor; attained great power as an orator; joined the Anabaptists, and in 1534 established at Münster, in Westphalia, a society based on communistic and polygamic principles; but the bishop of Münster interfered, and next year John was put to death with great cruelty (1509-1536).

JOHN OF SALISBURY, bishop of Chartres, born in Salisbury, of Saxon lineage; was a pupil of Abelard; was secretary first to Theobald and then to Thomas à Becket, archbishop of Canterbury; was present at the assassination of the latter; afterwards he retired to France and was made bishop; wrote the Lives of St. Thomas and St. Anselm, and other works of importance in connection with the scholasticism of the time (1120-1180).

JOHN THE BAPTIST, the forerunner of Christ, who baptised with water unto, or on the confession of,

repentance, in anticipation of, and in preparation for, the appearance in the immediate future of One who would baptize with the Spirit and with fire; his fate at the hands of Herod is well known, and the motive of it.

JOHN II, THE GOOD, king of France from 1350 to 1364, succeeded his father Philip VI.; at the battle of Poitiers he was captured and carried to England; four years later he was allowed to return on leaving his son as hostage; the hostage made his escape; John chivalrously came back to London, and died in captivity (1319-1324).

JOHN'S EVE, ST., a festival celebrated with fires on Midsummer Eve; very universally observed, and with similar rites throughout Europe, in the Middle Ages, the celebration of it being associated with many superstitious practices.

JOHNSON, ANDREW, seventeenth American President, born in Raleigh, N. Carolina; was entirely self-educated, and became a tailor; settling in Tennessee he entered the State legislature in 1839; he sat in Congress from 1843 till 1853; was for four years Governor of Tennessee, and sat in the Senate from 1857 to 1863; though in favour of slavery, he disavowed secession and supported Lincoln, whom he succeeded as President in 1865, and whose policy he continued; but he lost the confidence of Congress, which indeed he treated somewhat cavalierly; his removal of Secretary Stanton led to his impeachment for violation of the Tenure of Office Act; he was tried before the Senate, but acquitted, and completed his term (1868-1875).

JOHNSON, SAMUEL, the great English lexicographer, born in Lichfield, the son of a bookseller, received his early education in his native town and completed it at Pembroke College, Oxford, in 1728; in 1736 he married a widow named Porter, who brought him £800; started a boarding-school, which did not prosper, and at the end of a year he removed to London together with David Garrick, who had been a pupil under him; here he became connected with Cave, a printer, proprietor of the *Gentleman's Magazine*, with whom he had previously corresponded, and contributed to the pages of the magazine, earning thereby a meagre livelihood, eking out his means by reporting Parliamentary debates in terms which expressed the drift of them, but in his own pompous language; in 1740 he published a poem entitled the "Vanity of Human Wishes," and about the same time commenced his world-famous Dictionary, which was published in 1755; during the progress of the Dictionary Johnson edited the *Rambler*, writing most of the contents himself, carrying it on for two years; in 1758 he started the *Idler*; in 1762 the King granted him a pension of £300, and by this he was raised above the straitened circumstances which till then had all along weighed upon him, and was able to live in comparative affluence for the last 22 years of his life; five years after he instituted the Literary Club, which consisted of the most celebrated men of the time, his biographer, Boswell, having by this time been introduced to him, as subsequently the family of Mr. Thrale; in 1770 he began his "Lives of the English Poets," and in 1773 he made a tour in the Highlands with Boswell, of which journey he shortly afterwards published an account; Johnson's writings are not widely read nowadays, but the story of his life as written by Boswell (q.v.) is a veritable human document, and will last as long as men revere those qualities of mind and heart that distinguish the English race, of which he is the typical representative (1709-1784).

JOHNSTON, ALEXANDER KIRK, cartographer, born in Kirkhill, Midlothian; was an engraver by trade, and devoted himself with singular success to the preparation of atlases; the "National Atlas" was published in 1843, and the "Royal Atlas of Geography" (1861) was the finest till then produced; he also executed atlases physical, geological, and astronomical, and constructed the first physical globe; honours were showered upon him by home and foreign geographical societies; he died at Ben Rhydding (1804-1871).

JOHNSTON, SIR HARRY HAMILTON, administrator, explorer, and author; born in London; on scientific expeditions to Congo, Mt. Kilimanjaro, and Lakes

Nyasas and Tanganyika between 1882 and 1889; last-named expedition led to the founding of the British Central Africa Protectorate, of which he was administrator for six years; from 1899 to 1901 he acted as Special Commissioner and Consul-General for the Uganda Protectorate, and it was during this term of office that he discovered the okapi in the Semliki Forest, in 1901; his writings deal with African exploration and development, and with various Empire problems; he has also published some novels (1858-).

JOHNSTON, JAMES FINLAY WHEIR, agricultural chemist, born in Paisley, educated at Glasgow; acquired a fortune by his marriage in 1830, and devoted himself to studying chemistry; after some years in Sweden he was chosen lecturer in Durham University, but he resided in Edinburgh, and wrote his "Catechism of Agricultural Chemistry," since translated into most European languages, and his "Chemistry of Common Life"; he died at Durham (1796-1855).

JOHNSTONE, a Renfrewshire manufacturing town, on the Black Cart, 3½ m. W. of Paisley; has flax, cotton, paper, and iron industries.

JOHORE, a Mohammedan State in the S. of the Malay Peninsula, 15 m. N. of Singapore; half the population are Chinese; exports gambier, pepper, and coffee.

JOINVILLE, JEAN, SIRE DE, French chronicler, seneschal of Champagne, born in Châlons-sur-Marne; author of the "Vie de St. Louis"; followed Louis IX. in the crusade of 1248, but refused to join in that of 1270; he lived through six reigns, and his biography of his sovereign is one of the most remarkable books of the Middle Ages; his "Vie de St. Louis" deals chiefly with the Crusade, and is, says Prof. Saintesbury, "one of the most circumstantial records we have of mediæval life and thought"; it is gossip, and abounds in digressions (1224-1319).

JOKAI, MAURUS, or MORITZ, Hungarian novelist and voluminous author, born in Komorn; published his first novel "Working Day," in 1845; in 1848 took a prominent part in the Hungarian struggle, but afterwards devoted himself to literature, wrote over 300 books, novels, romances, dramas, essays, and poems, and edited several newspapers; his work resuscitated Hungarian literature; was in his old age an able debater in the House of Representatives (1825-1904).

JOLIET, LOUIS, French Canadian explorer, born in Quebec; with Marquette traversed the Wisconsin River to the upper reaches of the Mississippi; made journeys to Hudson Bay and Labrador in the interests of the fur-traders (1646-1700).

JONAH, a Hebrew prophet, who, born in Gathhepher, belonged to the northern kingdom of Israel; he prophesied in the reign of Jeroboam II., his special mission being, at the bidding of the Lord, to preach repentance to the people of Nineveh; his book, which records his mission and the story of it, was written to admonish the Jews that the heathen nations whom they regarded as God's enemies were as much the objects of His mercy as themselves.

JONES, EBENEZER, poet, born in Islington; author of "Studies in Sensation and Event," fraught with genuine poetic feeling; published a pamphlet on "Land Monopoly," in which he advocated the nationalisation of land, apparently as a disciple of Carlyle (1820-1860).

JONES, EDWARD BURNES. See BURNES-JONES.

JONES, ERNEST, Chartist leader and poet, born in Berlin, of English parentage, educated at Göttingen; came to England in 1838, and six years later was called to the bar; in 1845 he threw himself into the Chartist movement, and devoted the rest of his life to the amelioration and elevation of the working-classes, suffering two years' (1848-1850) solitary imprisonment for a speech made at Kensington; he wrote, besides pamphlets and papers in the Chartist cause, several poems; "The Revolt of Hindostan" was written in prison, with his own blood, he said, on the fly-leaves of a prayer-book; he never succeeded in getting into Parliament (1810-1869).

JONES, HENRY ARTHUR, dramatist, born at Grandborough, Bucks; author of "The Silver King,"

"The Middleman," "Judah," "The Dancing Girl," and many other plays (1851-1929).

JONES, INIGO, architect, born in London, son of a cloth-worker; studied in Italy, and returning to England, obtained the patronage of James I., and became chief architect in the country; the Royal Chapel at Whitehall (formerly the banqueting hall) is reckoned his masterpiece; Heriot's Hospital, Edinburgh, is from his design; his style follows Palladio of Venice (1573-1652).

JONES, PAUL, a naval adventurer, whose real name was John Paul, born in Kirkcudbright, Scotland, son of a gardener; took to the sea, engaged in the slave-trade, settled in Virginia, threw in his lot with the colonists and against the mother-country, and offered his services as a sea-captain in the war with a ship of 18 guns; he in 1778 infested the British coast, and made a descent on the shores of his native county; his sympathies were with the French in their struggles for liberty, and he fought in their service as well, capturing two British war-vessels off Flamborough Head; he died in Paris, where he languished in poverty, but the National Assembly granted him a "ceremonial funeral," attended by a deputation; in 1805 his remains were carried over to the United States under escort of a U.S.A. naval squadron (1747-1792).

JONES, SIR WILLIAM, English Orientalist, born in London; passed through Oxford to the English bar in 1774, and was made a Judge in Bengal in 1783; early devoted to Eastern languages and literature, he published numerous translations and other works, concluding with "Sakuntala" and "The Laws of Manu"; he founded the Asiatic Society at Calcutta, where he died (1746-1794).

JONGLEURS, were medieval minstrels of Provence and Northern France, who sang and often composed songs and tales, but whose jesting and buffoonery distinguished them from the knightly troubadours and trouvères.

JONSON, BEN, dramatist, born in Westminster, posthumous son of a clergyman of Scottish descent; was in his youth first a bricklayer, afterwards a soldier in the Netherlands, whence he returned about 1592; married a shrew, and became connected with the stage; he was one of the most learned men of his age, and for forty years the foremost, except Shakespeare, in the dramatic and literary world; killing his challenger in a duel nearly cost him his life in 1598; he was branded on the left thumb, imprisoned, and his goods confiscated; in prison he turned Catholic, but twelve years later reverted to Protestantism; the opening of the century brought an unpleasant difference with Dekker and Marston, and saw the famous Mermaid Club at its zenith; for nine years after Shakespeare's death he produced no dramas; in 1619 he received a degree, M.A., from Oxford, the laureatehip, and a small pension from the King; now a widower, he founded with Herrick, Suckling, Carew, and others the Apollo Club at the Devil Tavern; in the new reign he turned again to dramatic work with sadly diminished power; he died in poverty, but was buried in Westminster Abbey, his tombstone bearing the words "O rare Ben Jonson"; he wrote at least sixteen plays, among them "Every Man in his Humour" (1598), in which Shakespeare acted, "The Poetaster" (1601), which vexed Dekker, the tragedy of "Sejanus" (1603), "The Silent Woman" (1609), a farcical comedy, Dryden's favourite play, and his most elaborate and masterly work, "The Alchemist" (1610); he wrote also thirty-five masques of singular richness and grace, in the production of which Inigo Jones provided the mechanism; but his best work was his lyrics, first of which stands "Drink to me only with thine eyes," a song of exquisite delicacy and beauty (1573-1637).

JOPPA. See **JAFFA**.

JORDAENS, JAKOB, a Dutch painter and engraver, born in Antwerp; was a friend of Rubens, and ranks next him among the Flemings (1593-1678).

JORDAN, a river of Palestine, which rises on the western side of Mount Hermon, and flows S. below Caesarea-Philippi within banks, after which it expands into lagoons that collect at length into a

mass in Lake Merom (Huleh), 2 m. below which it plunges into a gorge and rushes on for 9 m. in a torrent, till it collects again in the Sea of Galilee, to lose itself finally in the Dead Sea after winding along a distance of 65 m.; at its rise it is 1080 ft. above, and at the Dead Sea 1300 ft. below, the sea-level.

JORDAN, MRS. DOROTHEA, the stage name of Miss Bland, daughter of an actress, born in Waterford; played first in Dublin, then in Yorkshire, and appeared at Drury Lane in "The Country Girl" in 1785; her popularity was immense, and she maintained it for thirty years in the roles of boys and romping girls, her wonderful laugh winning lasting fame; she attained considerable wealth, and was from 1790 to 1811 the mistress of the Duke of Clarence, who, when William IV., ennobled her eldest son; she died, however, in humble circumstances in St. Cloud, near Paris (1783-1816).

JORTIN, JOHN, English divine, born in London, of Huguenot descent; held various appointments, was a prebend of St. Paul's, wrote on ecclesiastical history (1698-1770).

JORULLO, a volcano in Mexico, 150 m. SW. of Mexico city; rose one night from a high-lying plateau on Sept. 8, 1759, the central crater at a height 4265 ft. above the sea-level.

JOSEPH, the name of four persons in Scripture. (1) Joseph, the son of Jacob and Rachel, the story of whose life is given in Genesis. (2) Joseph, St., the carpenter, the husband of the Virgin Mary and the reputed father of Jesus. (3) Joseph of Arimathea, a member of the Jewish Sanhedrin, who begged the body of Jesus to bury it in his own tomb. (4) Joseph, surnamed Barabass, one of the disciples of Jesus, and deemed worthy to be nominated to fill the place vacated by Judas.

JOSEPHINE, the Empress of the French, born in Martinique; came to France at the age of 18; was in 1779 married to Viscount Beauharnais, who was one of the victims of the Revolution, and to whom she bore a daughter, Hortense, the mother of Napoleon III.; married in 1796 to Napoleon Bonaparte, to whom she proved a devoted wife as well as a wise counselor; she became empress in 1804, but, failing to bear him any children, was divorced in 1809, though she still corresponded with Napoleon and retained the title of Empress to the last, living at Malmaison, where she died (1763-1814).

JOSEPHUS, FLAVIUS, Jewish historian, born in Jerusalem, of royal and priestly lineage; was a man of eminent ability and scholarly accomplishments, distinguished no less for his judgment than his learning; gained favour at Rome; was present with Titus at the siege of Jerusalem, and by his intercession saved the lives of several of the citizens; he accompanied Titus back to Rome, and received the freedom of the city, devoting himself there to literary studies, wrote the "History of the Jewish War" and "Jewish Antiquities"; he was of the Pharisaic party, but his religious views were rationalistic; he discards the miraculous; takes little note of the rise of Christianity or of the person of its Founder (37-98).

JOSHUA, a Jewish military leader, born of the tribe of Ephraim, the minister and successor of Moses, under whose leadership the Jews obtained a footing in the Land of Canaan.

JOSHUA, THE BOOK OF, a book of the Bible, is closely connected with the Pentateuch, and now regarded as the continuation and completion of it, constituting along with it what is called the Hexateuch, or sixfold book; it covers a period of 25 years, and contains a history of Israel under the guidance of Joshua, commencing with his appointment as leader and concluding with his death.

JOSIAH, a king of Judah from 639 to 609 a.c.; was zealous for the restoration of the Jewish worship according to the ritual of Moses, as recently come to light in the discovery by Hilkiah the high-priest of the "Book of the Law"; he fell in battle before an invading Assyrian host.

JOSS, a Chinese god or his idol.

JÖTUNHEIM, the abode of the Jötuns in the Norse mythology, as Asenheim is that of the Norse deities.

JÖTUNS, a race of giants in the Norse mythology, "huge, shaggy beings of a demonic character, representing the dark hostile Powers of Nature, such as Frost, Fire, Sea-tempest, who dwell in Jötunheim, a distant, dark chaotic land . . . in perpetual internecine feud with the gods, or friendly powers, such as Summer-heat and the Sun, and who dwell far apart."

JOUBERT, BARTHELEMI, French general; distinguished himself in the Rhine and Italian campaigns, and fell mortally wounded at the battle of Novi; one of the most promising generals France ever had (1769-1799).

JOUBERT, JOSEPH, author of "Pensées," born in Montliac, Périgord; educated in Toulouse, succeeded to a small competency, came to Paris, got access to the best literary circles, and was the most brilliant figure in the salon of Madame de Beaumont; his works were exclusively *penées* and maxims, and bear at once on ethics, politics, theology, and literature (1754-1824).

JOUFFROY D'ABBANS, CLAUDE, MARQUIS DE, is claimed by the French as the first inventor of the steamboat; he made a paddle-steamer ply on the Rhône in 1783, but misfortunes due to the Revolution hindered his progress, till he was forestalled by Fulton on the Seine in 1803 (1751-1832).

JOUGE, an iron collar hung by a chain in some public place, was fastened round a culprit's neck, who was thus exposed in a sort of pillory; in use in Scotland from the 16th to the 18th centuries.

JOULE, a unit of work and energy equal to 10 million ergs; it is equivalent to the energy supplied in one second by an electrical circuit of one watt.

JOULE, JAMES PRESCOTT, a celebrated physicist, born in Salford; was a pupil of Dalton, and devoted his time to physical and chemical research; made discoveries in connection with the production of heat by voltaic electricity, demonstrated the equivalence of heat and energy, and established on experimental grounds the doctrine of the conservation of energy (1818-1889).

JOURDAN, JEAN BAPTISTE, COMTE, marshal of France, born in Limoges, named for the Republic the victory of Fleurus in 1794, but was in 1795 defeated at Hohenlinden, and subsequently by the Archduke Charles of Austria; served under Napoleon, and became governor of the Hôtel des Invalides under Louis Philippe (1762-1833).

JOWETT, BENJAMIN, Master of Balliol College, Oxford, born in Cumberland; was a fellow and tutor of his college till his election to the mastership in 1870; his name will always be associated with Balliol College, where his influence was felt, and made the deepest impression; he wrote an article "On the Interpretation of Scripture" in the "Essays and Reviews," and a commentary on certain epistles of St. Paul, but he achieved his greatest literary successes by his translations of Plato's "Dialogues," the "History" of Thucydides, and the "Politics" of Aristotle (1817-1893).

JOWETT, REV. JOHN HENRY, English nonconformist divine. He first attracted attention as minister of Carr's Lane Chapel, Birmingham, where he succeeded Dr. Dale in 1895. In 1911 he went to the New York Presbyterian Church, and in 1917 returned to England to take charge of Westminster Chapel (1864-1923).

JOYNSON-HICKS, SIR WILLIAM. See BRENTFORD.

JUAN, DON, a poem by Byron, a work which, as Stopford Brooke remarks, "was written in bold revolt against all the conventionality of social morality, religion, and politics, and in which—escaped from his morbid self, he ran into the opposite extreme—he claimed for himself and others absolute freedom of individual act and thought in opposition to the force of society which tends to make all men after one pattern."

JUAN FERNANDEZ, a mountainous island 3000 ft. high, off the Chilean coast, 420 m. W. of Valparaiso; was the lonely residence of Alexander Selkirk (1704-1709) (q.v.); was used as a penal settlement from 1819 to 1835, and is inhabited by a few seal and sea-lion hunters.

JUAREZ, BENITO, president of Mexico, born in Oaxaca, of Indian extraction; was elected to the Presidency twice over, in 1861 and 1867 (1806-1872).

JUBA, a great river rising in the Abyssinian mountains and flowing S. into the Indian Ocean, with a town of the same name at its mouth.

JUBILEE, a festival among the Jews every fiftieth year in celebration of their emancipation from Egypt.

JUBILEE, YEAR OF, a year during which, among the Hebrews, it was required that all land which had passed out of the original owner's hands during the 50 years preceding should be restored, all who during that time had been forced to sell their liberty should be released, and all debts contracted in that period should be remitted, a requirement, however, which does not appear to have been very rigorously or regularly observed.

JUDEA, a southern district of Palestine extending in one direction between Samaria and the desert of Arabia, and in the other between the Mediterranean and the Dead Sea.

JUDAH, KINGDOM OF, the kingdom in the S. of Palestine of the two tribes of Judah and Benjamin that remained true to the house of David after the revolt of the other ten under Jeroboam, who formed what was called the kingdom of Israel, larger, but weaker than the other.

JUDAIZERS, a party, called also EBIONITES, in the primitive Church who sought to overlay the simple ordinances of Christianity with Judaic observances and rites, "a yoke which neither they nor their fathers were able to bear."

JUDAS, surnamed ISCARIOT, one of the twelve Apostles of Christ, who from some infatuation that unaccountably possessed him, and to his everlasting infamy, betrayed his Master to his enemies for 30 pieces of silver, was designated by Christ as the Son of Perdition.

JUDAS MACCABEUS, a son of Mattathias (q.v.), who succeeded his father in the leadership of the Jews against the Syrians in the war of the Maccabees, and who gave name to the movement, a man of chivalric temper, great energy, firm determination, dauntless courage, and powerful physique; who, with the elect of his countrymen of kindred spirit encountered and overthrew the Syrians in successive engagements, till before a great muster of the foe his little army was overwhelmed and himself slain in 160 B.C. See MACCABEES.

JUDE, EPISTLE OF, an epistle in the New Testament, of which Judas, the brother of James, was the author; written to some unknown community in the primitive Church, in which a spirit of antinomian liberalism had arisen, and the members of which are denounced as denying the sovereign authority of the Church's Head by the practical disobedience and scorn of the laws of His kingdom. For the drift and modern uses of this epistle see Ruskin's "Fors Clavigera," chaps. lxvi. and lxvii., where it is shown that the enemies of the faith in Jude's day are its real enemies in ours.

JUDGES, BOOK OF, a book of the Old Testament; gives an account of a series of deliverances achieved on behalf of Israel by ministers of God of the nation so called, when, after their occupation of the land, now this tribe and now that was threatened with extinction by the Canaanites; these deliverers bore the character of heroes rather than judges, but they were rather tribal heroes than national, there being as yet no king in Israel to unite them into one; of these the names of twelve are given, of which only six attained special distinction, and their rule covered a period of 300 years, which extended between the death of Joshua and the birth of Samuel; the story throughout is one: apostasy and consequent judgment, but the return of the Divine favour on repentance ensured.

JUDGMENT, PRIVATE, assumption of judgment by individual reason on matters which are not amenable to a lower tribunal than the universal reason of the race.

JUDITH, a wealthy, beautiful, and pious Jewish widow who, as recorded in one of the books of the Apocrypha called after her, entered, with only a single maid as attendant, the camp of the Assyrian army under Holofernes, that lay investing Bethulia, her native place; won the confidence of the chief, persuaded him to drink while alone with him in his tent till he was brutally intoxicated, cut off his

head, and, making good her escape, suspended it from the walls of the place, with the issue of the utter rout of his army by a sally of the townsfolk.

JUDSON, ADONIRAM, Burmese missionary and scholar, born in Malden, Mass.; sailed for Burma 1812, and for 40 years laboured devotedly, translating the Bible into Burmese, and compiling a Burmese-English dictionary; he died at sea on his way home (1788-1850).

JUGGERNAUT, or PURI, a town on the S. coast of Orissa, in Bengal; one of the holy places of India, with a temple dedicated to Vishnu, and containing an idol of him called Jagannātha (for the Lord of the World), which, in festival times, attracts thousands of pilgrims to worship at its shrine, on one of which occasions the idol is dragged forth in a ponderous car by the pilgrims and back again, under the wheels of which, till prohibited, multitudes would throw themselves to be crushed to death in the hope of thereby attaining a state of eternal beatitude.

JUGO-SLAVIA, or the Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats, and Slovenes, an area of 250,000 sq. m. consisting of the old kingdoms of Serbia and Montenegro, and of Croatia and Slavonia, Bosnia, and Herzegovina, and parts of Banat, Carulia, and Styria. The independence of the new state was declared in December, 1918, and was recognised by the Treaty of Versailles. Belgrade is the capital, and other important towns are Zagreb and Sarajevo. With the Danube as the main waterway and a lengthy coastline on the Adriatic trade flourishes, maize, wheat, poultry produce, and timber being largely exported. Three-quarters of the inhabitants are engaged in agricultural pursuits.

JUGURTHA, king of Numidia, in Africa; succeeded by violent measures to the throne, and maintained his ground in defiance of the Romans, who took up arms against him and at last led him captive to Rome to die of hunger in a dungeon.

JU-JU, in Western Africa the name given to an idol or other object used for fetish worship; in a broader sense is applied to negro witchcraft generally; the practice of ju-ju has been often accompanied by human sacrifice, necessitating government interference as in the case of the Benin atrocities 1901.

JUKES, JOSEPH BEETE, geologist, born near Birmingham; graduated at Cambridge; took part in several expeditions, and finally became lecturer in the Royal College of Science, Dublin, where he died; he published among other works a "Student's Manual of Geology" (1811-1869).

JULIA, daughter and only child of Augustus Caesar; celebrated for her beauty and the dissoluteness of her morals, she became the wife in succession of Marcellus, Agrippa, and Tiberius.

JULIAN THE APOSTATE, Roman emperor for 18 months, from 361 to 363; was born at Constantinople, his father being a half-brother of Constantine the Great, on whose death most of Julian's family were murdered; embittered by this event, Julian threw himself into philosophic studies, and secretly renounced Christianity; as joint emperor with his cousin from 365 he showed himself a capable soldier, a vigorous and wise administrator; on becoming sole emperor he proclaimed his apostasy, and sought to restore paganism, but without persecuting the Church; though painted in blackest colours by the Christian Fathers, he was a lover of truth, chaste, abstinent, just, and affectionate. If somewhat vain and superstitious; he was killed in an expedition against Persia; several writings of his are extant, but a work he wrote against the Christians is lost (331-363).

JULICH, a duchy on the W. bank of the Rhine, its capital a place of the same name, 20 m. W. of Cologne.

JULEN, STANISLAS AIGNAN, an eminent Sinologist, born in Orleans, originally eminent in Greek; turned his attention to Chinese, and in 12 months' time translated a part of one of the classical works in that language; from being professor of Greek, he became in 1827 professor of Chinese in the College of France in succession to Rémusat; he was not less distinguished as a Sanskrit and Pāli scholar (1799-1873).

JULIUS, the name of three Popes: St. J. I. Pope from 337 to 352; J. II. Pope from 1503 to 1513; J. III. Pope from 1550 to 1555, of which only J. II. deserves notice. J. II., an Italian by birth, was more of a soldier than a priest, and, during his pontificate, was almost wholly occupied with wars against the Venetians for the recovery of Romagna, and against the French to drive them out of Italy, in which attempt he called to his aid the spiritual artillery at his command, by excommunicating Louis XII. and putting his kingdom under an interdict in 1542; he sanctioned the marriage of Henry VIII. with Catharine of Aragon, commenced to rebuild St. Peter's at Rome, and was the patron of Michael Angelo and Raphael.

JULIEN, LOUIS ANTOINE, a distinguished musical conductor, born in the Basens-Alpes; did much to popularise music by large bands, but he was unfortunate in his speculations, and died insane and in debt (1812-1860).

JULY, the seventh month of the year, so called in honour of Julius Caesar, who reformed the calendar and was born in this month; it was famous as the month of the outbreak of the second Revolution of France in Paris in 1830.

JUMNA, the chief affluent of the Ganges, which it joins at Allahabad, rises in the Punjab, and flows through the North-West Provinces, having Delhi and Agra on its banks; its course is 860 m., and it falls over 10,000 ft.; its waters are used for irrigation by means of canals, being of little use for navigation.

JUMPERS, name of a certain religious sect in America, from the dancing associated with its services.

JUNE, the sixth month of the year, so named from the Roman gens or clan Junius, or perhaps from Juno.

JUNG STILLING, a German mystic, born in Nassau; first a tailor, then a schoolmaster; went to Strassburg, became intimate with Goethe, studied medicine there, and afterwards practised in Elberfeld; became professor of Political Economy at Marburg and Heidelberg, is best known by his autobiography; Kant and Lavater were friends of his (1740-1817).

JUNGERFELD (Malden), a peak of the Burmese Alps, 13,671 ft. in height; was first ascended by the brothers Meyer in 1811.

JUNIUS, LETTERS OF, seventy letters on public affairs which appeared under that signature in the *Public Advertiser* 1769 to 1772, and were with others reprinted in book form; were, though severe in tone, the prototype of the modern leading article. Their authorship has never been discovered; but some hold that evidence points to Sir Philip Francis as responsible for them.

JUNK, a Chinese boat with a flat bottom, a square prow, a high stern, and a pole for mast.

JUNKER, a name given to Germany to the younger members of the aristocracy, or of the landed gentry, as representing a reactionary party in modern politics.

JUNO, Roman goddess, the wife of Jupiter, and the queen of heaven, corresponding to the Hera (q.v.) of the Greeks; the impersonation of womanhood, and the special protectress of the rights of women, especially married women; she bore the names of *Virginis* and *Matrona*, and was the patroness of household and even state economy. See ZEUS.

JUNOT, ANDOCHE, DUC D'ABRANTES, French general; was Napoleon's aide-de-camp in his first campaign in Italy; took part in the expedition to Egypt; distinguished himself in the invasion of Portugal, but soon experienced reverse after reverse; in a fit of madness he threw himself one day out of a window and killed himself (1771-1813).

JUNTO, the name given to a Whig faction in the reign of William III., that for 20 years exercised a great influence in the affairs of the nation, of which Russell, Lord-Keeper Somers, and Charles Montague were the leading members. *

JUPITER. See ZEUS.

JUPITER, the largest of the planets revolving between Mars and Saturn, at a mean distance of 480 million miles in a period of 4338 days; it rotates on its axis in 9 hours 50 minutes; accompanied by nine moons, four of which, discovered by Galileo, rival the planets in splendour; Jupiter is 1300 times larger

than the earth and 800 times as heavy; its density is only one-fourth that of the earth.

JUPITER SCAPIN, a nickname given by the Abbé de Pradt to Napoleon, after a valet of the name of Scapin in a comedy of Molière, noted for his knaveries.

JURA, an Argyllshire Island NE. of Islay, mountainous (2500 ft.); the eastern slopes yield some crops, but most of the island is deer forest and cattle-grazing land.

JURASSIC, name given to the mesozoic rocks lying between the Triassic and the Cretaceous; in England they consist of a broad band stretching from Lincolnshire to the Dorset coast, including the Oolite and Lias; the fossils of this period include corals, graptolites, and ammonites, which are used as zone fossils, as well as giant reptiles or dinosaurs; the period is named after beds of that age in the Jura mountains in France and Switzerland.

JURY, a body of citizens set to try a question of fact, or to assess damages; in England and Ireland a jury numbers 12, and its verdict must be unanimous; in Scotland the verdict is by majority, and the jury numbers 12 in civil and 15 in criminal cases. The system in England dates back to the reign of King Alfred.

JUSSIEU, ANTOINE LAURENT DE, celebrated French botanist, born in Lyons; his book, entitled "Genera Plantarum," published in 1789, lays down the principle on which the modern classification of plants is based; he was one of a family of botanists (1748-1836).

JUSTICE, (1) High Court of, one of the two great sections of the English Supreme Courts; (2) Lord Chief, the chief judge of the King's Bench division of it; (3) Lord Justice-General, supreme judge in Scotland, the Lord President of the Court of Session; (4) of the Peace, the title of a petty county or borough magistrate of multifarious duties and jurisdiction; (5) Lords Justices, judges of the English Court of Appeal.

JUSTICE, BED OF, a formal session of the old Parliament de Paris under the presidency of the king, for the compulsory registration of royal edicts.

JUSTICIARY COURT, the highest court for the trial of criminal cases in Scotland.

JUSTIN, surnamed the Martyr, an early Christian apologist, born in Sigeum, Samaria; a heathen by birth, who studied philosophy in the Stoic and Platonic schools, and was converted to Christianity from observing the strength of the convictions with which it was embraced; was the author of two "Apologies for the Christians," and a "Dialogue

with Trypho the Jew," and suffered martyrdom in 168. Festival, June 12.

JUSTINIAN I., Roman emperor and jurist, born in Illyria; became co-emperor with Justin I. in 527; married the infamous Theodora, and for 38 years enjoyed a reign, the most brilliant of the late Empire, but not without dangers from foes outside and factions within; his fame rests on the codification and reform of the laws which he carried out; he improved the status of slaves, revised the laws of divorce and of intestate succession; and in his "Digest," "Institutes," and other sections of the "Corpus Juris Civilis," first gave definiteness to Roman law and laid the basis of the civil law of most modern nations (482-565).

JUSTINIAN PANDECTE, a code of Roman laws compiled under the direction of the Emperor Justinian, with a digest of the commentaries of the jurists thereupon.

JUTLAND, at the mouth of the Baltic Sea, is the only European peninsula that stretches northward; it comprises the continental portion of the kingdom of Denmark. Off here in May, 1916, was fought the biggest naval battle of the Great War, in which 149 British vessels under Jellicoe and Beatty met 110 German under Von Scheer. Though the engagement was not decisive, Britain losing 14 and Germany 11 ships, the Germans were so impressed by our naval forces that they never again gave open battle in the North Sea.

JUVENAL, a celebrated Latin poet and satirist, born in Aquinum; a friend of Martial and contemporary of Statius and Quintilian; his satires, 16 in number, are written in indignant scorn of the vices of the Romans under the Empire, and from his descriptions the historian finds a portrait of the manners and morals of the time (42-120).

JUVENILE OFFENDERS, children charged under the age of 16. The Children's Act of 1908 deals with them separately from older criminals, they are remanded in separate places and tried in special juvenile courts from which the public are excluded. Children under 14 cannot be sent to prison; but they can be placed on probation, sent to reformatories, or flogged, and they or their parents can be fined.

JUXON, WILLIAM, archbishop of Canterbury, born in Winchester; became in succession bishop of Worcester and bishop of London, and attended Charles I. in prison and on the scaffold; lived in privacy till the Restoration, four months after which he was made archbishop; he died about two years after his elevation (1682-1683).

KABUL

KABUL, on the Kabul River, at the foot of the Takht-i-Shah Hills, 650 m. NW. of Delhi, is the capital of Afghanistan, an ancient, mud-built city, but progressing; noted for its fruit and trades in carpets, camel-hair cloth, and skins; the town was taken by General Pollock, 1842, avenging the death of Burnes and Macnaughten, and by General Roberts in 1879, avenging the murder of Cavagnari, but is now independent.

KABYLES, the name given to a division of the Berbers of N. Africa, who occupy the coast and tablelands of Mauritania, and are indigenous to it.

KADIJAH, a rich widow, the wife of Mohammed, who had been her steward and factotum, and whom he married when she was forty and himself only twenty-five; he lived with her till her death, "loving her truly and her alone," himself now a man of fifty; he had begun his mission as a prophet before she died, and one service she did him he never forgot as the greatest of them all: she believed in him, when no one else did.

KADRIES, a set of Mohammedan dervishes who lacerate themselves with scourges, like the Flagellants.

KAFFIRS, including Kaffirs proper and Zulus, a division of the Bantu negroes, found all over S. Africa, are a pastoral and latterly agricultural people of fine physique, naturally hospitable, honest, and truthful, but now much contaminated by the white man; Kaffir was broke out in 1834, 1846, 1860, and 1877; the name, which means infidel, was originally applied by the Mohammedans to all pagans.

KAFIRISTAN, a lofty mountainous region in the E. of Afghanistan, S. of the Hindu-Kush, with the Panjab, Kabul, and Chitral Rivers on the W., S., and E.; the people are undersized, pastoral, and devoted to their Aryan faith, which here has its last stronghold, are not organised politically, but united in their love of independence and hatred of Mohammedanism.

KAIRWAN, the sacred city of Northern Africa, in Tunisia, 80 m. S. of Tunis, was the chief seat of the Mohammedans in N. Africa, and a sacred city; manufactures copper vessels, carpets, and articles of leather.

KAISAR-I-HIND (i.e. Caesar of India), a title applied to Queen Victoria and subsequent British monarchs as Emperors of India.

KAISER, the name, derived from the Latin Caesar, given to the emperor of the old German Empire or Reich, and resumed by the Emperor, William I., and his successors.

KAISER WILHELM'S LAND, the N. of the eastern half of New Guinea, belonging partly to Britain, partly to Holland, and partly to Germany, till 1917, when that portion was mandated to Australia.

KATTHAL, in the Punjab, 90 m. NW. of Delhi, an ancient town, with salt-petre refineries; has old associations with the Hindu monkey-god, Hanuman (q.v.).

KALA, the Hindu Chronos, or god of time, who, as in the Greek mythology, at once produces and devours all things.

KALAHARI DESERT, in S. Africa, stretches far northward from the Orange River between German SW. Africa and the Transvaal, an elevated plateau, not really desert, but covered with scrub and affording coarse pasturage for cattle.

KALAMAZOO, a railway centre and flourishing town in the SW. of Michigan, 144 m. NE. of Chicago; manufactures machinery, paper, and flour.

KALEIDOSCOPE, an optical instrument, invented by Sir David Brewster in 1817, consisting of a cylinder with two mirrors set lengthwise inside, two plates of glass with bits of coloured glass loose between at one end and as eye-holes at the other, varying patterns being displayed on rotation.

KALEVALA, a collection of popular songs current among the peasantry of Finland from earliest times.

KANCHANJANGA

KALI (i.e. the black one), one of the names of the wife of Shiva (q.v.), of whom she is the female counterpart, while she has been identified with the Greek Hecate (q.v.); she is represented with a necklace of human heads.

KALIDASA, a great Indian dramatist and poet, probably of the 4th century A.D.; was author of "The Lost Ring" and "The Hero and the Nymph," translated by Sir William Jones, much praised by Goethe and Max Müller.

KALMAR, seaport in SE. of Sweden, on an island in Kalmar Sound; carries on a large timber trade, and manufactures tobacco and matches.

KALMUCKS, the name given to the Western Mongols, inhabiting Central Asia, and largely intermingled with their neighbours, the Russians, Persians, and Turks; they are Buddhists, nomadic, and have herds of horses and cattle.

KALPA, a Brahminical name for the immense period of time which separates one destruction of the world from the next, a day and a night of Brahmā.

KALPI, a decaying town in the NW. Provinces of India, on the Jumna, 50 m. SW. of Cawnpore; was the scene of the defeat of 12,000 mutineers in 1858; manufactures paper, and exports grain and cotton.

KAMA, the Hindu Cupid, or god of love, a potent god of the Hindu pantheon, able to subdue nearly all the rest of the gods except Shiva, who once with a single glance of his Cyclop eye reduced him to ashes for daring to bring trouble into his breast; he is one of the primitive gods of the Hindu pantheon, like the Eros (q.v.) of the Greeks.

KAMCHATKA, a long narrow peninsula on the E. coast of Siberia, stretching southwards between the Behring Sea and the Sea of Okhotsk, with a precipitous coast and a volcanic range of mountains down the centre, has a cold, wet climate, grass and tree vegetation, and many hot springs; the people live by fishing, hunting, and trading in furs; they are Russianised, the peninsula having been Russian since the 17th century.

KAMES, HENRY HOME, LORD, Scottish judge and philosopher, born in Herwickshire; became an advocate in 1723 and judge in 1752; wrote books on law, "Essays on Morality and Natural Religion," and other philosophical works, in which he indulged in a wide and often fanciful range of speculation; was noted for his sociability and public spirit, and died at Edinburgh (1696-1782).

KAMPEN, a reviving Dutch town on the Yssel, 8 m. from the Zuider Zee, and 5½ m. W. of Zwolle; has shipbuilding and fishing industries; the inhabitants are the proverbial fools of Holland.

KAMPTULOCOM, a floor-cloth composed of cork and india-rubber or similar substance.

KAMMEN, or KIAMMIN, a hot, dry wind, blowing from the south, which is encountered in parts of Egypt and in northern African deserts, in the seven or eight weeks following Easter; usually lasts three days.

KANTHI, a town of recent origin in the Central Provinces of India, 9 m. NW. of Nagpur; trades in cattle and grain, salt, and timber.

KANARA, a rainy district on the W. coast of India, between Goa and Malabar, mostly malarial forest country, with the Ghat Mountains and many rivers. North Kanara is in Bombay Presidency, South Kanara, capital Mangalore, is in Madras.

KANARIS, CONSTANTIN, an intrepid Greek sea-captain who distinguished himself by his exploits in the Greek War of Independence, particularly in the destruction of the Turkish vessels by means of fire-ships; he attained the rank of admiral in 1852, and took part in the revolution which overthrew King Otto (1785-1877).

KANCHANJANGA, or KIDCHUJUNGA, the highest peak in the Nepal range of the Himalayas, reaching an altitude of over 28,000 ft.

KANDAHAR, capital of Southern Afghanistan, near the Argandab River, 200 m. SW. of Kabul; a well-watered, regularly built town in the middle of orchards and vineyards; is of great political and commercial importance; a centre of trade with India, Persia, and Turkestan; it was held by the British through the war of 1839-1842, and again in 1840-1881.

KANDY, a town on a mountain lake in the middle of Ceylon, 75 m. N.E. of Colombo; is a railway centre; has the ruins of the palace of the old native kings, and a temple with the famous tooth of Buddha.

KANE, ELISHA KENT, an American explorer, born in Philadelphia; bred to medicine; became a surgeon in the navy; acquired a taste for adventure; from his experiences in such accompanied, in 1850, the first Grinnell expedition to the Arctic seas, and commanded the second in 1853, after three years returning with many discoveries; he wrote accounts of both expeditions (1820-1857).

KANE, SIR ROBERT, chemist, born in Dublin; originator of the *Dublin Journal of Medical Science* in 1832, and of the Irish Museum of Industry in 1846; was President of Queen's College, Cork, and President of the Royal Irish Academy in 1876; published "Elements of Chemistry," and other works (1810-1890).

KANSAS, the central State of the American Union; lies in the basin of the Kansas and Arkansas Rivers, between Nebraska on the N. and Oklahoma on the E., with Colorado on the W. and Missouri on the E. It is a rolling prairie, with a fine climate subject to occasional extremes, and a rainfall, except in some districts, sufficient; raises crops of grain and sugar, and affords excellent grazing ground. Pork and beef packing, flour-milling, and iron-founding industries are carried on. The State University is at Lawrence, there is an agricultural college at Manhattan, and good schools are in every town. Previous to its admission to the Union in 1859 Kansas was the scene of violent conflicts between pro- and anti-slavery parties for five years. In the Civil War it joined the North. The capital is Topeka, the largest other towns being Kansas City and Wichita.

KANSAS CITY, two contiguous towns on the S. bank of the Missouri River, 280 m. W. of St. Louis, are so called. The larger and more easterly one is the second city of Missouri; an important railway centre, and distributes the agricultural products of a large region; has pork-packing industries and iron manufactures. The smaller, westerly city, is in Kansas, the largest town of that State, has a remarkable elevated railway.

KANT, IMMANUEL, a celebrated German philosopher, born in Königsberg, the son of a saddler, of Scottish descent; entered the university in 1740 as a student of theology; gave himself to the study of philosophy, mathematics, and physics; wrote an essay, his first literary effort, on "Motive Force" in 1747; settled at the University as a private lecturer on a variety of academic subjects in 1755; became professor of Logic and Metaphysics in 1770, when he was 46, and continued till his retirement, in 1797, from the frailties of age, spending the last 17 years of his life in a small house with a garden in a quiet quarter of the town; his great work, the "Critique of Pure Reason," was published in 1781, and it was followed by the "Critique of Practical Reason" in 1788, and the "Critique of Judgement" in 1790; his works inaugurated a new era in philosophic speculation, and by the adoption of a critical method dealt a death-blow to speculative dogmatism on the one hand and scepticism on the other; it was, he says, the scepticism of Hume that first broke his dogmatic slumber, so that had Hume not been, he had not been, and the whole course of modern thought might have been different; Kant by his critical method did for philosophy what Copernicus did for astronomy; he centralized the intelligence in the reason or soul, as the latter did the planetary system in the sun (1724-1804).

KAOLIN, a fine white clay, a hydrous silicate of alumina, which does not colour when fired; used in making porcelain; called also China clay.

KAPELLMEISTER, director of an orchestra or choir, more particularly of the band of a German prince.

KAPILA, the founder of the Sankhya system of Hindu philosophy (q.v.); was regarded as an incarnation of Vishnu (q.v.).

KARA, a gold-mining district in East Siberia, 800 m. from Chita, of which the mines are the property of the State, and are worked by convicts, many of them merely political offenders.

KARA SEA, is a portion of the Arctic Sea, on the N.E. corner of Russia, between Nova Zembla and the Yaimal; receives the rivers Obi and Yenisei, and is navigable from July to September.

KARAITES, a Jewish sect which originated in the 8th century; adhered to the letter of Scripture and repudiated all tradition; were strict Sabbatarians.

KARAKORUM, a range of the Himalayas, extending from the Hindu-Kush eastward into Tibet, and a pass in the centre of it 18,000 ft. high. Also the name of the old capital of Mongolia.

KARAMSIN, a Russian historian; his first work was "Letters of a Russian Traveller," in 6 vols., published in 1797-1801, which gained him a high reputation, and it was followed by his "History of Russia," in 12 vols., published in 1816-1829, for the materials of which he had access to the most authentic documents as Imperial historiographer, an office to which he was appointed in 1803; the latter work is held in the highest repute (1706-1826).

KARIKAL, a French possession in India, on the Coromandel coast, 150 m. S. of Madras; rears and exports rice in large quantities.

KARLI, a famous temple-cave in Bombay Presidency, on the Bombay-Poona road; dates from the 1st century A.C. at latest.

KARLSRUHE, the capital of Baden, a great railway centre; built in the form of a fan, its streets radiating from the ducal palace in the centre.

KARMA, the unbroken sequence, according to the Theosophists, of cause and effect, in which every effect is regarded as the cause of the next.

KARMAN, the name given in the Brahminical philosophy and in Buddhism to that act of the soul by which, as is conceived, it determines its own destiny, a truly serious conception and in itself soul-affecting.

KARMATHIANS, originally a secret society of the Ismailis, it developed into a religious and communistic sect, and waged a great peasants' war under successive leaders between A.D. 900 and 950; Mecca was captured 930; the movement of the Karmathians did much to overthrow the power of the Khalifate.

KARNAK, a famous temple near Luxor in Egypt, built by Seti I. and Ramesses II, with other temples in the vicinity.

KARR, JEAN BAPTISTE ALPHONSE, French novelist, born in Paris; entered journalism, became editor of *Le Figaro* 1839, started *Les Gueux* the same year, retired to Nice 1855, and there died; his chief novel is "Généviève," and best known book, "Voyage autour de mon Jardin" (1808-1890).

KARROO, the name of a barren tract of table-land in South Africa with a clay soil, which, however, bursts into grassy verdure and blossom after rain; the Great Karroo, which is 350 m. long and about 80 m. broad, is 3000 ft. above the sea-level, while the Little Karroo is 1000 ft. lower; large flocks of sheep are pastured on them, and the value of the land has immensely increased within late years.

KARS, an almost impregnable fortress in Transcaucasia, 100 m. E. of the Caspian Sea; was successfully held by the Turks under General Williams in 1855, of which Laurence Oliphant wrote an account, but captured by Russia in 1877, and ceded to her by the Treaty of Berlin, 1878; it is a strong place, and a prize to any power that possesses it.

KARUN RIVER, rising in the Zarduh Koh Mountains W. of Isfahan; flows W. and S. past Shuster into the Persian Gulf; is the sole navigable waterway of Persia, and was thrown open to trade 1888.

KASCHAU, a beautiful town in Czechoslovakia, on the Hernad River, 140 m. NW. of Budapest; has a tobacco factory, is noted for hams, has an agricultural school and a Jesuit university.

KASHEGAR, political capital and second largest city of Chinese Turkestan, on the Kizil River; has cotton, silk, carpet, and saddlery industries, and trades with Russia; it is the centre of Mohammedanism in Eastern Turkestan, a pilgrim city; has been in Chinese hands since 1758, but is chiefly under Russian influence.

KASSALA, a fortified town in the Soudan, near the Abyssinian boundary, on the Chor-el-Gash, a tributary of the Atbara, in 260 m. S. of Suakin; suffered severely from the Mahdist rising of 1883-1885.

KATABOLISM, name given to the chemical processes involved in the breaking down of living tissues, involving a liberation of energy; the waste products are removed as breath, sweat, urine, or dung; in the case of plants katabolism may take the form of fermentation.

KATAKAMA, the square style of writing of the Japanese.

KATER, HENRY, a physicist, born in Bristol; bred to the law, but entered the army, and went out to India, where, to the injury of his constitution, he was for seven years engaged on the trigonometrical survey of the country; devoted the rest of his life to scientific research; he contributed to the *Philosophical Transactions*, determined the length of the second pendulum at the latitude of London, and invented the floating coil calorimeter (1777-1855).

KATHODE, name given in electrolysis to the negative electrode, where the current leaves the liquid, and to the negative electrode of an X-ray tube.

KATHODE RAYS, the rays given off from the kathode of a vacuum tube, first investigated by Sir William Crookes and Sir J. J. Thomson, who showed that they were streams of electrons of high velocity; if suddenly stopped by an obstacle, these particles give rise to X-rays.

KATION, name given in electrolysis to the positive ion which moves towards the kathode.

KATKOFF, MICHAEL NIKIFOROVITCH, Russian journalist and publicist, born in Moscow, educated at Moscow, Konigsberg, and Berlin; became professor of Philosophy in Moscow and in 1861 editor of the *Moscow Gazette*; though at first an advocate of parliamentary government, he became a violent reactionary, made his paper the most influential in Russia, and had great influence in public affairs; he is said to have determined the reactionary policy of Alexander III. (1820-1887).

KATRINE, LOCH, a long, narrow, beautiful lake in the Trossachs, Scotland, about 30 m. N. of Glasgow, to which it affords an abundant water supply, is 8 m. long and 3 broad; the splendid scenery of it is described in Scott's "Lady of the Lake."

KAUFFMANN, ANGELICA, painter, born in the Tyrol; gave early evidence of artistic talent; came to London, and became one of the first members of the Royal Academy; produced pictures on classical and mythological subjects, as well as portraits of the royal family among others; her story forms the basis of a fiction by Miss Thackeray (1741-1807).

KAUFFMANN, CONSTANTINE VON, Russian general, of German descent; did much to contribute to the establishment of the Russian power in Central Asia (1818-1882).

KAULBACH, WILHELM VON, German painter, head of the new German school, born in Waldeck; was a pupil of Cornelius, and associated with him in painting the frescoes in the Glyptothek in Munich; among other works, which have made his name famous, he executed the splendid series of compositions that adorn the vestibule of the Berlin Museum; he illustrated Goethe's "Faust" and his "Reinecke Fuchs" (1805-1874).

KAUNITZ, PRINCE VON, Austrian statesman, born in Vienna; under Charles VI. and Maria Theresa distinguished as a diplomatist at the Congress of Aix-la-Chapelle in 1748, and sided with France in the Seven Years' War; was for nearly 40 years "the shining star and guide of Austrian politics, and greatest of diplomatists in his day; regarded with sublime pity, not unalloyed to contempt, all other diplomatic beings"; he shared with Colonne the sobriquet of the "European coach-driver"; he was sold body and soul to the interests of Austria (1711-1794).

KAVANAGH, JULIA, novelist, born in Tipperary; wrote "Madeleine," "Woman in France," "Women of Letters," "Women of Christianity," &c.; spent most of her life in France (1824-1877).

KAWI, the old language of Java found in ancient documents and inscriptions.

KAY, SIR, a rude and boastful Knight of the Round Table, foster-brother of King Arthur who made him seneschal; from his bragging ways he often made himself the butt of the whole court.

KAY, JOHN, a Scottish caricaturist, born near Dalkeith; began business in Edinburgh first as a barber and then as a print-seller; author of sketches of local celebrities, now collected in two volumes, and of much interest and value as a record of the Edinburgh of his time (1742-1826).

KAYAK, the Eskimo skin canoe, long, narrow, and covered over; mostly to hold one occupant, but in some cases two-seated.

KAYE, SIR JOHN WILLIAM, historian of English India, an officer in the Bengal Artillery, retired in 1841; in 1856 entered the East India Company's service in England, and was subsequently a secretary in the Government India Office; he wrote "History of the Sepoy War, 1857-1858," and "Essays of an Optimist" (1814-1876).

KEAN, CHARLES JOHN, actor, second son of the succeeding, born in Waterford; made his first appearance in Drury Lane in 1827, which proved unsuccessful, but by assiduous study and his marriage with Helen Tree, a popular actress who played with him, he rose in the profession and became lessee of the Princess's Theatre, London, where he distinguished himself by his revivals of Shakespeare's plays, with auxiliary effects due to scenery and costume; he was at his best in melodramas, such as "Louis XI." (1811-1868).

KEAN, EDMUND, distinguished English tragedian, born in London; trod the stage from his infancy; his first success was Shylock in the "Merchant of Venice" in 1814, and the performance was followed by equally famous representations of Richard III., Othello, and Sir Giles Overreach; he led a very dissipated life, and under the effects of it his constitution gave way; he broke down one evening beside his son as Iago, as he was playing the part of Othello, was carried off the stage, and never appeared on the boards again (1787-1853).

KEANE, AUGUSTUS HENRY, ethnologist; born in Cork; vice-president of the Anthropological Institute, 1883-1888; author of "Man, Past and Present" and other works (1833-1912).

KEARY, ANNIE, novelist, born in Yorkshire; began as a writer of children's books, "Castle Daly," an Irish novel, among her best; was a woman of a sympathetic nature, and was devoted to works of benevolence (1825-1890).

KEATS, JOHN, was the son of a livery-stable proprietor, born in Finsbury, London; never went to a university, but was apprenticed to a London surgeon, and subsequently practised medicine himself in London; abandoning his profession in 1817, he devoted himself to literature, made the acquaintance of Leigh Hunt, Hazlitt, Lamb, Wordsworth, and other literary men; left London for Carlislebrook, moved next year to Teignmouth, but on a visit to Scotland contracted what proved to be consumption; in 1819 he was betrothed to Miss Fanny Brawne, and struggled against ill-health and financial difficulties till his health completely gave way in the autumn of 1820; accompanied by the artist Joseph Severn, he went to Naples and then to Rome, where, in the spring following, he died; his works were three volumes of poetry, "Poems" 1817, "Endymion" 1818, "Lamia, Isabella, and other Poems" including "Hyperion" and "The Eve of St. Agnes" 1820; he never reached maturity in his art, but the dignity, tenderness, and imaginative power of his work contained the highest promise; he was a man of noble character, sensitive, yet strong, unselfish, and magnanimous, by some regarded as the most original of modern poets (1795-1821).

KEBLAH, the point of the compass to which people turn their faces when they worship, as the Mohammedans do to Mecca when they pray.

KEBLE, JOHN, English clergyman, author of the "Christian Year," born in Fairford, Gloucestershire; studied at Oxford, and became Fellow of Oriel College in 1811; in 1827 appeared the "Christian Year," which he published anonymously; in 1831 was appointed professor of Poetry in Oxford, and that same year issued an "Address to the Electors of the United Kingdom" against the Reform Bill; he was one of four who originated the Tractarian movement at Oxford, and was the author of several of the "Tracts for the Times"; in 1836 he was presented to the vicarage of Hursley, which he held till his death; he was author of "Lyra Innocentium," and with Newman and others of "Lyra Apostolica"; the secession of Newman rather riveted than loosened his attachment to the English Church (1792-1866).

KEDRON, a wady E. of Jerusalem, traversed by a brook in the rainy season, which runs in the direction of the Dead Sea.

KEELEY, MARY ANN, distinguished actress; born in Ipswich; made first great success as "Smike" in "Nicholas Nickleby"; afterwards appeared as "Jack Sheppard," and in parts under Macready's management; maiden name Goward; married Robert Keeley in 1829 (1806-1899).

KEELHAULING, a naval punishment of the 17th and 18th centuries; consisted in dropping the victim into the sea from one yardarm, hauling him under the keel and up to the yardarm on the other side; is now a term for a severe rebuke.

KEELING ISLANDS. See COCOS ISLANDS.

KEENE, CHARLES SAMUEL, humorous artist, born in Horsey; succeeded Leech on the staff of *Punch* in 1864, and became a constant contributor for 25 years (1823-1901).

KEEWATIN, a district in Canada under the jurisdiction of the government of Manitoba, and N. of it; the mineral wealth is great, and includes copper and silver.

KEKAMA, a Hindu rajah who obtains and sports with supernatural powers, whose adventures are given in Southey's "Curse of Kehama."

KEIGHLEY, a Yorkshire town, on the Aire, 9 m. NW. of Bradford; manufactures woollen and worsted fabrics and spinning machinery.

KIGHTLEY, THOMAS, man of letters, born in Dublin; wrote a number of school manuals, and "Fair Mythology" (1789-1872).

KIM, THEODOR, a German theologian, born in Stuttgart, professor at Zurich and afterwards at Glessen; his great work, to which others were preliminary, was his "History of Jesus of Nazareth," in which he presents the person of Christ Himself as the one miracle in the story that eclipses every other in it, and makes them of no account comparatively (1823-1878).

KIRKE, SIR ARTHUR, British scientist, professor at the Royal College of Surgeons; has written much on the antiquity of men and kindred subjects; president of the British Association in 1927 (1866-).

KIRKE, JAMES, known as Marshal Keith, born near Peterhead, of an old Scottish family, Earl Marshal of Scotland; having had to leave the country for his share in the Jacobite rebellion, fled first to Spain and then to Russia, doing military service in both, but quitted the latter in 1747 for service in Prussia under Frederick the Great, who recognized the worth of him, and under whom he rose to be field-marshal; he distinguished himself in successive engagements, and fell shot through the heart, when in the charge of the right wing at Hochkirch (1696-1758).

KIRKE, VISCOUNT, English admiral, born near Exeter; served in various parts of the world, and distinguished himself in the American and French wars (1748-1838).

KIRKLA, AUGUST VON STRADONITZ, German chemist, professor at Bonn; famous for his many researches in organic chemistry, particularly for his work on the structural formulas of benzene compounds (1829-1896).

KISLAT, capital of Beluchistan, in a lofty region 140 m. S. of Kandahar; is the residence of a British agent since 1877, and was annexed as a British possession in 1888. It is a military stronghold, and of great importance from a military point of view.

KELLER, FERDINAND, Swiss archaeologist; his reputation rests on his investigations of lake-dwellings in Switzerland in 1853-1884 (1800-1881).

KELLER, GOTTFRIED, distinguished poet and novelist, born in Zurich; his greatest romance, and the one by which he is best known, is "Der Grune Heinrich"; wrote also a collection of excellent tales entitled, "Die Leute von Seidwylz" (1819-1890).

KELLERMANN, FRANÇOIS CHRISTOPHE, Duke of Valmy, French general, born in Alsace, son of a peasant; entered the army at 17; served in the Seven Years' War; embraced the Revolution; defeated the Duke of Brunswick at Valmy in 1792; served under Napoleon as commander of the reserves on the Rhine, but supported the Bourbons at the Restoration (1785-1820).

KELLOGG, FRANK B., American politician. Born in Potsdam, New York, he became a barrister in 1877, and in 1923 was appointed American Ambassador in London. Two years later he became U.S. Secretary of State, and made his name as the originator of the Kellogg Pact (q.v.) (1857-).

KELLOGG PACT, a declaration signed in Paris in 1928 by the leading Powers of the world, stating that they renounced war as an instrument of national policy; the pact is named after F. B. Kellogg (q.v.), the United States Secretary of State, who initiated the preliminary negotiations.

KELLS, an ancient town in co. Meath, with many antiquities; gives its name to the "Book of Kells," a beautiful 9th-century Celtic illuminated manuscript of the Gospels, now in the library of Trinity College, Dublin.

KELP, an alkaline substance derived from the ashes of certain sea-weeds, yielding iodine, soda, potash, and certain oils. Kelp-burning was formerly a valuable industry in Orkney and the Hebrides.

KELPIE, an imaginary water-spirit which, it is said, appears generally in the form of a horse.

KELSO, a market-town in Roxburghshire, beautifully situated on the Tweed, where the Teviot joins it, with the ruins of an abbey of the 12th or the early 13th century.

KEMAL, MUSTAPHA, Turkish politician. On the overthrow of the Sultan in 1923 he was proclaimed first President of the Turkish republic; he won his position as a result of his skilful leadership of the Angora Turks in their aggressive policy against Greece in 1922; his government began the Westernisation of Turkey (1881-).

KEMBLE, a family of three sons and one daughter, children of Roger Kemble, a provincial theatrical manager, all distinguished on the stage, the greatest being the eldest, Sarah, Mrs. Siddons (q.v.).

KEMBLE, ADELAIDE, daughter of Charles, was noted as an operatic singer, but retired from the stage on her marriage 1842 (1814-1879).

KEMBLE, CHARLES, son of Roger, born in Brecon; appeared first at Sheffield as Orlando, in 1792, and two years later came to London, where he continued playing till 1840, when he was appointed Examiner of Plays (1775-1854).

KEMBLE, FRANCES ANNE, daughter of Charles, born in London; made her debut in 1829, and proved a queen of tragedy; in 1832 went to America, where, in 1834, she married a planter, from whom she was divorced in 1848; resuming her maiden name, Fanny Kemble, she gave Shakespearean readings for 20 years (1809-1893).

KEMBLE, JOHN MITCHELL, Anglo-Saxon scholar, born in London, son of Charles Kemble; edited writings belonging to the Anglo-Saxon period; his chief work "The Saxons in England" (1807-1867).

KEMBLE, JOHN PHILIP, eldest son of Roger, born in Brecon, Lancashire; began to study for the Roman Catholic priesthood, but adopted the stage, and appeared first at Wolverhampton in 1776; after touring in Yorkshire and Ireland he came to London in 1783, playing Hamlet at Drury Lane; became manager of that theatre in 1788; in 1802 transferred himself to Covent Garden, where, on the opening of the new house in 1806, the "Old Price" riots brought him ill-will; he retired in 1817, and lived at Lausanne till his death (1757-1823).

KEMBLE, STEPHEN, son of Roger, was from 1768 till 1800 manager of Edinburgh Theatre (1768-1822).

KEMP, GEORGE MESSIE, architect, born in Moorfoot, Peebleshire; bred a millwright, became a draughtsman, studied Gothic architecture, and designed the Scott Monument in Edinburgh; was drowned one evening in the Union Canal before the work was finished (1790-1844).

KEMPEN, a Prussian town, 27 m. NW. of Düsseldorf; manufactures textile fabrics in silk, cotton, linen, &c.; was the birthplace of Thomas à Kempis.

KEMPENFELT, RICHARD, British admiral, born in Westminster; distinguished himself in several actions, was on board the *Royal George* as his flagship when she went down at Spithead, carrying him with her and over a thousand others also on board at the time; he was a brave and skilful officer, and his death was a great loss to the service (1718-1782).

KEMPIS, THOMAS A., born in Kempen, near Düsseldorf, son of a poor but industrious craftsman named Hamerkin; joined, while yet a youth, the "Brotherhood of Common Life" at Deventer, in Holland, and at 20 entered the monastery of St. Agnes, near Zwolle, in Overijssel, where he chiefly resided for 70 long years, and of which he became sub-prior; spent his time in acts of devotion and copying MSS., that of the Bible, among others, in the Vulgate version of it, as well as in the production of works of his own, and in chief the "Imitation of Christ," a work that in the regard of many ranks second to the Bible, and is thought likely to survive in the literature of the world as long as the Bible itself; it has been translated into all languages within, as well as others outside, the pale of Christendom, and as many as six thousand editions, it is reckoned, have issued from the press; it is six centuries since it was first given to the world, and it has ever since continued to be a light in it to thousands in the way of a holy and divine life (1380-1471).

KEN, THOMAS, English prelate, born in Little Berkhamstead; is famous as the author of hymns, especially the morning one, "Awake, my Soul"; and the evening one, "Gloria to Thee, my God"; was committed to the Tower for refusing to read James II.'s "Declaration of Indulgence," and deprived of his bishopric, that of Bath and Wells, for refusing to take the oath of allegiance to William III. (1637-1711).

KENDAL, a Westmorland market-town on the Kent, 38 m. S. of Carlisle; manufactures heavy woollen goods, paper, and snuff; it owes the introduction of its woollen manufacture to the settlement in it of Flemings in the reign of Richard III.

KENDAL, MARGARET GRIMSTON (MADGE), British actress; sister of T. W. Robertson, the dramatist; made her London *début* as Ophelia at the age of 16; married William Kendal, the actor, in 1869; played under the managements of John Hare and Squire Bancroft, and retired after a long and successful career in 1908 (1849-).

KENDALL, HENRY CLARENCE, Australian poet, born in N.S. Wales; in government civil service with an interlude in journalism; wrote several volumes of verse remarkable for their descriptive power and vigour, including "Leaves from an Australian Forest" and "Songs from the Mountains" (1841-1882).

KENILWORTH, a Warwickshire market-town, 5 m. N. of Warwick; noted for its castle, where, as described by Scott in his novel of the name, Leicester sumptuously entertained Elizabeth in 1576; has some tapeworks, tanning being the chief industry.

KENWEDY, REV. GEORGE ANKETELL STUDDERT, British padre. Ordained in 1908, he served in France as a chaplain during the Great War, earning the nickname "Woodbine Willie" among the troops, and afterwards was one of the pioneers of the Industrial Christian Fellowship, writing several books on social and religious problems of the day (1882-1929).

KENNICOTT, BENJAMIN, English Hebraist, born in Totnes, Devonshire, educated at Oxford; became Fellow of Exeter, Radcliffe Librarian, and in 1770 canon of Christ Church; from 1783 he organised and took part in an extensive collation of Hebrew texts,

issuing in 1778-1780 the "Hebrew Old Testament, with Various Readings" (1716-1788).

KENNINGTON, a southern inner suburb of London, famous for the Oval, Surrey's cricket ground.

KENRAL GREEN, a cemetery in the NW. of London; celebrated as the burial-place of many eminent men.

KENNINGTON, the Royal Borough of, in which stand the Palace (Queen Victoria's birthplace), the Albert Memorial and Hall, South Kensington Museum, the Royal College of Music, the Imperial Institute, and many other institutions; contains also Holland House, and has long been the place of residence of notably artistic and literary men.

KENT, English maritime county in the extreme SE.; lies between the Thames estuary and the Strait of Dover, with Surrey and Sussex on the W.; it is hilly, with marshes in the SE. and on the Thames shore; is watered by the Medway, Stour, and Darent; has beautiful scenery, rich pasturage, and fine agricultural land, largely under hops and market-gardens; a large part of London is in Kent; Maidstone is the county town; Rochester and Canterbury are cathedral cities; Woolwich, Gravesend, and Dover are seaports, and Margate, Ramsgate, and Folkestone watering-places.

KENTIGERN, ST., or ST. MUNGO, the Apostle of Cumbria, born in Culrois, the natural son of a princess named Thénaw; entered the monastery there, where he had been trained from a boy, and founded a monastery near Glasgow and another in Wales; was distinguished for his missionary labours; buried at Glasgow Cathedral (518-603).

KENTISH FIRE, vehement and prolonged applause by means of a succession of three loud claps of the hands and then a pause at regular intervals; said to have originated in Kent at the time of the anti-Catholic meetings in 1828.

KENTUCKY, an American State in the S. of the Ohio basin, with the Virginia on its E. and Tennessee on its S. border and the Mississippi River on the W.; is watered by the Licking and Kentucky Rivers that cross the State from the Cumberland Mountains in the SE. to the Ohio, while the Tennessee River traverses the western corner; the climate is mild and healthy; much of the soil is extremely fertile, giving hemp and the largest tobacco crops in the Union; there are dense forests of virgin ash, walnut, and oak over two-thirds of the State, and on its pasturage the finest stock and horses are bred; coal is found in both the E. and the W., and iron is plentiful; the chief industries are iron smelting and working; is remarkable for its Mammoth and other limestone caves; admitted to the Union in 1792, Kentucky was a slave-holding State, but did not secede in the Civil War; the capital is Frankfort, the largest city Louisville; the State University is at Lexington.

KENYA COLONY, formerly British East Africa, so-called after Mount Kenya, 17,900 ft., just south of the equator. The Kenya Protectorate consists of the Sultan of Zanzibar's coast dominions, which have been under British control since 1890; cotton is largely grown there.

KEPLER, JOHANN, astronomer, born in Weil der Stadt, Württemberg, of poor parents; studied at Tübingen chiefly mathematics and astronomy, became lecturer on these subjects at Graz; joined Tycho Brahe at Prague as assistant, who obtained a pension of £18 for him from the Austrian government, which was never paid; removed to Linz, where Sir Henry Wotton saw him living in a *camera obscura* tent doing ingenious things, photographing the heavens, "inventing toys, writing almanacs, and being ill off for cash"; he was long occupied in studying the "motions of the star" Mars, with calculations repeated seventy times, and with the discovery of the planetary laws of the Universe; these last are known as Kepler's Laws: the first, that the planets move on elliptical orbits, the sun in one of the foci; the second, that, in describing its orbit, the radius vector of a planet traverses equal areas in equal times; and the third, that the square of the time of the revolution of a planet is proportional to the cube of its mean distance from the sun; poverty pursued Kepler all his days; he died of fever at Ratibon (1571-1630).

KEPPEL, AUGUSTUS, VISCOUNT, son of the Earl of Albemarle; entered the navy, and was in several engagements between 1757 and 1778; when encountering the French off Ushant he quarrelled with his second-in-command and let them escape; was court-martialled, but acquitted; he was afterwards First Lord of the Admiralty (1725-1786).

KER, DR. JOHN, minister and professor, was born in Peebleshire, brought up in Edinburgh; studied there and in Halle; was chosen to fill the chair of Practical Training in the U.P. Theological College at Glasgow in 1876; published some "Sermons," and "The Psalms in History and Biography" (1819-1880).

KERAK, one of the four districts of Transjordan (q.v.); the Biblical Kir-haraseh, the ancient capital of the Moabite kingdom.

KERATIN, a substance forming the chief constituent in the hair, nails, and horn of animals.

KERENSKY, ALEXANDRE, Russian politician. A native of Turkestan, he became involved in revolutionary movements in Russia, and was leader of the first revolution in 1917. For five months he was Premier, endeavouring to rule mildly and constitutionally, but Lenin and Trotsky succeeded in bringing the extremists together to have him removed on account of his opposition to Bolshevism (1882-).

KERGUELEN LAND, an island with rugged coasts, 85 m. long by 70 wide, of volcanic origin, in the Antarctic Ocean; so called after its discoverer in 1772, name changed to Desolation Island in 1776 by Captain Cook; belongs to France.

KERMAN, an eastern province of Persia, the N. and the NE. of it a desolate salt waste, and with a chief town of the name in the middle of it, once a great emporium of trade; manufactures carpets.

KERNER, ANDREAS, a lyric poet of the Swabian school, born in Württemberg; studied and wrote on animal magnetism and spiritualism (1786-1862).

KEROSENE, the high boiling-point fraction of petroleum, used as oil for lamps.

KERRY, maritime county in the SW. of Ireland, between the Shannon and Kenmare Rivers, with Limerick and Cork on the E.; has a rugged, indented coast, Dingle Bay running far inland; is mountainous, having Mount Brandon, the Macgillivuddy, and Dunkerron ranges, and contains the picturesque lakes of Killarney; there is little industry or agriculture, but dairy-farming, slate-quarrying, and fishing are prosecuted; iron, copper, and lead abound, but are not wrought; the population is Roman Catholic; county town, Tralee.

KERTCH, a seaport of the Crimea, on the eastern shore; had a large export trade, which suffered during the Crimean War, but revived after.

KESWICK, a Cumberland market-town and tourist centre and capital of the Lake District, on the Derwent, 20 m. SW. of Carlisle; manufactures woollens, hardware, and lead-pencils; is the seat of an annual religious convention which gives its name to a phase of Evangelicalism.

KET, ROBERT, a tanner in Norfolk, leader of an insurrection in the country in 1549; after seizing Norwich was driven out by the Earl of Warwick, captured, and hanged.

KETCH, JACK, a notorious executioner of Charles II.'s reign, whose name became a synonym for his office; is said to have beheaded the Duke of Monmouth in 1685.

KITTERING, market-town in Northamptonshire; manufactures boots and shoes, staves, brushes, &c.

KIW, a village on the Thames, in Surrey, 6 m. W. of Hyde Park, where are the Royal Botanic Gardens, a national institution since 1840, and an observatory.

KEY, FRANCIS SCOTT, author of "The Star-spangled Banner," born in Maryland, U.S.; wrote the words that have immortalised him when he saw the national flag floating over the ramparts of Baltimore in 1814 (1780-1843).

KEY WEST, a seaport, health resort, and naval station on a coral island 60 m. SW. of Cape Sable, Florida; it has a good harbour and strong fort; was the basis of operations in the Spanish-American War, 1898; exports salt, turtles, and fruit, and manufactures cigars.

KEYES, SIR ROGER, British admiral. He was

Commodore of Submarines during the Great War, and as commander of the Dover Patrol led the attack on Zebrugg Mole on April 23, 1918, when the *Vindictive* drew the German fire while block ships were sunk in the mouth of the canal. From 1919 to 1921 he was in charge of the Baltic cruiser squadron (1872-).

KEYNE, ST., a pious virgin of Welsh origin, who lived in Cornwall about 490, and left her name to a church and to a well whose waters are said to give the upper hand to whichever of a bridal pair first drinks of them after the wedding; the custom is the theme of a poem by Southey.

KEYS, HOUSE OF, the third estate in the Isle of Man, consisting of 24 members chosen by themselves, when a vacancy occurs, by presenting to the Governor "two of the oldest and worthiest men in the Isle" for his selection.

KEYS, POWER OF THE, power claimed, according to Matt. xvi. 19, by the authorities of the Church to admit or exclude from church membership, a power the Roman Catholics allege to have been conferred at first on St. Peter and afterwards on his successors in office.

KHAKI ELECTIONS, those of 1900 and 1918, fought at times when considerable portions of the population were in the army. At the former the Conservative party obtained a majority, and at the latter Lloyd George's Coalition was successful on a "make Germany pay" and "homes for heroes" policy.

KHAN, the title of a Tartar sovereign or prince; also an Eastern inn or caravanserai.

KHANDESH, a district of Bombay in the valley of the Tapi; a great cotton-growing centre; Dhulga, the capital.

KHARKOFF, important town in Russia, 350 m. NE. of Odessa; has immense horse and wool fairs, and manufactures sugar, soap, felt, and iron; it is a Greek bishopric, a university seat, and has various schools of learning.

KHARTOUM, a caravan depot in the Soudan, just above the confluence of the Blue and White Niles, 1100 m. N. of Cairo; was an active slave-trade centre, and commercially important; was captured by the Mahdists in 1885, when General Gordon fell; retaken by Lord Kitchener in 1898; has been superseded by Omdurman on the opposite bank of the Nile.

KHATMANDU, the capital of Nepal, India, at the confluence of the Bachmati and Vishnumati Rivers, 60 m. N. of the British frontier; is the centre of a considerable trade.

KHEDIVE (Persian "king"), the official title of the Viceroy of Egypt, 1867-1914, the first to hold it being Ismail, the son of Ibrahim Pasha (q.v.), by grant of the Sultan, his suzerain.

KHERSON, on the Dnieper, 19 m. from the sea and 60 m. E. of Odessa, capital of the Russian government of Kherson; has been surpassed in importance by Odessa; its trade is in timber, and industries are soap-making, brewing, and wool-cleaning.

KHINGANS, THE, a range of volcanic mountains on the E. of the desert of Gobi.

KHIVA, an independent republic in Central Asia, S. of the Sea of Aral, under Russian protection since 1873; a sandy desert with many oases, and in some parts well irrigated from the Oxus; it produces wheat, rice, cotton, and fruit; climate subject to extremes. Khiva, the capital, on a canal connected with the Amu, some distance from the left bank of the Oxus, and 300 m. NW. of Merv, is a town of earth huts, it was at one time one of the chief slave-markets in Asia till the traffic was stopped by Russia.

KHOND, a Dravidian people of Madras and the Central Provinces of India, of small stature, once given to human sacrifices, but now peaceable and law-abiding; have been subject to British rule since 1835.

KHORASSAN, the largest province of Persia; is on the Afghan border, mountainous, and fertile only in the N. among the valleys of the Elburz range; grain, tobacco, and medicinal plants are grown; gold and silver, turquoises, and other gems found. The capital is Meshed, a sacred Moslem city, with carpet, jewellery, and silk manufactures.

KHYBER PASS, a narrow defile 33 m. long, in one place only 10 ft. wide, through lofty and precipitous mountains; lies to the NW. of Peshawar, and is the chief route between the Punjab and Afghanistan; was the scene of a British catastrophe in the war of 1839-1842, but has been repeatedly forced since, and from 1879 has been under British control.

KIAKHTA, a Russian town in Transbaikalia, Siberia, on the borders of China; an emporium of trade between China and Russia.

KIAO-CHAU, a province of Shantung, China; occupied by Germany in 1897, and ceded to her on a 99 years' lease by China in 1898; it was captured by British and Japanese troops in 1914, and restored to China the following year. It extends to about 160 m. along the coast, and about 20 m. inland.

KIDD, BENJAMIN, sociologist; published "Social Evolution," "Principles of Western Civilization" and other scientific papers (1858-1916).

KIDD, WILLIAM, a noted pirate, born of Covenanting parents in Greenock; went to sea early, and served in privateering expeditions with distinction; appointed to the command of a privateer in 1695, and commissioned to suppress the pirates of the Indian Ocean, he went to Madagascar, and there started piracy himself; entering Boston harbour in 1700, he was arrested, sent to London, tried on a charge of piracy and murder, and executed in 1701.

KIDDERMINSTER, in the N. of Worcester, 18 m. SW. of Birmingham; has been since 1735 noted for its carpets; manufactures also silk, paper, and leather; was the scene of Richard Baxter's labours as vicar, and the birthplace of Sir Rowland Hill.

KIEFF, on the Dnieper, 300 m. N. Odessa, is a holy city, the capital of the province of Kieff, strongly fortified, and one of the oldest towns in Russia, where Christianity was proclaimed the religion of the country in 988; has St. Vladimir's University, theological schools, and Petchersk monastery; a pilgrim resort; industries unimportant, include tanning and candle-making.

KIEL, on the Baltic, 60 m. N. of Hamburg, is the capital of Schleswig-Holstein, a German naval station and important seaport, with shipments of coal, flour, and dairy produce; has shipbuilding and brewing industries; a university and railway, and is the eastern terminus of the Kiel Canal.

KIEL CANAL, connecting the North Sea and the Baltic, was opened in 1895 and originally cost £8,000,000. In 1909 the canal was closed for deepening and widening at a cost of over £10,000,000, and was not again opened till June, 1914. During the Great War it was used as the headquarters of the German Fleet, and under the Treaty of Versailles it was thrown open to ships of all nations.

KIEPERT, HEDRICH, distinguished German cartographer, born in Berlin; was professor of Geography there; his chief works are "Atlas of Asia Minor," and his "Atlas Antiquus" (1818-1899).

KIERKEGAARD, SÖREN AABY, philosophical and religious thinker, born at Copenhagen; lived a quiet, industrious, literary life, and exerted the chief influence on 19th-century Dano-Norwegian literature; his greatest works are "Either-Or," and "Stages on Life's Way" (1813-1855).

KIESLGHUR, powder used for polishing and in the manufacture of dynamite, formed from shells of microscopic organisms; known also as diatomite.

KILDA, ST., a lonely island in the Atlantic, 60 m. W. of Harris, 8 m. long by 2 broad, with a precipitous coast; was inhabited for a thousand years by settlers who existed by fishing and fowling, but the island was abandoned in August, 1930.

KILDARE, inland Irish county, in Leinster, in the upper basin of the Liffey and Barrow, W. of Dublin and Wicklow; is level and fertile, with the great Bog of Allen in the N., and in the centre the Curragh, a grassy plain; agriculture is carried on in the river basins; the county town is Kildare; other towns Maynooth, with a Roman Catholic theological college, and Naas.

KILIAN, ST., the first apostle of the Franks, an Irish monk; deputed by the Pope to christianise Western Europe in 686; was martyred at Würzburg, 697.

KILMA-NJARO, a volcanic mountain group, its greatest peak 19,000 ft. high, on the southern border

of Kenya, British East Africa, 170 m. from the coast, with two peaks, Kibo and Kilimanjaro; in 1894 an Austrian communistic settlement was established on the slopes.

KILKENNY, inland Irish county in Leinster, surrounded by Waterford, Tipperary, Queen's County, Carlow, and Wexford, watered by the Barrow, Suir, and Nore; extremely fertile in the S. and E., producing fine corn, hay, and green crops; is moorland, and devoted to cattle-rearing in the N., where also anthracite coal is abundant. Kilkenny, the county town, is noted for a fine black marble quarried near it.

KILLARNEY, market-town and tourist centre, in co. Kerry, Ireland, on the shores of the lake, 16 m. SE. of Tralee; has a Roman Catholic cathedral and some arbutus-carving industry.

KILLARNEY, THE LAKES OF, three beautiful lakes at the northern foot of the Macgillivuddy Reeks, in the basin of the Lough, much resorted to by tourists.

KILLISBRANKIE PASS OF, 15 m. NW. of Dunkeld, in Perthshire, where General Mackay was defeated by Claverhouse, who fell, in 1699; is traversed by a road and a railway.

KILMAINHAM, a suburb of Dublin, with a royal hospital for disabled soldiers and a jail; the treaty of Kilmainham was an agreement said to have been made in 1882 between Gladstone and Parnell, who was then confined in Kilmainham jail, affecting Irish government and policy.

KILMARNOCK, on the Irvine, 20 m. SW. of Glasgow, largest town in Ayrshire; is an important railway centre, has extensive engineering works, carpet factories, and breweries; is in the middle of a rich coal and iron district, and has a great annual cheese and dairy produce show.

KILOWATT-HOUR, the Board of Trade unit of electrical supply.

KIMBERLEY, (1) city in Griqualand West, Province of the Cape of Good Hope, South Africa, between the rivers Modder and Vaal, 540 m. from Cape Town. There are a city hall, law courts, and public library. The city sprang up after 1870, when diamonds were found there. It was one of the first places to be reached by the Boers in 1899, and was relieved in 1900 by Sir John French after a siege of 124 days. (2) A district in the N. of West Australia, famous for its goldfield, discovered in 1882.

KIMBERLEY, EARL OF, English Liberal statesman, son of Baron Wodehouse; succeeded to the title 1846; was twice Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland 1864-1866; in 1866 created Earl of Kimberley, he was in succession Lord Privy Seal, Colonial Secretary, Secretary for India, and Foreign Secretary (1826-1902).

KIMCHI, DAVID, a Jewish rabbi, born in Narbonne; wrote a Hebrew grammar and lexicon, which forms the basis of all subsequent ones, also commentaries on most books of the Old Testament (1160-1235).

KIMMERIDGE CLAY, a blue clay found in the Jurassic deposits of Dorset and Lincolnshire and elsewhere.

KINCARDINESHIRE, east coast Scottish county, lying between Aberdeen and Forfar, faces the North Sea, with precipitous cliffs; has much fertile soil under corn, green crops, and small fruit, also pasture and grazing land where cattle are reared; the fishing is important, and there are some coarse linen factories; chief towns, Stonehaven and Bervie.

KINDERGARTEN, schools conducted according to Froebel's system for the development of the power of observation and the memory of young children.

KINEMATICS, the science of pure motion, under the categories of space and time, irrespective of consideration of the forces determining it and the mass of the body moved.

KINEMATOGRAPH, a photographic apparatus by which an impression is taken of closely consecutive stages in the development of a scene.

KINETICS, the science of the action of forces causing motion; this word and the two preceding are derived from a Greek word signifying "to move."

KING, WILLIAM LYON MACKENZIE, Canadian politician. After some years as a civil servant he became an M.P. in 1908, also acting from that year till 1911 as Minister of Labour; in 1918 he became

leader of the Canadian Liberal party, and in 1921 Prime Minister, being defeated in 1930 (1874-).

KING, WILLIAM RUFUS, American statesman and diplomatist, born in North Carolina; was a member of Congress and the Senate, and Vice-President of the Republic; represented the United States both at St. James's and in France (1786-1858).

KING NIBELUNG, king of the Nibelungen (q.v.), who left his two sons an inexhaustible hoard of wealth, so large that 12 wagons in 12 days at the rate of 3 journeys a day could not carry it off.

KING OF THE ROMANS, a title assumed by the Emperor Henry II. and afterwards conferred on the eldest son of that German Emperor.

KINGLAKE, ALEXANDER WILLIAM, historian, born near Taunton; bred for the bar, gave up the legal profession, in which he had a lucrative practice, for literature; the author of two works, "Eothen" and the "History of the War in the Crimea," in 8 vols., the former a brilliantly written book of travels in the East, published in 1844, the latter a minute though prejudiced record of the war, of which the last vol. was published in 1890 (1809-1891).

KINGMAKER, THE, a title popularly given to Richard Neville, Earl of Warwick, who was instrumental in raising Edward IV. to the throne of England by deposing Henry VI. and afterwards in restoring Henry by the defeat of Edward.

KINGS, THE BOOK OF, two books of the Old Testament, originally one, but divided in the Septuagint into two, containing the history of the Jewish kingdom under the kings from its establishment under David to its fall, and covering a period from 1015 B.C. to 560 B.C., during which time the kingdom fell into two, that of Israel and that of Judah, the captivity of the former occurring 130 years before that of the latter; the author, who is unknown, wrote the history at the time of the captivity, and his object is didactic of the effect on the history of a nation of its apostasy from faith in its God, not, however, without a promise of restoration in the case of repentance.

KING'S COLLEGE, London, a Church of England institution, with faculties of Theology, Arts, Law, Science, Medicine, Engineering and Economics, with an evening class, civil service and art departments, a preparatory school and a ladies' department; it grants the title of associate.

KING'S COUNSEL are those barristers in England and Ireland who, having been successful in their profession, have received the letters-patent conferring that title and right of precedence in all courts; the appointment is honorary and for life, but in acting against the Crown a K.C. must obtain leave by special licence, which is always granted.

KING'S COUNTY, an inland Irish county on the left bank of the Shannon, between Tipperary and West Meath; is mostly flat, a quarter of it bogland and a quarter under crops; the chief towns are Tullamore, the county town, on the Grand Canal, and Birr or Farnstown, where Lord Rosse's great telescope is.

KING'S EVIL, scrofula, popularly assumed to be cured by the King's touch from the time of Edward the Confessor; was practised largely in Stuart days and up to the time of Queen Anne, who "touched" Dr. Johnson as an infant; was discontinued in the reign of George I.; the same power was claimed by the early French kings.

KING'S QUHAIK (the King's little book), the title of the book of poems written by James I. in token of his love for the Lady Jane Beaufort, daughter of the Earl of Somerset.

KING'S SPEECH, the oration made from the Throne at the opening of a new session of Parliament. Although read by the King, it is composed by the Prime Minister and his Cabinet colleagues and sets forth the proposed legislative programme.

KINGSLEY, CHARLES, canon of Westminster and chaplain to Queen Victoria, born at Holme Vicarage, near Dartmouth; studied at Cambridge; became rector of Eversley, in Hampshire, in 1844; was the author in 1848 of a drama, entitled "The Saint's Tragedy," with St. Elizabeth of Hungary for heroine, which was followed successively by "Alton Locke" (1849), and "Yeast" (1851), chiefly in a Socialistic interest; "Hypatia," a brilliant book about early

Christianity in Alexandria and "Westward Ho;" a narrative of the rivalry of England with Spain in the days of Elizabeth; besides other works, including "Two Years Ago," "The Water Babies," and "Hereward the Wake," he was the author of the popular ballads of "The Three Fishers," "The Starlings," and "The Sands of Dee"; his writings had a great influence on his contemporaries, particularly on young men (1819-1875).

KINGSLEY, HENRY, younger brother of the preceding; after a brief experience of life in Australia he returned home to start on the career of letters, and distinguished himself as a novelist; his principal novels were "Geoffrey Hamlyn," one of the best novels on Australian life; "Ravenshoe," his masterpiece, and "The Hillyars and the Burtons" (1830-1870).

KINGSLEY, MARY HENRIETTA, African traveller and authoress; niece of Charles Kingsley, born in London; wrote "Travels in West Africa" and similar records of her wanderings (1862-1900).

KINGSTON, (1) capital of Frontenac County, Ontario, on the N.E. shore of the Lake, 150 m. E. of Toronto, an important commercial town with shipbuilding and engineering works; is the seat of Queen's University, military and medical colleges, and an observatory. (2) capital of Jamaica, on a great bay on the S. coast, on the edge of a sugar-growing district; exports sugar, tobacco, and dye-woods, and imports cotton, flour, and rice. (3) a town on the Hudson, N.Y., has great blue stone-flag quarries, and cement-works, breweries, and tanneries.

KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, county town of Surrey, 10 m. SW. of London, has a fine church and other buildings, and malting industry.

KINGSTON, WILLIAM HENRY GILES, popular boys' story-writer, born in London, spent his youth in Oporto, was interested in philosophic schemes, and helped to arrange the Anglo-Portuguese commercial treaty; he wrote 120 tales, of which the "Three Midshipmen" series are the best, and died at Willesden (1814-1880).

KINGSTOWN, seaport of Dublin, 7 m. SE.; was till 1817 but a fishing village; has a harbor designed by Rennie which cost £525,000; was originally Duncuiry, and changed into Kingstown on George IV.'s visit in 1821.

KINKEL, JOHANN GOTTFRIED, German poet and writer on aesthetics, born near Bonn; studied for the Church, but became lecturer on Art in Bonn, 1846; two years later he was imprisoned for revolutionary proceedings; escaped in 1850 to England, and became professor at Zurich in 1866; wrote "Otto der Schütze," an epic, and "Nimrod," a drama (1815-1882).

KINROSS-SHIRE, a small Scottish county lying between Perth and Fife, round Loch Leven, is agricultural and grazing, with some hills of no great height, and coal mines; the co. town, Kinross, is on the W. shore of Loch Leven; manufactures tartan and cotton goods.

KINSALE, a once important seaport in co. Cork, at the mouth of the Bandon, 13 m. S. of Cork; has lost its trade, and is now a summer resort and fishing station; King James II. landed here in 1689, and re-embarked in 1690.

KINTYRE, a long, narrow isthmus on the W. coast of Scotland, between the Atlantic and the Firth of Clyde; is chiefly hill and grass country; but at Campbeltown are great distilleries; at Macbrideham Bay, on the W. coast, are fine golfing links.

KIPCHAKS, a nomadic Mongol race who settled on the south-eastern steppes of Russia about the 11th century, and whose descendants still occupy the district.

KIPLING, JOHN LOCKWOOD, author and illustrator; father of the succeeding; born in Pickering, Yorks; in the Indian Civil Service and afterwards curator of Lahore Central Museum; author of "Beat and Man in India"; illustrated Rudyard Kipling's "Jungle Books" and "Kim" (1837-1911).

KIPLING, RUDYARD, author and poet, born in Bombay, and educated in England; went out to India as a journalist; his stories mainly deal with Anglo-Indian, and especially military, life in India, his "Soldiers Three" with the rest that followed, such as "Wee Willie Winkie," gaining for him an

immediate and wide reputation; since then he has produced a number of volumes of short stories evidencing his great versatility, and three distinctive novels, "The Light that Failed," "Kim," and "The Naulakha," the last-named being written in collaboration with his brother-in-law, Wolcott Balestier; as a poet his most successful effort is his "Barrack-Room Ballads," instinct with a martial spirit, but in "The Seven Seas" and "The Five Nations" he added greatly to his reputation as a forceful writer; of his verse, "The Recessional" is probably the best known (1885-).

KIRBY, WILLIAM, entomologist, born in Suffolk; distinguished as the author of "Monographia Apium Anglie," and "Introduction to Entomology"; was rector of Barham, Suffolk, for 68 years (1759-1850).

KIROCHOFF, GUSTAV ROBERT, German physicist, professor at Heidelberg and Berlin; his most important work was in connection with the spectrum analysis; he wrote much on theoretical physics, especially electricity (1824-1887).

KIRGHIZ, a nomadic Turkish people occupying the Kirghiz steppes, an immense tract E. of the Ural River and the Caspian Sea, numbering 24 millions, adventurous, witty, and free-spirited; comprising two main groups, the Kirghiz Kasaks and the Kara-Kirghiz, they retain ancient customs and characteristics, and are Moslems only in name.

KIRK SESSION, an ecclesiastical court in Scotland, composed of the minister and elders of a parish, subject to the Presbytery of the district.

KIRKCALDY, a manufacturing and seaport town in Fifeshire, extending 4 m. along the north shore of the Forth, known as the "lang town." It was the birthplace of Adam Smith, and one of the scenes of the schoolmastership period of Thomas Carlyle's life; manufactures textile fabrics and floorcloths; is a busy town.

KIRKCUDBRIGHTSHIRE, a Scottish county on the Solway shore between Wigton and Dumfries, watered by the rivers Nith, Dee, and Cree; has Mount Merrick on the NW. border, and Loch Dee in the middle; one-third of its area cultivated, the rest chiefly hill pasture. County town Kirkcudbright, on the Dee, 6 m. from the Solway; celebrated for St. Cuthbert's church.

KIRKDALE CAVE, a cave in the vale of Pickering, Yorkshire, discovered by Buckland in 1821 to contain the remains of a number of extinct species of mammals.

KIRKES LAMBS, the soldiers of Colonel Kirke, an officer of the English army in James the Second's time, distinguished for their acts of cruelty inflicted on the Monmouth party.

KIRKINTILLOCH, a town on the Forth and Clyde Canal, 7 m. N. of Glasgow, manufactures chemicals, has calico works, and mines of coal and iron.

KIRKWALL, capital of Orkney, in the E. of Mainland, 35 m. NE. of Thurso; has a fine cathedral named St. Magnus, and some shipping trade; it was in mediæval times subject to Norway, and was the residence of the jarls.

KIRRIEMUIR, a small Forfarshire town, 5 in. NW. of Forfar, native place of Sir J. M. Barrie, and the "Thru" of his books; manufactures brown linens.

KIRSCHWASSER (cherry water), a liqueur formed from ripe cherries with the stones pounded in it after fermentation and then distilled.

KISFALUDY, KAROLY, Hungarian dramatist, brother of the following, was founder of the national drama, and with his brother ranks high in the literature of the country (1768-1830).

KISFALUDY, SANDOR, a Hungarian lyric poet, "The Loves" his chief work; was less distinguished as a dramatist (1772-1844).

Kissingen, watering-place on the Saale, 65 m. E. of Frankfurt-on-the-Main, visited for its saline springs by 14,000 people annually; its waters are used both internally and externally, and are good for dyspepsia, gout, and skin-diseases.

KITCAT CLUB, founded in 1703, ostensibly to encourage literature and art, and named after Christopher Cat, in whose premises it met; became ultimately a Whig society to promote the Hanoverian succession; Marlborough, Walpole, Congreve, Addison, and Steele were among the thirty-nine

members; the club gave its name to a three-quarter-length portrait, from the fact that Sir Godfrey Kneller, who painted the portraits of many of the members, had to restrict them to this size to allow of their exhibition on the club walls.

KITCHENER OF KHARTOUM, HORATIO HERBERT, EARL, son of Col. Kitchener; joined the Royal Engineers, and was first engaged in survey work in Palestine and Cyprus; became a major of cavalry in the Egyptian army 1882, served in the 1884 expedition, was governor of Suakin 1886, and after leading the Egyptian troops at Handub 1888 was made aide-de-camp to Queen Victoria, C.B., and adjutant-general in the Egyptian army; he was appointed Sirdar, commander-in-chief of that army in 1892, organized and led the expedition of 1898 which overthrew the Khalifa at Omdurman, and for which he was awarded a peerage and received many honours, the freedom of the cities of London and Edinburgh, &c.; a gift of £30,000 was voted by the Government in 1899; he was made chief-of-staff to Lord Roberts in the Boer War of 1899, and succeeded him as commander-in-chief in the final stages of the war; he became War Secretary in August, 1914, and threw himself into the work of recruiting an army to face a long struggle, succeeding finally in securing a million men; he figured in several political disputes, and in 1916 sailed on a mission to Russia on the cruiser *Hampshire*, which struck a mine on June 5 and sank; Kitchener's body was never recovered (1850-1916).

KIZIL (red river), the ancient Hays, the largest river in Asia Minor, which flows into the Black Sea 40 m. E. of Sinope, after a course of 450 m.

KLAIPKA, GEORGE, a Hungarian patriot, distinguished in arms against the Austrians during the revolution, and for his heroic defence of Komorn in the end (1820-1892).

KLAIPROTH, JULIUS VON, Orientalist and philologist; was an accomplished Chinese scholar; explored Sberia and Caucasus (1768-1839).

KLIFF, PETER, the German prototype of Rip Van Winkle, a goat-herd who slept for the same number of years and at the end had similar experiences.

KLAUSTHAL, in Hanover, 25 m. NE. of Göttingen, is the chief mining town of the northern Harz Mountains, and the seat of the German mining administration, surrounded by silver, copper, lead, and zinc mines.

KLEBER, JEAN BAPTISTE, French general, born in Strasbourg; originally an architect, served with distinction in the Revolutionary army, accompanied Bonaparte to Egypt, and was left by him in command, where, after a bold attempt to regain lost ground, and while in the act of concluding a treaty with the Turks, he was assassinated at Cairo by an Arab fanatic (1763-1800).

KLEIST, HEINRICH VON, German dramatist and poet, born in Frankfurt-on-the-Oder; entered the army, but afterwards devoted himself to literature; slow recognition and other trials preyed on his mind, and he shot himself near Potsdam (1777-1811).

KLEPHTS, the name (meaning "robbers") given to bands of Greeks who refused to be subject to the Turks in the 15th century and in the mountains maintained a guerrilla warfare.

KLONDIKE, a small section of the Yukon, a territory in the extreme NW. of N. America, and a centre of pilgrimage by gold-seekers after the discovery of the goldfields there in 1898.

KLOPFSTOCK, FRIEDRICH GOTTLIEB, German poet, born in Quedlinburg; distinguished as the author of an epic poem entitled the "Messiah," which is his chief work, his treatment of which invested him with a certain sense of sanctity, and the publication of which did much to quicken and elevate the literary life of Germany (1724-1803).

KLUCK, ALEXANDER VON, German general. He served in the Austro-Prussian and Franco-Prussian wars, became a general in 1906, and in 1914 took command of the 1st army, which invaded Belgium; he was in charge of the German troops at Mons, the Marne, and the Aisne, but his failure to capture Soissons in 1918 led to his retirement (1846-).

KNARESBOROUGH, Yorkshire market-town, 14 m. W. of York; manufactures woollen rugs, grinds flour, and trades in corn.

KNELLER, SIR GODFREY, portrait-painter, born in Inceby, studied under Rembrandt and at Italy, came to England in 1674, and was appointed court painter to Charles II., James II., William III., and George I.; practised his art till he was seventy, and made a large fortune; his residence at Twickenham, Kneller Hall, is now the home of the Royal Military School of Music (1646-1723).

KNICKERBOCKER, DIEDRICH, the imaginary author of the fictitious "History of New York," by Washington Irving.

KNIGHT, CHARLES, London publisher and editor, publisher for the Useful Knowledge Society of the "Library of Entertaining Knowledge," of the "Penny Magazine" and the "Penny Cyclopaedia," &c., as well as a "Pictorial Shakespeare," edited by himself (1791-1873).

KNIGHT, LAURA, British artist; studied at Nottingham, London, and in America, and in 1927 became the first woman R.A. for over a century; she first exhibited at the Academy in 1903, and specialised largely in vivid painting of clowns and circus life.

KNIGHTHOOD, a distinction granted to commoners, ranking next to baronet, now bestowed by the Crown; formerly knighthood was a military order, any member of which might create new knights; it was originally the highest rank of chivalry (q.v.); it was an order of many subdivisions developed during the Crusades, and in full flower before the Norman conquest of England.

KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE, King Arthur's knights, so called from the round table at which they sat, so that when seated there might seem no precedence, numbered popularly at twelve, though reckoned by some at forty; what is alleged to be the original Round Table is preserved as a relic in the Great Hall of Winchester Castle.

KNIGHTS OF THE SHIRE, English gentry representing a middle class between the barons and the peasants, acting as members of Parliament for the county they belonged to.

KNOWLES, JAMES SHERIDAN, dramatist, born in Cork, a second cousin of Richard Brinsley Sheridan; was connected with the stage first as actor and then as an author of plays, which include "Virginius," "The Hunchback," and "The Love Chase"; later he gave up the stage, and took to preaching in connection with the Baptist body (1784-1862).

KNOW-NOTHINGS, a party in the United States that sprang up in 1853 and restricted the right of American citizenship to those who were born in America or of American parentage, so called because to those inquisitive about their secret organisation they uniformly answered, "I know nothing."

KNOX, JOHN, the great Scottish Reformer, born in Giffordgate, Haddington; studied at Glasgow University; after which he took priest's orders; officiated as a priest, and did tutoring from 1530 to 1540; came under the influence of George Wishart, and avowed the Reformed faith; took refuge from persecution in St. Andrews Castle in 1547; was there summoned to lead on the movement; on the surrender of the castle was taken prisoner, and made a slave in a French galley for 19 months; liberated in 1549 at the intercession of Edward VI., came and assisted the Protestant cause in England; was offered preferments in the Church, but declined them; fled in 1553 to France, from the persecution of Bloody Mary; ministered at Frankfurt and Geneva to the English refugees; returned to Scotland in 1555, but, having married, went back next year to Geneva; was in absence, in 1557, condemned to be burned; published in 1558 his "First Blast against the Monstrous Regiment of Women"; returned to Scotland for good in 1559, and became minister in Edinburgh; saw in 1560 the jurisdiction of the Pope abolished in Scotland; had successive interviews with Queen Mary after her arrival at Leith in 1561; was tried for high-treason before the Privy Council, but acquitted in 1563; began his "History of the Reformation in Scotland" in 1566; preached in 1567 at James VI.'s coronation in Stirling; was in 1571 struck by apoplexy; died in Edinburgh on November 24, 1572, aged 59, the Regent Morton pronouncing an *éloge* at his grave, "There lies one who never feared the face of man." Knox is pronounced by Carlyle to have been the one

Scotsman to whom, "of all others, his country and the world owe a debt" (1518-1572).

KOBDO, a town in Mongolia, the entrepôt of Russian dealers in connection with the Altai mines.

KOBOLD, the German house-spirit, or goblin, equivalent to Robin Goodfellow.

KOCH, ROBERT, an eminent bacteriologist, born in Klausthal, in Hanover; famous for his researches in bacteriology; discovered sundry bacilli, among others the cholera bacillus and the phthisis bacillus, and a specific against each (1843-1910).

KOCK, CHARLES PAUL DE, popular French novelist and dramatist, born near Paris, and educated for a mercantile career, but turned to writing and produced a series of works, not of first merit, but illustrating contemporary French middle-class life in a witty and realistic style (1794-1871).

KOHELETH (the "preacher," originally "gatherer"), the Hebrew name for the book of Ecclesiastes, and a personification of wisdom.

KOH-I-NUR, a famous diamond, weighing 102 carats; once owned by the Great Mogul at Delhi; after passing through several hands it became the property of Queen Victoria in 1850.

KOLA, a small town, the most northerly in Russia, on a peninsula of the same name, with a capacious harbour.

KOLIN, a Czechoslovakian town on the Elbe, 40 m. SE. of Prague, where Frederick the Great was defeated by Marshal Daun in 1757.

KÖLLIKER, RUDOLF VON, an eminent embryologist, born in Zurich; professor of Anatomy at Würzburg (1817-1905).

KOLN, the German name for Cologne (q.v.).
KOLTCHAK, A. V., Russian admiral. He fought in the Russo-Japanese war of 1904, and commanded the Russian Black Sea Fleet in the Great War till the mutiny of 1917 deprived him of his command. Thereafter he made efforts at counter-revolution, and in 1918 formed his own government at Omsk, waging war on the Bolsheviks, by whom he was captured and shot (1874-1920).

KÖNIG, FRIEDRICH, German mechanician, born in Eisenleben, bred a printer, and invented the steam-press, or printing by machinery (1774-1833).

KÖNIGGRÄTZ, a Czechoslovakian town 60 m. E. of Prague; was the scene of a terrible battle called *Sadowa*, in Austria, where the Germans defeated the Austrians in 1866.

KÖNIGSBERG, the capital of E. Prussia, on the Pregel, with several manufactures and an extensive trade; has a famous university, and is the birthplace of Kant, where also he lived and died.

KORAN (i.e. book to be read), the Bible of the Mohammedans, accepted among them as "the standard of all law and all practice"; it is read through in the mosques daily; contains the teaching of Mohammed, collected by his disciples after his death, and arranged with the longest chapters first and the shortest, which were the earliest, last; is written in Arabic.

KORDOFAN, an Egyptian Sudanese province on the W. bank of the Nile; an undulating dry country, furnishing crops of millet, and exporting gums, hides, and ivory; was lost in the Mahdist revolt of 1883, but recovered by Lord Kitchener's expedition in 1895; El Obeid, the capital, is 230 m. SW. of Khartoum.

KOREA, an Eastern Asiatic kingdom annexed by Japan in 1910, with an area of 71,000 sq. m. It occupies the mountainous peninsula between the Yellow and Japan Seas, in the latitude of Italy, with Manchuria on its northern border, a country as large as Great Britain. The people, an intelligent and industrious race, are Mongols, followers of Confucius and Buddha. After being for 300 years tributary to China, it passed under Japanese influence, and by the Chinese defeat in the war with Japan, 1894-1895, was left independent. The climate is healthy, but subject to extremes; rivers are icebound for four months. Wheat, rice, and beans are grown. There are gold, silver, iron, and coal mines, and great mineral wealth. There are extensive manufactures of paper, and a silk industry. Three ports are open to foreigners, but most of the trade is with Japan. The capital is Seoul.

KOREISH, the chief tribe among the Arabs in Mohammed's time, and the one to which his family belonged.

KORNER, KARL THEODORE, a German soldier poet, often called the German *Tyrtæus*, born in Dresden; famous for his patriotic songs and their influence on German patriots; fell in a skirmish with the French at Mecklenburg (1791-1813).

KOSCIUSKO, THADDEUS, Polish general and patriot, born in Lithuania, of noble parentage, bred to arms; first saw service in the American War on the side of the colonists, and, returning to Poland, twice over did valiant service against Russia, but at length he was taken prisoner at the battle of Maciejowice in 1794; he was subsequently set at liberty by the Emperor Paul, when he removed to America, but soon returned to settle in Switzerland, where he died by a fall of his horse over a precipice; he was buried at Cracow beside John Sobieski (1746-1817).

KOSSUTH, LOUIS, Hungarian patriot, born near Zemplen; studied for his father's profession, the law, but giving that up for politics became editor of several Liberal papers in succession; elected member of the Diet at Pesth in 1847, he next year demanded autonomy for Hungary, and set himself to drive out the Hapsburgs and establish a republic; he raised a large army and large funds, but Russia aided Austria, and he struggled, though hopeful at first, proved ineffectual; defeated at Fehérvár and escaping to Turkey, he came to England in 1851, was enthusiastically received, and lived here for many years; ultimately he resided in Turin, studied science, and died there (1802 or 1806-1894).

KOTZBUE, AUGUST FERDINAND VON, German dramatist, born in Weimar; went to St. Petersburg, obtained favour at court and an appointment; was banished to Siberia, but regained the favour of the Czar Paul, and was recalled; on Paul's death he returned to Germany, but went back to Russia from fear of Napoleon, whom he had violently attacked; he had a facile pen, and wrote no fewer than 200 dramatic pieces; his strictures on the German university students greatly exasperated them, and one of them attacked him in his house at Mannheim and stabbed him to death (1761-1819).

KOUMISS, an intoxicating beverage among the Kalmucks, made by fermentation from mare's milk.

KOVALEVSKY, ALEXANDER, Russian embryologist, professor at St. Petersburg; studied and wrote on the Ascidians (1840-1891).

KRAKATOA, a volcanic island in the narrow strait of Sunda, between Java and Sumatra; scene of a terrific volcanic eruption in 1883, which destroyed the island and caused a tidal wave, which swept round the globe, causing great havoc in Java and Sumatra; the eruption raised quantities of dust, which made the sunsets in all parts of the earth unusually red.

KRAKEN, a huge fabulous sea-monster, reported as at one time seen in the Norwegian seas; it would rise to the surface, and as it plunged down drag ships and every floating or swimming thing with it.

KRAPOTKIN, or KROPOTKIN, PRINCE PETER, born in Moscow; became a member of the International (q.v.); was arrested in Russia and imprisoned, but escaped, as also in France, but released, and settled in England; wrote extensively on Socialistic subjects (1842-1921).

KRAUSE, KARL CHRISTIAN FRIEDRICH, German philosopher, born in Eisenberg; studied under Fichte and Schelling, and was himself lecturer successively in Jena, Dresden, Berlin, Göttingen, and Munich, where he died; of the school of Kant, his work suffered through the pedantry of his style; he wrote "The Ideal of Humanity," and many philosophical treatises (1761-1832).

KREFELD, in Rhenish Prussia, 12 m. NW. of Düsseldorf; important manufacturing town; noted for its silk and velvet factories founded by Protestant refugees; has also machinery and chemical works.

KREINLER, FRITZ, Austrian musician. He studied the violin at Vienna, where he was born, and in Paris; after touring America he made his London debut in 1902; during the Great War he fought in the Austrian army (1875-).

KREMLIN, a gigantic pile of buildings in Moscow of all styles of architecture, including palaces, cathedrals, museums, government offices; founded by Ivan III. in 1485.

KRIEGSSPIEL, a military game played on large-scale maps with metal blocks for troops, and designed to represent as fully as possible the conditions of warfare; was invented by a Prussian lieutenant in 1824.

KRILOF, IVAN ANDREEVITCH, the great Russian fabulist, born in Moscow, son of a soldier; began his literary career writing dramas and editing magazines; was some time secretary to the governor of Livonia, and for years lived an idle roving life; his fables in the *Moscow Spectator* brought him fame in 1805; next year he was appointed to a Government post at St. Petersburg, and in 1821 to a post in the Imperial Public Library; he was an eccentric, much-loved man, and the humour and sympathy of his writings have won for him the title of the *La Fontaine of Russia* (1768-1844).

KRISHNA (i.e. the swarthy one), the man-god, or god-man, viewed as the 8th and final incarnation or avatar of Vishnu (q.v.), in whose manifestation the latter first reveals himself as supreme divinity, being, as the Theosophist might say, his Mahatma. See **THEOSOPIHY**.

KRONJE, PIET ARNOLDUS, Boer general. He led the troops that captured the Jamestown raiders of 1896, successfully commanded the Boer forces at Modder River and Magerfontein, but was defeated and captured by Roberts at Paardeburg in 1900, after which he was exiled for two years to St. Helena (1849-1911).

KRONSTADT, the port of Leningrad, at the mouth of the Neva; a strongly fortified place, and the greatest naval station in Russia.

KRÜDENER, MADAME DE, novelist, born in Riga; authoress of an autobiographical novel entitled "Valerie"; lived partly at St. Petersburg and partly at Paris; was a mystic religious enthusiast and political prophetess (1764-1824).

KRÜGER, STEPHANUS JOHANNES PAULUS, President of the Transvaal Republic, born in Rustenburg; became member of the Executive Council in 1872; in 1882 was chosen President, and was afterwards three times elected to the same office; a man of sturdy, stubborn principles, a champion of the rights of the Boers, and a cunning diplomatist; he was in charge of the negotiations between the Boers and the British government, the breakdown of which resulted in the South African War, at the outbreak of which he fled to Holland, dying shortly afterwards in Switzerland (1825-1904).

KRUMMACHER, FREDERICK, German theologian, author of "Elijah the Tishbite," a popular work; was an opponent of the Rationalists (1790-1868).

KRUPP, ALFRED, metal and steel founder, born in Essen, where through his father he became the proprietor of a small foundry, which grew in his hands into such dimensions as to supply every other establishment of the kind in the world; the Bessemer (q.v.) process was early introduced here in the manufacture of steel, which Krupp was the first to employ in making guns; the works cover an immense area, and employ thousands of people (1810-1887).

KRYPTON, one of the inert gases (q.v.).

KUBELIK, JAN, musician, born in Michle, he studied at Prague Conservatoire, and commenced giving violin recitals in 1898, after which he toured Europe, America, and Australia, besides being for a time Royal Violinist at the Rumanian Court (1880-).

KUBERA, or KUVERA, the Hindu Pluto, or god of riches, represented as deformed and mounted on a car drawn by boghobins.

KUBLAI KHAN was a great Mongol emperor of the 13th century; built up an empire which included all the continent of Asia (except India, Arabia, and Asia Minor) and Russia, the most extensive that ever existed; he was an enlightened prince, adopted Chinese civilisation, promoted learning, and established Buddhism throughout his domains; his Oriental state is described by Marco Polo.

KUENEN, ABRAHAM, a Dutch Biblical critic, born in Haarlem; studied at Leyden, and became professor there; distinguished for his researches on the lines of the higher criticism bearing upon the literary history of the books of the Old Testament, beginning with that of the Pentateuch (1828-1891).

KUEN-LUN, N. of Tibet, a great snow-clad mountain range, 18,000 to 25,000 ft. high; stretches for 700 m., with a breadth of 100 m. It was explored by General Przhevalski, a Russian, 1876-1888.

KU-KLUX-KLAN, an American secret society founded in Tennessee in 1865 and responsible for numerous outrages, aiming its activities mainly at negroes, with a view to excluding them from the exercise of political rights; the movement was suppressed finally in 1871.

KULM, a Bohemian village on the left bank of the Elbe, 60 m. NW. of Prague, where the French under Vandamme surrendered to the Russians and Prussians in 1813.

KUNDT, AUGUST, German scientist, professor of Physics at Berlin; his most important work was on the velocity of sound and the dispersion of light (1839-1894).

KUNERSDORF, a village near Frankfort-on-Oder, where Frederick the Great was defeated by Russians and Austrians in 1759.

KURDISTAN, a stretch of plateau and mountain land in Turkish, Persian, and Russian Trans-Caucasian territory, consisting of grassy plains and lofty ranges, through which rivers like the Zabs, Batman-su, and Euphrates force their way; is inhabited by a partly nomad, partly agricultural people of ancient stock, who export wool, gum, and hides; the Kurds retain their old customs and organisation, are subject to their own chiefs, impatient of the rule of the Porte and the Shah; predatory by instinct, but brave and chivalrous, they are Moslems and Nestorians.

KURILE ISLANDS, a chain of 26 islands, being a continuation of the peninsula of Kamchatka,

enclosing the sea of Okhotsk; very sparsely inhabited.

KURRACHEE, the chief port of the Punjab; situated on the delta of the Indus, with an extensive harbour and trade.

KURUMAN, in Bechuanaland, 140 m. NW. of Kimberley; is the place where Livingstone and Moffat laboured.

KUT-EL-AMARA, a town in Iraq, on the Euphrates, 290 m. from Basra, rebuilt since the Great War. In 1915 General Townshend (q.v.) was besieged here by the Turks and surrendered after 143 days with 9000 men, British troops having lost 20,000 men in trying to relieve the town. Under General Maude it was recaptured in 1917.

KWASIND, the Hercules of North American Indian folk-lore; a character in Longfellow's "Hiawatha."

KYD, THOMAS, Elizabethan dramatist, born in London, and trained a scrivener, but won fame as a writer of tragedies, of which the best was "The Spanish Tragedy" (1557-1595).

KYOTO, from 784 to 1868 the capital of Japan, on the Kamo River, inland, 190 m. W. of Yedo; is still the centre of Japanese Buddhism, and is noted for its pottery, bronze-work, crapes, and velvets.

KYRIE ELEISON, means "Lord have mercy upon us," and with Christe Eleison, "Christ have mercy upon us," occurs in all Greek liturgies, in the Roman Mass, and, in its Anglican equivalent, in the English Prayer Book, where it forms the "lesser litany."

KYRLE SOCIETY, a society formed in 1877, named after John Kyrle (q.v.), with the object of promoting among the working classes a taste in art, literature, and music.

KYRLE, JOHN, philanthropist, born in Gloucestershire; celebrated by Pope as the "Man of Ross," from the name of the place in Herefordshire where he lived; was distinguished for his benefactions; has given name to the above society, founded, among other things, for the betterment of the homes of the people (1837-1724).

LABARUM

LAB'ARUM, the standard, surmounted by the monogram of Christ, which was borne before the Emperor Constantine after his conversion to Christianity, and in symbol of the vision of the cross in the sky which led to it. It was a lance with a cross-bar at its extremity and a crown on top, and the monogram consisted of the Greek letters for Ch and R.

LABE, LOUISE, poetess, surnamed "La belle Cordière" as the wife of a rope-maker, born in Lyons; wrote in prose "Dialogue d'Amour et de Folie," and elegies and sonnets of a Shakespearean character; was equally facile in Italian and Spanish (1526-1568).

LABICHE, EUGENE, a French dramatist, born in Paris; his dramas give evidence of a genius of inexhaustible fertility of invention, wit, and humour; his best-known play "Le Voyage de M. Pucichon," 1860 (1815-1888).

LABLACHE, LUIGI, a celebrated operatic deep bass singer, born in Naples, of French origin; he created quite a *furor* wherever he went; was teacher of singing to Queen Victoria (1794-1858).

LABOUCHERE, HENRY DU PRE, British politician, author, and wit. Born in London and educated at Cambridge, he traveled extensively, and joining the diplomatic service served for a time at St. Petersburg before deciding to take up medicine instead; soon after he became a journalist, writing among other things a "Diary of a Besieged Resident in Paris" in 1870; he was the founder of *Truth*; in 1880 he was elected to Parliament, where he championed Bradlaugh and supported Home Rule, associating himself with the extreme Radicals (1831-1911).

LABOULAYE, RENÉ DE, a French jurist, born in Paris; was a moderate in politics; wrote on French law, and was the author of some tales of a humorous turn, such as "Paris in America" (1811-1883).

LABOUR EXCHANGES, centres where the unemployed are informed of vacancies and where unemployment insurance benefits are paid. They were first started in England in 1932.

LABOUR PARTY, the British political party advocating Socialism, and composed of the Parliamentary Labour Party and the Independent Labour Party; much of its support is derived from trades unions. In 1892 its M.P.'s numbered only 15; not until 1906 were there as many as 50, and little further progress was made till 1922, when the figure rose to 142. In 1924 they formed a minority government with 191 M.P.'s, and in 1929 again took office, as the largest party in the House of Commons.

LABOURELONNAIS, BERTRAND FRANÇOIS MAHÉ DE, French naval officer, born in St. Malo (Governor of the Isle of France); distinguished himself against the English in India; was accused of dishonourable conduct, and committed to the Bastille, but after a time found guiltless and liberated (1699-1755).

LABRADOR, the great peninsula in the E. of Canada, washed by Hudson's Bay, the Greenland Sea, and the Gulf of St. Lawrence; is a high tableland, with many lakes and rivers, and forests of birch and fir. The climate is much too severe for agriculture. Summer is very short, and plagued with mosquitoes. The rivers abound in salmon; the fox, marten, otter, and other animals are trapped for their fur; iron and labradorite are plentiful. The population is largely Eskimo, christianized by the Moravians. The name Labrador specially belongs to the region along the eastern coast, between Capes St. Louis and Chudeigh, presenting a barren front to the sea, precipitous, much indented, and fringed with rocky islands. This region is governed by Newfoundland and Canada; its chief industry is cod and herring fishing.

LABRADORITE, a mineral of the felspar group, found in many igneous rocks.

LA BEUYÈRE, JEAN DE, a celebrated French moralist, born in Paris; was tutor to the Duke of

LACORDAIRE

Bourbon, the grandson of the great Condé, and spent a great part of his life in Paris in connection with the Condé family; his most celebrated work is "Les Caractères de Théophraste" (1687), which abounds in wise maxims and reflections on life, but gave offence to contemporaries by the personal satires in it under disguised names; he ranks high as a writer no less than as a moralist, his style being described as a model of ease, grace, and fluency (1646-1696).

LABUAN, a small island, distant 6 m. from the W. coast of North Borneo, ceded to Britain in 1846, and administered by the British North Borneo Company; has rich coal-beds; its town, Victoria, is a market for Borneo and the Sulu Archipelago, and exports sago, camphor, and pearls; the population is chiefly Malay and Chinese.

LABYRINTH, a name given to sundry structures composed of winding passages so intricate as to render it difficult to find the way out, and sometimes in. Of these structures the most remarkable were those of Egypt and of Crete. The Egyptian to the N. of Lake Marris consisted of an endless number of dark chambers, connected by a maze of passages into which it was difficult to find entrance; the Cretan was built by Daedalus, at the instance of Minos, to imprison the Minotaur, out of which one who entered could not find his way unless by means of a skein of thread. It was by this means, provided by Ariadne, that Perseus (q.v.) found his way out after slaying the Minotaur (q.v.).

LAC, a term employed in India for a hundred thousand, a crore amounting to 100 lacs, usually of money.

LACADIVES, THE, OR THE HUNDRED THOUSAND ISLES, a group of low-lying coral islands 200 m. W. of the Malabar coast of India, mostly barren, and yielding chiefly coconuts; the population being Hindus professing Mohammedanism, and poorly off.

LACCOLITH, geological term for a mass of igneous rock, intrusive between sedimentary strata.

LACEPÈDE, COMTE DE, French naturalist, born in Agen; was entrusted by Buffon to complete the latter's Natural History on his death; wrote on his own account also the natural histories of reptiles, of fishes, and of man (1756-1825).

LACHAISE, FRANÇOIS DE, a French Jesuit, an extremely politic member of the fraternity in the reign of Louis XIV., and the king's confessor; had a country house E. of Paris, the garden of which is now the cemetery Père la Chaise (1624-1709).

LACHESIS, the one of the three Fates that spun the thread of life and apportioned the destinies of man. See **PARCE**.

LACHINE, town in Quebec, famous for the Rapids on the St. Lawrence, which are a tourist attraction and also serve to supply electric power to the city of Montreal; so named ("china" in derision of the explorer La Salle (q.v.), who set out thence to find a north-west passage to the East).

LACHMANN, KARL KONRAD, a German philologist and classical scholar, born in Brunswick, professor at Berlin; besides sundry of the Latin classics, in particular Lucretius, he edited the Nibelungen Lied, and the Greek New Testament, as well as contributed important critical essays on the composition of the "Iliad," which he regarded as a collection of lays from various independent sources (1793-1851). See **ILIAD**.

LACHRYMA CHRISTI, a sweet wine of a red or amber colour, produced from grapes grown at a monastery of the name on Mount Vesuvius.

LACONIA, ancient name for Sparta, the inhabitants of which were noted for the brevity of their speech.

LACORDAIRE, JEAN BAPTISTE HENRY, a celebrated French preacher, and one of the most brilliant orators of the century; bred for the bar; held sceptical opinions at first, but came under the influence of religion; took orders as a priest, and became associated with Montalembert and Lamennais as joint-editor of *L'Avenir*, a journal which

advocated views at once Ultramontane and radical, but which, being condemned by the Pope, was discontinued; after this he took to preaching, and immense crowds gathered to hear his conferences, as they were called, in the church of Notre Dame, where, to the astonishment of all, he appeared in the pulpit in guise of a Dominican monk with the tonsure; he was afterwards elected member of the Constituent Assembly, where he sat in his monk's attire, but he soon retired; he ended his days as head of the Military College of Sorrèze (1802-1861).

LACRETELLE, JEAN CHARLES DE, French historian, born in Metz; began life as a journalist; became professor of History in Paris University; wrote a history of the 18th century and of the French Revolution, showing very great accuracy of detail, if little historical insight (1786-1855).

LACROSSE, a game not unlike hockey in some respects; said to have originated among the Indians of the North-West. It became extremely popular in Canada, and is played to a considerable extent in England, notably at girls' schools; both Oxford and Cambridge have a male team.

LACTANTIUS, LUCIUS CÆLIUS, a Christian apologist of the early part of the 4th century, who, from his eloquent advocacy of the Christian faith, was styled the Christian Cicero; he was a pagan born, and by profession a rhetorician.

LACTIC ACID, or hydroxy-propionic acid, an acid prepared from sour milk.

LACTOSE, or milk-sugar, is the sugar obtained from milk; it is similar in its properties to maltose.

LADAS, the name of two Greek athletes, both of whom won Olympic races.

LADISLAUS, the name of seven kings of Hungary, of whom the first (1077-1095) received canonisation for his zeal on behalf of Christianity.

LADOGA, a lake as large as Wales and the largest in Europe, in the NW. of Russia, not far from Leningrad; it is the centre of an extensive lake and river system, receiving the Volkhov, Voksa, and Svir, and drained into the Gulf of Finland by the Neva; but so dangerous is navigation owing to sunken rocks and shoals and to the storms that prevail during the open months, that the extensive shipping is carried round the S. shores by the Ladoga canal.

LADRONES, or MARIANA ISLANDS, a well-watered, thickly-wooded group in the North Pacific, 1400 m. E. of the Philippines and belonging to Spain; produce cotton, indigo, and sugar, but the trade is of little worth; the only town is San Ignacio de Agaña, on the largest island, Guam.

LADY CHAPEL, a chapel dedicated to the Virgin Mary attached to a church.

LADY DAY, the festival of the annunciation of the Virgin Mary, March 25; a quarter-day in England and Ireland.

LADY OF ENGLAND, title of Matilda, daughter of Henry I. and wife of Geoffrey Plantagenet, conferred on her by a council held at Westminster, 1141.

LADY OF SHALOTT, a maiden of great beauty, in love with Lancelot, who died because her love was not returned; in Tennyson's "Idylls of the King" she is Elaine, "the lily maid of Astolat."

LADY OF THE LAKE, the name given to Vivien, the mistress of Merlin, who dwelt in an imaginary lake, surrounded by a court of knights and damsels; also to Helen Douglas, a heroine of Scott, who lived with her father near Loch Katrine.

LADYSMITH, a town in Natal which during the Boer War was besieged for 121 days (Nov. 1899-Feb. 1900), and was relieved by Gen. Buller.

LEVULOSE, a name given to fructose (or fruit-sugar) on account of the fact that it is levo-rotatory towards polarised light.

LA FAYETTE, MARIE, COMTESSE DE, novelist, born in Paris; is credited with being the originator of the class of fiction in which character and its analysis are held of chief account; she was the daughter of the governor of Havre, and contracted a Platonic affection for La Rochefoucauld in his old age, and was besides on intimate terms with Madame de Sévigné and the most eminent literary men of the time; her "Princesse de Clèves" is a classic work, and the merit of it is enhanced by the reflection that it preceded by nearly half a century the works both of Le Sage and Defoe (1634-1693).

LA FAYETTE, MARQUIS DE, born in the castle of Chavagnac, Auvergne; went to America in 1777, took an active and self-sacrificing part in the War of Independence; was honourably distinguished at the battle of Brandywine; sailed for France, brought over auxiliaries; commanded Washington's vanguard in 1782; returned to Paris, and was made commander-in-chief of the National Guard in 1789; would have achieved the Revolution with the minimum of violence and set up a republic on the model of the Washington one; was obliged to escape from France during the Reign of Terror; was imprisoned five years at Olmutz, but was liberated when Napoleon appeared on the scene; as a consistent republican showed no favour to Napoleon; took part in the Revolution of 1830, became again commander-in-chief of the National Guard and a supporter of Louis Philippe, the citizen king; characterised by Carlyle as "a constitutional pedant"; clear, thin, inflexible, as water turned to thin ice" (1757-1834).

LAFITTE, JACQUES, French banker and financier; played a conspicuous part in the Revolution of 1830, and by his influence as a liberal politician with the French people secured the elevation of Louis Philippe to the throne; in the calamities attendant on this Revolution his house became insolvent, but a national subscription enabled him to start again in banking (1767-1844).

LAFONTAINE, JEAN DE, celebrated French author, born in Chateau-Thierry, in Champagne; a man of indolent, gay, and dissipated habits, but of resplendent genius, known to all the world for his inimitable "Fables" and "Fables," and the peer of all the distinguished literary notabilities of his time; the former, published in 1666, too often transgress the bounds of morality, but are remarkable for exquisite grace of expression and sparkling wit; the latter, published in 1688, have an irresistible charm which no reader can withstand; he was the author also of the "Amours of Cupid and Psyche"; he was the friend of Boileau, Molière, and Racine, and in his later years a confirmed Jesuit (1621-1695).

LA FORCE, DUC DE, maréchal of France under Henry IV., and one of the most distinguished; escaped when an infant the massacre of St. Bartholomew (1558-1652).

LAGOS, a large and thriving commercial town in Southern Nigeria, with a good harbour on the Gulf of Guinea; exports palm oil, cotton, rubber, ivory, and cocoa.

LAGRANGE, JOSEPH LOUIS, COMTE, famous mathematician, born in Turin of French parentage; had gained at the age of twenty a European reputation by his abstract algebraical investigations; appointed director of Berlin Academy in 1766, he pursued his researches there for twenty-one years; in 1787 he removed to Paris, where he received a pension from the Court of 6000 francs, and remained there till his death; universally respected, he was unscathed by the Revolution; appointed to several offices, he received the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour from Napoleon, who made him a count (1736-1813).

LA HARPE, JEAN FRANÇOIS DE, French littérateur and critic, born in Paris; wrote dramas and éloges, but his best-known work is his "Cours de Littérature" in 12 vols., of little account except for its criticisms of French literature, in which he showed not a little pedantry and ill-temper as well as acuteness; he was zealous for the Revolution at first, but drew back when extreme measures were adopted and became a warm royalist, for which he was sentenced to deportation, but left at liberty (1739-1803).

LA HOQUE, a cape with a roadstead on NE. of France, where a French fleet sent by Louis XIV. to invade England on behalf of James II. was destroyed in 1692.

LAHORE, an ancient walled city on the Ravi, a tributary of the Indus, 1000 m. NW. of Calcutta, is the capital of the Punjab, and an important railway centre; it has many fine buildings, both English and native, including a university and a medical school, but the situation is unhealthy; half the population are Mussulmans; the trade is

inconsiderable; the district of Lahore, one of the most important in the province, is well irrigated by the Bari Doab Canal, and produces fine crops of cereals, pulse, and cotton.

LAIDLAW, WILLIAM, Sir Walter Scott's factor at Abbotsford, born in Selkirkshire; having failed in farming, entered Scott's service in 1817 and remained his trusted and faithful friend, advising him in his schemes of improvement and acting latterly as his amanuensis till his death in 1832; thereafter he was factor in Rose-shire, where he died; he had some poetic gift of his own, and contributed to the third volume of the "Minstrelsy" (1780-1846).

LAING, DAVID, a learned antiquary, profound in his knowledge of Scottish ecclesiastical and literary history, born, the son of a bookseller, in Edinburgh, followed for thirty years his father's trade; was appointed to the charge of the Signet Library in 1837; was secretary to the Bannatyne Club, and in 1864 received the degree of LL.D. from Edinburgh University; he contributed many valuable papers to the *Transactions of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland*, collected and edited much of the ancient poetry of Scotland, and acquired a private library of manuscripts and volumes of great value (1793-1878).

LAING, MALCOLM, Scottish historian, born in Orkney; passed through Edinburgh University to the Scottish bar, to which he was called in 1785, but proved an unsuccessful advocate; turning to literature, he edited "Ossian," and wrote a "History of Scotland from James VI. to Anne" (1800), in a subsequent edition of which he inserted the well-known attack on Mary Stuart for her share in Darnley's murder (1792-1818).

LAIUS, the name of two Greek courtesans celebrated for their beauty, the one a native of Corinth, who lived at the time of the Peloponnesian War, and the other belonging to Sicily, who, having visited Thessaly, was stoned to death by the women of the country out of jealousy.

LAISSEZ-FAIRE (*lit.* let things alone and take their course), the name given to the let-alone system of political economy. In opposition to State interference, or State regulation, in private industrial enterprise.

LAKE DISTRICT, a district in Cumberland and Westmorland, 20 m. long by 25 m. broad, abounding in lakes, including Windermere, Rydal Water, Conistone Water, and Ullswater; is environed with scenery of rare beauty, and much frequented by tourists.

LAKE DWELLINGS, primitive settlements, the remains of which have been found in many parts of Europe, but chiefly in Switzerland, the N. of Italy, and in Scotland and Ireland. They were constructed in various ways. In the Swiss lakes piles, consisting of unbarked tree trunks, were driven in a short distance from the shore, and strengthened more or less by cross beams; extensive platforms laid on these held small villages of rectangular wooden huts, thatched with straw and reeds. These were sometimes approachable only in canoes, more often connected with the shore by a narrow bridge, in which case cattle were kept in sheds on the platforms. In Scotland and Ireland the erection was rather an artificial island laid down in 10 or 12 ft. of water with brushwood, logs, and stones, much smaller in size, and holding but one hut. The Swiss dwellings, the chief of which are at Meilen, on Lake Zurich, date from very early times, some say 2000 years before Christ, and contain remains of the Stone, Bronze, and Iron Ages, weapons, instruments, pottery, linen cloth, and the like. The relic of latest date is a Roman coin of A.D. 54. The British remains are much more recent, belonging entirely to the Iron period and to historic times. The object sought in these structures is somewhat obscure—most probably it was the security their insular nature afforded.

LAKE POETS, a school of English poets, the chief representatives of which were Wordsworth, Southey, and Coleridge, who adorned the beginning of the 19th century, and were so designated by the *Edinburgh Review* because their favourite haunt was the Lake District (q.v.) in the N. of England, and the characteristic of whose poetry may be summed up as a feeling of and a sympathy with the pure spirit of nature.

LAKSHMI, in the Hindu mythology the wife of Vishnu and the goddess of beauty, pleasure, and victory; she is a favourite subject of Hindu painting and poetry.

LALANDE, JOSEPH JEROME DE, a French astronomer; was professor of Astronomy in the College of France, and produced an excellent treatise on the subject in two vols. (1732-1807).

LALLA-ROOKEE, the title of a poem by Moore, from the name of the heroine, the daughter of the Mogul Emperor, Aurungzebe; betrothed to the young sultan of Bucharia, she goes forth to meet him, but her heart having been smitten by a poet she meets on the way, as she enters the palace of her bridegroom she swoons away; reviving at the sound of a familiar voice, she wakes up with rapture to find that the poet of her affection was none other than the prince to whom she was betrothed.

LALLY-TOLLENDAL, or BARON DE TOLLENDAL, a French general, born in Romans, in Dauphiné, of Irish descent; saw service in Flanders; accompanied Prince Charles to Scotland in 1745, and was in 1766 appointed Governor-General of the French settlements in India, but being defeated by the English he was accused of having betrayed the French interests, and executed after two years' imprisonment in the Bastille (1702-1766).

LALLY-TOLLENDAL, MARQUIS DE, son of the preceding; successfully vindicated the conduct of his father, and received back his paternal estates that had unjustly been forfeited; supported La Fayette (q.v.) at the time of the Revolution, and followed his example; was arrested in 1792, but escaped to England; returning to France, he supported the Bourbon dynasty at the Restoration; wrote a "Defence of the French Emigrants," and a *Life of the Earl of Stafford*, Charles I.'s minister (1751-1830).

LAMAISM, Buddhism as professed in Tibet and Mongolia, or the worship of Buddha and his Dharma (q.v.); conceived of as incarnated in the Sangha (q.v.) or priesthood, and especially in the Grand Lama or Dalai Lama, the chief priest; a kind of hero-worship, or at all events saint-worship, long since sunk into mere idolatry.

LAMARCK, JEAN BAPTISTE, a French naturalist, born in Bazentin, Picardy; entered the army at the age of 17, and after serving in it a short time retired and devoted himself to botany; in his "Flora Française" (published 1773) adopted a new method of classification of plants; in 1774 became keeper of what ultimately became the Jardin des Plantes, and was professor of Zoology, devoting himself particularly to the study of invertebrate animals, the fruits of which study appeared in his "Histoire Naturelle des Animaux sans Vertèbres"; he held very advanced views on the matter of biology, and it was not till the advent of Darwin that they were appreciated (1744-1829).

LA MARMORA, MARQUIS DE, an eminent Italian general and statesman, born in Turin; fell under the reuke of Bismarck for an indiscretion as a diplomatist (1801-1878).

LAMARTINE, ALPHONSE MARIE DE, a French author, politician, and poet, born in Mâcon; his poetic effusions procured for him admission into the French Academy, and in 1834 he entered the Chamber of Deputies; his ability as a poet and the independent attitude he maintained in the Chamber gained for him a popularity, which his action in 1848 contributed to increase, but it suffered eclipse from the moment he allied himself with Ledru-Rollin; after serving in the Provisional Government of 1848 he stood candidate for the Presidency, but was defeated, and on the occasion of the *coup d'état*, he retired into private life; he published in 1819 "Méditations Poétiques," in 1847 the "Histoire de Girondins," besides other works, including "Voyage en Orient"; he was "of the second order of poets," says Professor Saintsbury, "sweet but not strong, elegant but not full; . . . a sentimentalist and a landscape painter" (1790-1869).

LAMB, CHARLES, essayist and critic, born in London, and educated at Christ's Hospital, where he had Coleridge for schoolfellow; was for 35 years a clerk in the East India Company's office, on his

retirement from which he was allowed a pension of £450; it was as a poet he made his first appearance in literature, but it was as an essayist he attained distinction, and chiefly by his "Essays of Elia" he is best known and will be longest remembered; he was the friend of Wordsworth, Southey, and others of his illustrious contemporaries, and is famous for his witty remarks, to which his stammering tongue imparted a special zest; he was never married; his affection for his sister Mary, with whom he composed "Tales from Shakespeare," is well known, and how in her weakness from insanity he tenderly nursed her (1775-1834).

LAMB, HENRY, British artist. Trained as a doctor, and serving with the Red Cross in the Great War, he drew extensively on his experiences in his paintings, which are in the New English Art Club vein.

LAMBALLE, PRINCESSE DE, a young widow, the devoted friend of Marie Antoinette, born in Turin; was for her devotion to the queen one of the victims of the September massacres and brutally outraged; "she was beautiful, she was good, she had known no happiness." (1748-1821).

LAMBERT, JOHANN HEINRICH, German philosopher and mathematician; was the successor and rival of Leibnitz in both regards, and was patronised by Frederick the Great (1728-1777).

LAMBERT, JOHN, one of Cromwell's officers in the Civil War, born in Yorkshire, served in the successive engagements during the war from that of Marston Moor onwards, and assisted at the installation of Cromwell as Protector, but declined to take the oath of allegiance afterwards; on the death of the Protector essayed with other officers to govern the country, an attempt which was defeated by Monk, and for which he was imprisoned, tried, and banished (1619-1683).

LAMBETH, part of the SW. quarter of London, and a parliamentary borough, returning four members; abounds in manufactories, contains St. Thomas's Hospital and Lambeth Palace, the official residence of the archbishop of Canterbury, with a magnificent library and important historic portrait-gallery.

LANELLIBRANCHES, a group of molluscs with thin shells, such as the oyster, cockle, mussel, &c.; they occur abundantly as fossils.

LANENNAIS, FÉLICITE ROBERT DE, a French theologian and journalist, born in St. Malo; began life as a free-thinker, but by-and-by became a Roman Catholic of the extreme ultramontane type; in 1820 went to Rome and was offered a cardinalate, but in 1830 his views changed, and he joined Montalembert and Lacordaire in the conduct of *L'Avenir*, a journal which advocated religious and political freedom, on the condemnation of which by the Pope he became again a free-thinker and revolutionary; his influence on French literature was great, and affected both Michelet and Victor Hugo (1782-1854).

LAMENTATIONS, BOOK OF, one of the poetical books of the Old Testament, ascribed to Jeremiah and historically connected with his prophecies, written apparently after the fall of Jerusalem and in sight of its ruins, as lamentation over the general desolation in the land connected therewith.

LAMIA, an ogress in Greek legend who assumed the shape of a serpent and fed upon the blood of her lovers; the subject of a poem of the name by Keats.

LAMMAS DAY, the first of August, literally "the loaf-mass" day or festival day at the beginning of harvest, one of the cross quarter days, Whitstide, Martinmas, and Candlemas being the other three.

LAMMERMOORS, a range of hills separating the counties of Haddington and Berwick, extending from Gala Water to St. Abb's Head, the Lammer Law being 1733 ft.

LA MÊTIERE, JULIAN OFFRAY DE, a French physician and materialist, born in St. Malo; bred to medicine, served as an army surgeon at Dettingen and Fontenoy; his materialistic views were given first in a publication entitled "D'Histoire Naturelle de l'Âme," and at length in his "L'Homme Machine," both in profession of a materialism so gross and offensive, being absolutely atheistic, that he was glad to escape for shelter to Berlin under the wing of Frederick the Great (1709-1754).

LANOTTE, CONTESSÉ DE, born in Fontelle, in Aube, who came up to Paris a shifty adventurer and played a chief part in the notorious affair of the Diamond Necklace (q.v.), which involved so many high people in France in deep disgrace (1756-1791).

LAMPETER, St. David's College, in Cardiganshire, a Church of England theological college which grants degrees in arts and divinity; affiliated to Oxford and Cambridge universities.

LANARK, county town of Lanarkshire, on the Clyde, 31 m. S.E. of Glasgow; has a cattle-market and some weaving industry, and is for parliamentary purposes in the Falkirk county of burghs.

LANARSHIRE, inland Scottish county, occupying the Clyde valley, in size the twelfth, but first in wealth and population. The middle and south are hilly, with such outstanding peaks as Tinto, and are adapted for cattle and sheep grazing and for dairy-farming. The lower north-western portion is very rich in coal and iron, the extensive mining and manufacture of which has given rise to many busy towns, such as Glasgow, Motherwell, Hamilton, Coatbridge, and Airdrie; fireclay, shale, and lead are also found; the soil is various; comparatively little grain is grown; there are large woods. The orchards of the river-side have given place mostly to market gardens, which the proximity of great towns renders profitable. The industries, besides iron and coal, are very extensive and varied, and include great textile works.

LANCASHIRE, English county stretching from the Cumberland Mountains in the N. to the Mersey in the S. along the shores of the Irish Sea; is the wealthiest and most populous county, and the indentations of the coastline adapt it to be the chief outlet westward for English trade, more than a third of England's foreign commerce passing through its ports. The country is mostly low, with spurs of the Yorkshire Hills; it is rich in minerals, chiefly coal and iron; its industrial enterprise is enormous; nearly half of the cotton manufacture of the world is carried on in its towns, besides woollen and silk manufacture, the making of engineer's tools, boots, and shoes. The soil is a fertile loam, under corn and green crops and old pasture. Lancaster is the county town, but the largest towns are Liverpool, Manchester, Preston, and Blackburn. The northern portion, detached by Morecambe Bay, is known as Furness, belongs really to the Lake District, and has Barrow-in-Furness, with its large shipbuilding concerns, for its chief town. Lancashire has long been an influential political centre.

LANCASTER, picturesque town near the mouth of the Lune, 50 m. N.W. of Manchester, is the county town of Lancashire, and manufactures furniture, cotton, machinery, and railway plant; the Norman castle is now used as the assize court and jail.

LANCASTER, JOSEPH, educationist, born in Southwark, and founder of the Monitorial System; had a chequered career, died in poverty (1778-1838).

LANCLOTH OF THE LAKE, one of the Knights of the Round Table, famous for his gallantry and his amours with Queen Guinevere; was called "of the Lake" because educated at the court of the Lady of the Lake (q.v.); he turned hermit in the end, and died a holy man.

LAND LEAGUE, an organisation founded by Michael Davitt (q.v.) in Ireland in 1879 to deal with the land question, and suppressed in 1881 as illegal.

LAND TAXES were first levied in 1690 and were made perpetual in 1798. A tax on land values introduced in the 1909 Budget was not enforced and was subsequently repealed.

LANDAMAN, name given to the chief magistrate in certain Swiss cantons, also to the President of the Swiss Diet.

LANDE, RICHARD, African explorer, born in Truro, Cornwall; accompanied Clapperton as his servant; with his brother John discovered the lower course of the Niger; on the third expedition was wounded in a conflict with the natives, and died at Fernando Po (1804-1834).

LANDES, sandy plains along the French coast between the Garonne and the Pyrénées, covered with heath and broom, and in part with forests; they give their name to a maritime department.

LANDGRABBER, name given in Ireland to one in the possession or occupancy of land from which another has been evicted.

LANDGRAVE, title given to certain counts of the old German empire who had the rank of princes.

LANDNAMA-BOK, the chronicle of Iceland compiled in the 12th century as a kind of *Domesday Book*.

LONDON, LETITIA ELIZABETH, known as L. E. L., authoress, born in Chelsea; a charming woman, who wrote well both in verse and prose; was Mrs. Hemans' successor; having taken prussic acid by mistake, had a tragic end (1802-1838).

LANDOE, WALTER SAVAGE, eminent literary man, born in Warwick, a man of excitable temperament, which involved him in endless quarrels leading to alienations, but did not affect his literary work; figured first as a poet in "Gebir" and "Count Julian," to the admiration of Southey, his friend, and De Quincey, and ere long as a writer of prose in his "Imaginary Conversations," embracing six volumes, on which critics have bestowed unbounded praise, Swinburne in particular; he died in Florence separated from his family, and dependent on it there for six years (1775-1864).

LAND'S END, a bold promontory of granite rock on the S.W. coast of Cornwall, with scenery of wild grandeur; is the most westerly point of England.

LANDSEER, SIR EDWIN HEWRY, greatest English animal-painter, born in London, the son of an engraver and writer on art, trained by his father, sketched animals before he was six years old, and exhibited in the Royal Academy before thirteen; in his early years he portrayed simply the form and colour and movement of animal life, but after his twenty-first year he added usually some sentiment or idea; elected A.R.A. in 1826, and R.A. in 1830; he was knighted in 1850; five years later he won a gold medal in Paris; in 1859 he modelled the Trafalgar Square lions; after 1861 he suffered from mental depression, and declined the Presidency of the Royal Academy in 1866 (1802-1873).

LANDSTURM, the name given to the last reserve in the old German army, which was never called out except in time of war.

LANDTHING, the name of the Upper House in the Danish Parliament.

LANDWEHR, a military force in Germany and Austria held in reserve against a time of war, when it was called out to do ordinary military duty. In Germany those capable of bearing arms had to serve in it five years after completing their seven years' term of regular service.

LANE, EDWARD WILLIAM, eminent Arabic scholar, born in Hereford; set out for Egypt in 1825; studied the language and manners, and returned in 1828; published in 1836 an "Account of the Manners and Customs of the Modern Egyptians"; translated in 1840 "The Arabian Nights," and spent seven years in Egypt preparing an Arabic Lexicon, which he had all but finished when he died; it was completed and edited by S. Lane-Poole (1801-1878).

LANE, SIR WILLIAM ARBUTHNOT, distinguished surgeon, founder and president of the New Health Society; born in Fort George, N.B.; demonstrated the effects of the "Lane kinks" in connection with intestinal stasis; author of manuals on surgery and anatomy, and numerous contributions to the Press on health topics (1856-).

LANFRANC, archbishop of Canterbury, born in Pavia; went to France, entered the monastery of Bec, and became prior in 1046, and was afterwards, in 1062, elected prior of the abbey of St. Stephen at Caen, and came over to England with William the Conqueror, who appointed him to the archbishopric rendered vacant by the deposition of Stigand; he was William's trusted adviser, but his influence declined under Rufus; d. 1086.

LANFREY, PIERRE, historian, born in Chambéry; wrote an elaborate History of Napoleon to, it is reckoned, the irreparable damage of its hero (1828-1877).

LANG, ANDREW, a versatile writer, born in Selkirk; distinguished himself in various departments of literary work, as a poet, a folk-lorist, a writer of fancy tales, a biographer, and a critic; he composed "Ballads and Lyrics of Old France," "Ballads in

Blue China," translated Homer into musical prose, and wrote the *Lives* of Sir Stafford Northcote and John Gibson Lockhart; he began his literary career as a journalist, and his assiduity as a writer never relaxed (1844-1912).

LANG, MOST REV. COSMO GORDON, British divine, of Scottish birth, he became a canon of St. Paul's in 1901, was bishop of Stepney from 1901 to 1908, and in the latter year was made archbishop of York; on the resignation of Dr. Davidson in 1928 he was translated to Canterbury (1864-).

LANGE, FRIEDRICH, German philosopher, born near Solingen, son of the following; became professor at Marburg; wrote a "History of Materialism" of great value (1828-1875).

LANGE JOHANN PETER, a German theologian, born near Elberfeld; became professor at Bonn; his works are numerous, but he is best known by his "Life of Christ" and his "Christian Dogmatic" (1802-1884).

LANGHORNE, JOHN, an English divine and poet, born in Kirkby Stephen; was a prebend of Wells Cathedral; wrote a poem entitled "Genius and Virtue," and executed with a brother a translation of Plutarch's *Lives* (1735-1779).

LANGLAND, or LANGLEY, WILLIAM, the presumed author of "The Vision of Piers Plowman," wholly in the 14th century; was born in Malvern and eked out poor existence as a clerk in London by singing masses for the dead.

LANGRES, a French town, strongly fortified, near the sources of the Marne, rich in antiquities, and one of the oldest towns in France; has manufactures and a considerable trade.

LANGTON, STEPHEN, archbishop of Canterbury, born in England, but educated in France; a man of ability and scholarly attainments; in 1206 visited Rome, was made Cardinal by Innocent III., presented to the archbishopric, and consecrated at Viterbo in 1207; King John refused to acknowledge him, and the kingdom was put under an interdict, a quarrel which it took five years to settle; established in the primacy, the prelate took up a constitutional position, and mediated between the king and the barons, to the advancement of political liberty; was the first to sign Magna Charta; d. 1228.

LANGUEDOC, a province in the S. of France, annexed to the French crown in 1361, and now divided into nine departments; borders on the Rhône.

LANIER, SIDNEY, American musician, poet, and soldier. He fought for the South in the Civil War; showed considerable originality in his verse; also wrote "The Science of English Verse" (1842-1881).

LANKA, name given to Ceylon in the Hindu mythology.

LANKESTER, SIR EDWIN RAY, British scientist, carried out much research, and wrote many treatises on all aspects of biological science; his writings include both technical and popular works; president of the British Association at York, 1906; a great authority on all branches of natural history and biology; he is best known for his work on bacteria (1847-1929).

LANNES, JEAN, DUC DE MONTEBELLO, marshal of France, born in Lectoure; was much esteemed by Napoleon, whom he zealously supported; went with him to Egypt, was with him at Marengo, distinguished himself at Austerlitz and in Spain, and fell mortally wounded at Esling (1769-1809).

LANSDOWNE, HENRY, THIRD MARQUIS OF, Liberal politician, born in London; educated at Edinburgh and Cambridge; set in the Commons as member for Calne from 1801 and for Cambridge from 1806, and succeeded to the peerage in 1809; on the accession of the Liberals to power he joined the Cabinet of Canning, presided at the Foreign Office in Goderich's administration, became President of the Council under Lord Grey in 1830, and, twice refusing the Premiership, was a member of every Liberal Government till 1868, when he retired from public life; he was the trusted adviser of his party, and friend of Queen Victoria till his death (1780-1863).

LANSDOWNE, HENRY, FIFTH MARQUIS OF, Liberal statesman, grandson of the above, educated at Oxford; succeeded to the peerage in 1866, and held

office in Liberal Governments. Lord of the Treasury 1868-1872, Under-Secretary for War 1872-1874, and Under-Secretary for India 1880; he was Governor-General of Canada 1885-1888, and Viceroy of India 1888-1894; in 1895 he joined Lord Salisbury's ministry as a Liberal-Unionist, becoming Secretary for War; from 1900 to 1905 he was Foreign Secretary, and in 1915 joined the first Coalition Government for a year; in 1917 he was prominent as a peace advocate (1845-1927).

LANTERNE, *LA*, a stout lamp-iron at the corner of a street in Paris, used by the mob for extemporised executions during the Revolution by lynch law.

LANTHANUM, a rare earth metal discovered in 1839; it is attacked by water, with the evolution of hydrogen.

LAOCOON, a priest of Apollo, in Troy, who having offended the god by, for one thing, advising the Trojans not to admit the wooden horse of the Greeks within the walls, was, with his two sons, while engaged in sacrificing to Poseidon, strangled to death in the coils of two enormous serpents sent to kill him, a subject which is the theme of one of the grandest relics of ancient sculpture now in existence, and preserved in the Vatican.

LAODAMIA, a Grecian lady, who accompanied her husband to the Trojan War, and who, on his death on the field, begged the gods to restore him to her for three hours, a prayer which was granted, but with the result that at the end of the time she died with him and accompanied him on his return to Hades.

LAODICEA. Eight ancient cities bore this name: the chief, situated on the Lycus, in Phrygia, lay on the way between Ionia and the Euphrates; was a city of great commerce and wealth, the seat of schools of art, science, medicine, and philosophy, and of an early Christian bishopric; though the Church was stigmatised in the Revelation, two councils assembled here in A.D. 363 and 478, the former of which influenced the determination of the canon of both Testaments; the city, destroyed by the Mohammedan invasions, is now in ruins.

LAOMEDON, the founder of Troy, who persuaded Apollo and Neptune to assist him in building the walls, but refused the recompense when the work was finished, in consequence of which the latter sent a monster to ravage the country, which could be propitiated only by the annual sacrifice to it of a young maid, till one year the lot fell on Hermione, the king's daughter, when Hercules, persuaded by the king, slew the monster and delivered the maiden.

LAOTZE, (i.e. the old Philosopher), a Chinese sage, born in the province of Ho-nan about 555 B.C., a contemporary of Confucius, who wrote the celebrated "Tao-te-King," canon, that is, of the Tao, or divine reason, and of virtue, one—and deservedly so on account of its high ethics—of the sacred books of China; he was the founder of Taoism, one of the three principal religions of China, Confucianism and Buddhism being the other two, although his followers, the Tao-ssu, as they are called, are now degenerated into a set of jugglers.

LA PÉROUSE, JEAN FRANÇOIS, COMTE DE, a celebrated French navigator, born near Albi, in Languedoc; after distinguished services in the navy he was in 1782 sent with two frigates on a voyage of discovery by Louis XVI.; he explored the coasts of California and Macao and touched upon some Chinese and other eastern ports, after which he proceeded to Australia, only to find an English settlement already established at Botany Bay; the fate of his expedition remained a mystery until 1827, when some relics of it were discovered in a Pacific island (1741-1788).

LAPTHYM, a race inhabiting the mountains of Thessaly; subject to Perithous, who, on the occasion of his marriage with Hippodamia, invited his kinsfolk the Centaurs to the feast, but these, under intoxication from the wine, attempting to carry off the bride and other women, were set on by the Lapthym and, after a bloody struggle, overpowered.

LAPLACE, PIERRE SIMON, MARQUIS DE, a celebrated French mathematician, born in Beaumont-en-Auge, Normandy; the son of a farmer; after teaching in his native place went to Paris (1767),

where he became professor in the Royal Military School; becoming a member of the Académie des Sciences in 1785, he attained a position among mathematicians and astronomers almost equal to Newton's; his "Three Laws" demonstrated the stability of the solar system; he published many treatises on lunar and planetary problems, electricity, magnetism and a Nebular hypothesis; his "Mécanique Céleste" is unrivalled in that class of work; surviving the Revolution, he became implicated in politics without success or credit; he received his marquisate from Louis XVIII. in 1817, when he became President of the French Academy; "Laplace (q.v.) has proved that on Newton's theory of gravitation the planetary system would endure for ever; Laplace, still more cunningly, even guessed that it could not have been made on any other scheme" (1748-1827).

LAPLAND, a stretch of country in the N. of Europe, between the Atlantic and the White Sea; is divided between Norway, Sweden, Finland, and Russia. Its climate is very severe; mountainous in the W., it becomes more level in the E., where are many marshes, lakes, and rivers; the summer is never dark, and there are six to eight weeks of winter never light. The Lapps are closely allied to the Finns, small of stature, thick lipped, and with small piercing eyes; proverbially uncleanly, not very intelligent; are good-natured, but untruthful and parsimonious; nominally Christian, but very superstitious; they are kindly treated by both Norway and Sweden. The mountain Lapps are nomads, whose wealth consists of herds of reindeer which supply nearly all their wants. The sea Lapps live by fishing. The forest and river Lapps, originally nomads, have adopted a settled life, domesticated their reindeer, and taken to hunting and fishing.

LA PLATA, a city, founded in 1884 as capital of the prov. of Buenos Ayres, 30 m. SE. of Buenos Ayres city; rapidly built, it has continued to grow, and has now some handsome buildings, a college, and cotton and woollen manufactures; a canal connects it with the La Plata River.

LA PLATA RIVER, a broad estuary in South America, from 28 to 140 m. broad and 200 m. long, with Uruguay on the N. and the Argentine Republic on the S., through which the Uruguay and Paraná rivers pour into the Atlantic; it is much exposed to storms; its best harbour is at Monte Video.

LAPSI, name given to apostates in the early Christian Church.

LAPUTA, a flying island inhabited by speculative philosophers, visited by Gulliver in his "Travels," who, when their minds began to be too much absorbed in their studies, were awakened up by a set of attendants called "Flappers" armed with dried bladders full of small pebbles or "dried peas" attached to the end of a stick, with which they struck them gently about the mouth and ears.

LARDNER, NATHANIEL, an English divine, ecclesiastical a Presbyterian, but theologically a Unitarian, author of "Credibility of the Gospel History" and "Jewish and Heathen Testimonies" in favour of Christianity (1684-1768).

LARES, household deities of the Romans; originally deified ancestors of the families whose family life they protected, and images of whom were kept in some shrine in the house near the hearth. Besides these domestic lares, there were public lares, who were protectors of the whole community. Both classes were objects of worship.

LARISSA, the capital of Thessaly, in Greece; stands in a sandy plain; is the seat of a Greek archbishop; has mosques as well as churches.

LARMOR, SIR JOSEPH, British physicist and mathematician, professor at Cambridge, and secretary of the Royal Society; has written much on theoretical physics and mathematical subjects (1857-).

LA ROCHEFOUCAULD, FRANÇOIS, DUC DE, a great maxim writer, member of a French family of Angoulême, born in Paris; played a conspicuous part in the war of the Fronde; was present at several engagements, and was wounded twice over, and retired at length in shattered health; he passed the rest of his days at court, where he enjoyed the society of the most distinguished ladies of the

time; his "Maxims" appeared in 1665, and were immediately appreciated: they bear one and all on ethical subjects, and are the fruit of a life of large and varied commerce with the race (1613-1680).

LA ROCHEJAQUELEIN, HENRI, COMTE DE, a celebrated Vendean royalist; the peasants of La Vendée having in 1792 risen in the royal cause, he placed himself at the head of them, and after gaining six victories was killed fighting in single combat while defending Noulle (1772-1794).

LAROUSSE, PIERRE, a celebrated French grammarian and lexicographer; best known by his "Grand Dictionnaire Universel du XIX^{me} Siècle" (1817-1875).

LARREY, DOMINIQUE JEAN, BARON, a celebrated military surgeon; distinguished for the organization he instituted of the "flying ambulance" for the care of the wounded in battle; accompanied Napoleon to Egypt; served in the Russian campaign; was wounded and taken prisoner at Waterloo; wrote treatises on army surgery (1736-1842).

LA SALLE, ROBERT CAVELIER, SIEUR DE, a French explorer, born in Rouen; set out from Canada and explored the North American continent along the course of the Mississippi as far as the Gulf of Mexico, planting the French flag at what he thought was, but was not, the mouth of the river; was assassinated by one of his retinue in the end (1643-1687).

LASCARS, East Indians serving as seamen on board British vessels, who have proved very tractable and make excellent sailors; they are mostly Mohammedans.

LASCARIS, CONSTANTINE, an eminent Greek scholar, born in Phrygia; on the fall of Constantinople in 1453 came with his brother John to Italy, published a Greek grammar, opened a school at Rome and Naples for Greek and Rhetoric, and did much to propagate in Italy a taste for Hellenic literature (1445-1493).

LAS CASAS, BARTOLOMEO DA, a celebrated Spanish priest, surnamed the Apostle of the Indians, born in Seville; visited the West Indies early under Columbus; took a deep interest in the natives; was grieved to see the usage they were subjected to there, as well as elsewhere, under the rule of Spain, and spent his life in persuading his countrymen to adopt a more lenient and humane treatment; crossed the ocean twelve times on their behalf; was made Bishop of Chiapa, in Mexico, in 1554; died in Madrid, leaving behind him a valuable History of the Indies (1474-1566).

LAS CASES, EMMANUEL, COMTE DE, French historiographer; became attached to Napoleon and accompanied him to St. Helena, and after his death published his "Memorial of St. Helena," with an account of Napoleon's life and the treatment he was subjected to there (1766-1842).

LASCO, JOHANNES, a Protestant Reformer, born in Poland; studied at Rome and Bologna, and entered holy orders; became acquainted with Erasmus at Basel, and joined the Reformation movement; settled at Emden; accepted an invitation from Cranmer to London, and ministered to a Protestant congregation there, but left it on the accession of Mary, and in 1556 returned to Poland and contributed largely to the movement already begun there (1490-1560).

LAS PALMAS, the capital of the Canary Islands, on the N.E. of the Grand Canary, the second largest of the group; is the seat of the government, and a health resort.

LASSALLE, FERDINAND, founder of Socialism in Germany, born in Breslau, of Jewish parents; attended the universities of Breslau and Berlin; became a disciple of Hegel; took part in the Revolution of 1848, and was sent to prison for six months; in 1861 his "System of Acquired Rights" started an agitation of labour against capital, and he was again thrown into prison; on his release founded an association to secure universal suffrage and other reforms; returning to Switzerland he conceived a passionate affection for a lady betrothed to a noble whom she was compelled to marry, and whom he challenged, but by whom he was mortally wounded in a duel (1825-1864).

LASSELL, WILLIAM, astronomer, born in Bolton,

discovered the satellite of Neptune, and the eighth satellite of Saturn, in an observatory which he built, with instruments of his own construction (1799-1880).

LASSEN, CHRISTIAN, eminent Orientalist, born in Bergen; studied Pali with Burnouf in Paris; became professor of Indian Languages and Literature in Bonn; contributed largely to our knowledge of cuneiform inscriptions, and wrote, among other works, an epoch-making work entitled "Indische Altertumskunde" (1800-1876).

LATAKIA, a seaport on the coast of Syria; exports a tobacco of a fine quality, to which it gives name.

LATEEN SAIL, a triangular sail common to boats on the Mediterranean, the term being a corruption of Latin.

LATENT HEAT, the heat used in changing a substance from solid to liquid (*latent heat of fusion*) or from liquid to vapour (*latent heat of vaporization*).

LATERAN, the palace, originally a basilica, built by Constantine in Rome about 333, the residence of the Pope till 1308; from it more than five Ecumenical Councils receive their names as held in it, namely, those of 1123, 1139, 1179, 1215, and 1512; the church, called the Church of St. John Lateran, is the cathedral church of Rome.

LATERAN TREATY, the agreement signed in 1929 between Pope Pius XI. and the Italian government, giving the Papacy sovereign rights over an area of about 1 sq. m. known as the Vatican City (q.v.). The right of the Pope to send diplomatic representatives abroad was recognised.

LATERITE, a reddish-brown clay, rich in iron oxides, covering large areas in Southern India and elsewhere.

LATHAM, ROBERT GORCON, ethnologist and philologist, born at Billingsborough Vicarage, Lincolnshire, graduated at Cambridge 1832, and became Fellow of King's College; qualifying in medicine, he held appointments in the London hospitals, but meanwhile was attracted to philology and ethnology, and was appointed professor of English Language and Literature in University College, London, 1839, and director of the ethnological department of the Crystal Palace, 1852; in 1862 he affirmed, against the most weighty authorities, that the Aryan stock is originally European, not Asian, a view which has since found favour; he published his "English Language" in 1841, and "The Natural History of the Varieties of Mankind" in 1850, and was pensioned in 1863 (1812-1888).

LATIMER, HUGH, bishop of Worcester, born near Leicester; studied at Cambridge, and entered the Church, but soon adopted the Reformed doctrines, gained the favour of Henry VIII. by approving of his divorce, and was appointed bishop; by his labours in Worcester as a preacher of the Reformed faith he lost the royal favour, and was twice committed to the Tower for his obstinacy, he the while resigning his appointment; under Edward VI. his zeal as a preacher had full scope, but under Mary his mouth was gagged, and he was burnt at the stake with Ridley, opposite Balliol College, Oxford (1490-1555).

LATIN UNION, a convention in 1865, between France, Italy, Belgium, Switzerland, and Greece, to establish an international monetary standard.

LATINUS, king of the Laurentians, in Latium, who, according to Virgil, opposed the landing of Æneas, but subsequently gave him his daughter Lavinia in marriage.

LATITUDINARIANS, the name given to a body of theologians belonging to the Church of England who, at the end of the 17th century, sought, in the interest of religion, to affiliate the dogmas of the Church with the principles of philosophy as grounded on reason; they were mostly of the school of Plato, and among their leaders were Cudworth and Henry More.

LATIUM, a province of ancient Italy, extending from the Tiber to the Mediterranean; inhabited by a people known as Latins, whose colony at Rome later headed the Latin League.

LATONA, the Latin name for Greek Leto (q.v.).
LATOUR D'AUVERGNE, CORRET DE, a French grenadier, born in Brittany; celebrated for his intrepidity and his self-sacrificing patriotism; distinguished himself in the wars of the Revolu-

tion; would accept no promotion, and declined even the title of "First Grenadier of the Republic" which Bonaparte wished to confer on him, but by which he is known to posterity (1743-1800).

LATREILLE, PIERRE ANDRÉ, French naturalist, born in Brives, in Corrèze; one of the founders of the science of Entomology; succeeded Lamarck as professor in Natural History in the Jardin des Plantes; wrote several works on entomology (1762-1833).

LATRIA, the name given in Catholic theology to the worship of God, as distinguished from *Dulia* (g.v.), the name for the worship of saints.

LATER-DAY SAINTS. See **MORMONS**.

LATVIA, a Baltic republic at the eastern and southern shores of the Gulf of Riga, until 1918 part of Russia. It has an area of 41,000 sq. m., with many lakes and marshes; agriculture and dairy-farming are the chief industries; fishing is also carried on, and flax, timber, butter, paper, and glass are exported; the republic is democratically governed, with universal suffrage.

LAUD, WILLIAM, archbishop of Canterbury, born in Reading, son of a clothier; studied at and became a Fellow of St. John's College, Oxford; was ordained in 1601; early gave evidence of his High-Church proclivities and his hostility to the Puritans, whom for their disdain of forms he regarded as the subverters of the Church; he rose by a succession of preferments, archdeaconship of Huntingdon one of them, to the Primacy, but declined the offer of a cardinal's hat at the hands of the Pope, and became with Strafford a chief adviser of the unfortunate Charles I.; his advice did not help the king out of his troubles, and his obstinate, narrow-minded pedantry brought his own head to the block; he was beheaded for treason on Tower Hill, Jan. 10, 1645 (1573-1645).

LAUDANUM, an alcoholic solution of opium, which contains the alkaloids morphine and codeine.

LAUDER, SIR HARRY MACLENNAN, Scottish comedian. After working as a miner he took to the stage as an amateur, and made his professional début in London in 1900, afterwards touring the world; he was knighted in 1920 (1870-).

LAUDER, SIR THOMAS DICK, Scottish historical author, born in Fountainhall; wrote learnedly on topographical and antiquarian subjects and published a novel, "The Wolf of Badenoch" (1784-1848).

LAUDERDALE, JOHN MAITLAND, DUKE OF, Scottish Secretary under Charles II., professed Covenanting sympathies in his youth, attended the Westminster Assembly of Divines as a Commissioner for Scotland, 1643; succeeding to the earldom in 1645, he joined the Royalists in the Civil War, was made prisoner at Worcester, 1651, and confined for nine years; receiving his Scottish office at the Restoration he devoted himself to establishing by every means the absolute power of the king in Church and State; his measures were responsible for the rising of 1666 and in part for that of 1677; but he made the Episcopal Church quite subservient; appointed to the Privy Council, he sat in the "Cabal" ministry, was made duke in 1672, and in spite of intrigues and an attempt to censure him in the Commons, remained in power till 1690; he was shrewd, clever, witty, sensual, and unscrupulous; then and still hated in Scotland for his severity against the Covenanters (1616-1682).

LAUDENBURG, a duchy of N. Germany, between Holstein and Mecklenburg, was annexed to Prussia in 1816.

LAUGHING GAS. See **NITROUS OXIDE**.

LAUGHING PHILOSOPHER, a name given to Democrats of Abdera for a certain flippancy he showed.

LAUNCESTON, (1) town in Cornwall, with ruins of historic castle; was the scene of much fighting between Cavaliers and Roundheads; gave its name to (2) town in Tasmania, on the Tamar, the chief port and market in the N., carrying on a good trade with Australian ports, and serving as a summer resort to Melbourne.

LAURA, a young Avignonese married lady, for whom Petrarch conceived a Platonic affection and who exercised a lifelong influence over him. If not to be

identified with the above, a fictitious character created by the poet.

LAUREATE POET, originally an officer of the royal household whose business it was to celebrate in an ode any joyous occasion connected with royalty, such as the sovereign's birthday; it is now an honour bestowed by royalty on an eminent poet.

LAURENCE, SAMUEL, portrait painter, born in Guildford; many of his works are in the National Portrait Gallery, London (1812-1884).

LAURIER, SIR WILFRED, Premier of Canada, 1896-1911, and the first French-Canadian to attain that honour, born in St. Lin; bred for the bar, soon rose to the top of his profession; elected in 1871 as a Liberal to the Quebec Provincial Assembly, where he came at once to the front, and elected in 1874 to the Federal Assembly, he became distinguished as "the silver-tongued Laurier," and as the Liberal leader (1841-1919).

LAUSANNE, a picturesque town on the slopes of the Jura, 1 m. from the N. shore of Lake Geneva; is the capital of the Swiss canton of Vaud; noted for its educational institutions and museums, and for its magnificent Protestant cathedral; it has little industry, but considerable trade, and is a favourite tourist resort; here took place the disputation between Calvin, Farel, and Viret, and here Gibbon wrote the "Decline and Fall."

LAVA, a general term for all rocks originating in molten streams from volcanoes, includes traps, basalts, pumice, and obsidians; the surface of a lava stream cools and hardens quickly, presenting a cellulose structure, while below the heat is retained much longer and the rock when cooled is compact and columnar or crystalline; the largest recorded lava flow was from Skaptar Jökul, Iceland, in 1783.

LAVALETTE, COUNT DE, French general, born in Paris; condemned to death after the Restoration as an accomplice of Napoleon, he was saved from death by the devotion of his wife, who was found in the prison instead of him on the morning appointed for his execution (1769-1830).

LA VALLIERE, DUCHESSE DE, a fascinating woman, born in Tours, who became the mistress of Louis XIV.; supplanted by Madame de Montespan, she became a Carmelite nun in 1674 in the Carmelite nunnery in Paris, and continued doing penance there as would seem till her death (1644-1710).

LAVATER, JOHANN KASPAR, German clergyman, a mystic thinker and writer on physiognomy, born in Zurich; wrote "Outlooks to Eternity," and a work on physiognomy, or the art of judging of character from the features of the face (1741-1801).

LAVERY, SIR JOHN, British artist. Born in Belfast, he studied in Glasgow, London, and Paris, and sold pictures in Whistlerian vein to galleries all over the world; famous for his portraits; he was knighted in 1918 and was made an R.A. in 1921 (1856-).

LAVOISIER, ANTOINE LAURENT, one of the founders of modern chemistry, born in Paris; to prosecute his researches accepted the post of farmer-general in 1768, introduced in 1776 improvements in manufacturing gunpowder, discovered the composition of the air and the nature of oxygen, and overthrew the phlogistic doctrine, applied the principles of chemistry to agriculture, and indicated the presence and action of these principles in various other branches of science; called to account for his actions as farmer-general, one in particular, "putting water in the tobacco," and condemned to the guillotine, where he suffered death, although he begged for a fortnight's respite to finish some experiments (1743-1794).

LAW, ANDREW BONAR, British politician. The son of a Canadian Presbyterian minister, he went to Scotland early in life, was for some years in business in Glasgow, and in 1900 entered Parliament as a Conservative for that city. In 1902 he became Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, and in 1911 succeeded Balfour as leader of the party; he became Colonial Secretary in the 1915 Coalition, declined the Premiership the following year and served under Lloyd George as leader of the House of Commons, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and later Lord Privy Seal. He was at the Peace Conference of 1919, and resigned on health grounds in 1921. In 1922 he led the Conservative party out

of the Coalition and, being successful at the polls, took office as Prime Minister, remaining at the helm till shortly before his death the following year (1858-1923).

LAW, JOHN, financier and speculator, son of a goldsmith and banker, born in Edinburgh; was early noted for his calculating power; visiting London in 1891, he got into debt, sold his estate, killed a man in a duel, and escaped to Amsterdam, where he studied finance; came to Scotland with financial proposals for the Government in 1700, but they were refused, and he spent some years on the Continent as a gambling adventurer; in 1716 he and his brother William started a private bank in Paris, the success of which induced the Regent Orleans in 1718 to institute the "Royal Bank of France," with Law as director; next year he floated the "Mississippi Scheme," for the settlement of Louisiana, but after a show of success the scheme proved a bubble; he had to fly to Brussels, his property being confiscated; he died at Venice, poor, but scheming to the end (1671-1729).

LAW, WILLIAM, author of "A Serious Call to a Devout and Holy Life," born in Kingscliff, Northamptonshire, son of a grocer; entered Cambridge in 1705; became a Fellow, and took orders in 1711; became associated with the family of the elder Gibbon, father of the historian, in 1727, and spent ten years with them as tutor, friend, and spiritual director; in 1740 he retired to Kingscliff, where he spent the remainder of his life in seclusion, shared by Miss Hester Gibbon, the historian's aunt, and Mrs. Hutcheson, a widow of means, occupying themselves much with charitable schemes; Law was an able theologian and dialectician, and an exponent of German mysticism; his writings contributed greatly to the evangelical revival (1686-1761).

LAW COURTS, a building in the Strand, London, occupied by the Supreme Court of Judicature; it was erected from 1874 to 1882 at a cost of £1,000,000, on the design of G. E. Street and Sir A. Blomfield.

LAWRENCE, JOHN, LORD, the "Saviour of India," born of Irish parents in Richmond, Yorkshire; entered the Bengal Civil Service in 1829, and on the annexation of the Punjab was appointed Commissioner and afterwards Lieutenant-Governor; by his justice and the reforms he carried through he so won the esteem of the Sikhs that at the Mutiny he was able to disarm the Punjab mutineers, raise 69,000 men, and capture Delhi; returning to England, he received a pension of £1000 a year, was made successively baronet and Privy Councillor, and sent out again as Governor-General of India in 1863; his rule was characterised by wise policy and sound finance; he disapproved of English interference in Afghan affairs; he was raised to the peerage in 1869 (1811-1879).

LAWRENCE, SIR HENRY, elder brother of preceding, born in Richmond, Yorks; joined Indian army, fought in Burmese, Afghan, and Sikh wars, and was administrator of Punjab; withstood the mutineers' attack on the Residency at Lucknow in 1857, dying before relief came (1806-1857).

LAWRENCE, SIR THOMAS, portrait-painter, born in Bristol; rose to fame at an early age, becoming B.A. at 26; painted most of the celebrities of his day (1769-1830).

LAWRENCE, THOMAS EDWARD, British scholar and soldier, who became the "uncrowned King of Arabia." He specialised in Oriental languages at Oxford, spent years in Arabia, and as Col. Lawrence went to the aid of King Hussein of the Hedjaz in 1916, organised the Arab army, and led it against the Turks. In 1925 he adopted the name Shaw and joined the Royal Air Force as an aircraftman (1885-).

LAWRENCE, ST., a deacon of the Church at Rome, who suffered martyrdom in the time of Valerian, 258, by being broiled on a gridiron, which he is represented in Christian art as holding in his hand.

LAY BROTHER, a member of a monastery under the three monastic vows, but not in holy orders.

LAYMON, early English poet who flourished in the 12th century, and was by his own account priest near Bewdley, on the Severn; was author of a long poem or chronicle of 32,250 lines called "Brut

d'Angleterre," translated from Wace, which is of interest as showing how Anglo-Saxon passed into the English of Chaucer.

LAYARD, SIR AUSTEN HENRY, English traveller and diplomatist, born in Paris; spent his boyhood in Italy, and studied law in London; between 1846 and 1847 he conducted excavations at the ruins of Nineveh, securing for the British Museum its famous specimens of Assyrian art, and on his return published works on "Nineveh and its Remains" and "Monuments of Nineveh"; he received the freedom of London, Oxford gave him D.C.L., and Aberdeen University chose him for Lord Rector; entering Parliament in 1852, he sat for Aylesbury and for Southwark, and was Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, 1861-1866; in 1869 he was sent as ambassador to Madrid, and from 1877 till 1880 represented England at Constantinople, where his philo-Turkish sympathies provoked much comment; he was a noted linguist (1817-1894).

LAZZARONI, an indolent class of waifs under a chief who used to lounge about Naples, and proved formidable in periods of revolution; they subsisted partly by service as messengers, porters, &c., and partly as beggars.

LEAD, a metallic element in great demand for a variety of industrial purposes; it is produced by the reduction of the mineral galena; lead appears to be the final stage in the series of changes which radioactive substances undergo.

LEAGUE AND COVENANT, SOLEMN. See COVENANT.

LEAGUE, THE, especially a coalition organised in 1570 by the Duke of Guise to suppress the Reformed religion in France by denying civil and religious liberty to the Huguenots, and particularly to prevent the accession of Henry IV. as a Protestant to the throne.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS, an international body representative of almost the whole world, except the U.S.A. and Russia. Its covenant was incorporated in the Treaty of Versailles, and it first met at Geneva in 1920. Governed by an Assembly, which in turn elects a Council, the League seeks to further peace and disarmament.

LEAMINGTON, a fashionable Warwickshire watering-place of modern date on the Leam, 15 m. SE. of Birmingham. It has chalybeate, saline, and sulphurous springs, to which visitors have gathered since the end of the 18th century; brewing and kitchen-range making are carried on.

LEANDER. See HERO.

LEANING TOWER, especially a campanile of white marble at Pisa, in Italy, 178 ft. in height, which leans 14 ft. off the perpendicular.

LEAP YEAR, the system by which the difference between the Calendar Year of 365 days and the Equinoctial Year of 365.2422 days is made up. Every fourth year is a Leap Year and has 366 days, the extra one being Feb. 29; but the last year of a century is not a Leap Year unless its number is divisible by 400, e.g. 1900 was not, but 2000 will be. The system was started by Pope Gregory in 1582.

LEAR, a legendary British king, the hero of one of Shakespeare's tragedies, the victim of the unnatural conduct of two of his daughters.

LEAR, EDWARD, English painter, and author of "Book of Nonsense," composed for the grandchildren of the Earl of Derby in 1846, and after of "More Nonsense Rhymes," which were widely popular with young people; painted landscapes in Greece and Asia Minor (1812-1888).

LEATHER-STOCKING, the nickname of Natty Bumppo, a character in Fenimore Cooper's novel the "Pioneers," a romance of American wild west life.

LEBANON (i.e. "the White Mountain"), a range on the northern border of Palestine, which rises to a height of 10,000 ft., and is divided into two by a valley, the ancient Coele-Syria, which the Leontes and Orontes water, the eastern range being called Anti-Lebanon.

LEBLANC, NICHOLAS, French chemist, inventor of the process for the manufacture of soda from common salt; his method was used extensively, until superseded by the ammonia-soda process, invented by Solvay (q.v.) (1742-1806).

LE BRUN, CHARLES, a celebrated French painter, born in Paris; studied in Rome, settled in Paris, and was patronised by Colbert; exercised for about 40 years a great influence on the art of the period; he decorated Versailles and the Louvre, but with the death of his patron sank into obscurity until he died (1619-1690).

LE CATEAU, town in the department of the Nord, France, 15 m. from Cambrai, on the River Selle. Captured by the Germans in August, 1914, it was not recaptured by British troops till October, 1918. Gen. Smith-Dorrien was criticised for forcing the battle of 1914.

LECHLER, GOTTHARD VICTOR, theologian, born in Württemberg; was professor at Leipzig; wrote "History of Deism," "Life of Wolff," and "Apostolic and Post-Apostolic Times" (1811-1888).

LECKY, WILLIAM EDWARD HARTPOLE, historian, born near Dublin; represented Dublin University in Parliament; was the author of "Leaders of Public Opinion," 1861; "The Rise and Influence of the Spirit of Rationalism in Europe," 1865; the "History of European Morals from Augustus to Charlemagne," 1869; and the "History of the Eighteenth Century," 1878-1890 (1838-1903).

LECLAIRE, EDMÉ-JEAN, French economist, and experimentalist in the matter of the union of capital and labour; adopted the system of profit-sharing in 1842, with important results (1801-1872).

LE CLERCQ, JOHN, otherwise Johannes Clericus, liberal Swiss theologian and controversialist, born in Geneva; studied philosophy and theology there, and at Paris and London; became professor in the Remonstrant Seminary in Amsterdam in 1684, but lost his speech in 1728; his voluminous writings include commentaries on the whole Bible, which contained opinions on the authorship and composition of the Pentateuch, and the inspiration of the wisdom books, then startling, but since much in favour (1657-1736).

LECOQCQ, ALEXANDRE CHARLES, French composer; produced a number of light operas, of which "La Fille de Madame Angot" is the best known (1832-1918).

LECOMTE DE LISLE, a French poet, a Creole, born in the Isle of Bourbon, author of "Poèmes Barbares" and "Poèmes Antiques," and translator of Homer, Sophocles, Theocritus, and other classics; his translations are wonderfully faithful to the originals (1818-1894).

LEDA, in the Greek mythology the wife of the Spartan king Tyndareus, who was visited by Zeus in the form of a swan and became the mother of Castor and Pollux; was frequently the subject of ancient art.

LEDRU-ROLLIN, ALEXANDRE AUGUSTE, a French democrat, born near Paris; called to the bar in 1830; became a leader of the democratic movement in the reign of Louis Philippe, and gained the title of the "Tribune of the Revolution"; in 1848 he became a member of the Provisional Government; was Minister of the Interior; secured for France the privilege of universal suffrage; his opposition to Louis Napoleon obliged him to seek refuge in England, where he took part in a general democratic movement, and, an amnesty being granted, he returned to France in 1870; was elected to the Assembly, but his power was gone; died suddenly (1807-1874).

LEE, ROBERT EDWARD, Confederate general in the American Civil War, born in Stratford, Virginia, son of a soldier of old and distinguished family, and educated at West Point; became captain of Engineers in 1838; he distinguished himself in the Mexican War of 1846; was from 1852 till 1855 head of the U.S. Military Academy; was in active service again in Texas 1855-1859 as an officer of cavalry; on the secession of the Southern States, though disapproving of the war, deeming Virginia to have a claim before the Union to his loyalty, resigned his commission, and was appointed general, third in rank, by the Confederate Congress of Virginia, 1861; after various services he succeeded General Johnston in command of the army at Richmond; won the seven days' battle against McClellan; invaded Maryland and Pennsylvania, but was forced to surrender with 28,000 men to

Grant at Appomattox, in Virginia, April 9, 1865; forfeiting his estates, he became President of the Washington University (since called Washington and Lee), Lexington, Virginia, which post he held till his death; he was a man of devout religious faith, a high sense of duty, great courage and ability as a soldier (1807-1870).

LEE, ROBERT, a Scottish theologian, born in Tweedmouth; was minister of Old Greyfriars, Edinburgh, and professor of Biblical Criticism in the University; reformed the Presbyterian worship to some extent on the Anglican model, and suffered no small persecution at the hands of the conservative party in the Church for these innovations; his proclivities otherwise were rationalistic (1804-1868).

LEE, SAMUEL, English Orientalist, born in Shropshire; professor in Cambridge first of Arabic and then of Hebrew; was the author of a Hebrew grammar and lexicon, and a translation of the Book of Job (1783-1852).

LEE, SIR SIDNEY, British author. He edited the Dictionary of National Biography, became a great authority on Shakespeare, writing a Life, and also biographies of Queen Victoria and King Edward VII. He was knighted in 1911 (1859-1926).

LEECH, JOHN, English artist, born in London; was educated at the Charterhouse, and a fellow-pupil there of Thackeray; displayed early a turn for caricature; produced a set of illustrations for the "Ingoldsby Legends"; joined the staff of *Punch* in 1841, and remained a member of it till his death; here he distinguished himself by his cartoons and his humorous illustrations of scenes and characters of English life and society, and showed himself an artist more than a caricaturist; his work was not limited to *Punch*; he contributed illustrations also to *Once a Week*, the *Illustrated London News*, and other publications of the time (1817-1864).

LEEDS, sixth city in England, largest in Yorkshire, on the Aire, 25 m. S.W. of York, in the West Riding; has been noted for its textile industry since the 16th century, now its woollen manufactures of all kinds are the largest in England, and besides other industries there are very large manufactures of ready-made clothing, leather, boots and shoes, and iron. There are many fine buildings: St. Peter's Church is the largest; St. John's, consecrated in 1634, still retains the fittings of a "Laudan" church. There is a magnificent infirmary, a grammar-school, and art-gallery. Dr. Priestley was a native. A Parliamentary borough only since 1832, it now returns six members.

LEEDS UNIVERSITY, founded in 1904, as the Yorkshire College previously formed a part of the federal Victoria University (q.v.); degrees are granted in arts, science, law, engineering, medicine, and agriculture.

LEEDS, THOMAS OSBORNE, DUKE OF, English statesman, son of a Yorkshire baronet; after the Restoration entered Parliament as member for York and supporter of King and Church; his advance was rapid till he was Lord High Treasurer and Earl of Danby in 1674; constantly intriguing, he was impeached by the Commons in 1678, and kept for five years in the Tower without trial; returning to public life, he opposed James II.'s policy regarding the Church, and joined in the movement which set William of Orange on the English throne; appointed President of the Council, he was again guilty of corrupt practices; he became Duke of Leeds in 1694, but in 1695 was impeached a second time, and though he again escaped condemnation he never regained power (1631-1712).

LEEUWENHOF, ANTON VAN, an early microscopist, born in Delft; the instrument he used was of his own construction, but it was the means of his arriving at important discoveries, including that of capillary circulation; stoutly opposed the theory of spontaneous generation (1632-1723).

LEEWARD ISLANDS, THE, islands of volcanic origin in the Caribbean Sea, comprising Antigua, with Barbuda and Redonda; St. Christopher (St. Kitts) and Nevis, with Anguilla; Dominica; Montserrat; three of the Virgin Islands, with Sombrore; they form a federal colony under British rule; chief exports sugar and molasses.

LEFORT, FRANÇOIS JACOB, Russian officer, born in Geneva, son of a merchant; after serving in France and Holland, in 1675 entered the service and gained the favour of Peter the Great, organised the army on the French model, laid the foundation of a navy, and died commander-in-chief both of the land forces and the navy (1656-1699).

LEFT, THE, the opposition in a Continental Legislative Assembly, as sitting on the left of the chair; also the liberal section of a philosophical school.

LEGALISM, adherence to the strict letter of the law, often in disregard of the spirit and even in defiance of it.

LE GALLIENNE, RICHARD, poet, journalist, and critic, born in Liverpool, of a Guernsey family; has been connected with and contributed to several London journals; is author of "My Lady's Sonnets," "George Meredith: some Characteristics," "The Religion of a Literary Man," &c.; successful as a lecturer as well as a litterateur (1866-).

LEGATE, the title of the Pope's representative or ambassador; in medieval times this office was attached to certain bishoprics, and the bishops were styled *legati nati*; besides these there were *legati a latere*, generally cardinals, and *legati misti*, or nuncios specially appointed; legates used to claim full papal jurisdiction within their provinces, which caused many disputes; now they are ambassadors for spiritual purposes at Roman Catholic Courts and do not interfere with the authority of the bishops.

LEGENDRE, ADRIEN MARIE, brilliant French mathematician, contemporary of Lagrange and Laplace, born in Toulouse; obtained the professorship of Mathematics in the Military School at Paris, and was elected to the Academy of Sciences in 1783; he was one of the commissioners to determine the length of the metre, and held many posts under the Republic and the Empire; among many works his best known is the "Elements of Geometry" (1794), translated into English by Carlyle (1752-1833).

LEGGE, JAMES, a Chinese scholar, born in Huntly, Aberdeenshire; studied at King's College, Aberdeen; was sent out as missionary to the Chinese by the London Missionary Society in 1839, laboured for 30 years at Hong-Kong, and became professor of the Chinese Language and Literature at Oxford in 1876; edited with a translation and notes the Chinese classics, the "four *Shu*," and the "five *King*," and gave lectures on the religions of China as compared with Christianity (1815-1897).

LEGHORN, a flourishing Italian seaport, on the W. coast, 80 m. from Florence; is a fine city, with broad streets and many canals; its exports include wine, silk, oil, marble, and straw hats; it imports spirits, sugar, and machinery; it does a large and increasing coasting trade, and manufactures coral ornaments; its prosperity dates from the 15th century; it was a free port till 1868.

LEGION, among the ancient Romans a body of soldiers consisting of three lines, the *hastati*, the *principes*, and the *triarii*, ranged in order of battle one behind the other, each divided into ten maniples, and the whole numbering at different times from 3000 to 6000 men; to each legion were attached six military tribunes, who commanded in rotation, each for two months; under Marius the three lines were amalgamated, and the whole divided into ten cohorts of three maniples each; under the original arrangement the *hastati* were young or untrained men, the *principes* men in their full manhood, and the *triarii* veterans.

LEGION OF HONOUR, an order of merit instituted on republican principles on May 10, 1802, by Bonaparte when First Consul in recompense of civil and military services to the country; it originally consisted of four classes, but now comprehends five; grand crosses, grand officers, commanders, officers, and chevaliers, each, of military or naval men, with pensions on a descending scale and all for life; their badge, a white star of five rays, bearing on the obverse an image of the republic and on the reverse two tricolour flags.

LEGITIMISTS, a name given to supporters of the Bourbon dynasty in France, as opposed to the

Orleanists, who supported the claims of Louis Philippe.

LEGRES, ALPHONSE, French artist. Born in Dijon, he studied in Paris, and came to England in 1863, becoming professor at the Slade School in 1876, a position he occupied till 1892, during which period he had a profound influence on British painting; of the French classical school, he was largely responsible for a return to sound drawing as the basis of art, which was the most important move of the time (1837-1911).

LEIBNIZ, GOTTFRIED WILHELM, German philosopher, mathematician, and man of affairs, born in Leipzig; studied law and took the degree of Doctor of Laws at Altorf; spent a good part of his life at courts, visited Paris and London and formed a friendship with the savants in both cities, and finally settled in Hanover, where he moved much in the circle of the Electress Sophia and her daughter Sophia Charlotte, the Prussian Queen, whom he entertained with his philosophy of the "infinitely little," as it has been called; he discovered with Newton the basis of the differential calculus, and concocted the system of monads (his "Monadology"), between which and the soul, he taught, there existed a "pre-established harmony," issuing in the cosmos; he was an optimist, and had for his motto the oft-quoted phrase "Everything is for the best in the best of all possible worlds"; his principal works in philosophy are his "Theodicea," written at the instance of Sophia Charlotte and in refutation of Bayle, and his "Monadologie," written at the suggestion of Prince Eugene (1646-1716).

LEICESTER, county town of Leicestershire, on the Soar, 40 m. E. of Birmingham; is an ancient town, with several historic buildings; has grown rapidly of late owing to its hosiery, boot and shoe, and iron-founding industries; it sends three members to Parliament.

LEICESTER, ROBERT DUDLEY, EARL OF, Queen Elizabeth's favourite, fifth son of the Duke of Northumberland; won the Queen's notice by his handsome appearance and courtly address; received many offices and honours, and on the death, under suspicious circumstances, of his Countess, Amy Robsart, aspired to the Queen's hand; still favoured, in spite of his unpopularity in the country, he was proposed as husband to Mary, Queen of Scots, in 1563; he married the dowager Lady Sheffield in 1573, and afterwards bigamously the Countess of Essex; after a short term of disfavour he was appointed commander in the Netherlands, and subsequently at Tilbury Fort, but proved an incapable soldier (1532-1588).

LEICESTERSHIRE, English midland county, bounded by Nottingham, Lincoln, Rutland, Northampton, Warwick, and Derby shires; is an undulating upland watered by the Soar, and mostly under pasture. Leicester cattle and sheep are noted, and its Stilton cheeses. There are coal deposits and granite and slate quarries in the N. The chief towns are Leicester, the county town, Loughborough, and Hinckley.

LEIGH, AURORA, the heroine of Mrs. Browning's poem of the same name. She styled it "a novel in verse," and wrote of it, "It is the most mature of my works, and the one into which my highest convictions upon Life and Art have entered."

LEIGHTON, FREDERICK, LORD, eminent English artist, born in Scarborough; studied in the chief art-centres of the Continent; his first exhibit at the Royal Academy was "Cimabue's Madonna carried in Procession through Florence," which was followed by a numerous array of others of classic merit, and showing the scholar as well as the artist; he distinguished himself in sculpture as well as paintings, and died President of the Royal Academy, after being ennobled (1830-1896).

LEIGHTON, ROBERT, a Scottish theologian, the son of a Puritan clergyman in London, who wrote a book against clericalism, and suffered cruelly at the hands of Laud in consequence; studied at Edinburgh; entered the Church, and became Presbyterian minister at Newbattle in 1641, but resigned in 1653; was made Principal of Edinburgh University; reluctantly consented to accept a bishopric, and chose the diocese of Dunblane, but

declined all lordship connected with the office; was for a time archbishop of Glasgow; retired to England in 1874, and lived ten years afterwards with a widowed sister in Sussex; he was a most saintly man, and long revered as such by the Scottish people; his writings, which are highly imaginative, were much admired by Coleridge (1811-1884).

LEIOTRICH, a primitive race of people distinguished by their smooth hair.

LEIPZIG, in the W. of Saxony, and largest city of that state; is the third city in Germany. The old portion is narrow and quaint, with historic buildings; the new is well built, with splendid edifices. It is the seat of the supreme court of the Republic, of an old university which has a magnificent library and well-equipped medical school, and of one of the finest conservatories of music in Europe. Its chief trade is in books, furs, leather, and cloth, and its chief industries type-founding and pianoforte-making. It was the birthplace of Leibnitz and Wagner, and is associated also with Bach and Mendelssohn. It is noted for its annual Spring Fair.

LEITH, chief seaport in E. of Scotland, on the Forth, contiguous to Edinburgh and the port of it; is an old and busy town. The harbour comprises five docks. The imports are corn, flour, wines, sugar, and fruit; the exports, coal, iron, paraffin, and whisky. There are shipbuilding and engineering works, breweries, distilleries, and other industries. Leith Fort, between the town and Newhaven, is the headquarters of the artillery for Scotland.

LEITHA, an Austrian stream which flows N.E. and falls into the Danube E. of Vienna; divides Cis-Leithan from Trans-Leithan.

LELAND, CHARLES GODFREY, an American writer, born in Philadelphia; bred to the bar, but left law for literature, and contributed to the journals; wrote on the industrial art, social science, folk-lore, the gypsies, &c.; his works are numerous, and partly of a humorous or burlesque character; they include "The Poetry and Mystery of Dreams," "The Legends of Birds," "Ilans Breitmann's Ballads" (1824-1893).

LELAND, JOHN, English antiquary, born in London, travelled much on the Continent, and amassed vast learning; held commission from Henry VIII. to examine the antiquities and libraries of England, in fulfilment of which charge he spent six years in making a collection of records that would otherwise have been lost, and the rest of his life, till he went insane, in arranging them (1506-1552).

LELAND, JOHN, a Nonconformist minister, born in Wigan; wrote chiefly in defence of Christianity against the attacks of the Deists (1691-1766).

LELY, SIR PETER, a painter, born in Westphalia; settled in London; took to portrait-painting, and was patronised by Charles I. and II., as well as by Cromwell; he painted the portraits of his patrons, and the beauties of Charles II.'s court; was Vandick's successor (1618-1680).

LEMAN, GREAT MATTHEW JOSEPH GEORGES, Belgian general who in 1914 defended Liège against the Germans; after a memorable resistance Liège fell, and in one of the last forts Leman was found unconscious; he was a prisoner-of-war till 1918 (1861-1920).

LEMAN LAKE, the Lake of Geneva (q.v.).

LEMBERG, otherwise Lwow, 17 m. E. of Cracow, from its central position ready communication with rivers and railways, enjoys an extensive trade; there is a flourishing university, and of the population the majority are Jews.

LEMONS, an island plateau in the Aegean Sea, 30 m. S.W. of the Dardanelles, Turkish from 1657, and now Greek; produces corn, wine, and tobacco, and was a place of exile for Turkish prisoners; the population is mostly Greek; chief town Kastro, on the W. coast. It was at Lemnos that an armistice was signed between the Allies and Turkey in Oct. 1918.

LEMON, MARK, editor of *Punch* from 1843 to his death, born in London; began his career as a dramatist, story-teller, and song-writer, writing 60 pieces for the stage and 100 songs (1806-1870).

LENURES, a name given by the Romans to the spirits of the dead, who, such of them as are ghosts of the wicked, wander about at night as

spectres, and, tormented themselves, torment and frighten the living.

LENGLOS, NIDON DE, a woman celebrated for wit and beauty, born in Paris, whose salon in the city was frequented by all the notable personages of the period; she was a woman of superior mental endowments, as well as polished manners, but of loose morality and want of heart (1616-1706).

LENGLEN, SUZANNE, French woman tennis player. She won the women's title of France in 1914, first became Wimbledon champion in 1916, and dominated the women's tennis world till 1927, when she turned professional (1899-).

LENIN, NICOLAI, Russian politician. His real name was Vladimir Ilitch Ulianov, and he was the son of a noble. Educated at Kasan University, he joined the ranks of the revolutionaries with his brother; for this his brother was shot and he exiled to Siberia. Expelled from Russia in 1900, he lived for a time in London, returning to Russia to take part in the 1905 revolution. He was not in Russia again till 1917, when he led the Bolsheviks in opposition to Kerensky (q.v.), whom he overthrew with the help of Trotsky (q.v.). He set himself up as President of the Council of the People's Commissioners, and established the Soviet regime, though inclining towards the end of his life to the new economic policy, which departed from communism in some measure to allow capitalism to function under rigid control. One of the few dictators to remain at the helm of a country until a natural death removed him, he was buried in Red Square, Moscow; his tomb became almost a religious shrine and the name of Petrograd was changed in his honour (1870-1924).

LENNINGRAD, formerly known as St. Petersburg and Petrograd, and at one time the capital of Russia. It occupies a dreary, isolated site at the head of the Gulf of Finland, on the banks and deltas of the Neva; founded in 1702 by Peter the Great; a large number of bridges span the main stream and its numerous divisions; massive stone quays hold back the waters, but a rise of 12 ft. floods the city, an annual occurrence in the older parts; the river is icebound for half the year, but the short summer is very hot. With an area of nearly 48 sq. m., its public buildings are magnificent. Neva Square, one of the finest streets in Europe, and one of the centres of Russian culture, it has a university and numerous libraries. Leningrad is connected with the Volga basin by a canal, is the centre of four railways, and the country's chief port, from which half the foreign trade is conducted; corn, oil, flax, linseed, and leather are the chief exports, while the principal industries are agriculture, cotton manufacture, sugar refining, and pottery; coal and machinery are extensively imported.

LENNEP, JACOB VAN, a Dutch dramatist and novelist, born in Amsterdam; bred to the bar and practised as a lawyer; was a devoted student of English literature, and executed translations from English poets; was called by his countrymen the Walter Scott of Holland (1802-1868).

LENNOX, an ancient district of Scotland that included Dumfriesshire and part of Stirlingshire.

LENO, DAN, British comedian, whose real name was George Galvin. He started as an acrobat and became the chief comedian at Drury Lane pantomimes from 1838 till his death (1861-1904).

LENOX, the heroine of a celebrated ballad by Bürger, the German lyric poet, a maiden whose lover dies and whose spectre appears to her on horseback and carries her off mounted behind him.

LENORMANT, FRANÇOIS, a distinguished archaeologist, born in Paris, a man of genius and of vast learning; his chief works, "Manuel d'Histoire Ancienne de l'Orient," "Lettres Assyriologiques," "Les Premières Civilisations," and "Les Sciences Occultes en Asie" (1837-1883).

LENS, a piece of glass adapted as convex or concave so as to change the direction of the rays of light passing through it and magnify or diminish the apparent size of an object.

LENS, town in the department of Pas-de-Calais, France, on the River Deule, 13 m. from Arras. It was the scene of much fighting in the Great War, being occupied by the Germans in Oct. 1914, attacked by the British in 1917, and finally captured in 1918.

LENT, a period of fasting previous to Easter, at first lasting only 40 hours, was gradually extended to three, four, or six days, then different Churches extended it to three and six weeks; in the 6th century Gregory the Great fixed it for the West at 40 days from Ash Wednesday to Easter, excluding Sundays; in the Eastern Church it begins on the Monday after quinquagesima and excludes both Saturdays and Sundays; in the Anglican Church the season is marked by special services, but the fast is not rigidly kept.

LENTHALL, WILLIAM, Speaker of the Long Parliament; is famous for his answer to the demand of Charles to point out to him five members he had come to arrest. "May it please your Majesty," said he, falling on his knees, "I have neither eyes to see nor tongue to speak but as the House directs me"; after an interval he again became Speaker in 1654, in 1656 being made a member of Cromwell's House of Lords; deprived of his office at the Restoration, when he retired into private life (1591-1662).

LEO, the 22nd sign of the zodiac, which the sun enters on July 22.

LEO, the name of six emperors of the East, of which the chief was Leo III., surnamed the Isaurian, born in Isauria, raised to the imperial throne by the army, defeated by sea and land the Saracens who threatened Constantinople; ruled peacefully for nine years, when he headed the iconoclast movement (q.v.), which provoked hostility and led to the revolt of Italy from the Greek empire; d. 741.

LEO, the names of 13 Popes: L. I., St., Pope from 410 to 461; L. II., St., Pope from 682 to 683; L. III., Pope from 795 to 816; L. IV., Pope from 847 to 855; L. V., Pope in 903; L. VI., Pope from 928 to 929; L. VII., Pope from 936 to 939; L. VIII., Pope from 963 to 965; L. IX., St., Pope from 1049 to 1064; L. X., Pope from 1513 to 1521; L. XI., Pope in 1605; L. XII., Pope from 1825 to 1829; L. XIII., Pope from 1878 to 1903. Of these the following deserve mention:

LEO I., saint, surnamed the GREAT; was distinguished for his zeal against heretics, presided at two councils, and persuaded Attila to retire from Rome on his invasion of Italy, as he persuaded Genseric four years later to moderate the outrages of his troops in the city; his letters are in evidence of the jurisdiction of the Roman over the universal Church. Festival, Nov. 10. He died in 461.

LEO III., proclaimed Charlemagne emperor of the West in 800; driven in 799 from the papal chair by a conspiracy, he was reinstated by Charlemagne, who next year visited the city and was crowned by him emperor; d. 816.

LEO IX., saint; was elected to the Diet of Worms in 1048, welcomed at Rome, and applied himself zealously to the reform of Church discipline; being defeated in the field by Guiscard, suffered a 10 years' imprisonment, fell ill and died (1002-1054).

LEO X., Giovanni de' Medici, son of Lorenzo the Magnificent, sovereign of Florence; was distinguished as a patron of art, science, and letters, as occupant of the chair of St. Peter at the outbreak of the Reformation, and by his issue of indulgences for the replenishment of his treasure, thus provoking the movement and rousing the ire of Luther, which set the rest of Europe on fire (1475-1521).

LEO XIII., born in Carpineto; distinguished at college in mathematics, physics, and philosophy; took holy orders in 1837, was nuncio to Belgium in 1843, became bishop of Perugia in 1846, cardinal 1853, and Pope in 1878 (1810-1903).

LEON, an ancient kingdom in the NE. of Spain, united with Castile in 1293, with a capital of the same name 256 m. NW. of Madrid. Also the name of a city in Nicaragua and another in Mexico.

LEONARDO DA VINCI, celebrated painter and sculptor of the Florentine school, born in Vinci in the Val d'Arno; showed early a wonderful aptitude for art; studied under Andrea del Verrocchio, but so surpassed him in his work as to drive him to renounce the painter's art; his great work, executed by him at Milan, was the famous picture of the "Last Supper," which he painted in oil about 1497 on the wall of the refectory of the Dominican convent of the Madonna delle Grazie; it perished from the dampness of the wall almost as soon as it was

finished, but happily copies were taken of it before decay had ruined it; he executed also in 1503 at Florence the famous cartoon of the Battle of the Standard; he was a man of imposing personal appearance, of very wide range of ability, and distinguished himself in engineering as well as art; he wrote a "Treatise on Painting," which has been widely translated; he also wrote papers on the structure of the eye, hydraulics, and the classification of plants, and invented the camera obscura (1452-1519).

LEONCAVALLO, RUGGIERO, Italian composer, born in Naples; principal work "I Pagliacci" has also produced "I Medici" and "La Bohème" (1858-).

LEONIDAS, king of Sparta from 491 to 480 B.C.; opposed Xerxes, the Persian, who threatened Greece with a large army, and kept him at bay at the Pass of Thermopylae with 300 Spartans and 5000 auxiliaries till he was betrayed by Ephialtes (q.v.), when he and his 300 threw themselves valiantly on the large host, and perished fighting to the last man.

LEONIDS, meteors which descend in showers during November in certain years, their chief centre being the constellation Leo.

LEOPARDI, GIACOMO, COUNT, Italian poet, born near Ancona; a precocious genius; an omnivorous reader as a boy, and devoted to literature; of a weakly constitution and crippled, he became a confirmed invalid, and died suddenly; had sceptical leanings; wrote lyrics inspired by a certain sombre melancholy (1798-1837).

LEOPOLD I., king of the Belgians, son of the Duke of Saxe-Coburg; in his youth served in the Russian army; visited England in 1815, and married Princess Charlotte, who died two years later; he declined the throne of Greece in 1830, but accepted that of the Belgians in 1831, and proved a wise, firm, constitutional sovereign; in 1832 he married the French princess Louise; he was succeeded by his son Leopold II. (1790-1865).

LEOPOLD II., king of the Belgians, born in Brussels, son and successor of Leopold I.; he travelled much in Europe and Asia Minor; founded the Congo Free State, out of which he made a fortune in a questionable manner; he married in 1883 the Archduchess Marie of Austria, but his private life was the subject of much scandal (1835-1909).

LEPSIUS, KARL RICHARD, a celebrated Egyptologist, born in Prussian Saxony; took at first to the study of philology under Bopp, but early devoted himself to the study of the antiquities of Egypt; headed in 1842 an expedition of research among the monuments under the king of Prussia, which occupied five years and was fertile in important results, among others the production of a work in 12 vols. on the subject entitled "Denkmäler aus Ägypten und Ethiopien," issued between 1849 and 1860; he was the author also of works on philology (1810-1884).

LERNEAN HYDRA, a monster with nine heads, one of them immortal, that infested a swamp near Lerne, Hercules being required to slay it as one of his twelve labours, only as often as he cut off one head two grew on; with the assistance of Iolous his servant he singed off the eight mortal ones, cut down the ninth, and buried it under a huge rock.

LERWICK, the capital of Shetland, on the E. of mainland; fishing and knitting the chief industries.

LE SAGE, ALAIN RENE, French dramatist and novelist, born in Serzeau, in Brittany; educated at a Jesuit school at Vannes; went to Paris in 1692; studied the Spanish language and literature, and produced translations of Spanish works and imitations; some of his dramas attained great popularity, and one in particular, the "Turcaret," a satire on the time generally, and not merely as represented, on financiers of the period, gave offence; but the works by which he is best known are his novels "Le Diable Boiteux" and "Gil Blas," his masterpieces (1668-1747).

LESSOS, modern name Mytilene, a mountainous island, the largest on the Asia Minor coast, 10 m. off shore and 20 m. N. of the Gulf of Smyrna; has a delightful climate, disturbed by earthquakes, fertile soil, and produces fine olive-oil. In ancient Greek days it was a cradle of literature, the home of Sappho,

and famous for its wine; Turkish since 1462, its population is mostly Greek; chief town Castro, on the E. coast.

LESE-MAJESTY, name given to a crime against the sovereign.

LESLIE, name of a Scottish family distinguished in Scottish history as well as for military service in foreign parts; among them Alex. Leslie, 1st Earl of Leven, served under Gustavus Adolphus in the Thirty Years' War and rose to be field-marshal; afterwards commander-in-chief of the Covenanting army (1680-1661).

LESLIE, CHARLES, non-juring controversial divine, born in Dublin, wrote "A Short and Easy Method with the Jews," and another work upon the Delists (1650-1722).

LESLIE, SIR JOHN, natural philosopher and professor, born in Largo, Fifeshire; educated at St. Andrews and Edinburgh University; visited America in 1788, and returned to London 1790; for fifteen years he was engaged in scientific investigation, invented several instruments, and published his "Inquiry into the Nature of Heat," for which he received the Rumford Medal from the Royal Society; appointed to the chair of Mathematics in Edinburgh in 1805, he was transferred to that of Natural Philosophy in 1819; continued his researches and inventions, and shortly before his death was knighted (1766-1832).

LESPINASSE, JULIE ELEANORE DE, a French lady, born in Lyons, famous for her wit, to whom D'Alembert was much attached, and the centre of a learned circle in Paris in her time (1732-1776).

LESSEPS, FERDINAND DE, French diplomatist, born in Versailles; conceived the scheme of connecting the Red Sea with the Mediterranean in 1854, and saw it finished as the Suez Canal in 1869; projected a similar scheme for a canal at Panama, but it ended in failure, disgrace, and ruin to the projectors as well as others, though later it was carried out with success (1805-1894).

LESSING, GOTTHOLD EPHRAIM, a German author, and founder of modern German literature, born in Kamenz, Saxony, son of the pastor there; sent to study theology at Leipzig, studied hard; conceived a passion for the stage; wrote plays and did criticisms; wrote an essay on Pope; took English authors as his models, revolted against those of France; made it his aim to inaugurate or rather revive a purely German literature, and produced examples regarded as classics to this day; his principal dramas, all conceived on the soil, are "Miss Sara Sampson," "Mina von Barnhelm," "Emilia Galotti," and "Nathan der Weise," and his principal prose works are his "Fables" and "Laocoon," a critical work on art still in high repute (1729-1781).

L'ESTRANGE, SIR ROGER, a zealous Royalist, born in Norfolk; was for his zeal in the royal cause committed to prison; having escaped, he was allowed to live in retirement under Cromwell, but woke up a vigorous pamphleteer and journalist in the old interest at the Restoration, "wounding his Whig foes very sorely, and making them wince"; he translated Josephus, Cicero's "Offices," Seneca's "Morals," the "Colloquies" of Erasmus, and Quevedo's "Visions," his most popular work (1616-1704).

LETHE (i.e. oblivion), in the Greek mythology a stream in the nether world, a draught of the waters of which, generally extended to the ghosts of the dead on their entrance into Pluto's kingdom, obliterated all recollection of the past and its sorrows.

LETO (i.e. the hidden one), one of the Titan brood, who became by Zeus the mother of Apollo and Artemis, and for whose confinement, in her persecution by Hera, Poseidon by a stroke of his trident fixed the till then floating island of Delos to the sea-bottom.

LE TOUQUET, a town in the department of Pas-de-Calais, France, famous as a fashionable summer holiday resort.

LETTER OF MARQUE, a commission to the captain of a merchant ship or a privateer to make reprisals on an enemy's ships or property; abolished by the Declaration of Paris, 1856.

LETTERS PATENT, a document under seal of the government granting some special privilege to a person.

LETTRES DE CACHET (i.e. sealed letters), warrants of imprisonment, issued prior to the French Revolution, sealed with the private seal of the king, in contradistinction from *lettres patentes*, which were sealed by the Great Seal of the kingdom. They were abolished in 1790.

LEUCIPPUS, a Greek philosopher of the 6th century B.C., the founder of the Atomic theory of things, of which Democritus (q.v.) was the chief expounder.

LEUCTRA, a village in Boeotia, to the S. of Thebes, where in 371 B.C. Epaminondas and his Thebans overthrew the ascendancy of Sparta.

LEUTHEN, a village in the W. of Breslau, in Silesia, where Frederick the Great defeated the Austrians with great loss in 1757.

LEVANT (i.e. the Rising), a name given to the E. of the Mediterranean and the regions adjoining by the western peoples of the Mediterranean.

LEVEE, a morning reception held by the sovereign or some one of high rank.

LEVELLERS, a party of violent red-hot Republicans, led off by John Lilburne, who appeared in the time of the Commonwealth, but were suppressed by Cromwell.

LEVER, CHARLES JAMES, a novelist, born in Dublin, was by profession a physician; author of a numerous series of Irish stories written in a rollicking humour, "Harry Lorrequer" and "Charles O'Malley" among the chief; was a contributor to and for some time editor of *Dublin University Magazine*; held ultimately various consular appointments abroad, and after that wrote with success in a more sober style (1806-1872).

LEVERHULME, 1ST VISCOUNT (William Hesketh Lever), British industrialist. He founded Lever's soap works and Port Sunlight, was a keen worker for co-partnership in industry, and sat as Liberal M.P. for Cheshire from 1908 to 1910. He presented Lancaster House to the nation for the London Museum, and was raised to the peerage in 1917 (1851-1925).

LEVERRIER, URBAN JEAN JOSEPH, French astronomer, born in St. L6; distinguished in chemistry before he devoted himself to astronomy; rose to eminence in the latter science by a paper on the variations in the orbits of the planets, and was led to the discovery of the planet Neptune from perturbations in the orbit of the planet Uranus; he indicated the spot where the planet would be found, and it was actually discovered a few days after by Galle at Berlin (1811-1877).

LEVI, LEON, commercial economist, born in Ancona; settled in England and was naturalised; drew attention to the want of commercial organisation, and to his pleading the first chamber of commerce, that of Liverpool, owes its existence; became professor of Commercial Law in King's College, London (1821-1888).

LEVIRITE LAW, a law among the Jews which ordained if a husband died without issue that his brother should take his widow to wife and raise up seed to him (Deut. xxv. 5-10).

LEVITES, a body of men divided into courses, the servants of the priests in the worship of the Temple of Jerusalem; they were not permitted to enter the sanctuary or serve at the altar, their duties being limited to keeping watch over the Temple, slaying the victims, and making other preparations for the sacred services.

LEVITICAL DEGREES, relationships that preclude marriage, so called as presumably fixed by the Levitical priesthood of the Jews.

LEVITICUS, the third book of the Pentateuch, so called as containing the laws and ordinances appointed to regulate the services of the sanctuary as conducted by a priesthood of the tribe of Levi, the narrative portion of it recording the consecration of Aaron and his sons, the death of Nadab and Abihu, and the stoning of the blasphemer, embracing a period of only one year, and the legislation of it no longer issuing from Mount Sinai, but from the door of the Tabernacle.

LEWALD, FANNY, an eminent German novelist, born in K6nigsberg, of Jewish parents; professed

Christianity and was married to Adolf Stahr; was a realist in art and a zealous woman's rights advocate (1811-1889).

LEWES, the county town of Sussex, finely situated on a slope of the South Downs, 10 m. N.E. of Brighton; was the scene of a victory of Simon de Montfort in 1264 over the forces of Henry III.; has a trade in corn and malt, and tanneries.

LEWES, GEORGE HENRY, a versatile man of letters, born in London, the son of an actor; wrote a "Biographical History of Philosophy" from the Positivist standpoint, published originally in 1845, and a "Life of Goethe" in 1855, "Seaside Studies," and "Problems of Life and Mind," and edited the *Fortnightly Review*; he did much to popularise both science and philosophy; though a married man with children, formed a connection with George Eliot which lasted until his death (1817-1878).

LEWIS, island in the Outer Hebrides, consisting of Lewis and Harris (q.v.).

LEWIS, SIR GEORGE CORNEWALL, English statesman and political philosopher, born in London; held several important posts under and in the governments of the day; wrote on "Early Roman History," "The Influence of Authority on Matters of Opinion," "The Best Form of Government," and "Ancient Astronomy" (1806-1863).

LEWIS, MATTHEW GREGORY, romancer, familiarly known as Monk Lewis from the name of his principal novel, the "Monk," which was written, with others, in Mrs. Radcliffe's vein and became immensely popular (1775-1818).

LEWIS, MERIWETHER, captain in U.S.A. army, formerly secretary to President Jefferson; with Capt. William Clark explored the sources of the Mississippi and Columbia rivers, 1804-1805, discovering the Great Falls and the Yellowstone.

LEWIS, SINCLAIR, American novelist. After leaving Yale he became a journalist, and published his first novel in 1914, though it was not till he produced "Main Street," a tale of a small American town, in 1920, that he attained world-wide popularity (1885-).

LEWIS GUN, a type of machine gun invented by Col. Lewis of America and first manufactured in England in 1915. Its great advantage over ordinary machine guns is its light weight of 26 lbs.

LEYDEN, one of the chief towns of Holland and characteristically Dutch, 15 m. N.W. of The Hague, with a famous university founded by the Prince of Orange in 1576, containing the richest natural history museum in the world; it is noted for the bravery and power of endurance of its inhabitants, for a whole year (1573-1574), during the War of Independence.

LEYDEN, JOHN, poet and Orientalist, born in Denholm, son of a shepherd; bred for the Church, his genius and abilities attracted the notice of influential people; was introduced to Scott, and assisted him in his "Minstrelsy of the Scottish Border"; went to India as a military surgeon; studied and profected on the native dialects; became a judge in Calcutta; died of fever (1775-1811).

LEYDEN, JOHN OF, leader of the Anabaptists in Munster, born in The Hague; beset with his followers, who regarded him as a prophet, in Munster, he was taken alive after a siege of six months and tortured to death in 1536.

LEYDEN, LUCAS VAN, an eminent early Dutch painter and engraver, born in Leyden; succeeded in every branch of painting, and, like Dürer, engraved his own pictures; his works are highly valued, and some of them very rare; he spent his means in high living and died young, only 39 (1494-1533).

LEYDEN JAR, an electric condenser, a cylindrical glass bottle inside and outside with metal to within a short distance from the top, while a brass rod connected with the inside coating extends upward through a wooden stopper terminating in a knob; takes its name from the town of Leyden, in Holland, where it was first produced.

LEYS SCHOOL, the Cambridge school founded in 1875 to supply under unsectarian religious influences a high-class education, the founders of it having been chiefly members of the Methodist body.

LEHASSA (seat of the gods), the capital of Tibet, and

the metropolis of the Buddhist world in China, stands in the middle of a plain 11,000 ft. above the sea-level; on a hill in the N.W. of the centre of the city, a conical hill called Potala, amid temples and palaces, is the residence of the Grand Lama; the monasteries are 15 in number, and there are some 20,000 priests; it is the centre of an important caravan trade. For centuries a "forbidden city" to Europeans, it has been entered on a few occasions; in 1904, by a treaty with the Indian government, the restrictions were modified.

L'HÔPITAL. See **HÔPITAL, MICHEL DE L'**.

LI, a Chinese mile, equal to 2115 ft.

LIA-FALI, the stone on which the legend says the Irish kings were crowned, which was at length removed to Scome, in Perthshire, and is now in Westminster under the coronation chair, having been removed thither by Edward I.

LIAS, name given by geologists to the lowest strata of Jurassic age.

LIBEL, the offence of publishing any matter or illustration, with malicious intent, liable to bring any one into ridicule or contempt. Slander is the same offence with the spoken word. That the statement is true is alone no defence.

LIBERAL PARTY, a name adopted in 1828 to designate the old Whigs; free trade, and, in the past, Home Rule for Ireland were its main planks; it introduced educational reforms and State insurance; questions of Imperial policy split the party at the time of the Boer War; there was also a split on Home Rule; and in 1918 a more serious one on whether the Coalition government should continue after the Great War; this internal disruption, though healed in 1923, weakened the party and the rise of the Labour Party destroyed it as an effective political force.

LIBERAL-UNIONIST, one of the Liberal party in English politics, which in 1886 quitted the Liberal ranks and joined the Conservative party in opposition to the Home Rule policy of Gladstone.

LIBERATIONIST, one who advocates the emancipation of the Church from State control.

LIBERIA, a negro republic on the Grain Coast of Africa, founded in 1822 by American planters as a settlement for freedmen, with a constitution after the model of the United States; the capital is Monrovia.

LIBERTY, FRATERNITY, AND EQUALITY, the trinity of modern democracy, which first found expression as a political creed in the French Revolution.

LIBRA, the seventh sign of the zodiac (q.v.) which the sun enters on October 22.

LIBRATION, the name given to certain apparent movements in the moon as if it swayed like a balance both in latitude and longitude in its revolution round the earth.

LIBRI-CARRUCCI, COSENTI, Italian mathematician; professor at Pisa, but obliged to resign for his liberal opinions and take refuge in France, where he was made professor at the Sorbonne; was a kleptomaniac in the matter of books (1803-1869).

LIBYA, a name given by the early geographers to the territory in Africa which lay between Egypt, Ethiopia, and the shores of the Atlantic.

LICHFIELD, ancient ecclesiastical town in Staffordshire, 15 m. S.E. of Stafford, an episcopal see since 666, with a cathedral in Early English style, completely restored last century; has an ancient grammar school, a museum, and school of art; the birthplace of Samuel Johnson; its industries are brewing and implement making.

LICHTENBERG, GEORGE CHRISTOPH, German physicist and satirist, born near Darmstadt; was educated at Göttingen, and appointed professor there in 1770; he wrote a commentary on Hogarth's compeletes; his reputation in Germany as a satirist is high (1742-1799).

LICINIUS, GAIVS, a Roman tribune and consul, of plebeian birth, author of several laws intended to minimise the distinction politically between patrician and plebeian; in office between 376 and 361 B.C.

LICK OBSERVATORY, an observatory built at the expense of James Lick, an American millionaire, on one of the peaks of Mount Hamilton, California, with a telescope that has the largest object-glass of any in the world.

LICTOR, an officer in Rome who bore the fasces (q.v.) before a magistrate when on duty.

LIDDELL, HENRY GEORGE, Greek lexicographer, graduated at Oxford in 1838; was tutor of Christ Church, and in 1845 appointed professor of Moral Philosophy; he was successively Headmaster of Winchester, Dean of Christ Church, and Vice-Chancellor of Oxford from 1870 to 1874; his great work is a Greek lexicon (first edition 1843), of which he was joint-author with Dr. Robert Scott, and which is the standard work of its kind in English (1811-1888).

LIDO, an island lying in the mouth of the Venetian lagoon in the Adriatic; it is much frequented in the summer by cosmopolitan society.

LIEBIG, BARON VON, eminent German chemist, born in Darmstadt; in 1824 attracted the attention of Alexander von Humboldt by a paper before the Institute of France on fulminates, and was appointed to the chair of Chemistry in Giessen, where he laboured 28 years, attracting students from all quarters, and where his laboratory became a model of many others elsewhere; wrote a number of works on chemistry, inorganic and organic, animal and agricultural, and their applications, as well as papers and letters; accepted a professorship in Munich in 1852, and in 1860 was appointed President of the Munich Academy of Sciences (1803-1873).

LIECHTENSTEIN, a principality on the Upper Rhine between Switzerland and the Austrian province of Vorarlberg, with an area of 69 sq. m. Agriculture and textiles are the chief industries. The country is governed by a Prince with the aid of an Administrator.

LIEGE, a town in Belgium and capital of the Walloons, in a very picturesque region at the confluence of the Ourthe with the Meuse, the busiest town in Belgium and a chief seat of the woollen manufacture; it is divided in two by the Meuse, which is spanned by 17 bridges; it is the centre of a great mining district, and besides woollens has manufactures of machinery, and steel and iron goods. Its capture by Germany in August, 1914, was the first operation of the Great War, but by holding out for 11 days with 30,000 men under Leman (q.v.) against 100,000 Germans it won not only deathless glory but sufficient time to allow France and Britain to prepare to stem the invading armies.

LIEGNITZ, a town in Silesia, 40 m. NW. of Breslau, where Frederick the Great gained a victory over the Austrians in 1760.

LIFEBOATS date from 1789, when Henry Greathead designed the type which has been largely followed in their construction; the Royal National Lifeboat Institution came into being in 1824, through the efforts of Sir William Hillary, and life-saving stations were established round the coast; motor-boats have now practically superseded the older sailing and rowing craft.

LIFEGUARDS, the first two of the three British regiments of household cavalry.

LIGHTFOOT, JOHN, Orientalist and divine, born in Stoke-upon-Trent, son of a clergyman, educated at Cambridge; took orders and was rector of Ashley, Staffordshire, till 1642; next year he was one of the most influential members of the Westminster Assembly; in 1652 he was made D.D., was Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge in 1653, and subsequently prebendary of Ely; one of England's earlier Hebrew scholars, the great work of his life was the "Hore Hebraice et Halmudice," published in large part posthumously (1602-1675).

LIGHTFOOT, JOSEPH BARBER, bishop of Durham, born in Liverpool; was a Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, was eminent among English scholars as a New Testament exegete, became bishop of Durham in 1879; died in Bournemouth (1828-1889).

LIGHT OIL, name given to the lowest boiling-point fraction obtained in the distillation of coal tar; the light oil products are benzene, toluene, and xylene.

LIGNITE, a dark brown coal of tertiary age, containing less than 50 per cent. of carbon and a considerable amount of moisture; it is of little value as fuel owing to its crumbling nature and the large amount of smoke it produces; it is used in Germany for the manufacture of briquettes; the largest English deposits are at Bovey Tracey in Devonshire.

LIGNY, a village 13 m. from Charleroi, where Napoleon defeated Blücher two days before the battle of Waterloo while Wellington and Marshal Ney were engaged at Quatre Bras.

LIGUORI, ST. ALPHEONSE MARIA DI, founder of the Redemptorists, born in Naples of a noble family; bred to the law, but devoted himself to a religious life, received holy orders, lived a life of austerity, and gave himself up to reclaim the lost and instruct the poor and ignorant; was a man of extensive learning, and found time from his pastoral labours to contribute extensively to theological literature, to the extent of 70 volumes; he was canonised in 1839; the order he founded is called by his own name as well (1696-1778).

LIGURIAN REPUBLIC, a name given by Bonaparte to the republic of Genoa, founded in 1797.

LI HUNG CHANG, an eminent and enlightened Chinese statesman; favourable to European culture and intercourse with Europe, he was sent as a special envoy to the Czar's coronation in 1896, and afterwards visited other countries in Europe, including Great Britain and the States and Canada (1823-1901).

LILBURN, JOHN, a victim of the Star-Chamber in the time of Charles I., and exposed on the pillory as well as fined and imprisoned for his pastoral labours as a Puritan and fought for the Commonwealth, but as an Independent indulged in violent harangues against Cromwell; as a leader of the Levellers (q.v.) was committed to the Tower, but on his release turned Quaker (1614-1657).

LILIENTHAL, OTTO, German aeronaut, who was the first man to show the advantage of cambered aeroplane wings and whose experiments with gliders enabled the Wright brothers to construct their machine; he died in a glider accident (1848-1896).

LILITH, or **LILIS**, the name of Adam's first wife, whom, according to Jewish tradition, he had before Eve, and who bore him in that wedlock the whole progeny of aerial, aquatic, and terrestrial devils, and who, it seems, still wanders about the world bewitching men to like issue and slaying little children not protected by amulets against her.

LILLE, chief town in the department of Nord, in the extreme N. of France, 60 m. inland from Calais, an ancient and very strong fortress, situated in a fertile district; the town, rebuilt in modern times, has a Catholic university, a medical school, library, and art gallery, and thriving industries, including linen, cotton, tobacco, sugar, and many others; was the scene of much fighting in the Great War.

LILLIPUT, a country inhabited by a very diminutive race of men not larger in size than a man's finger, visited by Gulliver in his travels.

LILLO, GEORGE, English dramatist, born in London, by trade a jeweller; wrote seven comedies, of which "The Fatal Curiosity" and "George Barnwell" are the best (1693-1739).

LILLY, WILLIAM, an English astrologer, born in Leicestershire, who made gain by his fortune-telling during the Commonwealth period especially, but got into trouble afterwards as a presumed mischief-maker (1602-1681).

LIMA, capital of Peru, 6 m. inland from Callao, its port, a picturesque city, 700 ft. above the sea-level, regularly built, with many plazas; has a cathedral and 70 churches; trade is in the hands of foreigners, mostly Germans, manufactures comprising pottery, iron, and copper utensils; it was founded by Pizarro, and his bones lie buried in the cathedral.

LIMBURG, in the basin of the Meuse, formerly a duchy, was after various fortunes divided in 1399 into Belgian Limburg, on the W. of the river, capital Hasselt, and Dutch Limburg, on the E., capital Maastricht; partly moorland and partly arable, it has coal, iron, sugar, and tobacco industries.

LIMBUS, or **LIMBO**, according to Catholic theologians a region on the confines of Hades tenanted, the *limbus patrum*, by the souls of good men who died before Christ's advent, and the *limbus infantium*, by the souls of unbaptised infants, both of whom await there the resurrection morn to join the ransomed in heaven.

LIMELIGHT, a bright light caused by directing an oxyhydrogen jet on a piece of compact quicklime.

Irish county on the S. of the Shannon estuary, between Tipperary and Kerry, watered by the Mulca, Maigue, and Deel; hilly in the S., is mostly fertile, and under corn and green crops; cattle are reared and dairy products exported; some woollens and paper manufactured. There are many antiquities. Limerick, the county town, on the Shannon, is the fourth Irish seaport, and manufactures army clothing, with bacon-curing and milling industries.

LIMITED LIABILITY, liability on the part of the shareholders of a joint-stock company limited to the amount of their shares.

LIMOGES, chief town of the dep. of Haute-Vienne, on the Vienne River, 250 m. S. of Paris; has a Gothic cathedral; is one of the chief manufacturing towns of France. Its porcelain and woollen cloths are widely famed; it has a large transit trade, and gives name to a fine kind of surface enamel, which was brought to perfection there.

LIMPOPO, or crocodile river, in South Africa; rises in mountain range in Transvaal and flows north and east to the borders of Matabeleland and Portuguese East Africa for a course of 1500 miles, entering the Indian Ocean a little north of Delagoa Bay.

LINCOLN, county town of its shire, on the Witham, 180 m. N. of London; is a very old and quaint city, with one of the finest cathedrals in England, and many historic buildings. Its annual cattle show is fair is among the largest in the world. It manufactures agricultural implements, and trades in flour. It stands on the Oolitic Ridge, and commands a wide view of the Trent Valley.

LINCOLN, ABRAHAM, sixteenth President of the United States, born near Hodgenville, Kentucky; spent his boyhood there and in the Indiana forests, and picked up some education in the backwoods schools; passed some years in rough work; was clerk in a store at New Salem, Illinois; became village postmaster and deputy county surveyor, and began to study law; from 1834 to 1842 he led the Whigs in the State legislature, and in 1846 entered Congress; he prospered as a lawyer, and almost left politics; but the opening of the slavery question in 1854 recalled him, and in a series of public debates with Stephen Douglas he established his reputation as debater and abolitionist; unsuccessful in his candidature for the Senate, he was nominated by the Republicans for the Presidency, and elected 1860; his election was the signal for the secession of the Southern States; Lincoln refused to recognise the secession, accepted the war, and prosecuted it with energy; on New Year's day, 1863, he proclaimed the emancipation of the negroes, and was re-elected President in 1864, but shortly after his second inauguration was assassinated by Wilkes Booth, the actor; he was a man of high character, straightforward, steadfast, and sympathetic (1809-1865).

LINCOLN'S INN. See **INNS OF COURT**.

LINCOLNSHIRE, maritime county in the E. of England, between the Humber and the Wash, next to Yorkshire in size, consists of upland country in the W., chalk downs in the E., and fens in the S., but these well reclaimed and cultivated. It is watered by the Trent, Witham, and Welland, and crossed by numerous canals. Iron abounds in the W.; sheep, cattle, and horses are raised. Grimsby is a shipping and fishing centre. Sir Isaac Newton and Lord Tennyson were born in the county, which has many historic associations.

LINCROSTA WATON, a plastic material invented by James Walton, capable of being moulded into raised patterns for decorating walls, &c.

LIND, JENNY (Madame Otto Goldschmidt), "the Swedish nightingale," born in Stockholm; giving evidence of her power of song in childhood, she was put under a master at nine; too soon put to practice in public, her voice at twelve showed signs of contracting, but after four years recovered its full power, when, appearing as Alice in "Robert le Diable," the effect was electric; henceforth her fame was established, and followed her over the world; in 1844 she made a round of the chief cities of Germany; made her first appearance in London in 1847, and visited New York in 1851, where she married, and then left the stage for good, to appear

only now and again at intervals for some charitable object; she was plain looking, and a woman of great simplicity both in manners and ways of thinking (1830-1887).

LINDERBERGH, CHARLES, American aviator. Born in Detroit of Swedish descent he started his flying on the mail route from Chicago to St. Louis. In May, 1927, he flew a monoplane from New York to Paris, the first solo flight across the Atlantic ever accomplished (1903-).

LINDLEY, JOHN, distinguished botanist, born near Norwich; wrote extensively on botany according to the natural system of classification, and did much to popularise the study; was professor of the science at University College, London (1799-1886).

LINDSAY, name of a Scottish family of Norman extraction; the first figures in Scottish history in the reign of David I.

LINDSAY, or LYNDSEY, SIR DAVID, OF THE MOUNT, Scottish poet, born at the Mount, near Cupar, Fife, at the grammar-school of which he was educated, as afterwards at St. Andrews University; was usher to James V. from his childhood, and knighted by him after he came of age; did diplomatic work in England, France, the Netherlands, and Denmark; is famous as the author of, among others, three poems, the "Satire of the Three Estates," "Dialogues between Experience and Courtesy," and the "History of Squire Meldrum," of which the first is the most worthy of note, and is divided into five parts, the main body of it a play of an allegorical kind instinct with conventional satire; without being a partisan of the Reformation, his works, from the satire in them being directed against the Church, contributed very materially to its reception in Scotland (1490-1555).

LINGA, a symbol in the phallus worship of the East of the male or generative power in nature. This worship prevails among the Hindu sect of the Givas or Sivars, and the symbol takes the form of the pistil of a flower, or an erect cylindrical stone.

LINGARD, JOHN, historian, born in Winchester, the son of a carpenter; besides a work on the "Antiquity of the Anglo-Saxon Church," wrote a "History of England from the Roman Invasion to the Reign of William III.," the first written that shows anything like scholarly accuracy, and fairly impartial, though the author's religious views as a Roman Catholic, it is alleged, distort the facts a little (1771-1851).

LINGUA FRANCA, a jargon composed of a mixture of languages used in trade intercourse, such as the "pidgin English" of the Chinese sea-board, but originally a corrupt form of Italian that was common to the coasts of the Mediterranean.

LINTLITHGOW, the county town of Lintlithgowshire, 16 m. W. of Edinburgh, on the S. shore of a loch of the name, with a palace, the birthplace of James V. and Mary, Queen of Scots; the county lying on the S. shore of the Forth, and rich in minerals.

LINNEÆUS, or more properly **LINNÉ, KARL VON** great Swedish naturalist, especially in the department of botany, a branch to the study of which he was devoted from his earliest years; he was the founder of the system of the classification of plants which bears his name, and which is determined by the number and disposition of the reproductive organs, but which is now superseded; he was professor at Upsala, and his works on his favourite subject were numerous, and extended far and wide his reputation as a naturalist (1707-1778).

LINNELL, JOHN, English painter, painted portraits at first, but in the end landscapes, of which last "The Windmill" and a wood scene are in the National Gallery; he was a friend and an admirer of William Blake (1792-1832).

LINOLEUM, a floorcloth, being a composition of cork dust and linseed oil with colouring matter.

LINZ, a town in Austria, on the Danube; a busy commercial place, a great railway centre, and the seat of the manufacture of woollen goods, linen, tobacco, &c.; is also of great strategical importance in time of war.

LION, THE, the king of animals, was the symbol of power, courage, and virtue, and in Christian art of the resurrection; is in general a royal symbol, and an emblem of dominion, command, magnanimity,

vigilance, and strength; in heraldry representing when *couchant* sovereignty, when *rampant* magnanimity, when *passant* resolution, when *guardant* prudence, when *salient* valour, when *sejant* counsel, and when *regardant* circumspection.

LION AND UNICORN, THE, the supporting figures of the British royal arms; the lion represents England and the unicorn Scotland; the arms were first used in 1603.

LIPARI ISLANDS, a group of islands of volcanic origin, 12 in number, off the N. coast of Sicily, two of which, Vulcano and Stromboli, the volcanic force is still active, the latter emitting clouds of steam at frequent intervals.

LIPPE, an old N. German principality, the principal towns of which are Detmold, Lemgo, and Horn.

LIPPI, FILIPPINO, Italian painter, son of the succeeding; is presumed to have been a pupil of Botticelli (*q.v.*); his earliest known work is the "Vision of St. Francis" in Florence, and he executed various works in Bologna, Genoa, and Rome; painted frescoes and altar-pieces, and scenes in the lives of St. Peter and St. Paul (1400-1504).

LIPPI, FRA FILIPPO, Italian painter, born in Florence; left an orphan, was brought up in a monastery, where his talent for art was developed and encouraged; went to Ancona, was carried off by pirates, but procured his release by his skill in drawing, and returning to Italy practised his art in Florence and elsewhere, till one day he eloped with a novice in a nunnery who sat to him for a Madonna, by whom he became the father of a son no less famous than himself; he prosecuted his art amid poverty with zeal and success to the last; distinguished by Ruskin (*For* xxiv. 4) as the only monk who ever did good painter's work; he had Botticelli for a pupil (1412-1490).

LIPSIUS, JUSTUS, an erudite Belgian scholar, with fast and loose religious principles; was the author of numerous learned works (1547-1579).

LIPSIUS, RICHARD ADOLPHUS, distinguished German theologian, born in Gera; professor in succession at Vienna, Kiel, and Jena; wrote on dogmatics, the philosophy of religion, and New Testament criticism (1830-1892).

LITTLE, SIR THOMAS, British business man and sportsman. He started shopkeeping in a small way in Glasgow after failing to make a successful career in America, and eventually built up a chain of shops throughout Britain. With the fortune he made he assisted charities, and took up yachting, making attempts to regain the America Cup (*q.v.*) with his *Shamrock*; he was knighted in 1898 (1860-).

LISBON, the capital of Portugal, a magnificent town, built on the N. bank of the Tagus, 9 m. from its mouth, extends along the banks of the river 9 m. and inland 5 m.; it boasts of an array of fine buildings and squares, a number of literary and scientific institutions, and a spacious harbour; is remarkable for a marble aqueduct which brings water more than 10 m. across the valley of Alcantara; the manufactures include tobacco, soap, wool, and chemicals, and the exports wine, oil, and fruits; it suffered from an earthquake of great violence in 1755, by which the greater part of the city was destroyed, and from 30,000 to 40,000 of the inhabitants were killed.

LISTER, JOSEPH, LORD, eminent surgeon, born in Upton, Essex; the founder of modern antiseptic surgery, and is as such reckoned among the world's greatest benefactors; was President of the British Association in 1890, and surgeon-extraordinary to Queen Victoria (1827-1912).

LISTON, ROBERT, a celebrated surgeon, born in Linlithgowshire; studied in Edinburgh and London; was distinguished as an operator; was professor of Clinical Surgery in University College, London, and author of "Elements of Surgery" and "Practical Surgery" (1794-1847).

LISZT, ABEL FRANZ, famous pianist and composer, a Hungarian by birth; born with a genius for music, his first efforts at composition were not successful, and it was not till he heard what Paganini made of the violin that he thought what might be made of the piano; he devoted himself to the culture of piano music, with the result that he not

only became the first pianist himself, but produced a set of compositions that had the effect of raising the art to the highest pitch of perfection; he was a zealous Catholic, and took holy orders; he spent the greater part of his life at Weimar, but he practised his art far and wide, and his last visit to England in 1886, the year in which he died, created quite a flutter in musical circles. The Hungarian Rhapsody is his most famous work (1811-1886).

LITANY, a form of supplication in connection with some impending calamity in which the prayer of the priest or officiating clergyman is responded to by the congregation.

LITHIUM, a light alkali metal resembling sodium and potassium in its properties; first prepared in the free state by Brandes in 1822.

LITHOSPHERE, geological term for the exterior portion of the earth's crust.

LITHUANIA, an independent State with an area of 20,000 sq. m., once a grand-duchy occupying portions of the valleys of the Dvina, Niemen, Dnieper, and Bug; for centuries connected with Poland, it passed to Russia in 1814. The Lithuanians are a distinct race of the Indo-European stock, fair and handsome, with a language of their own, the oldest in Europe, and a literature rich in folk-lore and songs. Of a strong religious temperament, they embraced Christianity late (13th century), and still retain many pagan superstitions; formerly serfs, they are now a humble peasantry engaged in agriculture, cattle-breeding, and bee-keeping. Kovno is the capital.

LITMUS, a blue colouring matter obtained from certain lichens; extensively used in chemical experiments to detect acids, which turn it red.

LITRE, a unit of volume in the metric system, equal to 1000 cubic centimetres or about 15 pints.

LITTLE CORPORAL, a name given to Bonaparte after the battle of Lodi from his small stature, he being only 5 ft. 2 in. in height.

LITTLE, EDWARD, these politicians who hold that English statesmen should concern themselves with England only and its internal affairs, and who are opposed to Imperial extension.

LITTLETON, SIR THOMAS, English jurist of the 15th century; was recorder of Coventry in 1450, judge of Common Pleas 1466, and knighted in 1475; his work on "Tenures" was the first attempt to classify the law of land rights, and was the basis of the famous "Coke upon Littleton"; *d.* 1481.

LITTRE, MAXIMILIEN PAUL EMILE, a celebrated French scholar, physician, philologist, and philosopher, born in Paris; wrote on medical subjects, and translated Hippocrates; was of the Positivist school in philosophy, and owes his fame chiefly to his "Dictionnaire de la Langue Française," published in 1863-1872, on which he spent forty years' labour (1801-1881).

LITURGY is sometimes used as including any form of public worship, but more strictly it denotes the form for the observance of the Eucharist. As development from the simple form of their institution in the primitive Church liturgies assumed various forms, and only by degrees certain marked types began to prevail; viz. the Roman, ascribed to St. Peter, in Latin, and prevailing in the Roman Catholic Church all over the world; the Ephesian, ascribed to St. John, in corrupt Latin, included the old Scottish and Irish forms, heard now only in a few places in Spain; the Jerusalem, ascribed to St. James, in Greek, the form of the Greek Church and in translation of the Armenians; the Babylonian, ascribed to St. Thomas, in Syriac, used still by the Nestorians and Christians of St. Thomas; and the Alexandrian, ascribed to St. Mark, in a Greco-Coptic jargon. In use among the Copts; these all contain certain common elements, but differ in order and in subsidiary parts; the Anglican liturgy is adapted from the Roman; other Protestant liturgies or forms of service are mostly of modern date and compiled from Scripture sources.

LIUTFRAND, Bishop of Cremona and chronicler at the court of Berengarius of Italy (922-972).

LIVERPOOL, the first seaport of Great Britain, in Lancashire, on the Mersey, 3 m. from the sea, formerly the chief seat of the slave interest in Britain; owed its present prosperity to the impulse

of the cotton trade at the end of the 18th century; progressing rapidly it has now docks stretching six miles along the Mersey, which receive a sixth of the tonnage that visits British ports; through it passes a large proportion of our foreign trade, including enormous imports of wheat and cotton and exports of cotton goods; it possesses shipbuilding and engineering works, iron-foundries, flour, tobacco, and chemical factories; the public buildings, town hall, exchange, colleges, and observatory are fine edifices; it was the native place of W. E. Gladstone.

LIVERPOOL, EARL OF ROBERT JENKINSON, English statesman, educated at Oxford; entered Parliament 1791, and as Foreign Secretary negotiated the peace of Amiens in 1802; becoming Lord Hawkesbury in 1803, he became Home Secretary under Pitt, and succeeded to the earldom in 1808; was War Secretary under Perceval in 1809, Premier from 1812 to 1827; he liberalised the tariff and maintained a sound finance, uniting and holding together the Tory party at a critical period (1770-1828).

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY, founded in 1803; as University College, Liverpool, previously formed a part of the federal Victoria University (q.v.); degrees are granted in arts, science, law, engineering, and medicine.

LIVERYMEN, name given to members of the several guilds or corporations of London and freemen of the city, so called as entitled to wear the livery belonging to their respective companies; they possess certain privileges of a civic character.

LIVINGSTONE, DAVID, African traveller and missionary, born in Blantyre, Lanarkshire; began life as a mill-worker, studied medicine and theology at Glasgow, and was sent out to Africa by the London Missionary Society in 1840, landed at Port Natal, and addressed himself to missionary work; moving north, he arrived at Lake Ntami in 1849, and ascending the Zambesi in 1853 arrived at Loanda next year; later on he explored the course of the Zambesi and its tributaries, discovered Lake Nyassa, and set himself to discover the sources of the Nile, but this expedition proved too much for him, and he died exhausted at a village to the south of Lake Bangweolo; his body was embalmed, brought home to England, and buried in Westminster Abbey (1813-1873).

LIVUS, TITUS (LIVY), illustrious Roman historian, born in Patavium (Padua); appears to have settled early in Rome and spent the most of his life there; his reputation rests on his "History of Rome from the Foundation of the City to the Death of Drusus," it consisted of 142 chapters, but of these only 30 remain entire and 5 in fragments, bequeathing to posterity his account of the early history of the city and of the wars with Hannibal (59 B.C.-17 A.D.).

LIVONIA, once a Russian Baltic province on the Gulf of Riga, now divided between Latvia and Estonia; is flat and marshy, and only moderately fertile; produces rye, barley, and potatoes; its chief industries are distilling, brewing, and iron-founding, and fishing; four-fifths of the population are Letts and Estonians, only 5 per cent. are Russian; the original Finnic Livonians are almost extinct; capital Riga.

LIVRAISON, part of a serial issued from time to time.

LLAMA, a South American animal of the camel family, usually of a white colour, though at times with brown or black markings; used as a pack animal by the natives.

LLANDUDNO, a watering-place at the foot of Great Ormes Head, Carnarvon, frequented by people from Yorkshire and Lancashire among other visitors.

LLANELLY, a manufacturing seaport in Carmarthenshire for shipping coal, iron, and copper.

LLANOS, vast level plains twice the size of Great Britain in the N. of South America, in the basin of the Orinoco, covered in great part with tall grass and stocked in the rainy season with herds of cattle; during the dry season they are a desert.

LORENTE, JUAN ANTONIO, Spanish historian, is the author of several works, but his celebrity is mainly due to his "History of the Spanish Inquisition," of which in 1789 he became the secretary (1786-1823).

LLOYD, 1ST BARON (Sir George). After leaving

Cambridge he travelled in the East and later became attaché at the British embassy at Constantinople. In the Great War he served in Egypt, Gallipoli, and Mesopotamia, becoming Governor of Bombay from 1918 to 1923; seven years an M.P., he was raised to the peerage in 1925, the year in which he was appointed High Commissioner for Egypt; he resigned in 1929 owing to disagreement with his government on questions of policy (1876-).

LLOYD GEORGE. See **GEORGE, RT. HON. DAVID LLOYD**.

LLOYD'S, once a part of the Royal Exchange, London, appropriated to the use of underwriters and for marine intelligence, frequented by those interested in merchant shipping; so called from Lloyd's Coffee-house, formerly the headquarters of marine insurance; it was moved in March, 1928, to new buildings in Leadenhall Street.

LOAD-LINE, line painted on the outside of a vessel to mark the extreme of immersion in loading her with a cargo.

LOADSTONE, or **LODESTONE**, an iron ore remarkable for its magnetic quality or power of attracting iron; it derived its name from its use as a leading stone in the compass for mariners.

LOBBY, THE, hall connected with a legislative assembly to which the public have access.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD, a department of state which supervised local government. Founded in 1871 to take over the work of the Poor Law Board, it was itself superseded in 1919 by the Ministry of Health (q.v.).

LOCAL OPTION, a method of dealing with the drink question, tried in Scotland and the U.S.A., whereby a two-thirds majority in any district can secure a compulsory prohibition of the sale of intoxicants in the district.

LOCARNO PACT, a treaty of mutual guarantee signed at Locarno in Oct. 1925 between Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, and Germany.

LOCHABER, a Highland district in the N. of Invernesshire, renowned for its beautiful glens, moors, and hills.

LOCHABER AXE, an axe with a broad blade and a long handle formerly in use among the Highlanders as a weapon.

LOCHIEL, the chief of the clan Cameron, the most notable being Sir Evan Cameron, who held out against William III. in the Highlands, but ultimately took the oath of allegiance; d. 1719.

LOCHINVAR, hero of a ballad in Scott's "Marmion," who carries off his sweetheart just as she is about to be sacrificed in marriage to another whom she loathes.

LOCHLEVEN, Scottish lake in Kinross-shire overshadowed by Benarty and the West Lothian, is 23 m. N.W. of Edinburgh; in a castle on one of its islands Mary Stuart was imprisoned 1567-1568; it is now famous for its trout.

LOCKE, JOHN, English philosopher, the father of modern materialism and empiricism, born in Wrington, Somerset; studied medicine, but did not practise it, and gave himself up to a literary life, much of it spent in the family of the celebrated Earl of Shaftesbury, both at home and abroad; his great work is his "Essay on the Human Understanding" in 1690, which was preceded by "Letters on Toleration," published before the expulsion of James II., and followed by the "Treatise on Government" the same year, and "Thoughts on Education" in 1693; his "Essay" was written to show that all our ideas were derived from experience, that is, through the senses, and reflection on what they reveal, and that there are no innate ideas (1632-1704).

LOCKHART, JOHN GIBSON, man of letters, born in Cambusethan; bred for the Scottish bar and practised at it; contributed to *Blackwood*, wrote in collaboration with John Wilson "Peter's Letters to his Kinsfolk"; married Sophia Scott, Sir Walter's daughter, in 1820, lived a good deal near Abbotsford, wrote some four novels and "Spanish Ballads," became editor of the *Quarterly* in 1825, and began in 1837 his "Life of Scott," his greatest work; died at Abbotsford, health broken and in much sorrow; his "Life" has been interestingly written by Andrew Lang (1794-1884).

LOCKSLEY, the name given to Robin Hood in Scott's "Ivanhoe," from the village in which the famous archer-outlaw was born.

LOCKYER, SIR JOSEPH NORMAN, astronomer, born in Rugby; became clerk in the War Office in 1857, was secretary to the Royal Commission on Scientific Instruction in 1870, and was transferred to the Science and Art Department in 1875; he directed Government eclipse expeditions to Sicily, India, Egypt, and the West Indies; in 1860 he became F.R.S., received the Society's Rumford medal in 1874, next year was appointed corresponding Member of the Institute of France and received the Janssen medal in 1891; he was knighted in 1897; he made important discoveries in spectrum analysis, and wrote several astronomical works; he discovered helium in the solar spectrum long before it was found on the earth by Sir William Ramsay (1836-1920).

LOCO-FOCOS, the name, which denotes lucifer-matches, given to an ultra-democratic or radical party in the United States because at a meeting on one occasion when the lights were extinguished, the matches which they carried were drawn and the lamps lit again.

LOCI, a people of ancient Greece of two distinct tribes occupying different districts of the country.

LODGE, SIR OLIVER JOSEPH, British scientist, professor at London and Liverpool and principal of the University of Birmingham; he carried out much research on physical subjects, especially in connection with electromagnetic waves and oscillators; his work laid the foundations for the later developments in radiotelegraphy; deeply interested in psychical research (1851-).

LODI, a town in Lombardy, 18 m. S.E. of Milan, on the Adda, famous for a signal victory of Bonaparte over the Austrians in 1796 in the face of a tremendous fire.

LOESS, a fine, porous earthy deposit covering large areas in China, Central Europe, and U.S.A.

LOEWES, GOTTFRIED, German composer; composed oratorios, operas, and pianoforte pieces; sang and played in London in 1847 (1796-1869).

LOFODEN ISLANDS, a rugged mountainous chain of islands on the N.W. Norwegian coast within the Arctic circle; afford pasture for sheep; the waters between them and the mainland are a rich cod-fishing ground, visited by thousands of boats between January and March.

LOGAN, JOHN, a Scottish poet, born in Soutra; was for a time minister in South Leith church, but was obliged to resign; was the author of a lyric, "The Braes of Yarrow" and certain of the Scottish paraphrases (1748-1788). See **BRUCE, MICHAEL**.

LOGARITHM of a number is the power to which a fixed number, called the base, must be raised to give that number; invented by John Napier (q.v.).

LOGIA, an alleged collection of the sayings of Jesus reputed to have been written by one or more of the Disciples; the existence of such documents was proved at the end of the last century by the discovery of two *logia* at Oxyrhynchus in Egypt.

LOGIC, the science of correct thinking or of the laws which regulate thought, called also dialectics; or in the Hegelian system "the scientific exposition and development of those notions or categories which underlie all things and all being."

LOGOS, an expression in St. John's gospel translated the Word (in chap. 1) to denote the manifestation of God, or God as manifested, defined in theology as the second person of the Deity, and viewed as intermediary between God as Father and God as Spirit.

LOG-ROLLING, mutual praise by authors of each other's work.

LOHENGRIN, hero of a German 13th-century poem; son of Parsifal, and a Knight of the Grail; carried by a swan to Brabant he delivered and married the Princess Elsa; subsequently returning from war against the Saracens, she asked him of his origin; he told her, and was at once carried back again by the swan. Wagner adapted the story in his opera "Lohengrin."

LOIRE, the largest river in France, 680 m., rises in the Cevennes, flows northwards to Orleans and westward to the Bay of Biscay, through a very

fertile valley which it often inundates. It is navigable for 560 m., but its lower waters are obstructed by islands and shoals; it is connected by canals with the Seine, Saône, and Brest Harbour. Also a department of France, drained by the Loire and Rhone and their tributaries; has important coal-fields and iron and lead mines; industries include silk, muslins, hardware, and machinery; capital, St. Etienne.

LOKI, in the Norse mythology, a primitive spirit of evil who mingles with the Norse gods, distinguished for his cunning and ensnaring ways, whose devices are only evil in appearance and are overruled for good.

LOLLARDS, originally a religious community established at Antwerp in 1300, devoted to the care of the sick and burial of the dead, and persecuted by the Church as heretics. Their name became a synonym for heretic, and was hence applied to the followers of Wycliffe in England and certain sectaries in Ayrshire.

LOMBARD, PETER, a famous schoolman, born in Lombardy in the 12th century, of poor parents; was a disciple of Abelard; taught theology at, and became bishop of, Paris; was styled the Master of Sentences, as author of a compilation of sentences from Augustine and other Church Fathers on points of Christian doctrine, long used as a manual in scholastic disputations.

LOMBARDS, a German people, settled at the beginning of the Christian era about the lower Elbe. In the 5th century we find them in Moravia, and a century later established a powerful people, between the Adriatic and the Danube. They invaded Italy in 568, and in three years had mastered the North, but abandoning their Arian faith they gradually became Italianised, and after the overthrow of their dynasty by Charlemagne in 774 they became merged in the Italians. From the 13th century Italian merchants, known as Lombards, from Lucca, Florence, Venice, and Genoa, traded largely in England as wood-dealers and bankers, whence the name Lombard Street, in London.

LOMBARDY, an inland territory of Northern Italy between the Alps and the Po, Piedmont, and Venetia. In the N. are Alpine mountains and valleys rich in pasturage; in the S. a very fertile, well irrigated plain, which produces cereals, rice, and subtropical plants. The culture of the silk-worm is extensive; there are textile and hardware manufactures. The chief towns are Milan, Pavia, and Como. Austrian in 1713, Napoleon made it part of the kingdom of Italy in 1805; it was restored to Austria in 1815, and finally again to Italy in 1859.

LOMBROSO, CESARE, Italian criminologist, born in Verona; made a special study of mental diseases and published important works on the scientific treatment of insanity with its relation to crime (1835-1909).

LOMOND, LOCH, an irregularly-shaped lake in Dumbarton and Stirling shires, 22 m. long and of varying breadth; contains a number of small wooded islands; on the eastern shore rises Ben Lomond to the height of 8192 ft.

LONDON, on the Thames, 50 m. from the sea, the capital of the British Empire, is the most populous and the wealthiest city in the world. An important place in Roman times, it was the cap. of the East Saxons, and has been the metropolis of England since the Norman Conquest; it possesses, therefore, innumerable historic buildings and associations. Often devastated by plague and fire, its progress has never been stayed; its population more than quadrupled itself last century. The City of London proper occupies one square mile in the centre, is wholly a commercial part, and is governed by an annually elected Lord Mayor and aldermen; is the seat of a bishopric, with St. Paul's for cathedral. The cities of London and Westminster, with twenty-five boroughs under local officers, constitute the metropolis, and since 1888 the county of London, and send 62 members to Parliament. Streets in the older parts are narrow, but newer districts are well built; the level ground and density of building detracts from the effect of innumerable magnificent edifices. Buckingham, Kensington, and St. James's are royal Palaces; the Houses of Parliament is the

... Gothic building in the world; St. Paul's, built by Sir Christopher Wren, contains the remains of Nelson and Wellington, Reynolds, Turner, and Wren himself. Westminster, consecrated 1269, is the burial-place of England's greatest poets and statesmen, and of many kings; the Royal Courts of Justice in the Strand were opened in 1882. London has a University, 700 colleges and endowed schools, among which Westminster, St. Paul's, and Dulwich are famous; many medical hospitals, and schools and charitable institutions of all kinds. It is the centre of the English literary and artistic world, and of scientific interest and research; here are the largest publishing houses, the chief libraries and art-galleries, and museums; the British Museum and Library, the National Gallery, &c., and magnificent botanical and zoological gardens. London is also a grand emporium of commerce, and the banking centre of the world. It has nine principal docks; its shipping trade is unrivalled; it pays more than half the custom duties of the kingdom, and handles more than a quarter of the total exports; its warehouse trade is second only to that of Manchester; it manufactures everything, chiefly watches, jewellery, leather goods, cycles, pianos, and glass. The control of traffic, the lighting, and water-supply of so large a city are causing yearly more serious problems.

LONDON, a town of Middlesex county, Ontario, near the S. end of the peninsula, in the middle of a fertile district, and a rising place.

LONDON BRIDGE, a bridge crossing the Thames from the City to Southwark. The first, a wooden one, was erected in 1200; the present stone bridge was opened in 1831 and was widened in 1903.

LONDON, TOWER OF, is claimed, without much evidence, to have been built by Julius Cæsar. The present White Tower was the work of William the Conqueror about 1078; from then until Tudor times it was a royal residence besides being used as a prison. The crown jewels are stored here.

LONDON, TREATY OF, the treaty which ended the first Balkan War (q.v.), signed in May, 1913.

LONDON UNIVERSITY, founded in 1826 and re-organised in 1900, numbers about 10,000 internal students; King's College, University College, and Goldsmith's College are integral parts of the University, while a number of other colleges are known as "Schools of the University" in certain faculties, including East London College, Royal Holloway College, Birkbeck College, London School of Economics, Wye Agricultural College, Imperial College of Science and Technology, and a number of theological colleges of various denominations, as well as the medical schools of hospitals; all the degrees of the University are open to external students; the University sends one member to Parliament.

LONDON, JACK, American novelist. Born in San Francisco, he went in his early days to the Klondyke, spent many years at sea, and became a tramp afterwards; before his death he published a number of popular adventure stories (1876-1916).

LONDONDERY, maritime county in Ulster, washed by Lough Foyle and the Atlantic, surrounded by Donegal in the W., Tyrone in the E., and Antrim in the W., and waters by the Foyle, Bog, and Bann Rivers; somewhat hilly towards the E., is largely under pasture; the cultivated parts grow oats, potatoes, and flax; granted to the Corporation and Guild of London in 1609, a large part of the land is still owned by them. The county town, Londonderry, manufactures linen shirts, whisky, and iron goods, and does a considerable shipping trade. Its siege by the troops of James II. in 1689 is memorable.

LONG, GEORGE, a distinguished classical scholar, born in Lancashire; became professor of Greek in London University; edited several useful works, among others the Penny Cyclopaedia, on which he spent 11 years of his life (1800-1879).

LONG ISLAND, a long, narrow island, 115 m. long by from 12 to 24 m. broad, belonging to New York State, off the shores of New York and Connecticut, from which it is separated by the East River and Long Island Sound. It is low, much of it forest and sandy waste land, with great lagoons in the S. The chief industry is market-gardening; fisheries

and oyster-beds are valuable. Principal towns, Brooklyn, Long Island City, and Flushing.

LONG PARLIAMENT, the celebrated English Parliament which assembled November 3, 1640, and was dissolved by Cromwell April 30, 1653; it was afterwards restored, and did not finally cease till March 16, 1680.

LONG TOM COFFIN, a character in Fenimore Cooper's novel "The Pilot," and of wider celebrity than any of the sailor class.

LONGCHAMP, a racecourse on the W. side of the Bois du Boulogne, Paris.

LONGCHAMP, WILLIAM DE, a low-born Norman favourite of Richard I., made by him bishop of Ely; became Justiciar of England in 1190, and Papal Legate 1191; clever, energetic, just, and faithful, he yet incurred dislike by his ambition and arrogance, and was banished to Normandy; his energy in gathering the money for Richard's ransom restored him to favour, and he became Chancellor; d. 1197.

LONGFELLOW, HENRY WADSWORTH, American poet, born in Portland, Maine; after studying on the Continent became professor of Modern Languages in Harvard University; wrote "Hyperion," a romance in prose, and a succession of poems, as well as lyrics, among the former "Evangeline," "The Golden Legend," "Hiawatha," and "Miles Standish" (1807-1882).

LONGINUS, DIONYSIUS CASSIUS, learned Greek philosopher, rhetorician, and critic, and eminent in all three departments, being in philosophy a Platonist of pure blood; his fame as a teacher reached the ears of Zenobia, the queen of Palmyra, and being invited to her court he became her political adviser as well as the educator of her children, but on the surrender of the place he was beheaded by order of the Emperor Aurelian as a traitor; he wrote several works, but the only one that survives to some extent is his "Treatise on the Sublime," translated by Boileau (210-273).

LONGMANS, famous and oldest publishing house in London; founded by Thomas Longman of Bristol in 1726; has been associated with the production of Johnson's "Dictionary," Lindley Murray's "Grammar," the works of Wordsworth, Southey, Coleridge, and Scott, and Macaulay's "Lays," "Essays," and "History."

LÖNNROT, ELIAS, a great Finnish scholar, born in Nyland; was professor at Helsingfors; was editor of ancient Finnish compositions, and author of a Finnish-Swedish Dictionary (1802-1884).

LOOS, village in the department of Pas-de-Calais, France, 3 m. from Lens. It was the scene of severe fighting in 1915, when British and French troops captured it from the Germans.

LOPE DE VEGA. See **VEGA**.

LORD OF THE ISLES, assumed title of Donald, a chief of Islay, who in 1346 reduced the whole of the Western Isles under his authority, and borne by his successors, and, as some allege, his ancestors as well; it is now one of the titles of the Prince of Wales.

LORDS, HOUSE OF, the second chamber of the British legislature, consisting of the two Archbishops, Dukes, Marquesses, Earls, Viscounts, 24 Bishops and the Barons. It first met in 1265, was abolished by the House of Commons for two months in 1649, and had its powers curtailed in 1911 by the Parliament Act (q.v.).

LORD'S, a cricket ground at St. John's Wood, London, the headquarters of the Marylebone Cricket Club, the ruling authority of the game, and of the Middlesex county club. Originally opened by Thomas Lord in 1787 in Dorset Square, the ground was moved in 1827 to its present site, the old turf being used.

LORELEI, a famous steep rock, 480 ft. high, on the Rhine, near St. Goar, on which it was said a siren sat combing her hair and singing to lure boatmen to ruin; the subject of an exquisite Volkslied by Heine.

LORETTO, a city in Italy, 14 m. S.E. of Ancona; celebrated as the site of the Santa Casa (q.v.), and for the numerous pilgrims who annually resort to the holy shrine.

L'ORIENT, a seaport in Morbihan; contains the principal shipbuilding yard in France; was founded by the French East India Company in 1664 in connection with their trade in the East.

LORNE, MARQUIS OF, eldest son of the 8th Duke of Argyll; entered Parliament in 1868; married Princess Louise, fourth daughter of Queen Victoria, in 1871; became Governor-General of Canada in 1878, member of Parliament for South Manchester in 1895, Governor of Windsor Castle. Afterwards 9th Duke of Argyll (1845-1914).

LORRANE, a district in France, between Metz and the Vosges; belonged originally to Germany, became French in 1766, was restored to Germany in 1871, and to France in 1919.

LORRANE, CLAUDE. See **CLAUDE OF LORRAINE**.
LOS ANGELES, a city in South California, 345 m. E.E. of San Francisco, and founded in 1781; is the centre of the American film industry, a great orange-growing district, and a health resort.

LOST TRIBES, the ten tribes of the race of Israel whom the Assyrians carried off into captivity (see 2 Kings xvii. 6), and of whom all trace has been lost, and only in recent years guessed at, some maintaining that the British race, or Anglo-Celtic peoples, are descended from them.

LOTHAIRE, the name of two emperors of the Holy Roman Empire: **L. I.** (795-855); **L. II.** (1075-1137).

LOTHARIO, a young nobleman, a character in Rowe's play "The Fair Penitent" (1703); a synonym for a libertine.

LOTHIANS, THE, a Scottish district which embraces the counties of Haddington, Edinburgh, and Linlithgow.

LOTI, PIERRE, pen-name of Louis Marie Julien Viaud, French novelist. He went to sea at 14, and the sea and the East were the main theme of his novels, of which the best-known is "Madame Chrysanthème" (1850-1923).

LOTUS EATERS, or **LOTOFAGI**, an ancient people inhabiting a district of Cyrenaica, on the N.E. coast of Africa, who lived on the fruit of the lotus-tree, from which they made wine. Ulysses and his companions in their wanderings landed on their shores, but the soothing influence of the lotus fruit so overpowered them with languor that they felt no inclination to leave, or any more a desire to pursue the journey homewards. See Tennyson's poem "The Lotus-eaters."

LOTZE, RUDOLF HERMANN, German philosopher, born in Bautzen, in Saxony; professor successively at Göttingen and Berlin; believed in metaphysics as well as physics, and was versed in both; "Microcosmus" is his principal work, published in 1864; he founded the system of "teleological idealism," based on ethical considerations; he repudiated agnosticism, and had as little patience with a mere mechanical view of the universe as Carlyle (1817-1881).

LOUDON, JOHN CLAUDIUS, botanist and horticulturist, born in Cambuslang, Lanarkshire; wrote largely on plants and their cultivation, and an "Arboretum" on trees and shrubs (1783-1843).

LOUIS I., LE DEBONNAIRE (i.e. the Gentle), was king of France from 814 to 840 in succession to his father Charlemagne, but was too meek and lowly to rule, and sifter for a monk than a king; suffered himself to be taken advantage of by his nobles and the clergy; was dethroned by his sons, and compelled to retire into a cloister, from which he was twice over brought forth to stay the ravages of their enemies; he divided his kingdom among them during his lifetime, and bequeathed it to them to guard over it when he was gone, to its dismemberment (778-840).

LOUIS VI., LE GROS (i.e. the Fat), was son of Philip I.; was associated in the royal power with his father from 1098 to 1108, and sole king from 1108 till 1137; in his struggle against the great vassals he, by the help of the clergy and the bourgeois, centralised the government in the crown; had trouble with Henry I. of England as Lord Superior of Normandy, and was defeated by him in battle in 1119; under his reign the bourgeois achieved their independence, and though he did nothing to initiate the movement he knew how to profit from

the achievement in the interest of the monarchy (1078-1137).

LOUIS VII., THE YOUNG, son of the preceding, married Eleanor of Aquitaine; took part in the second crusade; on his return divorced his queen for her profligacy in his absence, who married Henry II. of England, and brought with her as dowry to Henry the richest provinces of France, which gave rise to the Hundred Years' War (1120-1180).

LOUIS VIII., THE LION, son of Philip Augustus; offered by the barons of England the crown of England, he was crowned at London in 1216, but defeated at Lincoln next year, he was obliged to recross the Channel; became king of France in 1223; he took several towns from the English, and conducted a crusade against the Albigenses (1187-1226).

LOUIS IX., SAINT LOUIS, son of the preceding; was a minor at the death of his father, and the country was governed by his mother, Blanche of Castile, with a strong hand; on attaining his majority he found himself engaged with the English under Henry, who had been called on to assist certain of the great barons in revolt, but in 1242 he defeated them in three engagements; under a vow he made during a dangerous illness he became a crusader, and in 1249 landed in Egypt with 40,000 men, but in an engagement was taken prisoner by the Saracens; released in 1250 on payment of a large ransom, though he did not return home for two years after, till bearing of the death of his mother, who had been regent during his absence; on his return he applied himself to the affairs of his kingdom and the establishment of the royal power, but undertaking a second crusade in 1270, he got as far as Tunis, where a plague broke out in the camp, and he became one of the victims; he was an eminently good and pious man, and was canonised by Boniface VIII. in 1297 (1215-1270).

LOUIS XI., son of Charles VII., born in Bourges, of a cruel and treacherous nature, took part in two insurrections against his father, by whom he had been pardoned after the first and from whom, after the second, he had to flee for refuge to Burgundy, where he remained till his father's death in 1461; he signalled the commencement of his reign by severe measures against the great vassals, which provoked a revolt, headed by the Dukes of Burgundy and Bretagne, which he succeeded in subduing more by his crafty policy than force of arms; involved afterwards in a war with Charles the Bold of Burgundy, and soliciting an interview, he was discovered by Charles to have been sowing treason among his subjects, was taken prisoner, and only released on a solemn protestation of innocence; notwithstanding the sinister and often cruel character of his policy, he did much to develop the resources of the country and advance the cause of good government by the patronage of learning; the crimes he had committed weighed heavily on his mind towards the end of his days, and he died in great fear of death and the judgment (1423-1483).

LOUIS XIII., the son of Henry IV.; being only nine years old at the death of his father, the government was conducted by Marie de' Medici, his mother, and at his accession the country was a prey to civil dissensions, which increased on the young king's marriage with a Spanish princess; the Huguenots rose in arms, but peace was concluded in 1623; it was now that Richelieu came to the front to assume the reins with his threefold policy of taming the nobles, checkmating the Huguenots, and humbling the house of Austria; Rochelle, the headquarters of the Huguenots, revolted, the English assisting them, but by the strategy adopted the city was taken and the English driven to sea; henceforth the king was a nonentity and the cardinal was supreme; the latter died in 1642 and the king the year after, leaving two sons, Louis, who succeeded him, and Philip, Duke of Orleans and the first of his line (1601-1643).

LOUIS XIV., the "Grand Monarque," son of the preceding; when he succeeded to the throne of France the government was in the hands of his mother, Anne of Austria, and Cardinal Mazarin, her minister; under the regency the glory of France was

maintained in the field, but her internal peace was disturbed by the insubordination of the parlement and the troubles of the Fronde; by a compact on the part of Mazarin with Spain before he died Louis was married to the Infanta Maria Theresa in 1659, and in 1660 he announced his intention to rule the kingdom alone, which he did for 54 years with a decision and energy no one gave him credit for, in fulfilment of his famous protestation *L'état, c'est moi*, choosing Colbert to control finance, Louvois to reorganise the army, and Vauban to fortify the frontier towns; he sought to be as absolute in his foreign relations as in his internal administration, and hence the long succession of wars, which, while they brought glory to France, ended in exhausting her; at home he suffered no one in religious matters to think otherwise than himself: he revoked the Edict of Nantes, sanctioned the dragonnades in the Cévennes, and to extirpate heresy encouraged every form of cruelty; yet when we look at the men who adorned it, the reign of Louis XIV. was one of the most illustrious in letters and the arts in the history of France: Corneille, Racine, and Molière eminent in the drama, La Fontaine and Boileau in poetry, Bossuet in oratory, Bruyère and Rochefoucauld in morals, Pascal in philosophy, Saint-Simon and Retz in history, and Fomsein, Lorraine, Lebrun, Perault, &c. in art (1638-1715).

LOUIS XV. *Bien-aimé* (i.e. Well-Beloved), great-grandson of the preceding, and only five at his death, the country during his minority being under the regency of Philip, Duke of Orleans; the regency was rendered disastrous by the failure of the Mississippi Scheme of Law (q.v.) and a war with Spain, caused by the rejection of a Spanish princess for Louis, and by his marriage to Maria Leszcynski, the daughter of Stanislas of Poland; Louis was crowned king in 1722 and declared of age the following year; in 1728 Cardinal Fleury, who had been his tutor, became his minister, and under him occurred the war of the succession to Poland, concluded by the treaty of Vienna, and the war of the Austrian succession, ended by the treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle; with the death of his minister Louis gave way to his licentious propensities, and in all matters of state allowed himself to be swayed by unworthy favourites who pandered to his lusts, the most conspicuous among them being Madame de Pompadour and Dami du Barry, her successor; under them, and the corrupt court they presided over, the country went step by step to ruin, and she was powerless to withstand the military ascendancy of England, which deprived her of all her colonies both in the East and in the West; though Choiseul, his last "substantial" minister, tried hard by a family compact of the Bourbons to collect her scattered strength, the situation did not trouble Louis: "It will last all my time," he said, and he let things go; suffering from a disease contracted by vice, he was seized with confluent smallpox, and died in misery, to the relief of the nation, which was rapidly tending towards revolution (1710-1774).

LOUIS XVI. the grandson of the preceding and his successor; had in 1770 married Marie Antoinette, the youngest daughter of Maria Theresa of Austria, and a woman young, beautiful, and accomplished, in high esteem for the purity of her character; his accession was hailed with enthusiasm, and he set himself to restore the ruined finances of the country by taking into his counsel those who could best advise him in her straitened state, but these one and all found the problem an impossible one, owing to the unwillingness of the nobility to sacrifice any of their privileges for the public good; this led to the summoning of the States-General in 1789, and the outbreak of the Revolution by the fall of the Bastille in July of that year; in the midst of this Louis, well-intentioned but without strength of character, was submissive to the wishes of his court and the queen, lost his popularity by his hesitating conduct, the secret support he gave to the Emigrants (q.v.), his attempt at flight, and by his negotiations with foreign enemies, and subjected himself to persecution at the hands of the nation; he was therefore suspended from his functions, shut up in the Temple, arraigned before the Convention, and condemned to death as "guilty of conspiracy against

the liberty of the nation and a crime against the general safety of the State"; he was accordingly guillotined on January 21; he protested his innocence on the scaffold, but his voice was drowned by the beating of drums; he was accompanied by the Abbé Edgeworth, his confessor, who, as he laid his head on the block, exclaimed, "Son of St. Louis, ascend to heaven" (1754-1793).

LOUIS XVII. second son of the preceding, shut up in the Temple, was, after the execution of his mother, proclaimed king by the Emigrants, and handed over in his prison to the care of one Simon, a shoemaker, in service about the prison, to bring him up in the principles of Sansculottism; Simon taught him to drink, dance, and sing the *carminade*; he died in prison "amid squalor and darkness," but the mystery of his fate gave rise to several impostures (1785-1796).

LOUIS XVIII. brother of Louis XVI., and called Monsieur during his brother's reign, flew from Paris and joined the Emigrants with his brother, Count d'Artois, and took up arms, which he was compelled to forgo, to wander from one foreign court to another and find refuge at last in England; on Napoleon's departure for Elba he returned to France and was installed on the throne as *Louis le Désiré*, but by the reappearance of the former on the scene he was obliged to seek refuge in Belgium, to return for good after the battle of Waterloo, July 9, 1815, with Talleyrand for minister and Fouché as minister of police; he reigned but a few years, his constitution being much enfeebled by disease (1755-1824).

LOUIS NAPOLEON (Napoleon III.), nephew of the first emperor, born at Paris, brought up at Augsburg and in Switzerland; became head of the family in 1832; he began a Bonapartist propaganda, and set himself to recover the throne of France; an abortive attempt in 1836 ended in a short exile in America and London, and a second at Boulogne in 1840 landed him in the fortress of Ham under sentence of perpetual imprisonment; escaping in 1846 he spent two years in England, returning to France after the Revolution of 1848; elected to the Constituent Assembly and the same year to the Presidency, he assumed the headship of the Republic, and posed as the protector of popular liberties and national prosperity; struggles with the Assembly followed; he won the favour of the army, filled the most important posts with his friends, dissolved the Constitution in 1851 (Dec. 2), was immediately re-elected President for ten years, and a year later assumed the title of Emperor; he married the Spanish Countess Eugénie in 1853, and exerted himself by public works, exhibitions, courting of the clergy, gagging of the press, and so on to strengthen his hold on the populace; in the Crimean War (1854-1856) and the Lombardy campaign (1859) he was supported by Britain; in 1860 he annexed Savoy and Nice; ten years later, suspecting the enthusiasm of the army, he plunged into war with Germany to rekindle its ardour, on a protest arising from the scheme to put Leopold of Hohenzollern on the Spanish throne; France was unprepared, disaster followed disaster; the Emperor surrendered to the Germans at Sedan, Sept. 2, 1870; a prisoner till the close of the war, he came to England in 1871 and resided with the Empress at Chislehurst till his death (1808-1873).

LOUIS PHILIPPE, king of the French from 1830 till 1848, born at Paris, eldest son of the Duke of Orleans, renounced his title with his father, and joined the National Guard and the Jacobins at the Revolution as M. Egalité; after the death of Neerwinden, 1793, where he commanded the centre, he fled to Austria and Switzerland and supported himself by teaching; after three years in the United States he came to London in 1800, and on the fall of Napoleon repaired to Paris and recovered his estates; he gained popularity with the *bourgeoisie*, and when the Revolution of July, 1830, overthrew Charles X. he succeeded to the throne as the elected sovereign of the people; under the "citizen king" France prospered; but his government gradually became reactionary and violent; he used his great wealth in giving bribes, tampered with trial by jury and the freedom of the press, and so raised against him

both the old aristocracy and the working-classes; political agitation culminated in the Revolution of February, 1848; he was forced to abdicate and escaped with his queen to England, where he died (1778-1850).

LOUIS-D'OR, an old French gold coin which ranged in value from 16s. 7d. to 18s. 9d., and ceased to be issued in 1795.

LOUISIANA, an American State on the Gulf of Mexico, between the Mississippi and Sabine Rivers, with Arkansas on the N. and traversed diagonally by the Red River, is half upland and half alluvial; much of the lower level in the S. is marshy, subject to tidal flow or river inundation, and was covered by swampy woods, which have been reclaimed and planted with rice; on the uplands cattle are grazed, there are pine and oak forests, while the arable land is under tobacco, cotton, sugar, oranges, and figs, the principal manufactures are shingles and tanks, cotton-seed oil, and clothing; there is a State University and an agricultural and mechanical college at the capital, Baton Rouge; the Southern and Tulane Universities are in New Orleans; free schools are throughout the State. Founded by France, but held by Spain from 1762 till 1800, ceded again to France and sold to the United States by Napoleon, it was admitted to the Union in 1812. In the Civil War a hundred battles were fought within the State and New Orleans was captured, which left ruin behind; but after 1880 prosperity returned.

LOUISVILLE, on the left bank of the Ohio River, the largest city in Kentucky, is well built and regular, with a Roman Catholic cathedral, many colleges and charitable institutions; it is the largest tobacco market in the world, has pork-packing, tanning, and many other industries.

LOURDES, a French town in the dep. of the Hautes-Pyrénées, with a grotto near by in which the Virgin Mary, as is alleged, appeared to a girl of the place in 1858, and to which multitudes have since resorted in the hope of being healed of their maladies from the waters which spring up on the spot.

LOUTH, of the smallest Irish county, in Lougher, stretches from Carrigford Bay to the estuary of the Boyne, washed by the Irish Sea; the country is flat and the soil fertile, potatoes, oats, and barley being grown; there are coarse linen manufactures and oyster fisheries; rich in antiquities, its chief towns are Dundalk, Drogheda, and Ardee.

LOUVAIN, town on the River Dyle, Belgium, 19 m. from Brussels. Brewing and lace manufacture are the chief industries; the town is famous for its university, old churches, and hôtel de ville of the 16th century. In August, 1914, German troops entered the town, burnt whole streets, the cathedral and university library, with many valuable books and manuscripts, and massacred many of the inhabitants.

L'OUVERTURE. See **TOUSSAINT L'OUVERTURE**.
LOUVET, French romancer, born in Paris; author of the "Chevalier de Faublas," which gives a picture of French society on the eve of the Revolution, in which the author played a part (1760-1797).

LOUVOIS, MARQUIS DE, War Minister of Louis XIV., born in Paris; was a man of great administrative ability in his department, organised a standing army and established the Hôtel des Invalides in Paris; for the glory of France and himself was savage for war and relentless in the conduct of it, till one day in his obstinate zeal, as he threatened to lay the cathedral city of Trèves in ashes, the king, seizing the tongs from the chimney, was about to strike him therewith, had not Madame de Maintenon, his mistress, interposed and stayed his hand; he died suddenly, to the manifest relief of his royal master (1641-1691).

LOUVRE, an open turret or lantern on ancient roofs for the escape of smoke or foul air.

LOUVRE, THE, a great art museum and gallery in Paris, containing Egyptian, Assyrian, classic, mediæval, and modern relics and art treasures of priceless value; here is housed the Venus of Milo; was formerly a royal palace, being converted to its present use after the Revolution of 1789.

LOVAT, SIMON FRASER, LORD, a Highland chief connected with Inverness, who, being outlawed, fled to France and got acquainted with the Pre-

tender, in whose interest he returned to Scotland to excite a rising, but betraying the secret to the government, was imprisoned in the Bastille on his going back to France; on his release and return he opposed the Pretender in 1715; but in 1745 espoused the cause of Prince Edward; was arrested for treason, convicted, and beheaded on Tower Hill (1667-1747).

LOVEDALE, a mission station in South Africa, 650 m. N.E. of Cape Town, founded in 1841, and supported by the Free Church of Scotland.

LOVELACE, one of the principal characters in Richardson's "Clarissa Harlowe"; is the type of a young heartless seducer.

LOVELACE, RICHARD, English cavalier and poet, born in Woolwich, heir of great wealth, but lost his all in supporting the royal cause, and died a ruined man; was the handsomest man of his time, and the author of a collection of poems entitled "Lucrecia" (1618-1658).

LOVER, SAMUEL, an Irish novelist and poet, born in Dublin; started as a painter, but soon gave himself to literature; was the author of "Rory O'More" and "Handy Andy," as also of some lyrics and ballads of a stirring character (1797-1868).

LOW CHURCH, that section of the Church of England which, in contrast with the High Church party, is not exclusive in its assertion of Church authority and observances, and in contrast with the Broad Church party is narrowly evangelical in its teaching.

LOW LATIN, Latin as spoken and written in the Middle Ages, being a degeneration of the classical which began as early as the time of Cicero and developed unchecked with the dismemberment of the Roman empire.

LOW MASS, mass performed by a single priest and without musical accompaniment.

LOW SUNDAY, name given in Catholic countries to the next Sunday after Easter, in contrast with the style of the festival just closed.

LOW TEMPERATURE CARBONISATION, a process of carbonising coal at temperatures less than half those needed in the normal coke oven process. Smokeless fuel and oil are the chief products of the process and gas is only obtained in relatively small quantities.

LOWE, SIR HUDSON, English general, born in Ireland; served with credit in various military enterprises, and was appointed governor of St. Helena in 1815, and held that office during Napoleon's incarceration there; a much abused man for his treatment of his prisoner, particularly by the French, who dub him "Napoleon's Jailer"; died in London in poor circumstances; wrote a defence of his conduct (1769-1844).

LOWELL, JAMES RUSSELL, American essayist, poet, and diplomatist, born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, son of a clergyman; graduated at Harvard in 1838, studied law, but acquiring extensive scholarship devoted himself to literature; volumes of poems were published by him in 1840 and 1844, but the Mexican War of 1846 and the Civil War of 1861-1865 called forth respectively the first and second series of the "Biglow Papers," in rustic dialect, the highest expression of his genius and the finest modern English satire; he was an ardent abolitionist; succeeding Longfellow in the chair of Modern Languages and Literature in Harvard in 1855, he visited Europe to study, returned as U.S. minister to Spain in 1877, was transferred to England 1880-1885; of his prose work "My Study Windows" and "Among my Books" are essays on literary subjects, "Fireside Travels" contains reminiscences, and his last work was a "Life of Hawthorne"; he died in Cambridge in the house of his birth (1819-1891).

LOWER EMPIRE, name given to the Byzantine empire.

LOWESTOFT, seaport and watering-place at the mouth of the Waveney, in Suffolk, 120 m. N.E. of London, the most easterly town in England; has a good harbour, an old parish church, and a large fish-market; the Dutch were defeated off Lowestoft in 1665.

LOWTH, ROBERT, a distinguished English prelate, born in Hants; was professor of Poetry in Oxford,

and bishop in succession of St. Davids, Oxford, and London; wrote "Psalteries" on the poetry of the Hebrews, a celebrated work, and executed a translation of Isaiah (1710-1787).

LOYOLA, IGNATIUS, the founder of the Order of the Jesuits, born in the castle of Loyola, in the Basque Province of Spain, of a noble Spanish family; entered the army, and served with distinction, but being severely wounded at the siege of Pampluna, he gave himself up to a life of austere religious devotion, and conceived the idea of enlisting and organizing a spiritual army for the defence of the Church at home and the propagation of the faith in the realms of heathendom; it seemed to him a time when such an organization should be formed, and with a number of kindred spirits, on Ascension Day, 1534, he solemnly pledged himself in the subterranean chapel of the Abbey of Montserrat to embark in this great undertaking; the pledge thus given was confirmed by Pope Pius III., the Order formed, and Ignatius, in 1547, installed as general, with absolute authority, subject only to the Pope; he was canonized by Gregory XV. in 1622; festival day, July 31 (circ. 1492-1556).

LUBECK, a German free city on the Trave, an old-fashioned place, but with wide, open streets, 12 m. from the Baltic, 40 m. N.E. of Hamburg; joined the North German Federation in 1866, and the Customs Union in 1868. It has a 12th-century cathedral, some fine old churches, scientific and art collections; with unimportant industries, its Baltic and German transit trade is extensive.

LUCAN, a Latin poet, born in Corduba (Cordova), in Spain; was a nephew of Seneca, and brought early to Rome; gave offence to Nero as a rival poet, and was banished from the city; joined a conspiracy against the tyrant, and was convicted, whereupon he caused his veins to be opened and bled to death, repeating the while the speech he had composed of a wounded soldier on the battlefield dying a like death; he was the author of a poem entitled "Pharsalia," on the civil war between Caesar and Pompey (39-65).

LUCARIS, CYRIL, eminent ecclesiastical in the Greek Church, born in Crete, who embraced and propagated Protestantism; became a victim of persecution, and had a mysterious fate (1572-1638).

LUCCA, cap. of the Italian prov. of Lucca, on the Serchio, 12 m. N.E. of Pisa; has an extensive trade in olive-oil, silk, and capers, the specialty of the province. Its cathedral has a very ancient cedar crucifix, fine paintings, and valuable archives. There are other ancient churches, scientific and artistic institutes, and a wonderful aqueduct of 459 arches.

LUCCERNE, a Swiss canton E. of Berne, mountainous in the S., where cattle are pastured and much cheese made; in the N. and in the valleys fertile, with corn and fruit crops; is German-speaking, and Roman Catholic; its highest elevation, Mount Pilatus, is 6996 ft. Stretching from the eastern corner is Lake Lucerne, one of the most beautiful in Europe. The cap., Lucerne, on the shores of the lake, is a busy tourist centre; outside its walls is the famous Lion of Lucerne, designed by Thorwaldsen, in memory of the Swiss Guard slain while defending the Tulleries in Paris in 1792, and out of the solid rock.

LUCIAN, a Greek writer, born in Samosata, in Syria, in the early part of the 2nd century; he travelled much in his youth; acquired a cynical view of the world, and gave himself to ridicule the philosophical sects and the pagan mythology; his principal writings consist of "Dialogues," of which the "Dialogues of the Dead" are the best known, the subject being one affording him scope for exposing the vanity of human pursuits; he was an out and out sceptic, finding nothing worthy of reverence in heaven or on earth.

LUCIFER (i.e. light-bringer), name given to Venus as the morning star, and by the Church Fathers to Satan in interpretation of Isaiah xiv. 12.

LUCKE, GOTTFRIED FRIEDRICH, German theologian, professor first at Bonn and then at Göttingen; wrote commentaries on John's Gospel and the Apocalypse (1791-1855).

LUCKNOW, fourth city in India, cap. of the prov. of Oudh, on the Gumbul, a tributary of the Ganges, 200 m. N.W. of Benares; is a centre of Indian culture and Mohammedan theology, an industrial and commercial city. It has many magnificent buildings, Canning and Martinire Colleges, various schools, and Government offices. It manufactures brocades, shawls, muslins, and embroideries, and trades in country products, European cloth, salt, and leather. Its siege from July, 1857, to March, 1858, its relief by Havelock and Outram, and final deliverance by Sir Colin Campbell, form the most stirring incidents of the Indian Mutiny.

LUCRETIA, a Roman matron, the wife of Collatinus, whose rape by a son of Tarquinius Superbus led to the dethronement of the tyrant, the expulsion of his family from Rome, and the establishment of the Roman republic.

LUCRETIUS, TITUS CARUS, a Roman poet of whose personal history nothing is known, only that he was the author of a poem entitled "De Rerum Natura," a philosophic, didactic composition in six books, in which he expounds the atomic theory of Leucippus, and the philosophy of Epicurus; the philosophy of the work commends itself only to the atheist and the materialist, but the style is the admiration of all scholars, and has ensured its translation into most modern languages (circ. 98-55 B.C.).

LUCULLUS, LUCIUS, a Roman general, celebrated as conqueror of Mithridates, king of Pontus, and for the luxurious life he afterwards led at Rome on the wealth he had amassed in Asia and brought home with him; one day as he sat down to dine alone, and he observed his servant had provided for him a less sumptuous repast than usual, he took him sharply to task, and haughtily remarked, "Are you not aware, sirrah, that Lucullus dines with Lucullus to-day?" (circ. 110-57 B.C.).

LUDDITES, the name assumed by the anti-machinery rioters of 1811-1816, after a Leicestershire idiot, Ned Ludd, of 1780; appearing first at Nottingham, the agitation spread through Derby, Leicester, Cheshire, Lancashire, and Yorkshire, finally merging in the wider industrial and political agitations and riots that marked the years following the peace after Waterloo.

LUEDENDORFF, ERICH VON, German general. In 1914 he served under Bulow in Belgium, was in command on the Russian front in 1915, winning the battle of Tannenberg, and in 1916 he became with Hindenburg (q.v.) joint-commander of the German armies. He was dismissed in October, 1918, and after the Great War threw in his lot with the extreme Nationalists (1865-).

LUDLOW, EDMUND, a republican leader in the Civil War against Charles I., born in Wiltshire of good family; entered the army of the Parliament, and was present in successive engagements, but opposed Cromwell on his assumption of the Protectorate, and was put under arrest; was assassinated by republicanism on Cromwell's death, but died in exile after the Restoration; left "Memoirs" (1617-1693).

LUDOVICUS VIVES, a humorist, born in Valencia, Spain; studied at Paris, wrote against scholasticism, taught at Oxford, was imprisoned for opposing Henry VIII.'s divorce; died at Bruges (1472-1540).

LUDWIG, EMIL, German author. Born in Breslau and educated there and at Heidelberg, he began his literary career at 15 by writing plays; till he was 25 he practised as a lawyer, and at 30 produced a "Life of Bismarck" which attracted attention. This was followed by biographies of Jesus Christ, Goethe, Napoleon, and Wilhelm II., and in July, 1914, an exposure of the diplomacy that preceded the Great War. After 1906 he left his country and lived in Switzerland (1881-).

LUGANO, a lake partly in the Swiss canton of Ticino and partly in the Italian province of Como, 15 m. long by 2 m. broad, in the midst of picturesque grand scenery, with a town of the name on the NW. side amid vineyards and olive plantations.

LUINI, BERNARDINO, a painter of the Lombard school, born in Luino, in the territory of Milan, and a pupil of Leonardo da Vinci, so that some of his works, though they show a grace and delicacy

of their own, pass for those of his master; is famed for his works in oil as well as in fresco; is, in Ruskin's regard, one of the master painters of the world (1460-1540).

LUKE, or **LUCANUS**, author of the third Gospel, as well as the Acts, born in Antioch, a Greek by birth and a physician by profession, probably a convert, as he was a companion of St. Paul; is said to have suffered martyrdom and been buried at Constantinople; is the patron saint of artists, and represented in Christian art with an ox lying near him, or in the act of painting; his Gospel appears to have been written before the year 63, and shows a Pauline interest in Christ, who is represented as the Saviour of Jew and Gentile alike; it was written for a Gentile Christian and in correspondence with eye-witnesses of Christ's life and death.

LULLI, GIOVANNI BATTISTA, a composer of operatic music, born in Florence; was director of the French opera in the reign of Louis XIV. (1638-1687).

LULLY, RAYMOND, the *Doctor Illuminatus*, as he was called, born in Palma, in Majorca, who was early smitten with a zeal for the conversion of the Mohammedans, in the prosecution of which mission he invented a new method of dialectic, called after him *Ars Lullia*; held public discussions with the Mohammedans, who showed themselves as zealous to convert him as he was to convert them, till he ventured in his over-zeal when in Africa among them to threaten them with divine judgment if they did not abjure their faith, upon which they waxed furious, dragged him out of the city, and stoned him to death, in the year 1315; his works, several on alchemy, fill 16 volumes (1235-1315).

LUNAR CYCLE, a period of time at the close of which the new moons return on the same days of the year.

LUNAR MONTH, a month of 29½ days, the time of the revolution of the moon, a lunar year consisting of 12 times the number.

LUNAR THEORY, an explanation by mathematical reasoning of perturbations in the movements of the moon founded on the law of gravitation.

LUNAR YEAR, a period of 12 synodic lunar months, being about 354½ days.

LUND, a city in the S. of Sweden, 10 m. N.E. of Malmö, once the capital of the Danish kingdom, the seat of an archbishopric, with a Romanesque cathedral and a flourishing university.

LUNDY ISLAND, a precipitous, rugged island 3 m. long by 1 m. broad, off the coast of Devon, with the remains of an old castle, and frequented by myriads of sea-fowl.

LUNEBURG, on the Ilmenau, 30 m. S.E. of Hamburg, an ancient German city with old Gothic churches, once the capital of an independent duchy, now in Hanover; has salt and gypsum mines, iron and chemical manufactures; the British royal house is descended from the princes of Brunswick-Lüneburg.

LUPERCALIA, a Roman festival held on Feb. 15 in honour of Luperus, regarded as the god of fertility, in the celebration of which dogs and goats were sacrificed and their skins cut up into thongs, with which the priests ran through the city striking every one, particularly women, who threw themselves in their way.

LUPERUS, an ancient Italian god, worshipped by shepherds as the protector of their flocks against wolves.

LUPUS, a chronic disease of the skin, characterised by the tuberculous eruptions which eat into the skin, particularly of the face and disfigure it.

LUSATIA, a district of Germany, between the Elbe and the Oder, originally divided into Upper and Lower, belongs partly to Saxony and partly to Prussia; it swarmed at one time with Wendes.

LUSIAD, or **LUSIADES**, a poem of Camoens in ten cantos, in celebration of the discoveries of the Portuguese in the East Indies, in which Vasco da Gama is the principal figure; it is a genuine national epic, in which the poet passes in review all the celebrated exploits and feats that glorify the history of Portugal.

LUSTANIA, the ancient name of Portugal, still used as the name of it in modern poetry.

LOUSTANIA, a Cunard passenger liner sunk by a German torpedo off Ireland on May 7, 1915.

LUTETIUM, a sacrifice for expiation and purification

offered by one of the censors of Rome in the name of the Roman people at the close of the taking of the census, which took place after a period of five years, so that the name came to denote a period of that length.

LUTETIA, the ancient Roman name of Paris, *Lutetia Parisiorum*, mud-town of the borderers, as Carlyle translates it.

LUTHER, MARTIN, the great Protestant Reformer, born in Eisenach, in Prussian Saxony, the son of a mine man, was born poor and brought up poor, familiar from his childhood with hardship; was sent to study law at Erfurt, but was one day at the age of 19 awakened to a sense of higher interests, and in spite of remonstrances became a monk; was for a time in deep spiritual misery, till one day he found a Bible in the convent, which taught him for the first time that "a man was not saved by singing masses, but by the infinite grace of God"; this was his awakening from death to life, and to a sense of his proper mission as a man; at this stage the Elector of Saxony was attracted by him, and he appointed him preacher and professor at Wittenberg; on a visit to Rome his heart sank within him, but he left it to its evil courses to pursue his own way apart; if Rome had let him alone he would have let it, but it would not, the monk Tetzel arrived at Wittenberg selling indulgences, and his indignation was roused, remonstrance after remonstrance followed, but the Pope gave no heed, till the agitation being troublesome, he issued his famous "fire-decree," condemning Luther's writings to the flames; this answer fired Luther to the quick, and he took the indignant step of burning the decree in 1520 at the *Reichstade* of Wittenberg, Wittenberg looking on with shoutings, the whole world looking on; after this Luther was summoned to the Diet of Worms, and he appeared there before the magistrates, lay and clerical, of the German empire on April 17, 1521; how he demeaned himself on that high occasion is known to all the world, and his answer as well: "Here stand I; I can do no other; so help me God"; of the awakening this produced Luther was the ruling spirit, as he had been the moving one, and he continued to be so to the end of his life; his writings show the man as well as his deeds, and amid all the turmoil that enveloped him he found leisure to write and leave behind him 25 quarto volumes; it is known the German Bible in use is his work, executed by him in the castle of Wartburg; it was begun by him with his back to the wall, as it were, and under the protestation, as it seemed to him, of the prince of darkness himself; he finished the New Testament in 1522, the Pentateuch in 1523, and the whole, the Apocrypha included, in 1534; his later years were marked by ill-health, his death occurring at Eisleben (1483-1540).

LUTHERANISM, that form of Protestantism which prevails in Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and Northern Germany. See **LUTHERANS**.

LUTHERANS, the name given to that school of the Protestant Church which accepted Luther's doctrine, especially that of the Eucharist, in opposition to that of the members of the Reformed Church, who assented to the views in that matter of Zwingli, the Swiss Reformer; the former maintaining the presence of Christ in the Eucharist, and that the grace of Christ is communicated in the celebration of it, and the latter maintaining that it is a merely commemorative ordinance, and the means of grace to the believing recipient only.

LUTTERWORTH, a small town in Leicestershire, on the Swift, 8 m. N.E. of Rugby, of the church of which Wycliffe was rector, and where he was buried, though his bones were afterwards, in 1428, dug up and burned, and the ashes cast into the river.

LUTYENS, SIR EDWIN LANDSEER, British artist and architect. Born in London, he was educated privately, and at 19 designed his first house. His best-known piece of work is the Cenotaph in Whitehall, and he also designed the Delhi Government House, the British School of Art at Rome, Liverpool Roman Catholic Cathedral, and the South African War Memorial at Johannesburg. He was made an E.A. in 1920, and was knighted in 1918 (1869-).

LÜTZEN, a small town in Prussian Saxony, the vicinity of it the scene of a victory of Gustavus Adolphus in 1632, and of another by Napoleon over the combined forces of Russia and Prussia in 1813.

LUX, the name given to the unit of the intensity of electric light.

LUX, ADAM, a young Parisian; smitten with love for Charlotte Corday, proposed a statue to her with the inscription "Greater than Brutus," which brought him to the guillotine.

LUX MUNDI, the name given to Johann Wessel, the Dutch theologian, whom his opponents styled "Magister Contradictionum" for his opposition to the Scholastic philosophy; was the predecessor to Luther (1420-1489).

LUXEMBURG, grand-duchy, a small, independent territory at the corner where Belgium, France, and Rhenish Prussia meet, is a plateau watered by the Moselle on its eastern boundary, and the tributary Sauer; is well wooded and fertile, yielding wheat, flax, hemp, and wine. Iron ore is mined and smelted; leather, pottery, sugar, and spirits manufactured. The population is Low-German and Roman Catholic; the language of the educated, French. The government is in the hands of a grand-duchess and a house of 42 representatives. It was occupied by the Germans during the Great War, and raised a regiment to fight with the French Legion; was liberated on Nov. 22, 1918, when American troops entered the capital, its freedom being confirmed by the Treaty of Versailles. The capital is Luxembourg. There is a Belgian province of Luxembourg, until 1839 part of the grand-duchy.

LUXOR. See THEBES.

LUZON, the largest of the Philippines; about one-half larger than Ireland; is the most northerly of the group; is clad with forests, and yields grain, sugar, hemp, and numerous tropical products. The capital is Manila.

LYOV, ALEXEI FEODOROVITCH, Russian composer, born at Reval; entered the army and rose to be a general; was appointed conductor of the imperial court choir; composed the Russian national anthem, and wrote numerous operas, concertos, etc., with some religious music; was a distinguished violinist (1799-1870).

LYALL, EDNA, British novelist, whose real name was Ada Ellen Bayly, born at Brighton; authoress of "Won by Waiting," "Donovan," "We Two," "A Hardy Norseman," etc.; d. 1903.

LYCANTHROPY, the traditional power possessed by some people of putting on animal shape, as that of wolves or dogs; the belief in such transformation was prevalent in the Middle Ages and still exists among primitive peoples in northern Europe.

LYCAON, a king of Arcadia; changed into a wolf for offering human flesh to Zeus, who came, disguised as mortal, to his palace on the same errand as the angels who visited Lot in Sodom. According to another tradition he was consumed, with his sons, by fire from heaven.

LYCEUM, originally a promenade in Athens, on the bank of the Ilissus, where Aristotle taught his pupils as he walked to and fro within its precincts.

LYCIAS, an Athenian orator, who flourished in the 4th century B.C.; assisted in the expulsion of the Thirty Tyrants, and distributed among the citizens his large fortune which the Tyrants had confiscated.

LYCIDAS, the name of an exquisite dirge by Milton over the death by drowning of his friend Edward King.

LYCURGUS, the legislator of Sparta, who lived in the 9th century B.C.; in the interest of it as king visited the learned in other lands, and returned with the wise lessons he had learned from them to frame a code of laws for his country, which was fast lapsing into a state of anarchy; when he had finished his work under the sanction of the oracle at Delphi he set out again on a journey to other lands, but previously took oath of the citizens that they would observe his laws till his return; it was his purpose not to return, and he never did, in order to bind his countrymen to maintain inviolate for ever the constitution he gave them.

LYDDITE, a high explosive containing picric acid, used in shells, named from Lydd, in the Romney

Marsh, Kent, where the first experiments were carried out.

LYDFORD LAW, justice administered on the principle of "execute first, then try"; said to take its name from the fact that in olden days offenders against the stannary laws of Devon often died in the dungeons of Lydford Castle before they could be tried.

LYDGATE JOHN, an early English poet; was a monk of Bury St. Edmunds in the end of the 14th and beginning of the 15th centuries; was a teacher of rhetoric as well as a poet, and a man of some note in his day.

LYDIA, a country of Asia Minor; seat of an early civilisation, and a centre of influences which affected both the religion and culture of Greece; was noted for its mule and purple dyes.

LYELL, SIR CHARLES, English geologist, born in Kinnordy, in Forfarshire; called to the bar; he left his practice, and gave himself to the study of geology, to which he had been attracted by Alexander Buckland's lectures when he was at Oxford; his great work was his "Principles of Geology," which, published in 1830, created quite a revolution in the science; it was followed by his "Student's Elements of Geology," which was modified by his conversion to Darwin's views, and by "Antiquity of Man," written in defence of Darwin's theory; he was president of the British Association in 1864 (1797-1875).

LYLY, JOHN, English dramatist, born in Kent; was the author of nine plays on classical subjects, written for the Court, which were preceded in 1579 by his once famous romance "Euphues, or Anatomy of Wit," followed by a second part next year, entitled "Euphues and his England," both of which, from the fantastic, pompous, and affected style in which they were written, gave a new word, Euphuism, to the English language (1553-1606).

LYNCH LAW, the name given in America to the trial and punishment of offenders without form of law, or by mob law; derived from the name of a farmer, James Lynch, dubbed Judge, who being referred to used to administer justice in the far West in this informal way in the absence of any court of law.

LYNDHURST, JOHN SINGLETON COPLEY, BARON, three Lord Chancellor of England, born in Boston, Massachusetts, son of an artist; was brought up in London, educated at Cambridge, and called to the bar in 1804; acquiring fame in the treason trials of the second decade, he entered Parliament in 1808, was Solicitor-General 1819, Attorney-General 1819, Master of the Rolls 1826, and Lord Chancellor in three governments, 1827-1830; Chief Baron of the Exchequer 1830-1834; he was Lord Chancellor in Peel's administrations of 1834-1835 and 1841-1846; he was great as a debater, and a clear-headed lawyer but not earnest enough for a statesman (1772-1863).

LYNEDECH, THOMAS GRAHAM, LORD, soldier, born in Forfarshire; raised in 1793 the 90th Regiment of Foot, and served with it at Quiberon and Ile Dieu; thereafter distinguished himself in various ways at Minorca, 1798, and Malta, 1800, in the Peninsula wars, and in Holland; founded the Senior United Service Club in 1817; was created baron and general 1821, and died in London (1748-1843).

LYNN CANAL, an inlet of the sea, a continuation of Chatham Strait N. of Admiralty I.; has a length of 100 m. and width of 6 m.; Skagway and Icy are towns on its shores, where it begins a route into the Klondike; belongs to the U.S.A.

LYON COURT, the Herald's College of Scotland, consisting of three heralds and three pursuivants.

LYON KING OF ARMS, the legal heraldic officer of Scotland, who presides over the Lyon Court.

LYONNAIS, an ancient province of France, at one time part of Burgundy; now forms the departments of Loire and Rhone.

LYONNESSE, the fabled land between Land's End and the Scillies from which King Arthur came; here, too, was fought the "last great battle of the West," the final fight between Arthur and Sir Mordred, as celebrated in Tennyson's "Morte d'Arthur."

LYONS, the second city of France, at the junction of the Rhône and Saône, 250 m. S. of Paris; has a Roman Catholic university, and valuable museum, library, and art collections, many old churches and buildings, and schools of art and industries; the staple industry is silk, weaving, dyeing, and printing; there are also chemical, machinery, and fancy ware manufactures, and it is an emporium of commerce between Central and Southern Europe; of late years Lyons has been a hot-bed of ultra-republicanism.

LYRIC POETRY, poetry originally accompanied by the lyre, in which the poet sings of his own passions, sure of a sympathetic response from others in like circumstances with himself.

LYSANDER, a Spartan general and admiral who put an end to the Peloponnesian War by defeat of the Athenian fleet off Ægospotami, and of whom Plutarch says in characterisation of him that he knew how to sew the skin of the fox on that of the lion; fell in battle in 396 B.C.

LYSIMACHUS, one of the generals of Alexander the Great, who became king of Thrace and afterwards of Macedonia; d. 281 B.C.

LYTE, HENRY FRANCIS, hymn-writer, born near Kelso; entered the church and became vicar of Lower Brixham; composed "Abide with Me" among other well-known hymns (1793-1847).

LYTTON, EDWARD ROBERT BULWER, EARL OF, statesman and novelist, under the *nom de plume* of Owen Meredith; son of the succeeding; entered the diplomatic service at an early age, became Viceroy of India in 1876, and later Ambassador at Paris (1881-1891).

LYTTON, GEORGE EDWARD BULWER, LORD, statesman and novelist, born in London; entered Parliament at the age of 26, began his parliamentary career as a Whig, but became a Conservative and ranked in that party for the greater part of his life; "Pelham," published in 1828, was his first novel, and this was followed by a long list of others of endless variety, all indicative of the conspicuous ability of the author, and to the last giving no sign of decay in power; he was the author of plays as well as novels, the best-known of the latter being "The Last Days of Pompeii" (1803-1873).

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MAB, QUEEN, the fairies' midwife who brings dreams to the birth, to be distinguished from Titania, the Queen.

MABILLON, JEAN, a French Benedictine and eminent scholar; wrote a history of his order and edited St. Bernard's works (1632-1707).

MABINOGION, a collection of Welsh legends, some of them Arthurian, to be found in the Red Book of Hergest (q.v.); it is a matter of dispute whether they were derived from the French of Chrétien de Troyes or whether they were the original source of the latter.

MABLY, GABRIEL BONNOT DE, French author, was born in Grenoble, brother of Condillac; educated at Lyons, and became secretary to Cardinal Tencin, but most of his life was spent in study, and he died in Paris; his "Romans and the French" is not complimentary to his countrymen; he was a great admirer of the ancients (1709-1785).

MABUSE, JAN, real name Gossaert, Flemish artist, born in Mabuse (Maubeuge), lived and died at Antwerp; his work is not great, but careful, his figures catch the stiffness of his favourite architectural backgrounds; his early period is strongly national, but a visit to Italy with Philip of Burgundy brought him under southern influences and contributed to intensify his colour (1470-1537).

MACADAM, JOHN LOUDON, Scottish engineer, born in Ayr; inventor of the system of road-making which bears his name; he made his fortune as a merchant in New York, but spent it in road-making (1766-1836).

MACAIRE, ROBERT, a noted criminal and assassin of the 14th century, who figures in French plays; was convicted of a murder in trial by combat with a witness in the shape of the dog of the murdered man.

MACAO, small island at the mouth of the Canton River, 100 m. S. of Canton, forming with Colovane and Talpa since 1557 a Portuguese station; is a very healthy port, though very hot; formerly it was a centre of the opium trade, abolished in 1873, but its anchorage is bad, and since the rise of Hong-Kong its commerce has suffered severely; chief import opium, export tea; it is the headquarters of French missions in China.

MACARIUS, ST., a hermit of the Thebaid, where he spent 60 years of a life of solitude and austerity (300-390). Festival, January 13.

MACARONI, a fine wheaten paste made into long thin tubes, and manufactured in Italy and the S. of France.

MACARONI, the name given to a dandy of the 18th century, from a London club of the name which set the fashion in froppish dress.

MACASSAR, southern portion and chief town at SW. corner of Celebes; exports coffee, spices, timber, and "Macassar" oil.

MACAULAY, THOMAS BABINGTON, LORD, essayist and historian, born in Rothley Temple, Leicestershire, son of Zachary Maule, a philanthropist, and so of Scottish descent; graduated at Cambridge 1825, proving a brilliant debater in the Union, and became Fellow of Trinity 1824; called to the bar 1826, he preferred to follow literature, having already gained a footing by some poems in *Knights Quarterly* and by his essay on "Milton" in the *Edinburgh Review* (1825); in 1830 he entered Parliament for a pocket-borough, took an honourable part in the Reform debates, and in the new Parliament sat for Leeds; his family were now in straitened circumstances, and to be able to help them he went out to India as legal adviser to the Supreme Council; to his credit chiefly belongs the Indian Penal Code; returning in 1838, he represented Edinburgh in the Commons with five years' interval till 1856; the "Lays of Ancient Rome" appeared in 1842, his collected "Essays" in 1843, two years later he ceased writing for the *Edinburgh*; he was now working hard at his "History," of

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which the first two volumes attained a quite unprecedented success in 1848; next year he was chosen Lord Rector of Glasgow University; 1855 saw the third and fourth volumes of his "History"; in 1857 he was made a peer, and many other honours were showered upon him; with a tendency to too much declamation in style, a point of view not free from bias, and a lack of depth and modesty in his thinking, he yet attained a remarkable amount and variety of knowledge, great intellectual energy, and unrivalled lucidity in narration (1800-1859).

MACBETH, athane of the north of Scotland who, by assassination of King Duncan, became king; reigned 17 years, but his right was disputed by Malcolm, Duncan's son, and he was defeated by him and fell at Lumphannan, December 5, 1057.

MACCABEES, a body of Jewish patriots, followers of Judas Maccabeus, who in 2nd century B.C. and in the interest of the Jewish faith withstood the oppression of Syria and held their own for a goodly number of years against not only the foreign yoke that oppressed them, but against the Hellenising corruption of their faith at home.

MACCABEES, BOOKS OF, two books of the Apocrypha which give, the first, an account of the heroic struggle which the Maccabees maintained from 175 to 135 B.C. against the kings of Syria, and the second, of an intercalary period of Jewish history from 175 to 160 B.C. much of it of legendary, unreliable matter; besides these two a third, fourth, and fifth of a still more apocryphal character are extant.

M'CARTHY, JUSTIN, writer and politician, began life as a journalist; the author of a "History of Our Own Times" and a "History of the Four Georges," as well as a number of novels; sat in Parliament from 1879 to 1900, and for six years was leader of the Irish party (1830-1912).

M'CLELLAN, GEORGE BRINTON, American general, born in Philadelphia; served in the Mexican War, and in the War of Secession, eventually as commander-in-chief of the army of the North; was author of military engineering works (1826-1885).

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire manufacturing town on the Bollin, 15 m. S. of Manchester; has a 13th-century church, and a grammar-school founded by Edward VI.; its staple industry is silk manufactures; there are breweries, and mining and quarrying near.

M'CLINTOCK, SIR FRANCIS LEOPOLD, Arctic navigator, born in Dundalk; sent out by Lady Franklin to discover the fate of Sir John and his crew; wrote an account of his four expeditions (1819-1891).

M'CLURE, SIR ROBERT JOHN LE MESURIER, Arctic navigator, born in Wexford; went out in search of Franklin, and discovered the North-West Passage in 1850 (1807-1873).

MACCORMACK, JOHN, singer. Of Irish birth, but later becoming a naturalised American, he studied at Milan and made his operatic debut at Covent Garden in 1907. He was made a Papal Count in 1922 (1866-).

M'CRIE, THOMAS, a Scottish seceder, born in Dunee; was minister in Edinburgh; author of the "Life of John Knox," published in 1812; defended the Covenanters against Scott; he was a man of distinguished military presence (1772-1835).

MACCULLOCH, HORATIO, a Scottish landscape-painter, born in Glasgow; was distinguished for his Highland landscapes (1805-1887).

M'CULLOCH, JOHN RAMSAY, political economist, born in Isle of Whithorn; contributed to the *Scotsman and Edinburgh Review*; wrote "Principles of Political Economy," and edited *Dictionaries of Commerce and Geography* (1789-1864).

MACCUNN, HAMMER, Scottish composer, born in Greenock; entered the Royal College of Music in 1883, and became professor of Harmony at the Royal Academy; his fertility in melody and mastery

of the orchestra were devoted to music of strong national characteristics, as his overture, "Land of the Mountain and the Flood," and his choral work, "The Lay of the Last Minstrel," show (1868-1916).

MACDONALD, SIR CLAUDE MAXWELL, British Minister at Peking; served in the army in Egypt in 1882 and 1884, as a diplomatist in Zanzibar in 1887, and on the coast of Africa as commissioner in 1888; was sent to Peking in 1896, and in 1900 took an active part in defending the legations during the Boxer Rising (q.v.); from 1900 to 1912 he was Ambassador at Tokio (1882-1915).

MACDONALD, ETIENNE JACQUES JOSEPH ALEX-ANDRE, marshal of France, born in Sancerre, of Scottish descent, entered the army at the time of the Revolution as a lieutenant, and rapidly rose in rank; served with distinction under Napoleon, especially at Wagram, when he was made Duke of Taranto; supported the Bourbons on their restoration (1765-1840).

MACDONALD, FLORA, a devoted Jacobite who, at the risk of her own life, screened Prince Charles Edward after his defeat at Culloden from his pursuers, and saw him safe off to France, for which she was afterwards confined for a short time in the Tower (1722-1790).

MACDONALD, GEORGE, novelist, born in Huntly; trained for the ministry, but devoted himself to literature; was the author, among other works, of "Robert Falconer," "David Elmhurst," and "Alec Forbes" (1824-1905).

MACDONALD, RT. HON. JAMES RAMSAY, British politician. Born in Lossiemouth, he had a board school education, worked as a journalist, and became secretary of the Labour Party in 1900. In 1906 he entered Parliament, became chairman of the Independent Labour Party, and from 1911 to 1914 he was leader of his party, resigning on account of his opposition to the Great War and throwing himself actively into pacifist propaganda. He lost his parliamentary seat in 1918, but was returned in 1922 and again became leader of his party. On the defeat of the first Baldwin Government in 1924 he was entrusted with the task of forming Britain's first Labour Government, which was in a minority in the House of Commons, and which fell on the question of Communist activity after a life of only ten months. In June, 1929, he again became Premier, and actively set about the task of securing an international reduction of navies (1866-).

MACDUFF, the Scottish thane (Earl of Fife) who joined Malcolm Canmore and helped to defeat Macbeth (q.v.).

MACE, THE, the symbol of authority in the House of Commons; is placed on the table when the House is sitting, and is under the table as a rule when the Speaker is not in the chair.

MACEDONIA, an ancient kingdom lying between Thrace and Illyria, the Balkans and the Aegean; mostly mountainous, but with some fertile plains; watered by the Strymon, Axios, and Hellenic rivers; was noted for its gold and silver, its oil and wine. Founded seven centuries B.C., the monarchy was raised to dignity and power by Archelaus in the 5th century. Philip II. (359 B.C.) established it yet more firmly, and his son, Alexander the Great, extended it away over half the world. His empire broke up after his death, and the Romans conquered it in 168 B.C. Aegae and Pella were its ancient capitals, Philipp, Thessalonica, and Amphipolis among its towns. After many vicissitudes during the Middle Ages it became a province of Turkey and is now partly in Bulgaria, partly in Jugoslavia, and partly in Greece.

MACEDONIANS, a sect in the early Church who taught that the Holy Ghost was inferior to the Father and the Son, so called from Macedonia, bishop of Constantinople, their leader, in the 4th century.

MACFARREN, SIR GEORGE ALEXANDER, musical author and composer, born in London; studied at the Royal Academy, and became professor there in 1884; in many operatic works he aimed at restoring old English musical characteristics, and wrote also cantatas, "Lenore" and "May-Day," the opera "Robin Hood," &c., and oratorios, of which "John the Baptist" (1873) was the first;

but his chief merit lies in his writings on theory (1813-1887).

MACHIAVELLI, NICCOLO, statesman and historian, born in Florence, of an ancient family; was secretary of the Florentine Republic from 1498 to 1512, and during that time conducted its diplomatic affairs with a skill which led to his being sent on a number of foreign embassies; he was opposed to the restoration of the Medici family, and on the return of it to power was subjected to imprisonment and torture as a conspirator, but was at last set at liberty; he spent the remainder of his life chiefly in literary labours, producing among other works a treatise on government, entitled "The Prince," the principles of which have established for him a wide notoriety (1469-1527).

MACHIAVELLISM, the doctrine taught by Machiavelli in "The Prince," that to preserve the integrity of a State the ruler should not feel himself bound by any scruple such as may suggest itself by considerations of justice and humanity; the State he regards as too precious an institution to endanger by scruples of that sort.

MAJOR, FLORA, the heroine in Scott's "Waverley."

MACK, KARL, Austrian general, born in Franconia; notorious for his military incapacity and defeats; confronted by Napoleon at Ulm in 1805, he surrendered with 28,000 men without striking a blow; for this he was tried by court-martial, and sentenced to death, which was commuted to imprisonment for life, from which he was released at the end of a year (1752-1828).

MACKAY, CHARLES, journalist, novelist, poet, and critic; wrote an autobiography entitled, "Forty Years' Recollections of Life, Literature, and Public Affairs," also a number of popular songs, such as "Cheer, Boys, Cheer!"; was the father of Eric Mackay, author of "Love-Letters of a Violinist" (1814-1889).

McKENNA, RT. HON. REGINALD, British politician. Entering Parliament in 1895, he served as Financial Secretary to the Treasury in 1905, after which he was successively President of the Board of Education, First Lord of the Admiralty, and Home Secretary. In 1915 he became Chancellor of the Exchequer, and then left politics for banking, becoming chairman of the Midland Bank in 1919 (1863-).

MACKENZIE, SIR ALEXANDER, Canadian explorer; a fur-trader in Athabasca, he set out in 1789 in quest of a North-West Passage to the Pacific and discovered the great river that bears his name; traversing next the Peace River, he penetrated the Rockies, the first white man to cross the continent in the north, and reached the Pacific in July, 1793; was knighted by George III., and died in retirement in Scotland (c. 1769-1820).

MACKENZIE, SIR ALEXANDER CAMPBELL, composer, born in Edinburgh; studied in Germany and at the Royal Academy; was teacher and conductor in his native city from 1865 to 1879, lived there after in Italy; was made Principal of the Royal Academy of Music in 1887, and knighted in 1895; his opera "Colomba" (1883) first brought him fame; among his works, which are of every kind, his oratorio, "The Rose of Sharon" (1884), is reckoned best (1847-).

MACKENZIE, SIR GEORGE, eminent Scottish lawyer, born in Dundee; became King's Advocate for Scotland; wrote on law and on other subjects in a style which commended itself to such a critic as Dryden, though by his severe treatment of the Covenanters he earned in Scotland the opprobrious title of the bluidy Mackenzie (1696-1891).

MACKENZIE, HENRY, novelist, born in Edinburgh; bred to law; author of "The Man of Feeling," "The Man of the World," and "Julia de Roubigné," written in a sentimental style; held the office of Controller of Taxes in Scotland by favour of Pitt (1745-1831).

MACKENZIE RIVER, a river in N. America; rises in the Rocky Mountains, as the Athabasca River, becomes the Great Slave River to Great Slave Lake, and issues thence as the Mackenzie; is fed by several streams in its course, and falls into the Arctic Ocean after a course of over 2000 m.; discovered by Sir Alexander Mackenzie (q.v.).

M'KINLEY, WILLIAM, American statesman, of Scottish parentage; served in the Civil War; born in Niles, Ohio; entered Congress in 1877; made his mark as a zealous Protectionist; passed in 1890 a tariff measure named after him; was elected to Presidency as the champion of a sound currency in opposition to Bryan in November, 1896; re-elected for a further term in 1900 he was the following year assassinated by a Polish-American named Carl Gross at Buffalo (1844-1901).

MACKINTOSH, SIR JAMES, philosopher and politician, born in Inverness-shire; took his degree in medicine, but went to the London bar; was a Whig in politics; wrote "Vindictive Gallics" in reply to Burke's philippic; defended Feltier, Bonaparte's enemy, in a magnificent style, and contributed a masterly preliminary "Dissertation on Ethics" to the "Encyclopædia Britannica" (1705-1832).

MACKLIN, CHARLES, actor, born in Ireland; distinguished for his Shakespearean rôles; author of "Love à la Mode," "The Man of the World," and other plays (1699-1797).

MACLAREN, IAN (*nom de plume* of Rev. John Watson), born in Essex, of Scottish parents; studied in Edinburgh; was minister of the Free Church in Leith and in Glasgow, and translated to Sefton Park Presbyterian Church, Liverpool, in 1880; wrote a series of idylls entitled "Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush," and a second series entitled "The Days of Auld Lang Syne," both of which had a large circulation; also a number of other works, religious as well as fictitious (1850-1907).

MACLAURIN, COLIN, mathematician, born in Kilmorden, Argyllshire; was professor of Mathematics in Aberdeen and in Edinburgh; wrote a "Treatise on Fluxions," in defence of Newton against Berkeley, and an "Account of Newton's Discoveries"; did much to give an impetus to mathematical study in Scotland (1698-1746).

MACLEOD, FIONA. See **WILLIAM SHARP**.

MACLEOD, NORMAN, liberal Scottish clergyman, born in Campbelltown, son of the name; a genial, warm-hearted man; an earnest, powerful, and vigorous preacher, and a humorous writer; editor of *Good Words*; a visit to India in connection with missions shortened his days (1812-1872).

MACLISE, DANIEL, painter, born in Cork, of Scottish extraction; among his oil-paintings are "Mokanna Unwilling," "All Hallow Eve," "Bohemian Gipsies," and the "Banquet Scene in Macbeth," his last work being a series of cartoons painted in fresco for the palace of Westminster illustrative of the glories of England (1806-1870).

MACMAHON, MARIE EDMÉ MAURICE DE, Duke of Magenta, marshal of France, born in Sully, of Irish descent, second President of the third French republic from 1873 to 1879; distinguished himself in Algeria and at the Crimea, and took part in the Franco-German War to his defeat and capture at Sedan (1808-1893).

MACPHERSON, RT. HON. IAN, British politician. Entering Parliament in 1911, he became Under-Secretary for War in the Coalition Government of 1916, Secretary for Ireland in 1919, and Minister of Pensions from 1920 to 1923 (1889-).

MACPHERSON, JAMES, a Gaelic scholar, born in Ruthven, Inverness-shire; identified with the publication of the poems of Ossian, the originals of which he professed to have discovered in the course of a tour through the Highlands, and about the authenticity of which there has been much debate, though they were the making of his fortune; he was buried in Westminster Abbey at his own request and expense (1736-1796).

MACRAME LACE, a coarse lace made of twine, used to decorate furniture generally.

MACREADY, RT. HON. SIR NEVIL, British general. After serving in Egypt, the Boer War, and the Great War he came into prominence as Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police in 1918; in 1920 he was given command of the British troops in Ireland (1862-).

MACREADY, WILLIAM CHARLES, English tragedian, born in London; he began his career as an actor in Birmingham in the character of Romeo, and was

enthusiastically received on his first appearance in London; was distinguished for his impersonation of Shakespeare's characters, but suffered a good deal from professional rivalries; leased in succession Covent Garden and Drury Lane theatres with pecuniary loss, and when he took farewell of the stage he was entertained at a banquet, attended by a host of friends eminent in both art and literature (1793-1873).

MACROMETER, an optical instrument to determine the size or distance of inaccessible objects.

MACWHIRTER, JOHN, Scottish landscape painter, born near Edinburgh; noted for his pictures of Highland scenery; his works include "The Lord of the Glen," "Loch Katrine," and "June in the Austrian Tyrol," the last-named in the Tate Gallery, London (1859-1911).

MADAGASCAR, fourth largest island in the world, in the Indian Ocean, 300 m. off the Mozambique coast, SE. Africa; is nearly three times the size of Great Britain, a plateau in the centre, with low, fertile, wooded ground round about; has many extinct volcanoes and active hot springs; the highest peak is Ankaratra (9000 ft.), in the centre; the NW. coast has some good harbours; there are 300 m. of lagoons on the E.; the biggest lake is Alaotra, and the rivers flow mostly W.; the climate is hot, with copious rains, except in the S.; rice, coffee, sugar, and vanilla are cultivated; many kinds of valuable timber grow in the forests, and these, with cattle, hides, and india-rubber, constitute the exports; gold, iron, copper, lead, and sulphur are found, and the natives are skilled in working metals; the Malaysians possess civilised institutions; slavery was abolished in 1870; a quarter of the population is Christian; the heathen section, though untruthful and immoral, are affectionate, courageous, and loyal; Antananarivo, the capital, is situated in the interior, and has many fine buildings; chief ports, Tamatave on the E. and Majunga on the NW. coasts; the island has been under French protection since 1890, and a French colony since 1896.

MADDEN, SIR CHARLES EDWARD, British admiral, joined the navy at the age of 12, he saw service in Egypt, and later specialised in torpedoes; at the outbreak of the Great War he was appointed chief of staff to Jellicoe; he was second-in-command of the Grand Fleet in 1917, was made commander of the Atlantic and Home Fleets in 1919, and First Sea Lord in 1927 (1863-).

MADEIRA, the chief of a group of small volcanic islands with precipitous coasts, in the Atlantic, 400 m. off Morocco; has peaks 6000 ft. high and deep, picturesque ravines; the island is a favourite resort for consumptives; the climate is very mild and equable, the rainfall moderate, and the soil fertile; crops of cereals and potatoes are raised; oranges, lemons, grapes, figs, and bananas abound; Madeira wine is famous, and the chief export; Funchal is the capital, with an exposed harbour and some good buildings; the islands form a province of Portugal.

MADEIRA RIVER (i.e. river of the wood), formed by the junction of the Mamoré and Beni on the borders of Bolivia and Brazil; flows 900 m. N.E., and joins the Amazon, as an affluent its longest and largest, and constitutes a magnificent navigable waterway.

MADEIRA, CHURCH OF THE, one of the principal and wealthiest churches in Paris, erected in the style of a Greek temple, the building of which, begun in 1764, was not finished till 1842; both the interior and exterior have been adorned by the most distinguished artists.

MADGE WILDFIRE, a pretty but giddy girl in the "Heart of Midlothian," whose seduction and the murder of her child drove crazy.

MADISON, JAMES, American statesman and fourth President, born in Port Conway, Virginia, educated at Princeton; devoted himself to politics in 1776; he took part in framing the Virginia constitution, and subsequently secured religious liberty in the State; with Jay and Hamilton he collaborated to establish the federation of the States and to frame the Federal Constitution; the "three-fifths" rule, which won the adhesion of the slave-holding States, was his suggestion; elected to the first Congress,

he attached himself to Jefferson's party, and was Secretary of State during Jefferson's Presidency, 1801-1809; he succeeded his former leader and held office for two terms, during which the war of 1812-1814 with England was waged; his public life closed with his term of office, 1817 (1751-1836).

MADMAN OF THE NORTH, Charles XII. of Sweden, so called from his temerity and impetuosity.

MADOC, a Welshman who, according to tradition, discovered America 800 years before Columbus; after staying in the continent for a time he returned, gave an account of what he had seen and experienced, and went back, but was never heard of more; his story has been amplified by Southey in an epic.

MADONNA is the name given to pictures of the Virgin with the infant Christ, and more generally to all sacred pictures in which the Virgin is a prominent figure; the Virgin has been a favourite subject of art from the earliest times, the first representation of her being, according to legend, by St. Luke; different countries and schools have depicted their Madonnas, each in its own characteristic style; the greatest of all are the Sistine and Della Sedia of Raphael.

MADRAS, one of the three Indian Presidencies, occupies the S. and E. of the peninsula, and is one-half as large again as Great Britain; the chief mountains are the Ghats, from which flow the Godavari, Krishna, and Kaveri rivers, which, by means of extensive irrigation works, fertilise the plains; climate is various; on the W. coast very hot and with a rainfall from June to October of 120 inches, producing luxuriant vegetation; on the E. the heat is also great, but the rainfall, which comes chiefly between October and December, is only 40 inches; in the hill country, e.g. Ootacamund, the government summer quarters, it is genial and temperate all the year, and but for the monsoons the finest in the world; rice is everywhere the chief crop; cotton is grown in the E., tobacco in the Godavari region, tea, coffee, and cinchona on the hills, and sugar-cane in different districts; gold is found in Mysore (native State), and diamonds in the Kurnool; iron abounds, but without coal; the teak forests are of great value; cotton, gunny-bags, sugar, and tiles are the chief manufactures; English settlements date from 1611; the population, chiefly Hindu, includes 2 million Mohammedans and 1 million Christians; the chief towns are Rajamahendri, Visagapatam, Trichinopoly, of cheroot fame, and Mangalore, on the W. coast, and the capital Madras, on the E., Coromandel coast, a straggling city, hot but healthy, with an open roadstead, pier, and harbour exposed to cyclones, a university, colleges of science, medicine, art, and agriculture, and a large museum; the chief exports are coffee, tea, cotton, and indigo.

MADRID, since 1561 the capital of Spain, on the Manzanares, a mere mountain torrent, on an arid plateau in New Castile, the centre of the peninsula; is an insanitary city, and liable to great extremes of temperature; it is regularly built, sometimes picturesque, with great open spaces, such as the Prado, 3 m. long; fine buildings and handsome streets. It contains the royal palace, parliament and law-court houses, a university, magnificent picture-gallery, many charitable institutions, and a bull-ring. The book-publishing, tapestry-weaving, and tobacco industries are the most important. It is a growing and prosperous city.

MADRIGAL, a short lyric containing some pleasant thought or sweet sentiment daintily expressed; applied also to vocal music of a similar character.

MADVIG, JOHAN NICOLAI, Danish scholar and politician, born in Svaneke, Bornholm; studied at Copenhagen, where he became professor of Latin in 1839; his studies of the Latin prose authors brought him world-wide fame, and his Latin Grammar and Greek Syntax were invaluable contributions to scholarship; he entered parliament, was repeatedly its president, and was Liberal Minister of Education and Religion 1848 to 1851; he died blind (1804-1886).

MEANDER, a river in Phrygia, flowing through the Plain of Troy into the Egean Sea, and noted for its numerous windings, thus giving birth to the word meander.

MECENAS, GAIUS, a wealthy Roman statesman, celebrated for his patronage of letters; was the friend and adviser of Augustus Caesar, and the patron of Virgil and Horace; claimed descent from the ancient Etruscan kings; left the most of his property to Augustus; d. 8 B.C.

MELSTROM. See **MALSTRÖM**.

MENADES, the priestesses of Bacchus, who at the celebration of his festivals gave way to expressions of frenzied enthusiasm, as if they were under the spell of some demonic power.

MEONIDES, a name given to Homer, either as the son of Meon, or as born, according to one tradition, in Meonia.

MAESTRICHT, capital of Dutch Limburg, on the Meuse, 47 m. E. of Brussels; has manufactures of glass, earthenware, and carpets; near it are the vast subterranean quarries of the Pietersberg, opened by the Romans; up to 1878 was one of the strongest fortified towns in Europe.

MAETERLINCK, MAURICE, Belgian dramatist, born at Ghent; earned his fame by "La Princesse Maleine," produced in Paris 1890, and followed by "L'Intruse," "Les Aveugles," "The Blue Bird," and several other plays; his essays show religious sympathies (1862-).

MAFeking, a town in N.E. of British Bechuanaland, on the Transvaal frontier, on the railway from Cape Town. Besieged from Oct. 13, 1899, to May 17, 1900, by the Boers, it was successfully defended by a garrison commanded by Sir (now Lord) Robert Baden-Powell against superior forces, and its relief by Plumer and Mahon occasioned great jubilation in London.

MAFFIA, a Sicilian secret society which aimed at boycotting the law-courts, superseding the law, and ruling the island; its chief weapon was the boycott; violence was only resorted to for vengeance; funds were raised by blackmail; popular support enabled it to control elections, avoid legal proceedings, and influence industrial questions. The Italian government succeeded in putting it down early this century.

MAGDALA, an Abyssinian hill fortress on a lofty plateau 300 m. S. of Massowah; captured by Lord Napier, who had been sent in 1868 to rescue certain British subjects held prisoners there.

MAGDALENE, MARY, a Galilean, belonging to Magdala, on the Sea of Galilee, who followed Christ, stood by the cross, prepared spices for His sepulchre, to whom He first appeared after His resurrection, and who is supposed by some critics to be the sole voucher for His rising again.

MAGDEBURG, on the Elbe, 75 m. SW. of Berlin, is the capital of Prussian Saxony, one of the most important fortresses, the chief sugar market of Germany, and the seat of large iron manufactures; it has also distilleries and cotton mills, and is a busy railway centre; it is a place of ancient date and historical interest.

MAGELLAN, FERDINAND, Portuguese navigator; served his country first in the East Indies and Morocco, but, dissatisfied with King Manuel's treatment of him, offered himself to Spain; under Charles V.'s patronage he and Rui Páez set out to reach the Moluccas by the west in 1519; he reached the Philippines, and died in battle in Manila; on this voyage he discovered the Magellan Strait, 375 m. long and 15 m. wide, between the mainland of Chile and Tierra del Fuego; he gave name to the Pacific from the calm he exceptionally experienced on entering it (1470-1521).

MAGELLANIC CLOUDS, two conspicuous star clouds in the southern skies, remote from the Milky Way, containing a large number of clusters and nebulae, believed to be island universes on a smaller scale than the great nebula in Andromeda.

MAGENIE, FRANÇOIS, a celebrated French physiologist, born in Bordeaux; was the author of several works on physiology, made important discoveries in connection with the animal system by the aid of vivisection (1783-1856).

MAGENTA, Italian town, 15 m. W. of Milan, where Macmahon defeated a superior Austrian force in 1859.

MAGGIORE, LAGO (i.e. the Greater Lake), a large lake in the N. of Italy, partly in Switzerland, 37 m.

in length, and 8 m. in greatest breadth, the river Ticino flowing through it. The Borromean Islands (q.v.) occupy a western arm of the lake.

MAGI, a priestly caste in the East, particularly among the Medes and Persians, constituting the "learned" class, as the Druids in the West; the custodians of religion and the rites connected therewith, who gave themselves up to the study of sciences of a recondite character, but with a human interest, such as astrology and magic, and who were held in great reverence by, and exercised a great influence over, the people.

MAGI, THE THREE, the "wise men from the East" mentioned in Matt. II.—Melchior, an old man, who brought gold, the emblem of royalty; Gaspar, a youth, who brought frankincense, the emblem of divinity; Balthazar, a Moor, who brought myrrh, the emblem of humanity—who were eventually regarded as the patron saints of travellers.

MAGINN, WILLIAM, a witty, generous-hearted Irishman, born in Cork; a man of versatile ability, who contributed largely to *Blackwood*, and became editor of *Fraser's Magazine*, in the conduct of the latter he gathered round him as contributors a number of the most eminent literary men; the stories and verses he wrote gave signs of something like genius (1799-1842).

MAGLIABECCHI, ANTONIO, an inordinate bookworm, born in Florence; became librarian of the Grand-Duke; his book-knowledge was as unbounded as his avidity for knowledge; his memory was extraordinary; he carried in his head the page of a passage in a book as well as the passage itself in the *ipissima verba* (1633-1714).

MAGNA CHARTA, "the great charter," extorted from King John by the barons of England at Runnymede on June 5, 1215, that guaranteed certain rights and privileges to the subjects of the realm, which were pronounced inviolable, and that established the supremacy of the law over the will of the monarch.

MAGNA GRECIA, the ancient name of the southern part of Italy, so called in early times as it was extensively colonised by Greeks.

MAGNESIUM, a metallic element which burns with a brilliant white flame, used to supply the light for flashlight photographs; it occurs abundantly in the combined state as the silicate and carbonate.

MAGNET, the name given to loadstones as first discovered in Magnesia, a town in Asia Minor; also to a piece of iron, nickel, or cobalt having similar properties, notably the power of setting itself in a definite direction; a coil of wire carrying an electric current possesses the properties characteristic of an iron magnet.

MAGNETIC INDUCTION, power in a magnet of producing magnetism in pieces of iron or steel near it.

MAGNETISM, the branch of science devoted to the study of the properties of magnets, and of electric currents in their magnetic relations; sometimes also used to denote the subtle influence supposed to lie at the root of all magnetic phenomena, of the true nature of which nothing is known. See **ANIMAL MAGNETISM**.

MAGNETITE, an iron ore possessing magnetic properties.

MAGNETO, a machine for producing an electric current by the rapid rotation of a coil between the poles of a permanent magnet; in some types the magnet rotates about the coil.

MAGNIFICAT, THE, a musical composition embracing the song of the Virgin Mary in Luke I. 46-56, so called from the first word of the song in the Vulgate; it belongs to, and forms part of, the evening service.

MAGNITUDE, of a star is a number signifying its brightness; Ptolemy placed the fifteen brightest stars in the first magnitude, and those just visible to the naked eye in the sixth; on the modern scale those of the first magnitude are 2½ times as bright as those of the second, and so on; the brightest stars of all have a fractional or even negative magnitude, e.g. that of the sun is minus twenty-six; the *absolute magnitude* represents the intrinsic brightness, when its distance is taken into consideration.

MAGNUSSEN, FINNUR, a Scandinavian scholar and archaeologist, born in Iceland; became professor

of Literature at Copenhagen in 1815; distinguished for his translation and exposition of the "Elder Edda" (1781-1847).

MAGYARS, a people of Mongolian origin from the highlands of Central Asia who migrated westward and settled in Hungary and Transylvania, where they now form the dominant race.

MAHABHARATA, one of the two great epic poems of ancient India, a work of slow growth, extending through ages, and of an essentially encyclopedic character; one of the main sources of our knowledge of the ancient Indian religions and their mythologies; it is said to consist of upwards of 100,000 verses.

MAHADEVYA, the great god of the Hindus; an appellation of Siva (q.v.), as Mahadevi is of Durga, his wife.

MAHANADE, a great Indian river which, after flowing eastward for over 500 m., the last 300 of which are navigable, falls into the Bay of Bengal near Cape Palmyra; its volume in flood is enormous, and renders it invaluable for irrigation.

MAHATMA, one who, according to the Theosophists, has passed through the complete cycle of incarnation, has thereby attained perfection of being, and acquired the rank of high priesthood and miraculous powers in the spirit world, one, it would seem, of "the spirits of just men made perfect."

MAHDI (i.e. religious leader), a name given to any Mohammedan fanatic who arises in the interest of the Mohammedan faith, summons the Moslems to war, and leads them to repel the infidel; a kind of Mohammedan Messiah armed with the sword for the conquest of the world to the faith.

MAHDI, MOHAMMED AHMED, a Mohammedan fanatic, born in Dongola, who, at the head of an army of dervishes, raised his standard for the revival of Islam in the Sudan; he was unsuccessfully opposed by the Egyptians, and Khartoum, occupied by them, fell into his hands, to the sacrifice of General Gordon, just as the British relief army under Lord Wolseley approached its walls in 1885, a few months after which he died at Omdurman.

MAHDIISM, a hope cherished by devout Moslems of a Mahdi to come who will lead them on to victory against the infidel and to the conquest of the world.

MAHMUD II., Sultan of Turkey; crushed a rebellion on his accession by putting his brother to death, on whose behalf the janissaries had risen, as they afterwards did, to their annihilation at his hands by wholesale massacre; by his defeat at Navarino in 1827 he lost his hold of Greece, which declared its independence, and was near losing his suzerainty in Egypt when he died; his reign was an eventful one (1785-1839).

MAHOMET. See **MOHAMMED**.

MAHON, LORD, EARL STANHOPE, statesman and historian; wrote "History of the War of the Succession in Spain," "History of the Reign of Queen Anne," and "History of England from the Peace of Utrecht to the Peace of Versailles" (1805-1875).

MAHONY, FRANCIS, an Irish priest, born in Cork, who took to journalism, and became known by his *nom de plume* of Father Prout; contributed to *Fraser's Magazine*, and was foreign correspondent to the *Daily News* and the *Globe*; was famous for his elegant translations (1804-1866).

MAHOUN, a contemptuous name for Mohammed, transferred in Scotland to the devil, who was called Old Mahoun.

MAHARATAS, a warlike Hindu race in Central India, occupying territory watered by the Nerbudda, Godavari, and Krishna, who at one time kept up a struggle for the supremacy of India with the British, but were finally subdued in 1843; Gwalior, Indore, and Baroda are the three Maharatta states.

MAI, ANGELO, cardinal, distinguished scholar and editor; became librarian of the Vatican; was distinguished for deciphering palimpsests (q.v.), and thus disclosing lost classical works or fragments of them; he edited a number of unedited MSS. which he found in the Vatican, and in particular the Vatican codex of the Bible (1782-1854).

MAIA, the daughter of Atlas, the eldest of the seven Pleiades (q.v.), and the mother by Zeus of Hermes or Mercury.

MAID MARIAN, a man dressed as a woman who grimaced and performed antics in the morris dances (q.v.), representing the well-known character in the Robin Hood legends.

MAID OF NORWAY, daughter of Eric II., king of Norway, and through her mother heiress to the Scottish crown; died on her passage to Scotland in 1240.

MAID OF ORLEANS, Joan of Arc, so called from her defence of Orleans against the English. See **JOAN**.

MAIDEN, **THE**, a sort of guillotine that appears to have been in use in Scotland during the 15th and 16th centuries, of which there is one in the Antiquarian Museum, Edinburgh.

MAIDMENT, JAMES, antiquary and collector, born in London; passed through Edinburgh University to the Scottish bar, and was chief authority on genealogical cases; his hobby was the collection of literary rarities, and he published editions of ancient historical remains; he died at Edinburgh (1795-1879).

MAIDS OF HONOUR, ladies attending the Queen, an office instituted in England by Queen Victoria.

MAIDSTONE, county town of Kent, on the Medway, 30 m. S.E. of London; has several fine old churches and historical buildings, a grammar school and a school of art and music, numerous paper-mills, and breweries, and does a large trade in hops; Woollett, the engraver, and Hazlitt, the essayist, were born here.

MAIMON, SOLOMON, philosopher, born, of Jewish parents, in a village of Minsk; came to Berlin, where he studied, lived an eccentric, vagabond life, dependent mostly on his friends; made the acquaintance of Kant and Goethe, and attempted and published an eclectic system of philosophy in 1790, being Kant's system supplemented from Spinoza, Leibnitz, and Locke, and even Hume; his last patron was Count Kalkreuth, at whose house in Silesdorf he died (1754-1800).

MAIMONIDES, MOSES, a Jewish rabbi, born in Cordova, whom the Jews regarded as their Plato, and called the "Lamp of Israel," and the "Bark of the Doctors"; was a man of immense learning, and was physician to the Sultan of Egypt; in his relation to the Jews he ranks next to Moses, and taught them to interpret their religion in the light of reason; he wrote a "Commentary on the Mishna and the Second Law," but his chief work is the "Moreh Nebokhim," or "Guide of the Perplexed" (1135-1204).

MAINE, the most north-easterly State in the American Union, lies between Quebec and New Hampshire on the W. and New Brunswick and the Atlantic on the E., and is a little larger than Ireland, a picturesque State, with high mountains in the W., Katahdin (5000 ft.), many large lakes, like Moosehead, numerous rivers, and a much indented rocky coast; the climate is severe but healthy, the soil only in some places fertile, the rainfall is abundant; dense forests cover the north; hay, potatoes, apples, and sweet corn are chief crops; cotton, woolen, leather manufactures, lumber working, and fruit canning are principal industries; the fisheries are valuable; timber, building stone, cattle, wool, and in winter ice are exported; early Dutch, English, and French settlements were unsuccessful till 1630; from 1651 Maine was part of Massachusetts, till made a separate State in 1820; the population is English-Puritan and French-Canadian in origin; education is advancing; the State's Liquor Law of 1851 was among the first of the kind; the capital is Augusta; Portland is the largest city and chief seaport; Lewiston has cotton manufactures.

MAIR, SIR HENRY, English jurist, legal member of the Council in India, and professor of Jurisprudence at Oxford; wrote on "Ancient Law," and important works on ancient institutions generally; regarded the social system as a development of the patriarchal system (1822-1888).

MAINTENANCE, CAP OF, an ermine-lined, crimson velvet cap, the wearing of which was a distinction granted first to dukes, but subsequently to various other families.

MAINTENON, FRANCOISE D'AUBIGNE, MAR-QUISE DE, born in the prison of Niort, where her father was incarcerated as a Protestant; though

well imbued with Protestant principles she turned a Catholic, married the poet Scarron in 1652, became a widow in 1660; was entrusted with the education of the children of Louis XIV. and Madame de Montespan; supplanted the latter in the king's affections, and was secretly married to him in 1681; she exercised a great influence over him, not always for good, and on his death in 1715 retired into the convent of St. Cyr, which she had herself founded for young ladies of noble birth but in humble circumstances (1635-1719).

MAINZ, or MAYENCE, in Hesse, on the Rhine, opposite the mouth of the Main, is an important German fortress and one of the oldest cities in Germany; it has a magnificent cathedral, restored in 1878, and is a stronghold of Catholicism; a large transit trade is done, and the making of furniture, leather goods, and machinery are important industries; Gutenberg was a native.

MAISTRE, JOSEPH, COMTE DE, a keen and extreme Ultramontanist, born in Chambéry, of a noble French family; accompanied the king of Sardinia in his retreat while the French occupied Savoy in 1792; was ambassador at St. Petersburg from 1803 to 1817, when he was recalled to the home government at Turin; wrote numerous works, the chief "Du Pape" and "Solécisme de St. Petersburg" (1754-1821).

MAITLAND, WILLIAM, Scottish politician and reformer, the Secretary of Lethington of Queen Mary's reign; played a prominent part in the various movements of his time, but gained the confidence of no party; he adhered to the party of Moray as against the extreme measures of Knox, and proved a highly astute ambassador at the English Court; he connived at Rizzio's murder, but regained Mary's favour, and when she fled to England he, though joining with the new government, acted in her interest and formed a party to restore her to power; he and Kirkcaldy of Grange were forced to surrender, however, at Edinburgh in 1573, and Maitland afterwards died in Leith prison (1525-1573).

MAJOLICA, a kind of enamelled pottery imported into Italy from Majorca, known also as falience from its manufacture at Faenza, and applied also to vessels made of coloured clay in imitation.

MAJORCA, the largest of the Balearic Isles, is 130 m. N.E. of Cape San Antonio, in Spain; mountains in the N. rise to 5000 ft., their slopes covered with olives, oranges, and vines; the plains are extremely fertile, and the climate mild and equable; manufactures of cotton, silk, and shoes are the industries; the capital, Palma, is on the S. coast, at the head of a large bay of the same name.

MAJUSCULE, a capital letter found in old Latin MSS. in and before the 6th century.

MARKIZI, TAKI-ED-DIN AHMED EL, greatest Arabic historian of Egypt, born in Cairo; studied philosophy and theology, and in 1385 won the green turban; occupied several political and ecclesiastical offices; went to Damascus in 1408, but, returning to Cairo, devoted himself to history, and published among other works an important "History of Egypt and Cairo" (1364-1442).

MALABAR, a district in the W. of Madras, sloping from the Ghats down to the Indian Ocean, and extending along the coast for 145 m.; very rainy, covered with vast forests of teak; produces rice, coffee, and pepper.

MALACCA is a name given to the whole Malay Peninsula, that remarkable tongue of land 44 to 210 m. wide, stretching 800 m. S.E. from Burma between the Strait of Malacca and the Gulf of Siam; mountain ranges 7000 ft. high form the backbone; along the coast are deep mangrove swamps; the plains between yield rice, sugar-cane, cotton, and tobacco; there are forests of teak, camphor, ebony, and sandal-wood, and the richest tin mines in the world; the climate is unhealthy; the northern portion is Siamese, the southern constitutes the British Straits Settlements, of which one, on the W. coast, is specifically called Malacca; it exports tin and tapioas; the capital, Malacca, 120 m. N.W. of Singapore, was the scene of Francis Xavier's labours. **MALACHI**, a prophetic book of the Old Testament, the author of which is otherwise unknown, as the

name, which means the "Messenger of Jehovah," occurs nowhere else in the Bible, and it is a question whether the name is that of a person or a mere appellative; the prophecy it contains appears to have been uttered 420 B.C., and refers to abuses which came to a head between the first and second visits of Nehemiah to Jerusalem; it lacks the old prophetic fire, and gives the impression that the prophetic office is ended.

MALACHITE, a bright green copper ore found in Russia and elsewhere; its main constituent is the basic carbonate of copper.

MALAGEY, ST., archbishop of Amagah in the 12th century; was a friend of St. Bernard, who wrote his Life and in whose arms he died at Clairvaux; was renowned for his sanctity as well as learning; a book of prophecies ascribed to him bearing on the Roman pontiffs is a forgery.

MALADETTA MOUNTAINS (i.e. the accursed), the name of a group of peaks in the Central Pyrenees, of which the highest summit is Pic d'Anethou, 11,168 ft. high, in NE. of Saragosa.

MALAGA, Spanish seaport, 65 m. NE. of Gibraltar, an ancient Iberian town, is now an important but declining centre of commerce; it exports olive-oil, wine, raisins, lead, &c., and manufactures cotton, linen, machinery, fine-art pottery, &c.; its magnificent climate makes it an excellent health resort.

MALAPROP, MRS., a character in Sheridan's "Rivals," noted for her blunders in the use of fine or learned words, as in the use of "allegory" for "alligator."

MALAR LAKE, large and beautiful Swedish lake, stretching 80 m. westward from Stockholm; its shores are deeply indented with bays, and the surrounding hills as well as the thousand islands it contains are well wooded.

MALAY ARCHIPELAGO, or **INDIAN ARCHIPELAGO**, is that group of many hundred islands stretching from the Malay Peninsula SE. to Australia between the North Pacific and the Indian Ocean, of which Borneo, Sumatra, Java, and Celebes are the largest.

MALAYS, a branch of the human family now classed among the Mongols, which inhabit the Malay Peninsula, the islands of the Indian Archipelago, as well as Madagascar and many of the islands in the Pacific; they are of a dark-brown or tawny complexion, short of stature, have flat faces, black coarse hair, and high cheek-bones; there are three classes of them, distinguished from each other in character and habits of life; the more civilised of them are Mohammedans.

MALCOLM, SIR JOHN, Indian soldier and statesman, born in Dumfriesshire; went as cadet to the Madras army in 1785, and for over 30 years was an important figure in Eastern affairs; he was ambassador to Persia 1800, governor of Mysore 1803, again in Persia as plenipotentiary in 1807 and 1810, political agent in the Deccan 1817, and governor of Bombay 1827-1830; he distinguished himself also in several wars; wrote "A History of Persia" and other historical works, and, returning to England, entered Parliament in 1831, opposed to the Reform Bill; two years later he died in London (1769-1839).

MALCOLM CANMORE, son of Duncan, whom Macbeth slew, succeeded his father in 1040 as king of Cumbria and Lothian, and in 1057, on Macbeth's death, became king of all Scotland; till 1066 his reign was peaceful, but thereafter it was one long conflict with the Normans in England; raids and counter-raids succeeded each other till, in 1091, Malcolm was forced to do homage to William Rufus; next year he lost his possessions S. of the Solway, and in 1093 he was slain in battle at Alnwick; the influence of his second wife, the saintly Margaret, did much to promote the civilisation of Scotland and to bring the Scottish Church into harmony with the rest of Christendom.

MALDIVÉ ISLANDS, a chain of several hundred tiny coral islands in the Indian Ocean stretching 550 m. southward from a point 300 m. SW. of Cape Comorin, 200 of which are inhabited; Malé is the residence of the sultan, who is a tributary of the governor of Ceylon; the natives are akin to the Singhalese, and occupy themselves gathering cowries, coco-nuts, and tortoise-shell for exportation.

MALEBOLE, the name given to the eighth circle in Dante's "Inferno," as consisting of "evil pits," which the name means, 10 in number, for those guilty of frauds: contains (1) seducers, (2) flatterers, (3) simonists, (4) soothsayers, (5) robbers and receivers of bribes, (6) hypocrites, (7) rapiers, (8) evil advisers, (9) slanderers, (10) forgers.

MALEBRANCHE, NICHOLAS, a French metaphysician, born in Paris; determined to embrace a monastic life, entered the congregation of the Oratory at the age of 22, and devoted himself to theological study, till the treatise of Descartes on "Man," falling into his hands, he gave himself up to philosophy; his famous work "De la Recherche de la Vérité" was published in 1673, the main object of which was to bridge over the gulf which separates mind from matter by the establishment of the thesis that the mind immediately perceives God, and sees all things in God, who in Himself includes the presumed irreconcilable antithesis (1638-1716).

MALESHERBES, LAMOIGNON DE, French statesman, born in Paris; a good and upright man; was twice over called to be one of Louis XVI.'s advisers, but his advice was not taken and he retired; defended Louis at his trial; pleaded for him "with eloquent want of eloquence, in broken sentences, in embarrassment and sob," and was guillotined for it; he had been censor of the press, and to his liberal-minded censorship the world owes the publication of the "Encyclopédie" (1721-1794).

MALHERBE, FRANÇOIS DE, a French lyric poet and miscellaneous writer of great industry, born in Caen; is from his correct though affected style regarded as one of the reformers of the French language (1555-1628).

MALIGNANTS, the advisers of Charles I., chief among whom were Strafford and Laud; were so called by the Parliamentarians, who blamed them for the evils of the country; the name was afterwards applied to the whole Royalist party.

MALINES, or MECHLIN, a Belgian city on the Dyle, 14 m. S. of Antwerp; has lost its old commercial activity, and is now the quiet ecclesiastical capital; masterpieces of Van Dyck and Rubens adorn its churches.

MALINES CONVERSATIONS, unofficial negotiations between Rome and the Church of England with a view to exploring the possibilities of reunion opened at Malines in 1920 and lasting over several years. Lord Halifax (q.v.) was one of the chief negotiators on the Anglican side.

MALINGERING, a name given in the army to the crime of feigning illness to evade duty or obtain a discharge.

MALLEE, the aboriginal name given to a species of scrubby eucalypt; which grows in desert districts of South Australia and Victoria; it yields the eucalyptus oil of commerce.

MALLET, DAVID, originally **MALLOCH**, Scottish litterateur, born in Grief; wrote several plays, and is remembered for his ballad entitled "William and Margaret"; he was a friend of Thomson, and divided with him the honour of the authorship of "Rule Britannia," the merit of which, however, is more in the music than in the poetry, about which they contested (1702-1765).

MALLOCH, WILLIAM HURRELL, author, born in Devonshire, educated at Oxford; published "The New Republic," 1870, a masterly satire on prominent contemporaries, which none of his subsequent work excelled (1849-1923).

MALMAISON, a historical château 10 m. W. of Paris; belonged originally to Richelieu; saw the last day of Josephine, whose favourite residence it was, and was the scene of the repulse of Ducrot's sortie in October, 1870.

MALMESBURY, WILLIAM OF, an English chronicler of the 12th century; his chief work "Gesta Regum Anglorum" and "Gesta Pontificum Anglorum," followed by his "Historia Novella" (c. 1093-1143).

MALMÖ, important seaport and third town of Sweden, opposite Copenhagen; ships farm produce, cement, and timber; imports machinery, textile fabrics, and coffee; has cigar and sugar factories, and some shipbuilding.

MALONE, EDMUND, a Shakespearean critic and editor, born in Dublin, was a stickler for literary accuracy and honesty; published an edition of Shakespeare's plays in 1790 (1741-1812).

MALORY, SIR THOMAS, flourished in the 15th century; a Warwickshire knight; was the author of "Morte d'Arthur," being a translation in prose of a labyrinthine selection of Arthurian legends (with modifications of his own), which was finished in the ninth year of Edward IV., and printed fifteen years after by Caxton "with all care."

MALPIGHI, MARCELLO, Italian anatomist and professor of Medicine; noted for his discovery of the corpuscles of the kidney and the spleen, named after him (1628-1694).

MALSTRÖM, or MÅLSTRÖM, a dangerous whirlpool off the coast of Norway, caused by the rushing of the currents of the ocean in a channel between two of the Lofoden Islands, and intensified at times by contrary winds, to the destruction often of particularly small craft caught in the eddies of it, and sometimes of whales attempting to pass through it.

MALTA, a small British island in the Mediterranean, 80 m. S. of Sicily, is a strongly fortified and a most important naval station, headquarters of the British Mediterranean fleet, and coaling-station for naval and mercantile marine; with a history of great interest, Malta was annexed to Britain in 1814. The island is treeless, and with few streams, but fertile, and has many wells. Wheat, potatoes, and fruit are largely cultivated, and flax and cotton manufactured. The people are industrious and thrifty. The Roman Catholic Church is very powerful, and has at times come into conflict with the civil power. There is a university at Valetta, and since 1887 Malta has been self-governing.

MALTEBRUN, CONRAD, geographer, born in Denmark; studied in Copenhagen, but banished for his revolutionary sympathies; settled in Paris; was the author of several geographical works, his "Geographie Universelle" the chief (1775-1826).

MALTHUS, THOMAS ROBERT, an English economist, born near Dorking, in Surrey, is famous as the author of an "Essay on the Principle of Population," of which the first edition appeared in 1798, and the final, greatly enlarged, in 1803; the publication provoked much hostile criticism, as it propounded a doctrine which was disastrous to the accepted theory of perfectibility, and which aimed at showing how the progress of the race was held in check by the limited supply of the means of subsistence, a doctrine that admittedly anticipated that struggle for life on a larger scale which the Darwinian hypothesis requires for its "survival of the fittest" (1768-1834).

MALTSE, or malt sugar, formed in the process of brewing by the action of the enzyme diastase upon the starch in the grain; it is hydrolysed to glucose, which on fermentation produces alcohol.

MALVERN, GREAT, a watering-place in Worcester-shire, on the side of the Malvern Hills, with a clear and bracing air, a plentiful supply of water, and much frequented by invalids; the first hydro-pathic establishment in the country was opened here in 1842.

MANBA, a highly venomous large viper of South Africa, of which there are two species, the green and black; is more aggressive than most serpents and inimical to cattle.

MANBRINO, a Moorish king, celebrated in the romances of chivalry, who possessed a helmet of pure gold which rendered the wearer of it invulnerable; the possession of it was the ambition of all the paladins of Charlemagne, and it was carried off by Elinaldo, who slew the original owner; Cervantes makes Don Quixote persuade himself that he has found the enchanted helmet in a barber's brass basin.

MAMELUKES, originally slaves from the regions of the Caucasus, captured in war or bought in the market-place, who became the bodyguard of the Sultan in Egypt in the 13th century, and by-and-by his masters to the extent of ruling the country and supplying a long line of Sultans of their own election from themselves, many of them enlightened rulers, governing the country well, until their supremacy was crushed by the Sultan of Turkey in 1517; after

this, however, they retained much of their power, and offered a brilliant resistance to Bonaparte at the battle of the Pyramids in 1798, who defeated them; but, recovering their power after his withdrawal and proving troublesome, they were by two treacherous massacres annihilated in 1805 and 1811 by Mehmet Ali, who became Viceroy of Egypt under the Porte.

MAMMON, the Syrian god of riches, which has given name to the modern passion for material wealth, specially conceived of as an abnegation of Christianity, the profession of which is in flat antagonism to it.

MAMMOTH, an extinct species of elephant of enormous size found fossilised in Northern Europe and Asia in deposits together with human remains, and yielding a supply of fossil ivory; its tusks have a length sometimes exceeding 10 ft.

MAMMOTH CAVE, a cave in Kentucky, U.S., the largest in the world, several miles in extent, and rising at one point to 300 ft. in height, with numerous side branches leading into crotoches traversed by rivers, which here and there collect into lakes; the name also of another of smaller dimensions in California.

MAN, ISLE OF, a small island in the Irish Sea, 35 m. W. of Cumberland and about the same distance E. of Co. Down; from its equable climate and picturesque scenery is a favourite holiday resort; it has important lead mines at Laxey and Fardale; fishing and cattle-grazing are profitable industries; the people are Celtic, with a language and government of their own; the island is a bishopric, with the title Sodor and Man.

MAN OF DESTINY, name given to Napoleon Bonaparte as reflecting his own belief in fatalism.

MAN OF ROSS, John Kyrle, a gentleman of Ross, Herefordshire, who was noted for his benevolence; was immortalised by Pope in one of his poems.

MAN OF SIN, name given in 2 Thess. ii. 3 to the incarnation at the height of its pride of the spirit of Antichrist, synchronous with the day of its fall.

MANASSEH-BEN-ISRAEL, a Jewish rabbi, born in Lisbon; settled at Amsterdam; wrote several works in the interest of Judaism (1604-1657).

MANSY, CAPTAIN GEORGE WILLIAM, a militia officer, born in Norfolk; was inventor of the apparatus for saving shipwrecked persons, by means of which he saved the lives of nearly a thousand persons himself (1765-1854).

MANCHA, LA, an ancient province of Spain, afterwards included in New Castile, the greater part of which is occupied by Ciudad-Real; it is memorable as the scene of Don Quixote's adventures.

MANCHE, LA, the French name for the English Channel, so called from its resemblance to a sleeve, which the word in French means.

MANCHESTER, on the Irwell, in the S.E. of Lancashire, 30 m. E. of Liverpool, the centre of the English cotton-manufacturing district, with many other textile and related industries, is an ancient, rich, and prosperous city; it has many fine buildings, including a Gothic Town Hall and Assize Court-House by Waterhouse; there are a picture-gallery, philosophic and other institutions, and technical school; Owens College was the nucleus of Manchester University; the substitution of steam for hand power began here about 1750; the industrial struggles in the beginning of the 19th century were severe, and included the famous "Peterloo massacre"; the Anti-Corn-Law League originated in Manchester, and the city has given its name to a school of Liberal politicians identified with the advocacy of peace abroad, free trade, no government interference with industry, and *laissez-faire* principles at home; the Bridgewater Canal, 1762, the railway, 1830, and the Ship Canal to the mouth of the Mersey, 1894, mark steps in the city's progress.

MANCHESTER, EDWARD MONTAGU, EARL OF, English statesman and general, eldest son of the first earl; sided with the Parliament in the Civil War, and commanded in the army, but was censured by Cromwell for his slackness at Newbury, which he afterwards resented by opposing the policy of the Protector; he contributed to the restoration of Charles II., and was in consequence made Lord Chamberlain (1602-1671).

MANCHESTER, VICTORIA UNIVERSITY OF, founded in 1860 with Owen's College as a nucleus; until 1903 the universities of Manchester, Leeds, and Liverpool formed the Victoria University, which was disbanded in that year; degrees are granted in arts, science, engineering, medicine, and technology.

MANCHURIA, a Chinese province lying between Mongolia and Korea, with the Amur River on the N. and the Yellow Sea on the E. is five times the size of England and Wales; the northern, central, and eastern parts are mountainous; the Sungari is the largest river; the soil is fertile, producing large crops of millet, maize, hemp, &c., but the climate in winter is severe; pine forests abound; the country is rich in gold, silver, coal, and iron, but they are little wrought; beans, silk, skins, and furs are exported; the imports include textiles, metals, paper, and opium; the Manchus are the aristocracy of the province; Chinese settlers are industrious and prosperous; the chief towns are Moukden in the S., Kirin on the Sungari, and New-Chwang on the Liao River, a treaty-port since 1858; Russian influence has predominated in the province since 1890.

MANDAEANS, a community found working as skilled artisans in the Persian province of Khuzistan, and in Basra on the Euphrates; are a religious sect; called also Sabians, holding tenets gathered from Christian, Jewish, and heathen sources, resembling those of the ancient Gnostics; their priesthood admits women; their chief rite is baptism, hence their old name, Christians of St. John the Baptist.

MANDALAY, capital of Upper Burma, on the Irrawaddy, in the centre of the country, 360 m. N. of Hangoon; was seized by the British in 1885. The Araacan Pagoda, with a brazen image of the Buddha, attracts many pilgrims, and Buddhist monasteries cluster outside the town. There are silk-weaving, gold, silver, ivory, and wood work, gong-casting and sword-making industries. Great fires raged in it in 1886 and 1892.

MANDARIN, the name given by foreigners (derived from the Portuguese and signifying to "command") to Chinese official functionaries, of which there were some nine orders, distinguished by the buttons on their caps; they were appointed chiefly for their possession of the requisite qualifications for the military or civil offices to which they aspired.

MANDATED TERRITORIES, those lands which as a result of the Great War ceased to be under the sovereignty of the Central Powers and which the League of Nations mandated to various countries, Great Britain received mandates for Iraq, Palestine, and Transjordan.

MANDEVELLE, BERNARD DE, a cynical writer, born in Dordrecht, Holland; bred to medicine; came to London to practise; wrote in racy English the "Fable of the Bees," intended to show, as Stopford Brooke says, how the "vices of society are the foundation of civilisation," or as Professor Saintsbury says, how "vice makes some bees happy, and virtue makes them miserable"; the latter calls him "The Diogenes of English Philosophy"; he affirmed that "private vices are public benefits," and reduced virtue into a form of selfishness; his satire is directed against the ethics of Shaftesbury (q.v.) (1670-1733).

MANDEVELLE, SIR JOHN, English adventurer, who from his own account travelled over thirty years in the East, and wrote a narrative of the marvels he experienced in a book of voyages and travels published in 1586; the authorship of this book has been questioned, it being affirmed that the actual author was Jean de Burgoyne, of Liège, while there is evidence that much of the matter has been borrowed from other narratives.

MANDINGOES, a negro race in Senegambia, and farther inland around the Quorra; are numerous and powerful.

MANES, the general name given by the Romans to the departed spirits of good men, who are conceived of as dwelling in the nether world, and as now and again ascending to the upper.

MANES, MANI, or CUBRICUS, the founder of Manichæism (q.v.), a native of Persia, who died A.D. 274.

MANET, EDOUARD, French artist. Son of a Paris

magistrate, he studied under Couture, travelled round Europe, settled down and produced paintings in a natural style, exhibiting at the Salon from 1861 (1832-1883).

MANETHO, an Egyptian priest and historian, of the 3rd century B.C.; wrote a history of Egypt in Greek, derived from study of sacred monumental inscriptions, which is extant only in fragments.

MANFRED, king of the Two Sicilies, son of the Emperor Frederick II., who had to struggle for his birthright with three Popes, Innocent IV., Alexander IV., and Urban IV., the last of whom excommunicated him, as his predecessors had done, and bestowed his dominions on Charles of Anjou; coming into conflict with Charles at Benevento he fell, and was denied Christian burial, though his nobles pleaded for the privilege (1231-1266).

MANFRED, COUNT, hero of a poem by Byron; sold himself to the Prince of Darkness; lived in solitude on the Alps, estranged from all sympathy with others, and was carried off in the end by the master whom he had served.

MANGANESE, a grey, hard, brittle metal which forms useful alloys with iron and copper, e.g. manganese steel, cupromanganese, and Heusler's alloy.

MANGANIN, an alloy of 7 parts of copper with 1 part of manganese and a small proportion of nickel; it is used for resistance coils in electricity, as the conductivity varies very little with change of temperature.

MANHATTAN, a long island at the mouth of the Hudson, on which a great part of New York stands. **MANICHÆISM**, the creed which ascribes the created universe to two antagonistic principles, the one essentially good—God, spirit, light; the other essentially evil—the devil, matter, darkness; and this name is applied to every system founded on the like dualism. Mani, or Manes (q.v.), the founder of it, appears to have borrowed his system in great part from Zoroaster.

MANILA, capital of the Philippine Islands; at the head of a great bay on the W. coast of Luzon; is hot, but not unhealthy; suffers severely from storms and earthquakes, and is largely built of wood. It has a cathedral, university, and observatory. Its only industry is cigar-making, but the exports include also manila hemp, sugar, and coffee. The population, chiefly Tagals, includes Chinese, Spaniards and Europeans. In the Spanish-American War of 1898 Admiral Dewey captured the city.

MANIN, DANIEL, an illustrious Italian patriot, born in Venice, of Jewish birth; bred for the bar, and practised at it; became President of the Venetian Republic in 1848, and was one of the most distinguished opponents of the domination of Austria; died at Paris, a teacher of Italian (1804-1857).

MANITOBA, a partially developed inland province of Canada, somewhat larger than England and Wales; is square in shape, with the United States on its S. border, Saskatchewan on the N. and W., and Ontario on the E.; a level prairie and arable country, scantily wooded but well watered, having three large lakes, Winnipeg, Winnipegosis, and Manitoba, and three large rivers, Assiniboine, Souris, and Red River. The climate is dry and healthy, though subject to great extremes of temperature; comparatively little snow falls; the soil is very fertile, producing fine wheat; mixed farming, dairy, cattle, and sheep farming are carried on successfully. Land is cheap. There is no mineral wealth; coal is found in the S.; fishing is pursued on the lakes and rivers. Constituted a province in 1870, Manitoba was the scene of the Riel rebellion, quelled that same year. The government is vested in a lieutenant-governor, an executive council, and a single chamber. The capital is Winnipeg, the seat of a university and of extensive flour-mills. The other chief towns are Brandon, a market town, and Portage-la-Prairie, with a brewery, flour and paper mills.

MANITOU, among the North American Indians the "great spirit," represented as an animal which is revealed to the head of a tribe as the guardian spirit of it, and therefore an object of sacred regard. See **TOTEMISM**.

MANLIUS, MARCUS, surnamed **CAPTOLINUS**, a Roman hero who, in 390 B.C., saved Rome from an

attack of the Gauls, and who was afterwards for treason thrown down the Tarpelan Rock.

MANN, HORACE, American educationist, born in Massachusetts; was devoted to the cause of education as well as that of anti-slavery (1790-1859).

MANNA, the food which the Israelites were miraculously fed in the wilderness, a term said to mean "What is this?" being the expression of surprise of the Israelites on first seeing it, but more credibly derived from the Hebrew *mān*, a gift; identified with a species of tamarisk from the stem of which exudes a sugary sap.

MANHEIM, on the Rhine, 56 m. above Mainz; the chief commercial centre of Baden; has manufactures of tobacco, india-rubber, and iron goods, and a growing river trade. An old historical city, it was formerly capital of the Rhenish Palatinate, and a resort of Protestant refugees.

MANNING, HENRY EDWARD, cardinal, born in Hertfordshire; Fellow of Merton, Oxford, and a leader in the Tractarian Movement there; became rector in Sussex; married, and became Archdeacon of Chichester; dissatisfied with the state of matters in the Church of England, in 1851 he joined the Church of Rome, became Archbishop of Westminster in 1865, and Cardinal in 1875; took interest in social matters as well as the Catholic propaganda (1808-1892).

MANRIQUE, GOMEZ, Spanish poet and dramatist, the "father" of the drama in Spain (1415-1481).

MANS, LE, capital of French department of Sarthe, on the river Sarthe, 170 m. SW. of Paris; has a magnificent cathedral; is an important railway centre, and has textile and hosiery factories. It was the scene of a great French defeat by the Germans in January, 1871.

MANSARD, the name of two French architects, born in Paris—François, who constructed the Bank of France (1698-1686), and Jules Hardouin, his grand-nephew, architect of the dome of the Invalides and of the palace and chapel of Versailles (1646-1708).

MANSSEL, HENRY LONGUEVILLE, dean of St. Paul's, born in Northamptonshire; wrote admirably on philosophical and religious subjects, and was a doughty adversary in controversy both with Mill and Maurice; he was a follower in philosophy of Sir William Hamilton (*q.v.*) (1820-1871).

MANSFIELD, market-town of Notts, 14 m. N. of Nottingham, in the centre of a mining district, with iron and lace-thread manufactures.

MANSFIELD, WILLIAM MURRAY, EARL OF, Lord Chief Justice of England, born in Perth, called to the bar in 1730; distinguished himself as a lawyer, entered Parliament in 1743, and became Solicitor-General, accepted the chief-justiceship in 1756; was impartial as a judge, and is acknowledged as the founder of present-day commercial law; raised to the peerage in 1776, and resigned his judgeship in 1789 (1708-1793).

MANSFIELD COLLEGE, Oxford, a theological college established there for the education of students intended for the Nonconformist ministry, though open to other classes; the buildings were opened in 1889.

MANSION HOUSE, the official residence of the Lord Mayor of London, erected in 1739 at a cost of £42,638, with a banqueting-room capable of accommodating 400 guests.

MANTegna, ANDREA, an Italian painter and engraver, born in Padua; his works were numerous, many of them altar pieces and frescoes, his greatest "The Triumph of Caesar"; he was a man of versatile genius, was sculptor and poet as well as painter, and his influence on Italian art was great (1431-1506).

MARTELL, GIDEON, an eminent English geologist and paleontologist, born in Lewes, in Sussex; wrote "The Wonders of Geology," "Thoughts on a Pebble," &c.; he was a voluminous author, and distinguished for his study of fossils (1790-1852).

MANTEUFFEL, BARON VON, field-marshal of Germany, born in Dresden; entered the Prussian army in 1827, rose rapidly, and took part in all the wars from 1866 to 1872, and was appointed viceroy at the close of the last in Alsace-Lorraine, a rather unhappy appointment, as it proved (1809-1885).

MANTRA, the name given to hymns from the Veda of the Hindus, the repetition of which is supposed to have the effect of a charm.

MANTUA, the strongest fortress in Italy, in SE. Lombardy, on two islands in the river Mincio, 83 m. E. of Milan, is a somewhat gloomy and unhealthy town, with many heavy mediæval buildings; there are salt-petre refineries, weaving and tanning industries. Virgil was born here in 70 A.C. The town was Austrian in the 18th century, but ceded to Italy 1806.

MANTUAN SWAN, a name given to the Roman poet Virgil, from his having been a native of Mantua, in N. Italy.

MANU, CODE OF, one of the sacred books of the Hindus, in which is expounded the doctrine of Brahminism, inculcating "sound, solid, and practical morality," and containing evidence of the progress of civilisation among the Aryans from their first establishment in the valley of the Ganges. Manu, the alleged author, appears to have been a primitive mythological personage, conceived of as the ancestor and legislator of the human race, and as having manifested himself through long ages in a series of incarnations.

MANZONI, ALESSANDRO, Italian poet and novelist, born in Milan; began a sceptic, but became a devout Catholic; wrote a volume of hymns, entitled "Inni Sacri," and a tragedy, "Adelchi," his masterpiece and admired by Goethe, as also a prose fiction, "I Promessi Sposi," which spread his name over Europe; in 1860 was made a senator of the kingdom of Italy, and was visited by Garibaldi in 1862; he was no less distinguished as a man than as an author (1775-1873).

MAORI WARS, conflicts between the settlers of New Zealand and the aborigines over boundaries. They were fought from 1843-1847, 1863-1864, and 1869-1870.

MAORIS, the natives of New Zealand, a Polynesian race, who probably derived an aboriginal; are distinguished for their bravery; are governed by chiefs, and speak a rich, sonorous language, while their oral literature contains interesting legends and traditions; tattooing has long been a feature of the race; they are the most vigorous and energetic of all the South Sea Islanders.

MAR, a district in S. Aberdeenshire, between the Don and the Dee, has given a title to many earls; one was regent of Scotland in 1572, another, nicknamed "Hobbling Joan," led the Jacobite rising of 1715; on the death without issue of the earl in 1866 the question of succession was raised; the Committee of Privileges in 1875 granted it to the Earl of Kellie, thereafter Mar and Kellie, and a Bill in Parliament awarded it to his nephew, who thus became Earl of Mar.

MARABOUTS, a sect of religious devotees of a priestly order much venerated in North Africa, believed to possess supernatural power, particularly in curing diseases, and exercising at times considerable political influence; their supernatural power appears to come to them by inheritance.

MARACAYBO, a Venezuelan town and fortress on the W. shore of the outlet of Lake Maracaybo; has handsome streets and buildings, and exports coffee and valuable woods; the lake of Maracaybo is a large fresh-water lake in the W. of Venezuela, connected with the Gulf of Maracaybo by a wide strait, across which stretches an effective bar.

MARANATHA (H. the Lord cometh to judge), a form of anathema in use among the Jews.

MARARON, one of the head-waters of the Amazon, rising in Lake Lauricocha, Peru, and flowing N. and E. till it joins the Ucayali and forms the Amazon; the name is sometimes given to the whole river.

MARAT, JEAN PAUL, a fanatical democrat, born in Nîmes, his father an Italian, his mother a Genevese; studied and practised medicine, came to Paris as horse-leech to Count d'Artois; became infected with the revolutionary fever, and had one fixed idea: "Give me," he said, "two hundred Naples braves, armed each with a good dirk, and with them I will traverse France and accomplish the Revolution," that is, by wholesale massacre of the aristocrats; he had more than once to flee for his

life, and one time found shelter in the sewers of Paris, contracting thereby a loathsome skin disease; in the Convention he was an ardent Jacobin, and his acquittal after a trial under the Girondist government strengthened the position of his party; he was assassinated one evening as he sat in his bath by Charlotte Corday (q.v.), but his body was buried with honours in the Pantheon by a patriot people, "that of Mirabeau flung out to make room for him," to be some few months after himself cast out with execration (1743-1793).

MARATHON, a village, 22 m. N.E. of Athens, on the sea border of a plain where the Greeks under Miltiades in a world-famous occasion defeated the Persians under Darius in 490 B.C.; the plain on which the battle was fought extends between mountains on the W. and the sea on the E.

MARBURG, quaint university town of Hesse-Nassau, on the Lahn, 40 m. N.E. of Limburg; has many old buildings; its Gothic church contains St. Elizabeth's tomb; Luther and Zwingli held a conference in the castle, 1529; William Tyndale and Patrick Hamilton were students at its university, which has a fine library.

MARCEAU, FRANÇOIS SÉVERIN, French general, born in Chartres; distinguished himself in the Republican army in La Vendée and Fleurus, and was mortally wounded at Alenkichen when covering a retreat of the French army (1768-1798).

MARCELLO, BENEDETTO, an Italian musical composer; composed music for an Italian version of the Psalms (1686-1739).

MARCELLUS, CLAUDIUS, Roman general; in a war with the Gauls killed their chief Viridomarus with his own hands, whose spoils he dedicated as *spolia opima* (q.v.) to Jupiter; took Syracuse, which long baffled him through the skill of Archimedes, and fell fighting against Hannibal, 208 B.C.; he was five times consul though but of plebeian birth.

MARCELLUS, MARCUS, son of Octavia, the sister of Augustus, who had named him his heir; his decease at 20 was mourned as a public calamity, and inspired Virgil to pen his well-known lament over his death in the sixth book of the "Æneid" (43-23 B.C.).

MARCEY, MRS. JANE, authoress, born in Geneva; married a Swiss doctor settled in London; wrote elementary text-books on chemistry (from which Faraday gained his first knowledge), political economy, natural philosophy, &c., under the title "Conversations," and her best work, "Stories for Young Children" (1789-1858).

MARCH, the third month of our year; was before 1752 reckoned first month as in the Roman calendar, the legal year beginning on the 25th; it is proverbially stormy, and is the season of the spring equinox; it was dedicated to the Roman god Mars, whence the name.

MARCHING WATCH, THE, a London pageant which began at sunset and went on till sunrise, but as it took place only on Midsummer Eve it did not last much longer than the Lord Mayor's Show. It consisted of two thousand men decorated with flowers and ribbons and officered by peers and knights, and marched about amid a blaze of cresnet lights and bonfires, while the spectators were regaled, free of cost to them, with food and drink. The last march was in 1549.

MARCHAND, GENERAL, a French emissary in Africa; was sent in 1890 to explore the sources of the Niger and other districts, and was afterwards appointed to push on to the Nile, where he arrived in 1898, hoisting the French flag by the way, and finally at Fashoda, from which he was recalled; with extreme disgust he was obliged to retire and find his way back to France (1861-).

MARCHESE, BLANCHE, Baroness Caccamist, French singer, born in Paris; appeared in Wagnerian and other operas in Berlin, Prague, Paris, and London with great success; afterwards taught singing (1826-1913).

MARCION, a heretic of the 2nd century, born in Sinope, in Pontus, who, convinced that the traditional records of Christianity had been tampered with, sought to restore Christianity to its original purity, taking his stand on the words of Christ and the interpretation of St. Paul as the only true

apostle; he held that an ascetic life was of the essence of Christianity, and he had a following called Marcionites, most of whom ultimately were absorbed by the Manichæans.

MARCONI, GUGLIELMO, Italian inventor, the first to make the discoveries of Lodge and Hertz practicable on a large scale; succeeded in sending radio-signals across the Channel in 1899, and the Atlantic in 1901; awarded the Nobel Prize in 1909 (1874-).

MARCUS AURELIUS. See ANTONINUS.

MARDI GRAS, in France the concluding day of the Lent carnival, marked by a procession through the streets of a prize ox, a burlesque of an old Roman sacrificial custom, together with mock priests, a band, and other merry-makers.

MAREMMA, a malarial coast district of Italy, N. of the Campagna, stretching from Orbitello to Guardafallo, with few villages or roads. Part of it was improved by draining and planting (1824-1844), and the inhabitants come down from the neighbouring Apennine slopes in summer to cultivate it; healthier in winter, it affords good pasturage.

MARENGO, a village of N. Italy, S.E. of Alessandria, where Napoleon defeated the Austrians on June 14, 1800.

MAREOTIS LAKE, a lagoon in the N. of Egypt, 40 m. long by 18 m. broad, separated from the Mediterranean by a tongue of land on which part of Alexandria is situated.

MARGARET, queen of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden, was the daughter of Waldemar IV. of Denmark, whose crown, on his death in 1375, she received in trust for her son Olaf; her husband, Haakon VII. of Norway, died in 1380, and left her queen; Olaf died 1387, when she named her grand-nephew, Eric of Pomerania, her heir; the Swedes deposed their king next year, and offered Margaret the throne; she accepted it, put down all resistance, and ultimately brought about the Union of Calmar (1397), which provided for the perpetual union of the three crowns; her energy and force of character won for her the title of "Semiramis of the North" (1353-1412).

MARGARET, a simple, innocent girl in Goethe's "Faust," who is the victim of a tragic fatality; Faust meets her as she comes from church, falls in love with her, and seduces her; she plays the infant born, is convicted and condemned to death, and loses her reason; Faust would fain save her, but he is hurried away by Mephistopheles, and she is left to her fate.

MARGARET, ST., the type of female innocence, represented as a beautiful young maiden bearing the palm and crown of a martyr and attended by a dragon; is patron saint against the pains of childbirth. Festi. d. July 30.

MARGARET, ST., queen of Scotland, wife of Malcolm Canmore, and sister of Edgar Atheling, born in Hungary; brought up at the court of Edward the Confessor; after the conquest sought refuge in Scotland, and, winning the heart of the Scottish king, was married to him at Dunfermline; was a woman of beautiful character and great piety, and did much to civilise the country by her devotion and example; she died in Edinburgh Castle, and was in 1250 canonised by Innocent IV.; Lanfranc had been her spiritual instructor (1047-1098).

MARGARET OF ANGOULÊME, queen of Navarre, sister of Francis I., married in 1527 Henri d'Albret, king of Navarre, by whom she became the mother of Jeanne d'Albret (q.v.); protected the Protestants, and encouraged learning and the arts; she left a collection of novels, under the name of "Heptameron," and a number of interesting letters, as well as some poems (1492-1549).

MARGARET OF ANJOU, queen of Henry VI. of England, and daughter of the good King René of Anjou; was distinguished for the courage she displayed during the Wars of the Roses, though, after a struggle of nearly twenty years, she was defeated at Tewkesbury and committed to the Tower, from which, after four years of incarceration, she was afterwards released by ransom (1430-1482).

MARGARET OF VALOIS, third daughter of Henry II. of France and Catherine de' Medici; married

Henry IV., by whom she was divorced for her immoral conduct (1558-1616).

MARGATE, seaport and watering-place, 3 m. W. of the North Foreland, Kent, is with its firm sands, bathing facilities, and various attractions a favourite resort of London holiday-makers. Its church-tower, 136 ft., is a prominent landmark. There are large almshouses and orphanages, and other charitable institutions.

MAREINECKE, PHILIPP KONRAD, a German theologian, born in Hildesheim; professor successively at Erlangen, Heidelberg, and Berlin; was a Hegelian in philosophy; his chief works, a "System of Catholicism" and a "History of the German Reformation" (1780-1846).

MARIA LOUISA, empress of France, daughter of Francis I., Emperor of Austria; was married to Napoleon in 1810 after the divorce of Josephine, and bore him a son, who was called King of Rome; after Napoleon's death she became the wife of Count von Neipperg (1791-1847).

MARIA THERESA, empress of Austria, daughter of the Emperor Charles VI., a queenly woman; was in 1788 married to Francis of Lorraine; ascended the throne in 1740 on the death of her father, associating her husband with her in the government under the title of Francis I.; no sooner had she done so than, despite the Pragmatic Sanction (q.v.), which assured her of her dominions in their integrity, she was assailed by claimants one for this and one for another portion of them, in particular by Frederick the Great, who by force of arms wrested Silesia from her and kept it fast; the war thus occasioned is known as the war of the Austrian Succession, which lasted seven years, and was concluded by the Peace of Aix-la-Chapelle in 1748; this peace, however, was soon broken, and Maria, backed by France and counselled by Von Kaunitz, renewed hostilities in the hope of compelling Frederick to restore what he had taken; all in vain, for the end of this war, known as the Seven Years' War, was to leave Frederick still in possession of the territory which he had sliced from her empire as in the former; in the interim of these wars Maria devoted her attention to the welfare of her subjects, who were conspicuously loyal to her, and before the end of her reign she saw what she had lost made up to her in a measure by the partition of Poland, in which she took part (1717-1780).

MARIAMNE, the wife of Herod the Great, whom he put to death on suspicion of her unfaithfulness.

MARIANA, JUAN, Spanish historian and political philosopher, born in Talavera; joined the Jesuits in 1554, and taught in their colleges in Rome, Sicily, and Paris; returning to Toledo, he gave himself to literature; his "History of Spain" appeared in 1592 and 1601; for certain theological writings he incurred persecution, and his greatest work, "De Regis et Regis Institutione," in which he defended the right of the people to cast out a tyrant, was condemned by the general of his order (1536-1624).

MARIE ANTOINETTE, queen of France, fourth daughter of Maria Theresa; was married in 1770 to the dauphin of France, who in 1774 succeeded to the throne as Louis XVI.; was a beautiful woman, but indiscreet in her behaviour; had made herself unpopular and impotent for good when the Revolution broke out; when matters became serious the queenliness of her nature revealed itself, but it was in haughty defiance of the million-headed monster that was bellowing at her feet; the heroism she showed at this crisis the general mass of the people could not appreciate, though it won the homage of such men as Mirabeau and Darnay; all she wanted was a wise adviser, for she had courage to follow any course which she could be persuaded to see was right; in Mirabeau she had one who could have guided her, but by his death in 1791 she was left to herself, and the course she took was fatal to all the interests she had at heart; fatality followed fatality: first she saw her husband hurried off to the guillotine, and then she followed herself, accused of intrigues and fomenting civil war; she and her husband suffered as the representatives of the misgovernment of France for centuries before they were born, and were left with a burden on their

shoulders which they could not bear and under which they were crushed to death (1758-1793).

MARIE DE FRANCE, a poetess and fabulist of Henry III.'s time; her fables are translations into French from an English version of old Greek tales; a greater work was her "Fables," consisting of 12 or 14 beautiful narratives in French verse.

MARIE DE' MEDICI, daughter of the Grand-Duke of Tuscany, born in Florence; was married to Henry IV. of France in 1600, with whom she lived unhappily till his murder in 1610; she was then resent for seven years; in 1617 her son assumed power as Louis XIII.; she was for two years banished from the court, and on her return so intrigued as to bring about her imprisonment in 1631; though a lover of art she was neither good wife nor good queen; escaping from confinement, she died in destitution at Cologne (1573-1642).

MARIENBAD, or **MARIANSKELAZNE**, a high-lying Czechoslovakian watering-place, 18 m. S. of Carlsbad; it is much frequented for its saline springs.

MARIETTE PASHA, FRANÇOIS AUGUSTE FÉDÉRIC, Egyptologist, born in Boulogne; became professor in the college there in 1841, entered the Egyptian department of the Louvre in 1849, and next year set out for Egypt; eight years later he was made keeper of the monuments to the Egyptian government, and in 1870 was made a pasha; he died at Cairo; he made many valuable discoveries and excavations, among which were the burial-place of the Apis bulls, the Sphinx monument, and many temples (1821-1881).

MARIO, GIUSEPPE, Marquis of Candia, a celebrated Italian tenor, born in Cagliari; appeared in opera in Paris and London for many years; married Giulia Grisi, the singer (1808-1883).

MARIOTTE, EDMÉ, a French physicist, born in Dijon; discoverer of the law named after him, that the volume of a gas is inversely as the pressure; it bears the name of Mariotte's law on the Continent and Boyle's in England (1630-1684).

MARIS, JACOB, Dutch artist. He studied first at the Hague Academy, the town of his and his brothers' birth, and later in Antwerp and Paris. Landscape painting with a fine reproduction of atmospheric conditions was his forte (1837-1899).

MARIS, MATTHEW, Dutch artist, brother of the preceding. He too studied at the Hague, Antwerp, and Paris, and specialised in mystic painting; he died in London, where he had spent several years of his life (1835-1917).

MARIS, WILLIAM, Dutch artist, brother of the two preceding, under whom he chiefly studied. He is noted for his pastoral landscapes and has work in the National Gallery (1844-1910).

MARIUS, GAIVS, a celebrated Roman general, born near Arpinum, uncle by marriage to Julius Cæsar, head of the popular party, and the rival of Sulla; conquered the Teutons and the Cimbr in Gaul, and made a triumphal entry into Rome; having obtained command of the war against Mithridates, Sulla marched upon the city and drove his rival beyond the walls; having fled the city, Marius was discovered hiding in a marsh, cast into prison, and condemned to die; to the slave sent to execute the sentence he drew himself haughtily up and exclaimed, "Caltiff, dare you slay Gaius Marius?" and the executioner fled in terror of his life and left his sword behind him; Marius was allowed to escape; finding his way to Africa, he took up his quarters at Carthage, but the Roman prætor ordered him off; he later returned to Rome, and with Cinna made the streets of the city run with the blood of the partisans of Sulla; a soldier of undoubted ability, he reorganised the Roman army and made it a power in the field (155-86 a.c.).

MARIVAUX, PIERRE CHAMBLAIN DE, a French dramatist and novelist, born in Paris; was a man of subtle wit, as his writings reveal, while an affection of style was named *Marivaudage* after him; his fame rests on his novels rather than his dramas (1688-1763).

MARK, GOSPEL ACCORDING TO, is mainly a narrative of the doings of Christ and of the events of His life in their historical sequence; moves on at an even pace, abounds in graphic touches, and adds minute traits as if by an eye-witness; it represents Christ

as the Son of man, but manifesting Himself by such signs and wonders as to show that He was also the Son of God; it is written for Gentile Christians and not for Jewish, and hence little stress is laid on Old Testament fulfillments or reference made to those antipathetic to Christianity which had a merely Jewish root.

MARK, JOHN, the author of the second Gospel, the son of Mary, Barnabas' sister, who ministered to Christ, and whose house in Jerusalem was a place of resort for the disciples of Christ after the resurrection; accompanied Paul and his uncle on their first missionary journey, afterwards accompanied Peter, who calls him "my son," and to him it is thought Mark is indebted for his Gospel narrative; he is regarded as the founder of the Coptic Church, and his body is said to have been buried in Venice, of which he is the patron saint, the cathedral of that city being named St. Mark's after him; he is represented in Christian art as a man in the prime of life accompanied by a winged lion, with his Gospel in his left hand and a pen in his right.

MARK ANTONY. See ANTONIUS, MARCUS.

MARK TWAIN. See CLEMENS.

MARKHAM, SIR CLEMENTS ROBERT, traveller and author, born near York, son of a clergyman; served in the navy from 1841 to 1851, taking part in the Franklin search expedition; 1852-1854 he spent exploring Peru; he introduced the cinchona plant to India 1860, became secretary to the Royal Geographical Society 1863, served as geographer to the Abyssinian Expedition of 1867-1868, and was then put at the head of the Geographical Department of the India Office; among many books of travels may be named "The Threshold of the Unknown Region," and among biographies "Columbus" (1830-1816).

MARKEWICZ, CONSTANCE GEORGINE, COUNTESS, Irish politician. She married a Polish count in 1900, took an active part in the 1916 Dublin rebellion, for which she was sent to prison. She was the first woman to be elected to the British House of Commons, being returned for St. Patrick's, Dublin, in December, 1918, but she never took the oath or her seat. An active supporter of De Valera, she was imprisoned before and after the formation of the Irish Free State (1884-1927).

MARLBOROUGH, on the Kennet, 38 m. E. of Bristol, a Whitshire market-town, with sack and rope making, brewing, and tanning industries; has an old Norman church, the remains of an old royal residence, and a college, founded in 1843 originally for sons of clergymen.

MARLBOROUGH, JOHN CHURCHILL, DUKE OF, soldier and statesman, born in Devonshire; joined the Guards as ensign, and served in Tangiers in 1667; sent in command of a company to help Louis XIV. in his Dutch wars, his courage and ability won him a colonelcy; he married Sarah Jennings in 1678, and seven years later became Baron Churchill on James II.'s succession; as general he was employed in putting down Monmouth's rebellion; he succeeded to William of Orange in 1688, and received from him the earldom of Marlborough; he was in disfavour from 1694 till the outbreak of the Spanish Succession War, in which he gained his great renown; beginning by driving the Spaniards from the Netherlands in 1702, he won a series of important victories—Blenheim 1704, Ramillies 1706, Oudenard 1708, and Malplaquet 1709—and contributed to enhance the military glory of England; Queen Anne loaded him with honours; large sums of money, Woodstock estate, Blenheim Palace, and a dukedom were bestowed on him; his wife was the Queen's closest friend, and the duke and duchess virtually governed the country till in 1711 the Queen threw off their influence, and charges of misappropriation of funds forced the duke into retirement; he was restored to many of his offices by George I. in 1714, but for the last six years of his life he sank into imbecility; one of England's greatest generals, he was also one of her meanest men (1650-1722).

MARLOWE, CHRISTOPHER, English dramatist and poet, precursor of Shakespeare; son of a shoemaker at Canterbury; besides a love poem entitled "Hero and Leander," he was the author of seven plays, "Tamburlaine," in two parts, "Doctor

Faustus," "The Jew of Malta," "Edward the Second," "The Massacre of Paris," and "Dido," the first four being romantic plays, the fifth a chronicle play, and the last two offering no particular talent; he dealt solely in tragedy, and was too devoid of humour to attempt comedy; was killed, it is said, at Deptford in a brawl (1584-1593).

MARMONT, AUGUSTE FREDERIC, DUKE OF RAGUSA and marshal of France, served under Napoleon, and distinguished himself on many a battlefield; received the title of duke for his successful defence of Ragusa against the Russians in 1806; was present at Wagram, Lützen, Bautzen, and Dresden, but came to terms with the allies after the taking of Paris, which led to Napoleon's abdication in 1814; obliged to flee on Napoleon's return, he came back to France and gave his support to the Bourbons; left *Memoirs* (1774-1852).

MARMONTEL, JEAN FRANÇOIS, French writer, born in Bort; author of "Les Incas," "Bélisaire," and "Contes Moraux"; "was," says Ruskin, "a peasant's son, who made his way into Parisian society by gentleness, wit, and a dainty and candid literary power; he became one of the humblest yet honestest scholars at the court of Louis XV., and wrote pretty, yet wise, sentimental stories in finished French, the sayings and thoughts in them, in their fine tremulous way, perfect like the blossoming heads of grass in May"; was secretary to the Academy and historiographer of France (1728-1799).

MARMORA, SEA OF, 175 m. long and 50 broad, lies between Europe and Asia Minor, opening into the Aegean through the Dardanelles and into the Baltic through the Bosphorus; the Gulf of Imdid indents the eastern coast; Marmora, the largest island, has marble and alabaster quarries.

MARNE and HAUTE-MARNE, contiguous departments in the N.E. of France, in the upper basin of the Marne River; in both cereals, potatoes, and wine are the chief products, the best champagne coming from the N. In the former, capital Châlons-sur-Marne, building stone is quarried; there are metal works and tanneries; in the latter, capital Chaumont, are valuable iron mines and manufactures of cutlery and gloves. It was the scene of three important battles in the Great War. In September, 1914, there began the first Allied offensive, which stayed the German advance on Paris. (On July 15, 1918, the Germans under Ludendorff launched their final attack here, which, failing, led to the Allied offensive that was the final phase of the war.)

MAROCCHETTI, CARLO, BARON, Italian sculptor, born in Turin; after working in Paris, came to this country in 1849, and executed several public statues, one of Queen Victoria among others (1805-1868).

MARONITES, a sect of Syrian Christians, numbering 200,000, dwelling on the eastern slopes of Lebanon, where they settled in the 7th century, and who joined the Roman Catholic Church in 1445, while retaining much of their primitive character; they maintained a long sanguinary rivalry with their neighbours the Druses (q.v.).

MAROONS, the name given to wild negro bands in Jamaica and Guiana; those in Jamaica left behind by the Spaniards on the conquest of the island by the English, 1655, escaped to the hills, and continued unsubdued till 1795; in Guiana they still maintain independent communities. To maroon a seaman is to leave him alone on an uninhabited island, or adrift in a boat.

MAROT, CLÉMENT, French poet, born in Cahors; was valet-de-chambre to Margaret of Angoulême; was a man of ready wit and a satirical writer, the exercise of which often brought him into trouble; his poems, which consist of elegies, epistles, rondeaux, madrigals, and ballads, have left their impress on both the language and the literature of France (1496-1544).

MARPRELATE TRACTS, a series of clever but scurrilous tracts published under the name of Martin Marprelate, but the work of different writers in the time of Elizabeth, aimed against prelacy; they gave rise to great excitement and some inquisition as to their authorship.

MARQUE. See LETTER OF MARQUE.

MARQUESAS ISLANDS, a group of 13 small volcanic mountainous islands in the S. Pacific, 3800 m. W. of Peru, under French protection since 1842; are peopled by a handsome but savage race, which is rapidly dying out; Chinese immigrants grow cotton; the more southerly were discovered by Mendana in 1595, the more northerly by Ingraham, an American, in 1791.

MARQUETTE, JACQUES (PÈRE), French missionary and explorer, born in Laon; a Jesuit, he went to Canada in 1666; in 1673 accompanied Joliet in the exploration of the Mississippi, re-discovering the river; died while on a missionary journey to the Indians of the Illinois region (1637-1675).

MARROW CONTROVERSY, a theological controversy which arose in Scotland in the 18th century over the teaching of a book entitled "The Marrow of Modern Divinity," and which led to a secession from the Established Church on the part of the "Marrow men," as the supporters of the doctrine of the book were called. It contained an assertion of the evangelical doctrine of free grace, which was condemned by the Assembly, and for maintaining which the "Marrow men," headed by the Erskines, were deposed in 1733, leading to the formation of the Secession Church.

MARRYAT, FREDERICK, novelist, born in Westminster; after service in the royal navy, which he entered in 1806, and in which he attained the rank of commandant, he retired in 1830, and commenced a series of novels: "Frank Mildmay," the first, proving a success, he resolved to devote the rest of his life to literature; his novels were numerous, all of interest for their character sketches and adventures, "Peter Simple" and "Midshipman Easy" being reckoned the best (1792-1848).

MARS, the exterior planet of the Solar system, nearest the earth, of one-half its diameter, with a mean distance from the sun of 141,000,000 m., round which it takes 686 days to revolve, in a somewhat eccentric orbit, and 24½ hours to revolve on its own axis, which inclines to its equator at an angle of 29°; examination of it shows that there is four times as much land as water in it, the so-called "seas" being now accepted as tracts of vegetation, apparently linked by a series of canals, the latter not actually defined as of objective existence; it is accompanied by two satellites, an outer making a revolution round it in 30 hours 18 minutes, and an inner in 7 hours and 38 minutes; they are the smallest heavenly bodies known to science.

MARS, the Roman god of war, the reputed father of Romulus, and the recognised protector of the Roman State, identified at length with the Greek Ares.

MARSEILLAISE, THE, the hymn or march of the French republicans, composed, both words and music, at Strasbourg by Rouget de Lisle one night in April, 1792, and sung by the 600 volunteers from Marseilles who entered Paris on July 30 following. Prohibited during the monarchy and empire, it became eventually the national anthem of France.

MARSEILLES, third city and first seaport of France, on the shore of the Gulf of Lyons, 27 m. E. of the mouth of the Rhône; has extensive dock accommodation; does great trade in wheat, oil, wine, sugar, textiles, and coal, and manufactures soap, soda, macaroni, and iron; there is a cathedral, picture-gallery, museum, and library, schools of science and art; founded by colonists from Asia Minor in 600 B.C., it was a Greek city till 300 B.C.; after the days of Rome it had many vicissitudes, falling finally to France in 1575, and losing its privilege as a free port in 1660; always a Radical city, it proclaimed the Commune in 1871; a cholera plague devastated it in 1855; six years later great sanitary improvements were begun; Thiers and Puyet were born here.

MARSHAL FORWARDS, a name given to Blücher (q.v.) for the celerity of his movements and the dash of his attack.

MARSHALL, JOHN, an American judge; served in the army during the first years of the American War; afterwards entered the legal profession and became Chief Justice of the United States; was an authority on constitutional law (1755-1835).

MARSTON, JOHN, English dramatist, so called, was

more of a poet than a dramatist, and his dramas are remembered chiefly for the poetic passages they contain; his masterpiece is a comedy entitled "What You Will" (1575-1634).

MARSTON, JOHN WESTLAND, dramatist, born in Boston, Lincolnshire; wrote several dramas, "Strathmore" and "Marie de Méraule" among the number (1810-1890).

MARSTON, PHILIP BOURKE, poet, son of preceding; wrote three volumes of verse, admitted by Rossetti and Swinburne; was blind from boyhood (1850-1887).

MARSTON MOOR, 7 m. W. of York; here Cromwell and Fairfax defeated the Royalists under Prince Rupert, July 2, 1644, and so won the north of England for the Parliament.

MARSUPIALS, an order of mammals practically restricted to Australasia, e.g. kangaroo, wombat, and bandicoot.

MARSYAS, in Greek mythology, a Phrygian peasant, who, having found a flute which Athena had thrown away because playing on it disfigured her face, and which, as still inspired by the breath of the goddess, yielded sweet tones when he put his lips to it, one day challenged Apollo to a contest, the condition being that the vanquished should pay whatever penalty the victor might impose on him; Apollo played on the lyre and the boar on the flute, when the Muses, who were umpires, assigned the palm to the former; upon this Apollo caught his rival up, bound him to a tree, and flayed him alive for his temerity.

MARTELLI TOWERS, round towers of strong build, erected as a defence at one time off the low shores of Sussex, Suffolk, and Kent; they are of Italian origin, being named after a tower on Cape Martello, in Corsica; there is one off the harbour of Leith.

MARTENS, ADOLF, German scientist, famous for his researches on engineering and metallurgical subjects (1850-).

MARTENS, FREDERICK DE, German diplomatist and publicist, born in Hamburg; author of a "Festschrift des Droit des Gens" (1756-1821).

MARTENSEN, HANS LASSEN, bishop of Copenhagen, a distinguished theologian; author of "Meister Eckhart," a study of medieval mysticism, "Christliche Dogmatik" and "Christliche Ethik"; was a Hegelian of a conservative type (1808-1884).

MARTENSITE, technical name for a particularly hard steel.

MARTHA, ST., the sister to Mary and Lazarus, the patron saint of good housewives, is represented, in homely costume, with a bunch of keys at her girdle and a pot in her hand. Festival, July 20.

MARTIAL (MARCUS VALERUS MARTIALIS), a Latin poet, born in Bilbilis, in Spain; went to Rome, stayed there, favoured of the emperors Titus and Domitian, for 35 years, and then returned to his native city, where he wrote his Epigrams, a collection of short poems over 1500 in number, divided into 14 books, books xiii. and xiv. being entitled respectively Xenia and Apophoreta; these epigrams are distinguished for their wit, diction, and indecency, but are valuable for the light they shed on the manners of Rome at the period (43-104).

MARTIAL LAW, law administered by military force, to which civilians are amenable during an insurrection or riot.

MARTIN, the name of five Popes: M. I., St., Pope from 649 to 655; M. II., Pope from 882 to 884; M. III., Pope from 942 to 946; M. IV., Pope from 1281 to 1285; M. V., Pope from 1417 to 1431, distinguished for having condemned Huss to be burned.

MARTIN, AIME, a French writer, born in Lyons, repented to Paris, became the pupil and friend of Bernardin de St. Pierre; collected his works and married his widow; his letters to Sophia on "Natural History," &c., highly popular (1781-1844).

MARTIN, HENRI, celebrated French historian, born in Saint-Quentin; devoted his life to the study of the history of France; wrote an account of it, entitled "Histoire de France," a magnificent work in 19 volumes; brought the history down to 1789, and received from the Institute 20,000 francs as a prize (1810-1883).

MARTIN, JOHN, English painter, born near Hexham; was an artist of an ardent temperament and extraordinary imaginative power; his paintings, the first "Sadak in Search of the Waters of Oblivion," characterized as "sublime" and "gorgeous," were 16 in number, and made a great impression when produced; engravings of some of them are familiar, such as the "Fall of Babylon" and "Belshazzar's Feast" (1789-1854).

MARTIN, LADY. See FAUCIT, HELEN.

MARTIN, ST., bishop of Tours, was in early life a soldier, and meeting with a naked beggar one cold day in winter divided his military cloak in two, and gave him the half of it; was conspicuous both as a monk and bishop for his compassion on the poor; seated at a banquet on one occasion between the king and queen, hobbled with a poor beggar looking on, and extended his goblet of wine to him; he is the patron saint of toppers; d. 397. Festival, November 11.

MARTIN, SARAH, a philanthropist, born in Great Yarmouth; lived by dressmaking, and devoted much of her time to visiting criminals in the jails (1791-1843).

MARTIN, SIR THEODORE, man of letters, born in Edinburgh; acquired his first fame under the pseudonym of Bon Gaultier; is author of the "Life of the late Prince Consort"; with Aytoun wrote a "Book of Ballads," and translated the Odes of Horace, Dante's "Vita Nuova" and Goethe's "Faust" (1816-1900).

MARTINEAU, HARRIET, English authoress, born in Norwich; a lady with little or no genius, but with considerable intellectual ability, and not without an honest zeal for the "progress of the species"; she was an "advanced" thinker, and was a disciple of Auguste Comte; wrote a number of successful stories bearing on social questions, and had that courage of her opinions which commanded respect; it was she who persuaded Carlyle to try lecturing when his finances were low, and she had a real pride at the success of the scheme (1802-1876).

MARTINEAU, JAMES, rationalistic theologian, born in Norwich, brother of the preceding; began life as an engineer, took to theology, and became a Unitarian minister; was at first a follower of Bentham and then a disciple of Kant; at one time a materialist, he became a theist, and a most zealous advocate of theistic beliefs from the Unitarian standpoint; he was a thinker of great power, and did much both to elevate and liberate the philosophy of religion; his views were liberal as well as profound, and he was extensively known as the author of the "Endeavours after the Christian Life," "Hours of Thought on Sacred Things," and "The Seat of Authority in Religion" (1805-1900).

MARTINIQUE, a West Indian French possession, one of the Lesser Antilles; has a much-indented, precipitous coast; a mountain range in the centre is densely wooded; the plains are fertile, and produce sugar, coffee, and cotton, which with fruit are the exports; the climate is hot and not salubrious; the island has been French, with three short intervals, since 1635; St. Pierre, the chief town, was destroyed in an eruption of the volcano Mont Pelée in 1902; the capital is Fort de France.

MARTINMAS, the feast of St. Martin (q.v.) on November 11; a legal term in Scotland.

MARTYN, HENRY, a Christian missionary, born in Truro, in Cornwall; was a Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge; went to India as a chaplain, settled in various stations and in Persia; translated the New Testament into Hindi and Persian, as well as the Prayer-book; fell into broken health; caught fever and died (1781-1812).

MARVELL, ANDREW, poet and politician, born in Yorkshire; was first a lyric poet, and in politics much of a Royalist, at last a violent politician on the Puritan side, having become connected with Milton and Cromwell; he wrote a tract "On the Growth of Popery and Arbitrary Government in England" after the Restoration, which brought him into trouble; being a favourite with the king, the king sought to bribe him, but in vain; he died suddenly, and an unfounded rumour was circulated that he had been poisoned (1621-1678).

MARX, HEINRICH KARL, a German Socialist, born

in Trèves, of Jewish descent; was at first a student of philosophy and a disciple of Hegel, but soon abandoned philosophy for social economy on a democratic basis and in a materialistic interest; early adopted socialistic opinions, for his zeal in which he was driven from Germany, France, and finally Belgium, to settle in London, where he spent the last 30 years of his life; founded the "International" (q.v.), and wrote a work "Das Kapital," which has become the text-book of Socialism, a remarkable book and one that has materially promoted the cause it advocates (1818-1883).

MARY, THE VIRGIN. Of her we know nothing for certain except what is contained in the Gospel history, and that almost exclusively in her relation to her Son, in connection with Whom, and as His mother, she has become an object of worship in the Roman Catholic and Greek Churches.

MARY I, queen of England, was born in Greenwich, daughter of Henry VIII. and (Catherine of Aragon; at first the king's favourite, on her mother's divorce she was treated with aversion; during her brother Edward VI.'s reign she lived in retirement, clinging to her Catholic faith; on her accession in 1553 a Protestant plot to put Lady Jane Grey on the throne failed; she began cautiously to restore Catholicism, imprisoning Reformers and reinstating the old bishops; on her choosing Philip of Spain for her husband a revolt broke out under Sir Thomas Wyatt, and though easily put down was the occasion for the execution of Lady Jane Grey and the imprisonment of Elizabeth; after her marriage in 1554 the religious reaction gained strength, submission was made to Rome, and a persecution began in which 300 persons, including Latimer, Ridley, and Crammer, perished in three years; ill-health, Philip's cruelty, and her childlessness drove her to melancholy; a war with France led to the loss of Calais in 1558, and she died broken-hearted, a virtuous and pious, but bigoted and relentless woman (1516-1558).

MARY II, queen of England, daughter of the Duke of York (afterwards James II.) and Anne Hyde; was married to her cousin William of Orange in 1677; ascended the English throne with him on her father's abdication in 1688, and till her death was his much loved, good, and gentle queen; Greenwich Hospital for disabled sailors, which she built, is her memorial (1662-1694).

MARY, QUEEN OF SCOTS, daughter of James V. of Scotland, and Mary of Guise, born in Linlithgow, became by her father's death queen ere she was a week old; her early childhood was spent on an island in the Lake of Menteith; she was sent to France in 1548, brought up at court with the royal princes, and married to the dauphin in 1558, who for a year, 1559-1560, was King Francis II.; on his death she had to leave France; she returned to assume the government in Scotland, now in the throes of the Reformation; refraining from interference with the Protestant movement she retained her own Catholic faith, but chose Protestant advisers; out of many proposed alliances she elected, against all advice, to be married to her cousin Darnley, 1565, and easily quelled the insurrection that broke out under Moray; Darnley, granted the title king, tried to force her to settle the succession in the event of her dying childless on him and his heirs; deeming her favourite Rizzio to stand in the way, he plotted with the Protestant Lords to have him murdered, and Mary was reduced to agree to his demands; the queen was for a time a prisoner in Holyrood, but she succeeded in detaching Darnley, and the latter's scheme fell through; her only son, afterwards James VI., was born three months later, in 1566; the murder of Darnley took place in February, 1567, being accomplished by Hepburn, Earl of Bothwell, almost certainly with Mary's connivance; her marriage with Bothwell in May alienated the nobles; they rose, took the queen prisoner at Carberry, carried her to Edinburgh, then to Loch Leven, where they forced her to abdicate in July; next year, escaping, she fled to England, and was there for many years a prisoner; Catholic plots were formed to liberate her and put her in place of Elizabeth on the English throne (she was next in order of succession, being great-grand-

daughter of Henry VII.); at last she was accused of complicity in Babington's conspiracy, tried, found guilty, and executed in Fotheringhay Castle, February 8, 1587; faithful to her religion to the end, she was a woman of great beauty and charm, courage, and ability, warm affection and generous temper (1542-1587).

MARY, PRINCESS, third child and only daughter of King George V. and Queen Mary; she married in 1922 Viscount Lascelles, afterwards Earl of Harewood (1897-).

MARYLAND, a State of the U.S.A., occupying the basin of the Potomac and of Chesapeake Bay, with Pennsylvania on the N., Delaware on the E., and the Virginias on the W. and S.; has a much indented coast-line affording great facilities for navigation; the soil is throughout fertile; on the level coast plains tobacco and fruit, chiefly peaches, are grown; in the undulating central land wheat; the mountains in the W. are well wooded with pine; there are coal-mines in the W., copper and chrome in the midland, and extensive marble quarries; the shad and herring fisheries are valuable; the manufactures of clothing stuffs, flour, and tobacco are extensive; the climate of Maryland is temperate; the John Hopkins University is in Baltimore; there is a State college in every county, and schools for blind, deaf, and feeble-minded children; colonisation began in 1634, and a policy of religious toleration and peace with the Indians led to prosperity; the State was active in the War of Independence, and remained with the North in the Civil War; the capital is Annapolis, but the largest city is Baltimore, a great wheat-shipping port and centre of industry; Cumberland has brick and cement works, and Hagerstown has machine, farm implement, and furniture factories.

MASACCIU, or TOMMASO GUIDI, an Italian painter, born in Florence; went when very young to Rome, where he painted in the church of St. Clement a series of frescoes, his greatest work being the frescoes in the Brancacci chapel of the Carmine Church; he was a great master of perspective and colour (1401-1428).

MASALI, a warlike tribe in Africa, between the coast of Zanzibar and Victoria Nyanza, of the race of the Galla, men of powerful physique, though far from prepossessing in appearance; when their warlike spirit and prowess were spent they settled down to cattle-breeding; are now amenable to British rule.

MASANIELLO, a fisherman of Amalfi, who headed a revolt against the Spanish viceroy in Naples, which proved successful, but turned his head and led to his assassination (1623-1647).

MASARYK, THOMAS, Czechoslovakian politician. During the Great War he worked with Dr. Benes (q.v.) for the liberation of his country from Austria-Hungary, and on the declaration of its independence he became first President in Nov. 1918 (1850-).

MASCAGNI, PIETRO, Italian composer, born in Leghorn; wrote the opera *Cavalleria Rusticana* in 1890, followed by *L'Amico Fritz* in 1891 (1853-).

MASEFIELD, JOHN, British poet, author, and playwright; on the death of Robert Bridges (q.v.) he became Poet Laureate in 1930. His early days were spent in wandering around the world, many of them as an ordinary sailor, and in 1902 he published "Salt Water Ballads," which caused a stir by their freshness; his poems are marked by great power and originality; "The Everlasting Mercy," published in 1911, is his most celebrated poem; among his novels are "Captain Margaret" and "Sard Harker" (1876-).

MASEHONALAND, a plateau 4000 ft. high crossed by the Umvukwe Mountains, lying to the NE. of Matabeleland and S. of the Zambezi River, of which its streams are tributaries; is a fertile country, and being traversed continually by cold SE. winds is healthy and bracing; the natives, of Bantu stock, are peaceful and industrious, growing rice, maize, tobacco, and cotton, which they also weave, and working with skill in iron; they formerly lived in dread of the fierce Matabele tribes; the country is very rich in iron, copper, and gold, and has traces of ancient scientific gold-mining; it has been under British protection since 1888.

MASKELYNE, NEVILL, astronomer-royal, born in London; determined the method of finding longitude at sea, and the density of the earth by experiments at Mt. Schiehallion, Scotland, commenced the "Nautical Almanack," and produced the first volume of "Astronomical Observations at Greenwich" (1732-1811).

MASON, SIR JOSIAH, Birmingham manufacturer and philanthropist, born in Kidderminster; made his fortune by split rings, steel pens, electro-plating; founded an orphanage at Edington at the cost of nearly £800,000, and the college at Birmingham which bears his name (1795-1881).

MASON, WILLIAM, a minor poet, a friend of Gray; the author of two tragedies, "Elfrida" and "Caractacus" (1724-1797).

MASON AND DIXON'S LINE, so called after two English engineers who surveyed it, 1764-1767; is the boundary separating Maryland from Pennsylvania and Delaware; during the Civil War it was inaccurately regarded as dividing the slave-holding from the free States, Maryland and Delaware both recognising slavery.

MASPERO, GASTON CAMILLE CHARLES, French Egyptologist, born in Paris; made extensive explorations and important discoveries in Egypt; wrote, among works bearing on Egypt, *Histoire Ancienne des Peuples de l'Orient* (1846-1916).

MASS, in physics, the measure of the quantity of matter in a body, as distinguished from *weight*, which is the force of gravity upon a body.

MASS SPECTROGRAPH, an apparatus designed by F. W. Aston (q.v.) for the analysis of positive rays (q.v.), by means of which he discovered a large number of isotopes.

MASSACHUSETTS, a New England State of the U.S.A., lies on the Atlantic seaboard between New Hampshire and Vermont on the N. and Rhode Island and Connecticut on the S., with New York on its western border; has a long, irregular coast-line and uneven surface rising to the Green Mountains in the W.; the scenery is of great beauty, but the soil is in many places poor, the farms raising chiefly hay and dairy produce; the winters are severe; Massachusetts is the third manufacturing State of the Union; its industries include cotton, woollen, worsted, clothing, leather and leather goods, iron and iron goods, printing; there are several important universities and colleges, including Harvard, Boston, Williams, and Amherst; founded in 1620 by the Pilgrim Fathers, Massachusetts had many hardships in early days, and was long the scene of religious intolerance and persecution; the War of Independence began at Bunker's Hill and Lexington in 1775; the capital and chief seaport is Boston; Worcester has machinery factories, Springfield paper, and Lowell cotton, mills; Concord was for long a literary centre.

MASSAGE, in medicine a process of kneading, stroking, and rubbing, with the fingers and palms of the hands, applied to the body as a whole or to locally affected parts, to allay pain, promote circulation, and restore nervous and vital energy; it was practised in very early times in China and India; was known to the Greeks and Romans, and was revived by Dr. Mezer of Amsterdam in 1853.

MASSAGETÆ, a Scythian people on the NE. of the Caspian Sea, who used to kill and eat the aged among them, in an expedition against whom, it is said, Cyrus the Great lost his life.

MASSENA, ANDRÉ, Duc de Rivoli, Prince of Essling, one of the most illustrious marshals of France, born in Nice; he distinguished himself at Rivoli in 1796, at Zurich in 1799, at the siege of Genoa in 1800, at Eckmühl and at Wagram in 1809, and was named by Napoleon *L'enfant chéri de la Victoire*, i.e. the favoured child of victory; he was recalled from the Peninsula by Napoleon for failing to expel Wellington, and it appears he never forgot the affront (1768-1817).

MASSENET, ÉMILE FRÉDÉRIC, French composer. He was admitted to the Paris Conservatoire at the age of 11 as a pianist, won several prizes, and at 30 produced "Don César de Bazan," a light opera that placed him in the front rank of his contemporaries. Most of his work was done for the light opera stage (1842-1912).

MASSEY, GERALD, English democratic poet, born in Hertfordshire; wrote "Poems and Charms," "Voices of Freedom and Lyrics of Love"; wrote for the reviews, and took a great interest in spiritualism (1828-1907).

MASSEY, WILLIAM FERGUSON, New Zealand politician. Born in Ireland he emigrated at the age of 14, and went in for farming. His political career started in 1894, when he became a local M.P.; in 1903 he became leader of the opposition, and in 1912 Prime Minister, in which capacity he was a member of the Imperial War Cabinet and attended the Peace Conference in 1919 (1856-1925).

MASSILLON, JEAN BAPTISTE, celebrated French pulpit orator, born in Hières, in Provence; entered the congregation of the Oratory, and became so celebrated for his eloquence that he was called to Paris, where he gathered round him hearers in crowds; Bourdaloue, when he heard him, said, "He must increase, but I must decrease," and Louis XIV. said to him, "When I hear others preach I go away much pleased with them, but when I hear you I feel displeased with myself"; he was made bishop of Clermont, and next year preached before Louis XV., now king, his famous "Petit Carême," a series of ten sermons for Lent; he was a devoted bishop, and the idol of his flock; his style was perfect and his eloquence was winning, though he lacked the fire of some of his contemporaries (1663-1742).

MASSINGER, PHILIP, English dramatist; little is known of his personal history except that he studied at Oxford without taking a degree, that he lived in London, and was buried as "a stranger" in St. Saviour's, Southwark; of his 37 plays only 18 remain, and of these the most famous is the comedy entitled "A New Way to Pay Old Debts," the chief character in which is Sir Giles Overreach, and the representation of which still holds its place on the stage; much of his work, it is alleged, was by way of collaboration with Dekker, Fletcher, and other dramatists (1583-1640).

MASSON, DAVID, man of letters, born in Aberdeen; chose literature as his profession in preference to theology, with the study of which he commenced; joined the staff of Messrs. Chambers; settled in London, and became professor of English Literature in University College, from the chair of which he removed to the corresponding one in Edinburgh in 1865; edited *Macmillan's Magazine* from 1859 to 1868; his great work, the "Life of Milton," in 6 vols. (1822-1907).

MASSORAH, a body of Biblical references, chiefly handed down by tradition, and calculated to be of great service in verifying the original text of the Hebrew Scriptures.

MASSORETIC POINTS, the vowel points and accents in Hebrew; invented by the Massorites, or authors of the Massorah.

MASTER, the title given to the heir of a Scottish peerage below the rank of earl, as Master of Semple.

MASTER HUMPHREY, a character in Dickens' "Old Curiosity Shop."

MASTER OF SENTENCES, Peter Lombard (*q.v.*).

MASTER OF THE ROLLS, the custodian of the Record Office, who also acts as an Appeal Judge.

MASTODON, one of an extinct species of mammals akin to the elephant, of more primitive type than the mammoth and belonging to the Miocene and Pliocene periods.

MASULPATAM, chief seaport in the district of Kistna, Madras Presidency, India, 215 m. N. of Madras, with a large coasting trade.

MATABELWLAND, a country stretching northward from the Transvaal, 180 m. by 150 m., towards the Zambesi River; formerly occupied by peaceful Mashona and Makalaka tribes, but conquered by the Matabele in 1840 and since held by them. The natives, mainly of Zulu stock, are warlike, and have no industries. Gold exists in various parts, and the country was declared British territory in 1890. It was developed by the British South African Company.

MATADORE, the athlete who kills the bull in a bull-fight.

MATANZAS, a fortified town in Cuba, 32 m. E. of

Havana, with a large harbour; exports sugar and guava jelly.

MATERIALISM, the theory which, denying the independent existence of spirit, resolves everything within the sphere of being into matter, or into the operation and the effect of the operation of forces latent in it, or into the negative and positive interaction of mere material forces, to the exclusion of intelligent purpose and design.

MATHER, COTTON, an American divine, born in Boston; notorious for his belief in witchcraft, and for the persecution he provoked against those charged with it by his zeal in spreading the delusion (1633-1728).

MATHEW, THEOBALD, or FATHER MATHEW, apostle of temperance, born in Tipperary; studied for the Catholic priesthood, but joined the Capuchin Minorites; was in 1814 ordained a priest, and located in Cork, where at sight of the cruel effects of drunkenness on the mass of the people his heart was moved, and he resolved on a crusade against it; he started on this enterprise in 1827, but it took a year and a half before his mission bore any fruit, and then it was accompanied with marvellous success wherever he went, even as far as the New World (1790-1856).

MATHEWS, CHARLES, comedian, born in London; abandoned his father's trade of bookseller for the stage in 1794; appeared in Dublin and York, and from 1803 till 1818 played in Drury Lane, Covent Garden, and the Lyceum; the rest of his life he spent as a single-handed entertainer, charming countless audiences in Britain and America with his good singing, recitations, and incomparable mimicry; he died at Plymouth (1776-1835).

MATHEWS, CHARLES JAMES, light comedian, son of the preceding; married Madame Vestris (1803-1878).

MATILDA, the "Great Countess" of Tuscany, celebrated for her zeal on behalf of the Pope against the Emperor Henry IV., and for the donation of her possessions to the Church, which gave rise to a contest after her death (1046-1115).

MATILDA, or MAUD, daughter of Henry I. of England and wife of the Emperor Henry V., on whose decease she was married to Geoffrey Plantagenet of Anjou and became mother of Henry II.; on the death of her father succeeded to the English throne, but was supplanted by Stephen, whom she defeated and who finally defeated her (1102-1167).

MATLOCK, a watering-place in Derbyshire, on a slope overlooking the Derwent, 15 m. N.W. of Derby; famous for its hydropathic establishments, its waters having been used medicinally for over 200 years.

MATYS, QUENTIN, a Flemish painter, born in Louvain, original, a blacksmith; did altar-pieces and genre paintings (1466-1630).

MATTATHIAS, a Jewish priest, the father of the Maccabees, who in 170 B.C. when asked by a Syrian embassy to offer sacrifice to the Syrian gods, not only refused to do so, but slew with his own hand the Jew that stepped forward to do it for him, and then fell upon the embassy that required the act; upon which he rushed with his five sons into the wilderness of Judea and called upon all to follow him who had any regard for the Lord; this was the first step in the war of the Maccabees, the immediate issue of which was to the Jew the achievement of an independence which he had not enjoyed for 400 years.

MATTERHORN, a sharp Alpine peak, 14,780 ft., on the Swiss-Italian border, difficult of ascent; first scaled by Whymper 1865.

MATTHEW, a publican, by the Sea of Tiberias, who being called became a disciple and eventually an apostle of Christ; generally represented in Christian art as an old man with a large flowing beard, often occupied in writing his gospel, with an angel standing by.

MATTHEW, GOSPEL ACCORDING TO, written not later than 70 A.D., is the earliest record we possess of the ministry and teaching of Christ, and is believed to have been originally a mere collection of His sayings and parables; was written in Aramaic, the spoken language of the Jews at the period, of which the version we have in Greek is a translation, as some

think by Matthew himself; its aim is to show that Jesus of Nazareth is the Messiah promised in the Old Testament, in a form, however, which led to His rejection by the Jews, and their consequent rejection by Him, to the proclamation of His gospel among the Gentiles (chap. xxviii. 19, 20).

MATTHIAS CORVINUS, conqueror and patron of learning, born in Klausenburg; was elected King of Hungary, 1458; though arbitrary in his measures, he promoted commerce, dispensed justice, fostered culture, and observed sound finance; he founded the University of Buda-Pesth, an observatory, and great library, but his reign was full of wars; for nine years he fought the Turks, and took from them Bosnia, Moldavia, and Wallachia; from 1470 till 1478 the struggle was with Bohemia, from which he wrested Moravia, Silesia, and Lusatia; then followed war with Frederick III., the capture of Vienna, 1485, and a large part of Austria, 1487; he made Vienna his capital, and died there (1443-1490).

MATTHE, HENRI, French artist of the Impressionist school and an apostle of simplicity in art (1869-).

MATURIN, CHARLES ROBERT, novelist, a poor curate in Dublin, where he died; wrote "The Fatal Revenge" and other extravagant tales, and produced one successful tragedy, "Hertford," 1816 (1782-1824).

MAUDE, SIR FREDERICK STANLEY, British general. Of Irish birth, he entered the Coldstream Guards, saw service in the Sudan and Boer War, and in Oct. 1914 took command of the 14th brigade in France; he was in charge of the 13th division in Gallipoli, and later in Mesopotamia, where he succeeded Townsend and captured Bagdad, a city in which he contracted fever and died (1864-1917).

MAUNDY-THURSDAY, the Thursday before Good Friday, on which day it was customary for high people to wash the feet of a number of poor people, and on which Royal alms are now bestowed by the Royal Almoner upon the poor.

MAUPASSANT, GUY DE, a French romancer, born in Fécamp; served in the Franco-German War, and afterwards gave himself to letters, producing novels, stories, lyrics, and plays; died insane (1860-1893).

MAUPEOU, chancellor of France, whose ministry was signalled by the banishment of the Parlement of Paris, and the institution of *Conseils du roi*; the Parlement Maupeou became a laughing-stock under Louis XV., and Louis XVI. recalled the old Parlement on his accession (1714-1792).

MAUPERTUIS, PIERRE LOUIS MOREAU DE, French mathematician and astronomer, born in St. Malo; went to Lapland to measure a degree of longitude, to ascertain the figure of the earth; wrote a book "On the Figure of the Earth"; was invited to Berlin by Frederick the Great, and made President of the Academy of Science there; was satirised by Voltaire, much to the annoyance of the king, who patronised him and prided himself in the institution of which he was the head (1698-1759).

MAUR, ST., a disciple of St. Benedict in the 6th century; the congregation of Saint-Maur, founded in 1613, was a nursery of scholarly men, Benedictines, known as Maurists.

MAUREPAS, JEAN FRÉDÉRIC, COMTE DE, French statesman, born in Versailles; was minister of France under Louis XV. and again under Louis XVI., an easy-going, careless minister, "adjusted his cloak well to the wind, so he might have pleased all parties" (1701-1781).

MAURICE, FREDERICK DENISON, a liberal theologian and social reformer, born at Normanston, near Lowestoft, the son of a Unitarian minister; started as a literary man, and for a time edited the *Athenæum*, and took orders in the English Church in 1834; was chaplain to Guy's Hospital and afterwards to Lincoln's Inn, and incumbent of Vere Street Chapel; held professorships in Literature, in Theology, and Moral Philosophy; was a disciple of Coleridge and a Broad Churchman, who "promoted the charities of his faith, and parried its discussion," one of the originators of Christian Socialism with Kingsley, and the founder of the Working-Man's College; his writings were numerous,

though somewhat vague in their teachings, and had many admirers (1805-1872).

MAURICE OF NASSAU, Prince of Orange; one of the most famous generals of his time; was son of William the Silent, on whose assassination he was elected Stadtholder, and became by his prowess the liberator of the United Provinces from the yoke of Spain; his name is stained by his treatment of Barneveldt, who saw and opposed his designs to secure autocratic power (1567-1625).

MAURISTS, a congregation of reformed Benedictines, with headquarters in Paris, disbanded in 1792; were through the 17th and 18th centuries noted for their services to learning; they published many historical and ecclesiastical works, including a "History of the Literature of France," and boasted in their number Montfaucon, Mabillon, and other scholars.

MAURITANIA, was the old name of the African country W. of the Muluya River and N. of the Atlas Mountains, from which supplies of corn and timber were obtained.

MAURITIUS, or ISLE OF FRANCE, a volcanic island in the Indian Ocean, 550 m. E. of Madagascar, as large as Cathness, with mountains 3000 ft. high, a tableland in the centre, and many short streams; the climate is cool in winter, hot in the rainy season, and subject to cyclones; formerly well wooded, the forests have been cut down to make room for sugar, coffee, maize, and rice plantations; sugar is the main export; the population is very mixed; African and Eastern races predominate; there are also descendants of French settlers and Europeans; discovered by the Portuguese in 1510, it was abandoned 90 years later; the Dutch held it for 112 years, and abandoned it in turn; occupied by the French in 1721, it was captured by Britain in 1810, and is now, with some other islands, a crown colony, under a governor and council. Port Louis, on the NW., is the capital and a British naval coaling station.

MAURY, ABBÉ, born in Vaulueuse, son of a shoemaker; came to Paris, and became celebrated as a preacher; was made member of the Constituent Assembly; "fought Jesuitico-rhetorically, with toughest lungs and heart, for throne, specially for altar and titles"; his efforts, though fruitless for the throne, gained him in the end a cardinal's hat (1746-1817).

MAURY, MATTHEW FONTAINE, American hydrographer, born in Virginia; entered the United States navy in 1825, became lieutenant in 1837, studied the Gulf Stream, oceanic currents, and great circle sailing, and in 1850 published his "Physical Geography of the Sea"; took the side of the Confederates in the Civil War, and was afterwards appointed professor in the Military College at Lexington, in Virginia (1806-1873).

MAUSOLEUM, a building more or less elaborate, used as a tomb. See **MAUSOLUS**.

MAUSOLUS, a king of Caria, husband of Artemisia, who in 353, at Halicarnassus, raised a monument to his memory, called the Mausoleum, reckoned one of the Seven Wonders of the world.

MAUVE, ANTON, Dutch painter. Son of a Baptist minister, he early took to art, and achieved fame as a landscape painter, especially of rural and seashore life. "Watering Horses" and "The Sand Cart" are his most celebrated pieces of work (1838-1888).

MAWSON, SIR DOUGLAS, British explorer. He went to the Antarctic in 1907 with Shackleton, and in 1911 commanded the Australian Antarctic expedition, a venture which ended in failure and of which he was the only survivor. Knighted in 1914, he undertook a fresh voyage in the *Discovery* in 1929 (1882-).

MAX-MÜLLER, FRIEDRICH, philologist, born in Dessau, son of a German poet, Wilhelm Müller; educated at Leipzig; studied at Paris, and came to England in 1848; was appointed Taylorian Professor at Oxford in 1854, and in 1868 professor of Comparative Philology there, a science to which he made large contributions; besides editing the "Rig-Veda," he published "Lectures on the Science of Language" and "Chips from a German Workshop," dealing therein not merely with the origin

of languages, but that of the early religious and social systems of the East (1823-1900).

MAXIM, SIR HIRAM STEVENS, inventor, born in Tangerville, Maine, U.S.; showed early a decided mechanical talent, and is best known in connection with the invention of the gun named after him, but among his other inventions are the smokeless powder, the incandescent lamp carbons, and search-lights, and he also carried out early experiments in flying (1840-1916).

MAXIM GUN, an automatic machine-gun invented by Sir Hiram Maxim, in London, in 1884, capable of discharging 620 live cartridges per minute; the first shot is fired by hand, and the recoil is utilised to reload and fire the next, and so on. A cylinder of water keeps the barrel from heating.

MAXIMILIAN, FERDINAND JOSEPH, archduke of Austria, younger brother of Francis Joseph I., born in Schönbrunn; became emperor of Mexico; issued an edict threatening death to any Mexican who took up arms against the empire, roused the Liberal party against him, and at the head of 8000 men was defeated at Queretaro, taken prisoner, tried by court-martial, and shot (1831-1867).

MAXIMILIAN I., German emperor, son of Frederick III., acquired Burgundy and Flanders by marriage, which involved him in a war with France; became emperor on the death of his father in 1493; became by marriage Duke of Milan, and brought Spain under the power of his dynasty by the marriage of his son Philip to the daughter of Ferdinand and Isabella; it was he who assembled the Diet of Augsburg at which Luther made appeal to the Pope (1450-1519).

MAXWELL, name given by electricians to the unit of magnetic flux, named after James Clerk Maxwell.

MAXWELL, JAMES CLERK, eminent physicist, born in Edinburgh, son of John Clerk Maxwell of Middlebie; senior wrangler at Cambridge; became professor in Aberdeen in 1856, in London in 1860, and first Cavendish Professor of Experimental Physics in Cambridge in 1871; in this year appeared the first of his works, "The Theory of Heat," which was followed by "Electricity and Magnetism" and "Matter and Motion," the second being his greatest; his most important work was in connection with the electro-magnetic theory of light (1831-1879).

MAXWELL, SIR WILLIAM STIRLING, of Keir, Perthshire, a man of refined scholarship; travelled in Italy and Spain; wrote on subjects connected with the history and the artists of Spain (1818-1878).

MAY, the fifth month of the year, so called from the Latin *Maius*, itself derived from a Sanskrit word signifying to grow, as being the shooting or growing month.

MAY, ISLE OF, island at the mouth of the Firth of Forth, 54 m. S.E. of Crail on the Fife coast; has a lighthouse with an electric light, flashing out at intervals to a distance of 22 nautical miles.

MAY, PHIL, British artist who, after some years' work on the *Sydney Bulletin* in Australia, made a name by comic drawing, especially his Cockney studies in *Punch* and other periodicals (1864-1903).

MAY, SIR THOMAS ERSKINE, BARON FARNBOROUGH, English barrister; became Clerk of the House of Commons in 1871; wrote a parliamentary text-book, "Democracy in Europe," and a "Constitutional History of England since the Accession of George III." in continuation of the works of Hallam and Stubbs (1815-1880).

MAY WEEK, the annual summer inter-collegiate races for the headship of the river held at Cambridge every June, when the college balls also take place.

MAYAS, an ancient people of Central America whose high pitch of culture is revealed by the monuments, remains of palaces, temples, and pyramids found in Yucatan; they preceded the Aztecs in Mexico; at the present time the race is represented strongly in Yucatan, where the language is still spoken.

MAYER, JULIUS ROBERT VON, German physicist, born in Heilbronn; made a special study of the phenomena of heat, established the numerical relation between heat and work, and propounded the theory of the production and maintenance of the sun's temperature; he had a controversy as to

the priority of his discoveries with Joule, who claimed to have anticipated them (1814-1878).

MATHEW, HENRY, litterateur and first editor of *Punch*, born in London, and article to his father, a solicitor; chose journalism as a profession, and in connection with Gilbert & Rocket started *The Thief* in 1832, the first of the "Bits" type of papers; he joined the first *Punch* staff in 1841, in which year his farce "The Wandering Minstrel" was produced; collaborating with his brother Augustus, he wrote "Whom to Marry" and many other novels between 1847 and 1855, thereafter works on various subjects; his principal book, "London Labour and the London Poor," appeared in 1861 (1812-1867).

MAYNOOTH, village in co. Kildare, 15 m. W. of Dublin; is the seat of a Roman Catholic seminary founded by the Irish Parliament in 1795 on the abolition of the French colleges during the Revolution; an annual grant of £9000 was made, increased to £26,000 in 1846, but commuted in 1869 for a sum of £1,100,000, when State connection ceased; the college trains 500 students for the priesthood.

MAYO, maritime county in Connaught, west of Ireland, between Sligo and Galway; has many indentations, the largest Broadhaven, Blackwood, and Clew Bays, and islands Achill and Clare, with a remarkable peninsula, The Mullet; mountains in the W. the E. is more level, and has Lough Conn and the Moy River; much of the county is barren and bog, but crops of cereals and potatoes are raised; cattle are reared on pasture lands; there are valuable slate quarries and manganese mines; Castlebar, in the centre, is the county town; Westport, on Clew Bay, has some shipping.

MAYO, RICHARD SOUTHWELL BOURKE, EARL OF, statesman, born and educated in Dublin; entered Parliament 1847, and was Chief Secretary for Ireland in Conservative Governments 1862, 1858, and 1866, opposing Gladstone's Irish Church resolutions; in 1868 he succeeded Lord Lawrence as Viceroy of India, in which office he proved himself a prudent statesman, a sound financier, and a just and wise administrator; he was murdered by a fanatic in the Andaman Islands (1822-1872).

MAYORS, chairmen of city and borough council, elected by the bodies over which they preside. The office dates back to the time of Henry II. London and several of the large provincial cities have Lord Mayors.

MAZARIN, JULES, cardinal, born in Macina, Abruzzi; having been sent by the Pope as one of an embassy to France, he gained the favour of Richelieu, who recommended him to Louis XIII. as his successor, and whom he succeeded, being naturalised as a Frenchman, in 1642; an office which he retained under the queen-regent on Louis' death; he brought the Thirty Years' War to an end by negotiating the peace of Westphalia, crushed the revolt of the Fronde (q.v.), and imposed on Spain the treaty of the Pyrenees; at first a popular minister, he began to lose favour when cabals were formed against him, and he was dismissed, but he contrived to allay the storm, regained his power, and held it till his death; he died immensely rich, and bequeathed his library, which was a large one, to the College Mazarin (1602-1661).

MAZARIN BIBLE, the first book printed by movable metal types, a copy of which is in the Mazarin library and bears the date 1456.

MAZEPPA, IVAN, hetman of the Cossacks, born in Podolia; became page to John Casimir, king of Poland; was taken by a Polish nobleman, who surprised him with his wife, and tied by him to the back of a wild horse, which galloped off with him to the Ukraine, where it had been bred, and where some peasants released him half-dead; life among those people suited his taste, he stayed among them, became secretary to their hetman, and finally hetman himself; he won the confidence of Peter the Great, who made him a prince under his suzerainty, but in an evil hour he allied himself with Charles XII. of Sweden; fled to Bender on the defeat of the Swedish king at Pultowa in 1709 (1644-1709).

MAZURKA, a lively Polish dance, danced by four or eight couples, and much practised in the N. of

Germany as well as in Poland; said to derive its name from the Polish town of Masovia.

MAZZINI, GIUSEPPE, Italian patriot, born in Genoa; consecrated his life to political revolution and the regeneration of his country on a democratic basis by political agitation; was arrested by the Sardinian government in 1831 and expelled from Italy; organised at Marseilles the secret society of Young Italy, whose motto was "God and the People"; driven from Marseilles to Switzerland and from Switzerland to London, he never ceased to agitate and conspire for this object; on the outbreak of the Revolution in 1848 at Paris he hastened thither to join the movement, which had spread into Italy, where in 1849 he was installed one of a triumvirate in Rome and conducted the defence of the city against the arms of France, but refusing to join in the capitulation he returned to London, where he still continued to agitate till, his health failing, he retired to Geneva and died (1865-1872).

M.C.C., the Marylebone Cricket Club, the controlling authority of the game; was founded in 1787 and has its headquarters at Lord's (q.v.).

MEAD, a brisk liquor made by fermenting honey, and used in civilised and barbarous Europe from very early times.

MEADE, GEORGE GORDON, American general, born in Cadiz, son of an American merchant; he passed through West Point and joined the engineers; he served in the Mexican War, became captain and major, and was employed in surveying and light-house-building till the Civil War; was first in command of volunteers and afterwards general in the regular army, distinguishing himself chiefly by frustrating Lee in 1863; after the war he continued in the service till his death (1815-1872).

MEAL-TUB PLOT, an alleged conspiracy against the Duke of York, by Thomas Dangerfield, in 1879, proved a forgery, its instigator being condemned to the pillory.

MEANDER. See **MEANDER**.

MEATH, a county in Leinster, Ireland, touching the Irish Sea between Louth and Dublin, is watered by the Boyne River and its tributary the Blackwater; the surface is undulating, the soil fertile; some oats and potatoes are grown, but most of the county is under pasture; there is a little linen and coarse woollen industry; the chief towns are Navan, Kells, and the county town, Trim.

MEAUX, on the Marne, 28 m. N.E. of Paris, a well-built town, with Gothic cathedral; has a large corn and provision trade, and some copper and cotton industries; Bossuet was bishop here, and it contains his grave.

MECCA, the birthplace of Mohammed, the Holy City and Keblah of the Moslems, the capital of Hedjaz and the true capital of Arabia; in the midst of sandy valleys, and 60 m. distant from Jeddah, its port; a city to which every true Mussulman must make a pilgrimage once in his life. See **CAABA**.

MECHANICAL POWERS, the lever, inclined plane, wheel and axle, screw, pulley, and wedge, the elementary contrivances of which all machines are composed.

MECKLENBURG-SCHWERIN, a German minor state, on the shores of the Baltic between Schleswig-Holstein and Pomerania; is mostly a level, fertile plain, with numerous small rivers and many lakes; agriculture is the chief industry; merino sheep are renowned; there are iron-founding, sugar-refining, and tanning works, and amber is found on the coasts; serfdom was abolished in 1825 only. Schwerin, on Lake Schwerin, is the capital. Rostock has a university; is a busy Baltic port, from which grain, wool, and cattle are shipped; has important wool and cattle fairs, shipbuilding, and other industries. Mecklenburg-Strelitz, adjacent to the foregoing on the S.E., presents similar characteristics, and is united to it in government; the capital is Neustrelitz.

MEDEA, a famous sorceress of Greek legend, daughter of Aetes, king of Colchis, who assisted Jason (q.v.) to accomplish the object of his expedition and acquire the Golden Fleece, and who accompanied him back to Greece as his wife; by her art she restored the youth of Eson, the father of her husband, but the latter having abandoned her she avenged

herself on him by putting the children she had by him to death; the art she possessed was that of making old people young again by first chopping them in pieces and then boiling them in a cauldron.

MEDIA, a country on the S.W. of the Caspian Sea, originally a province of the Assyrian empire, from which it revolted; was after 150 years of independence annexed to Persia by Cyrus, of which it had formed the N.W. portion.

MEDIAEVALISM, a tendency in literature and art to conform in spirit or otherwise to mediæval models.

MEDIAN, line drawn from the vertex of a triangle to the mid-point of the opposite side; the three medians meet at the *centroid*.

MEDICAL JURISPRUDENCE, or **FORENSIC MEDICINE**, is the branch of medical study which bears on legal questions, the detection of crime, or the determination of civil rights.

MEDICI, an illustrious family who attained sovereign power in Florence in the 15th century, the most celebrated members of which were: Cosmo de, surnamed the "Father of his Country," was exiled for ten years but recalled, and had afterwards a peaceful and prosperous reign; was a student of philosophy, and much interested in literature (1389-1464), Lorenzo de, the Magnificent, did much to demoralise Florence, but patronised literature and the arts (1448-1492). Other celebrated members of the family were Pope Leo X., Clement VII., and Catharine and Mary de Medicis (q.v.).

MEDICINE-MAN, one among the American Indians who professes to cure diseases or exorcise evil spirits by magic.

MEDINA (*id.*, the city), called also Medina-en-Nabl, 210 m. N. of Mecca, the City of the Prophet, as the place in which he found refuge after his "flight" from Mecca in 632; it was here that from that date he lived until his death; his tomb is in a beautiful and rich mosque called El Haram (i.e. the inviolate), erected on the site of the prophet's house. See **HEGIRA**.

MEDITERRANEAN SEA, so called by the ancients as lying in the presumed middle of the earth, surrounded by Europe, Asia, and Africa; the largest enclosed sea in the world; its communication with the Atlantic is Gibraltar Strait, 9 m. wide; it is linked with the Black Sea through the Dardanelles, and in 1869 a canal through the isthmus of Suez connected it with the Red Sea; 2200 m. long by 1200 m. broad; its S. shores are regular; the N. has many gulfs, and two great inlets, the *Ægean* and *Adriatic* Seas; the Balearic Isles, Corsica, and Sardinia, Sicily, Malta, Cyprus, and Crete, the Ionian Isles, and the Archipelago are the chief islands; the Rhone, Po, and Nile the chief rivers that discharge into it; a ridge between Sicily and Cape Bon divides it into two great basins: it is practically tideless, and saltier than the Atlantic; its waters too are warm; northerly winds prevail in the N. with certain regular variations; the surrounding territories are the richest in the world, and the greatest movements in civilisation and art have taken place around it in Africa, Phœnicia, Carthage, Greece, and Rome.

MEDIUM, in modern spiritualism a person susceptible to communication with the spirit-world.

MEDJIDIE, an Ottoman order of knighthood instituted in 1852 by the Sultan Abd-ul-Medjid, as a reward of merit in civil or military service.

MEDOC, a district in the dep. of the Gironde, on the left of the estuary, in the S. of France, famous for its wines.

MEDUSA, one of the three Gorgons (q.v.), is fabled to have been originally a woman of rare beauty, with a magnificent head of hair, but having offended Athena, that goddess changed her hair into hideous serpents, and gave to her eyes the power of turning any one into stone who looked into them; Perseus (q.v.) cut off her head by the help of Athena, who afterwards wore it on the middle of her breastplate or shield.

MEDWAY, a river in Kent, which rises in Surrey and Sussex, and after a N.E. course of 58 m. falls into an estuary at Sheerness.

MEEANEE, a village in Sind, 6 m. N. of Hyderabad, where Sir Charles Napier defeated an army of the Ameer of Sind in 1843.

MEERSCHAUM (M., sea-foam), a fine white clay, hydrated silicate of magnesia, supposed, as found on the sea-shore in some places, to have been sea-foam petrified.

MENAUT, an Indian town in the North-West Provinces, on the Nuddi, 40 m. N.E. of Delhi; is capital of a district of the same name, and an important military station; it is noted as the scene of the outbreak of the Mutiny in 1857.

MEGALOSAURUS, one of the carnivorous dinosaurs of the group Theropoda; these reptiles walked on their hind legs and preyed upon the herbivorous dinosaurs.

MEGARIS, a small but populous State of ancient Greece, S. of Attica, whose inhabitants were adventurous seafarers, credited with deceitful propensities. The capital, Megara, famous for white marble and fine clay, was the birthplace of Euclid.

MEGATHERIUM, an extinct genus of mammalia allied to the sloth, some 18 or 20 ft. in length and 8 ft. in height, with an elephantine skeleton.

MEGOM, a unit of electrical resistance equal to a million ohms.

MEHMET ALI, pasha of Egypt, born in Albania; entered the Turkish army, and rose into favour, so that he was able to seize the pashalik, the Sultan compromising matters by exaction of an annual tribute in acknowledgment of his suzerainty; the Mamelukes, however, proved unruly, and he could not otherwise get rid of them but by luring them into his coils and slaughtering them wholesale in 1811; he maintained two wars with the Sultan for the possession of Syria, and had Ibrahim Pasha, his son, for lieutenant; compelled to give up the struggle, he instituted a series of reforms in Egypt, and prosecuted them with such vigour that the Sultan decreed the pashalik to remain hereditary in his family (1769-1849).

MEISEN, a town of Saxony, on the Upper Elbe, 15 m. N.W. of Dresden; has a very fine Gothic cathedral and an old castle. Cellert and Lessing were educated here. There is a large porcelain factory, where Dresden china is made, besides manufactures of iron.

MEISSONIER, JEAN LOUIS ERNEST, French painter, born in Lyons; began as a book illustrator of "Paul and Virginia" amongst other works, practising the while and perfecting his art as a figure painter, in which he achieved signal success, from his "Chess-player" series and military pieces to his designs for the decoration of the Pantheon, "The Apotheosis of France," in 1859 (1815-1891).

MEISTER, WILHELM, a great work by Goethe, fraught with world-wisdom, the hero of which of the name represents a man who is led by a higher hand than he is aware of to his appointed destiny.

MEISTERSÄNGER, or MEISTERSINGERS, a guild founded in Germany in the 15th century or earlier for the cultivation of poetry, of which Hans Sachs (q.v.) was the most famous member.

MEKHONG, or CAMBODIA, is the great river of Siam. Its source in the mountains of Chiamdo is unexplored. Its course, 3000 m., is southerly to the China Sea; the last 500 m. are navigable. It carries great quantities of silk, which go to form and augment the delta through which it issues.

MELANCTHON, PHILIP, Protestant Reformer, born in the Palatinate of the Rhine; was the scholar of the German Reformation, and a wise friend of Luther, having come into contact with him at Wittenberg, where he had been appointed professor of Greek; he wrote the first Protestant work in dogmatic theology, entitled "Loci Communes," and drew up the "Augsburg Confession"; the sweetness of temper for which he was distinguished, together with his soberness as a thinker, had a moderating influence on the vehemence of Luther, and contributed much to the progress of the Reformation; he was the Erasmus of that movement, and combined the humanist with the Reformer, as George Buchanan did in Scotland (1497-1560).

MELANESIA, eleven archipelagoes of crystalline, coralline, and volcanic islands in the W. of Polynesia, all S. of the equator, and inhabited by the Melanesian or dark oceanic race; includes the Fiji, Solomon, Bismarck, and New Hebrides islands.

MELBA, DAME NELLIE, a celebrated operatic singer,

born in Melbourne, Australia; made her first appearance when she was only six; studied in Paris in 1882 and appeared in opera for the first time in Brussels in 1887; often appeared in opera in London; her private name is Mrs. Armstrong (1865-).

MELBOURNE, the capital of Victoria, on the river Yarra and at the head of Port Phillip Bay; second largest city in Australia. It is well planned and built in broad regular streets with much architectural beauty, and contains many buildings of imposing appearance; was the seat of the Commonwealth Government till 1927 when this honour was transferred to Canberra. First settled in 1835, it was incorporated in 1842. Some of its streets are world-famed for their wonderful avenues of trees which extend for miles. It contains a large number of factories and is a great commercial and railway centre. Its shipping interests are very large, and it has wharves both at Port Melbourne and along the banks of the Yarra river.

MELBOURNE, WILLIAM LAMB, VISCOUNT, English statesman, born in London; educated at Cambridge and Glasgow Universities; entered Parliament as a Whig in 1808, but was Chief Secretary for Ireland in the Governments of Canning, Godolphin, and Wellington; succeeding to the title in 1828, he reverted to his old party; was Home Secretary under Earl Grey in 1830, and was himself Prime Minister for four months in 1834, and then from 1835 till 1841, when he retired from public life; he was a man of sound sense, and showed admirable tact in introducing the young queen Victoria to her various duties in 1837 (1779-1848).

MELCHETT, 1ST BARON (Sir Alfred Mond), British industrialist, politician, and active Zionist. Head of the Imperial Chemical group of companies, including Nobel Industries and Brunner Mond; he was elected to Parliament as a Liberal in 1906, became Minister of Health under the Coalition in 1921, changed to the Conservative party in 1927 and was raised to the peerage the following year (1865-).

MELCHIZEDEK (i.e. king of righteousness or justice), a priest-king of Salem, to whom, though of no lineage as a priest, but as a minister of God's justice, Abraham did homage and paid tithes; a true type of priest as ordained of God, and one in that capacity "without father and without mother."

MELICAGER, a Greek mythic hero, who was distinguished for throwing the javelin, and by his skill in slaying a wild boar which devastated his country, and whose life depended on the burning down of a brand that was blazing on the hearth at the time of his birth, but which his mother at once snatched from the flames, a quarrel having arisen between him and his uncles over the head of the boar, in which they met their death, the mother to be avenged on him for slaying her brothers threw back into the fire the brand on the preservation of which his life depended, and on the instant he breathed his last.

MELNITE, a high explosive containing picric acid, similar to lyddite.

MELLORIUM, the theory that there is in nature a tendency to better and better development.

MELODRAMA, a play consisting of sensational incidents, and arranged to produce striking effects.

MELPOMENE, the one of the nine muses which presides over tragedy.

MELROSE, a small town in Roxburghshire, at the foot of the Eldons, on the S. bank of the Tweed, famed for its abbey, founded by David I. in 1136; it is celebrated by Sir Walter Scott in his "Lay of the Last Minstrel."

MELTON-MOWBRAY, a town 15 m. N.E. of Leicester, the centre of a great hunting district; celebrated for its pork pies.

MELUSINA, a fairy of French legend, who married Raymond, a knight of Poitou, on condition that on a particular day of the week he would not visit her, a stipulation which he was tempted to break, so that on a day of her seclusion he broke into her chamber, and found the lower part of her body from the waist downwards transformed into that of a serpent; upon this she straightway flew out at the window

to hover henceforth round the castle of her lord and only appear again on the occasion of the death of any of the inmates.

MELVILLE, ANDREW, Scottish Presbyterian ecclesiastic, born near Montrose; of good and even wide repute as a scholar; became Principal first of Glasgow College and then of St. Mary's College, St. Andrews; was zealous for the headship of Christ over the Church, in opposition to the claim of the king, James, and spoke his mind freely both to the king and the bishops, for which he was sent to the Tower on his release, after four years, he retired to a professorship at Sedan, in France, having been forbidden to return to Scotland (1645-1622).

MELVILLE, GEORGE JOHN WHYTE, novelist; his novels were chiefly of the hunting field, such as "Katerfelto" and "Black, but Comely," though he wrote historical ones also, such as "The Queen's Maries" and "The Gladiators" (1821-1878).

MELVILLE, HERMAN, American author, born in New York; went to sea in early life; wrote "Typee," "Omoo," "Moby Dick," and other stories of sea life and adventure (1819-1891).

MEMEL, Baltic seaport at the mouth of the Kurische Haf, in the extreme N.E. of Prussia; ships great quantities of Russian and Lithuanian timber, and has some chemical works and shipbuilding yards.

MEMNON, a son of Tithonus and Aurora, who was sent by his father, king of Egypt and Ethiopia, to the assistance of Troy on the death of Hector, and who slew Antiochus, the son of Nestor, and was himself slain by Achilles; at his death Aurora, all tears, besought Zeus to immortalise his memory, which, however, did not calm her sorrow, for ever since the earth bears witness to her weeping in the dews of the morning; a statue, presumed to be to his memory, was erected near Thebes, in Egypt, and was fabled to emit a musical sound every time the first ray fell on it from the rosy fingers of Aurora.

MEMPHIS, an ancient city of Egypt, of which it was the capital; it was founded by Menes at the apex of the delta of the Nile, and contained 700,000 inhabitants; famous for its pyramids, the Serapeum and temples.

MEMPHIS, a Tennessee port on the Mississippi, 820 m. above New Orleans, accessible to the largest vessels; is also a great railway centre, and therefore a place of great commercial importance; has many industries, and a great cotton market.

MENADO, a Dutch colony in the N. of Celebes.

MENAI STRAIT, a picturesque channel separating Anglesey from Carnarvonshire, 14 m. long and at its narrowest 200 yards wide; is crossed by a suspension bridge (1826) and the Britannia Tubular Bridge for railway (1850).

MENANDER, a Greek comic poet, born in Athens; was the pupil of Theophrastus and a friend of Epicurus; of his works, which were numerous, we have only some fragments, but we can judge of them from his imitator Terence (q.v.) (342-291 B.C.).

MENCIOUS, or **MENG-TZE**, a celebrated Chinese sage, a disciple, some say a grandson, of Confucius (q.v.); went up and down with his disciples from court to court in the country to persuade, particularly the ruling classes, to give heed to the words of wisdom, though in vain; after which, on his death, his followers collected his teachings in a book entitled the "Book of Meng-tze," which is full of practical instruction (372-289 B.C.).

MENDEL, GREGOR JOHANN, Austrian monk and naturalist; his researches on heredity laid the foundations of the modern scientific study of the subject; he was able to enunciate certain definite laws about the inheritance of specific characteristics; the value of his work was not recognised until several years after his death (1822-1884).

MENDELÉEFF, DMITRI IVANOVITCH, Russian chemist, was the first to arrange the chemical elements in a table in order of atomic mass, showing that similar elements came in the same columns and using the table to predict unknown elements, which were subsequently discovered and found to have the properties assigned to them by Mendeleeff; his table, with a few minor modifications, remains the basis of atomic theory (1834-1907).

MENDELISM. See **MENDEL, G. J.**

MENDELSSOHN-BARTHOLOMY, FELIX, celebrated German composer, grandson of the succeeding, born in Hamburg; he appeared publicly as a pianist at 12 and began to compose at an early age, producing the "Midsummer Night's Dream" overture at 17; his compositions consisted of symphonies, operas, oratorios, and church music; his oratorios of "St. Paul" and "Elijah" are well known, and are enduring monuments of his genius; he was a man universally loved and esteemed, and had the good fortune to live amidst the happiest surroundings (1808-1847).

MENDELSSOHN, MOSES, a German philosopher, born in Dessau, of Jewish descent, a zealous monotheist, who wrote against Spinoza; was author of the "Phædon, a Discourse on the Immortality of the Soul," and did a great deal in his day to do away with the prejudices of the Jews and the prejudices against them; he was the friend of Lessing, and is the prototype of his "Nathan" (1729-1786).

MENDICANT ORDER, a religious fraternity, the members of which denude themselves of all private property and live on alms.

MENDOZA, province in the extreme W. of Argentina; has the Andes in the W., Aconcagua (23,500 ft.), the highest peak in the New World, otherwise is chiefly worthless pampas, fertile only where irrigated from the small Mendoza River; there vines flourish; copper is plentiful, coal and oil are found. Mendoza, the capital, 640 m. W. of Buenos Aires by rail, is on the Trans-Andine route to Chili, with which it trades largely; suffers frequently from earthquakes.

MENELAUS, king of Sparta, the brother of Agamemnon and the husband of Helen, the carrying away of whom by Paris led to the Trojan War.

MENHIR, a kind of rude obelisk understood to be a sepulchral monument and of great antiquity; found on the Continent and in Scotland and Norway.

MENIN GATE, the gate at Ypres leading to Menin, and to the scene of some of the severest fighting of the Great War; through it many thousands of British troops passed from 1914 to 1918, and on its site a memorial gateway in honour of the 56,000 of them who have no known grave was erected; it was unveiled by Lord Plumer in the presence of King Albert of Belgium in 1927. Sir Reginald Blomfield designed the memorial, which bears the name of every officer and man it commemorates.

MENINGES, the name of three membranes that invest the brain and spinal cord, and the inflammation of which is called meningitis.

MENNONITES, a Protestant sect founded at Zurich by a priest, Menno Simons, about 1535, with a creed that combines the tenets of the Baptists with those of the Quakers; have an episcopal form of government, and maintain a rigorous church discipline.

MENSCHIKOFF, ALEXANDER DANILOVITCH, Russian soldier and statesman, born in humble life in Moscow; became servant to Iefort, on whose death he succeeded as favourite of Peter the Great, whom he accompanied to Holland and England; in the Swedish War (1702-1713) he won renown, and was created field-marshal on the field of Pultowa; he introduced to the Czar Catharine, afterwards czarina, whom he captured at Marienburg, and when Peter died secured the throne for her; during her reign and her successor's he governed Russia, but his ambition led the nobles to banish him to Siberia 1727 (1672-1730).

MENSCHIKOFF, ALEXANDER SERGIEVITCH, general, great-grandson of the preceding, served in the wars of 1812-1816, in the Turkish campaign of 1828, was ambassador to the Porte in 1853, and largely responsible for the Crimean War, in which he commanded at Alma, Inkermann, and Sebastopol (1789-1869).

MENTHAIR, LAKE OF, a small beautiful loch in Perthshire, 13 m. W. of Stirling, with three islets, on one of which stood a priory where, as a child, Mary Stuart lived, 1547-1548; on another stood the stronghold of the earls of Menteith.

MENTHOL, a crystalline substance obtained from the oil of peppermint, used in nervous affections, such as neuralgia, as a counter-irritant.

MENTONE, town and seaport in France, on the Mediterranean, 1½ m. from the Italian border; was

under the princes of Monaco till 1848, when it subjected itself to Sardinia, which afterwards handed it over to France; protected by the Alps, the climate is delightful and renders it a favourite health resort in winter and spring; it exports olive-oil and fruit.

MENTOR, a friend of Ulysses, and the tutor of his son Telemachus, whose form and voice Athena assumed in order to persuade his pupil to retain and maintain the courage and astuteness of his father.

MENZEL, ADOLF, German painter, born in Breslau, professor at Berlin, best known for his historical pictures and drawings (1815-1905).

MENZEL, WOLFGANG, German author and critic, born in Silesia; wrote on German history, literature, and poetry, as well as general history, and maintained a vigorous polemic against all who by their writings or their politics sought to subvert the Christian religion or the orthodox policy of the German monarchies (1798-1873).

MEPHISTOPHELES, the impersonation in Goethe's "Faust" of the modern devil, the incarnation of the spirit of universal scepticism and scoffing, who can see not only no beauty in goodness but no deforming in iniquity, alike without reverence for God and fear of his adversary, blind as a mole to all worth and all unworth throughout the universe, yet knowing and boastful of knowledge, by means of which he sees only "the ridiculous, the unsuitable, the bad, but for the solemn, the noble, the worthy is blind as his ancient mother."

MERCATOR, the Latinised name of Gerhard Kremer, a celebrated Dutch geographer who has given name to a projection of the earth's surface on a plane (1512-1594).

MERCENARIES, originally hired soldiers as distinguished from feudal levies, now bodies of foreign troops in the service of the State; the Scots Guards in France from the 15th to 18th centuries were famous, and Swiss auxiliaries once belonged to most European armies; William III. had Dutch mercenaries in England; under the Georges, Germans were hired and were used in the American War, the Irish rebellion, and the Napoleonic struggle; in the Crimean War German, Swiss, and Italian soldiers were enrolled, while this century, in Morocco, France made extensive use of a Foreign Legion of mercenaries.

MERCERISED COTTON, a cellulose fabric with a silky finish made by the alkali-cellulose reaction; discovered by John Mercer in 1850.

MERCIA, one of the three chief kingdoms of early England; founded by Anglian settlers in the Upper Trent Valley (now South Staffordshire) in the 6th century; it rose to greatness under Penda, 626-655, and subsequently succeeded Northumbria in the supremacy; under Offa, 757-796, it maintained its independence, but after the death of Cenwulf, 819, waned in turn before Wessex and the Danes.

MERCUR, CARDINAL DESIRÉ JOSEPH, Belgian archbishop, who as Cardinal of Malines opposed the German invasion of his country and issued an appeal to his compatriots to remain loyal to their king (1851-).

MERCURY, the Roman name for the Greek Hermes, the son of Jupiter and Maia, the messenger of the gods, the patron of merchants and travellers, and the conductor of the souls of the dead to the nether world.

MERCURY, the planet nearest to the sun round which it revolves in 88 days at a mean distance of 36 million miles; it has a diameter of 3000 miles and mass one twenty-fifth that of the earth; owing to its proximity to the sun it is but rarely visible, and then either just before sunrise or just after sunset.

MERCURY, or quicksilver, a heavy metallic liquid element, obtained from cinnabar; used extensively for thermometers and barometers and for the production of amalgams; it combines to form salts, all of which are extremely poisonous.

MEROUTIO, a sprightly and witty young nobleman, kinsman of the Prince of Verona and friend of Romeo, slain by Tybalt. See "Romeo and Juliet."

MER-DE-GLACE, the great glacier of the Alps near Chamoni, was the subject of the experiments of Professor J. D. Forbes of Edinburgh about 1843.

and it was here that the movement of the glaciers was first observed.

MEREDITH, GEORGE, poet and novelist, born in Hampshire; began his literary career 1851 as a poet, in which capacity he distinguished himself, though it is chiefly as a novelist he is most widely known and is generally judged; as a novel-writer he occupies a supreme place, and is reckoned superior in that department to all his contemporaries except Hardy; his novels, however, appeal only to a select few, but by them they are regarded with unbounded admiration; "The Order of Richard Feverel," published in 1859, is by many considered his best, though it was over "The Egoist" that Louis Stevenson broke out into raptures; Meredith had most sympathetic insights into nature and life, a marvellous power in analysing and constraining character, and was alive to all the great immediate interests of humanity (1828-1909).

MEREDITH, OWEN, the *nom de plume* assumed by Edward Robert Bulwer Lytton (q.v.), from his descent from a Welsh noble of the name.

MERGUL, a small seaport near the mouth of the Tenasserim river, British Burma, which exports birds' nests to China.

MERIDIAN, an imaginary great circle passing through the poles at right angles to the equator.

MÉRIMÉE, PROSPER, a great French writer, born in Paris; abandoned law for literature; became under Louis Philippe inspector-general of historical documents, and travelled in that capacity in the N. and W. of France, publishing from time to time the fruits of his researches; he wrote in exquisite style stories, historical dissertations, and travels, among other works "Guzla," "Chronicles of Charles IX.," the "History of Don Pedro, King of Castile," "Letters to an Unknown"; he was a man of singularly enigmatic character (1803-1870).

MERIO'NETH, a mountainous county of North Wales, abutting on Cardigan Bay, between Carnarvon and Cardigan; lofty peaks, Aran Mawddwy, Cader Idris, and Aran Benllyn; rivers, Idwy and Dovey, and Lake Bala afford picturesque scenery; the soil is only for sheep-grazing; but there are slate and limestone quarries, manganese and gold mines. Festinog is the largest town; the county town, Dolgelly, on the Wnion, has woollen and twed manufactures.

MERTT, THE ORDER OF, an order started in 1902, limited in number to 24 men and women of eminent distinction.

MERIVALE, CHARLES, dean of Ely, born in Exeter; held a succession of appointments as lecturer; wrote a history of Rome from its foundation to the fall of Augustus in 476, but his chief work is the "History of the Romans under the Empire," indispensable as an introduction to Gibbon (1808-1893).

MÉRLE D'AUBIGNÉ, JEAN-HENRI. See D'AUBIGNÉ MÉRLE.

MERLIN, a legendary Welsh prophet and magician, child of a wizard and a princess, who lived in the 5th century, and was subsequently a prominent personage at King Arthur's court; prophecies attributed to him existed as far back as the 14th century; Tennyson represents him as bewitched by Vivien; legend also tells of a Clydesdale Merlin of the 6th century; his prophecies, published in 1615, include the former; both legends are based on Armorican materials.

MERMAIDS and **MERMEN** (i.e. sea-maids and sea-men), a class of beings fabled to inhabit the sea, with a human body as far as the waist, ending in the tail of a fish; the females of them represented above the surface of the sea, combing their long hair with one hand and holding a mirror with the other; they are supposed to be endowed with the gift of prophecy, and are of an amorous temper; the belief in these half-human creatures is traced back to Oannes, the fish-god of the Babylonians.

MEROVINGIANS, a name given to the first dynasty that ruled over France, being derived from Merovig, the founder of the family.

MERRIBLES, MEG, a half-crazy Border gipsy; one of the characters in Scott's "Guy Mannering."

MERRY MONARCH, a title by which Charles II. of England was at one time familiarly known.

MERSEY, river rising in NW. Derbyshire, flows westward 70 m. between Lancashire and Cheshire to the Irish Sea; is of great commercial importance, having Liverpool on its estuary; its chief tributary is the Irwell, on which stands Manchester.

MERSEY TUNNEL, the railway tunnel under the River Mersey, from Birkenhead to Liverpool, opened in 1886.

MERTHYR-TYDVIL, industrial town in Glamorgan-shire, on the Taaf, 15 m. NW. of Cardiff; is the centre of great coalfields and of enormous iron and steel works, which constitute the only industry.

MERV, an oasis in Turkestan, belonging to Russia, being conquered in 1883, 60 m. long by 40 broad, producing cereals, cotton, silk, &c.; breeds horses, camels, sheep; has a capital of the same name, on the Trans Caspian railway.

MERYON, CHARLES, French artist who was largely responsible for the revival of modern etching; he specialised chiefly in etchings of old Paris architecture and tried to sell his work at a franc apiece. A long struggle against poverty resulted in his being certified insane, and he died in Charenton asylum (1821-1868).

MESDAG, HENDRIK WILLEM, Dutch artist. He practised as an amateur painter for years, making money as a banker before concentrating on art, and therefore being able to paint as he pleased and to help other artists; he specialised largely in seascapes (1831-1905).

MESMER, FRIEDRICH ANTON, a German physician, born near Constance; bred for the Church, but took to medicine; was the founder of animal magnetism, called mesmerism after him, his experiments in connection with which created a great sensation, particularly in Paris, until the quackery of it was discovered by scientific investigation, upon which he retired into obscurity (1733-1815).

MESMERISM, animal magnetism so called, or the alleged power which, by operating on the nervous system, enables one person to obtain control over the thoughts and actions of another.

MESOPOTAMIA, the name given after Alexander the Great's time to the territory "between the rivers" Euphrates and Tigris stretching from Babylonia NW. to the Armenian mountains; under irrigation it was very fertile, but is now little cultivated; once the scene of high civilisation when Nineveh ruled it; it passed from Assyrian hands successively to Babylonian, Persian, Greek, Roman, and Arab; then it fell into the deadly grasp of Turkish rule, from which it has now been freed.

MESOZOIC, period of Middle Life in geology. See TRIASSIC, JURASSIC, CRETACEOUS.

MESSALINA, an infamous Roman empress, the wife of Claudius I.; is represented as tyrannous, cruel, and immoral; she was killed by the emperor's order.

MESSANIA, a province of Greece, mainly the fertile peninsula between the Gulfs of Arcadia and Corin; in ancient times the Messenians were prosperous, excited Spartan envy, and after two long wars were conquered in 608 B.C. and fled to Sicily.

MESSIAH (i.e. the Anointed one), one consecrated to God, who the Jewish prophets predicted would one day appear to emancipate the Jewish people from bondage and exalt them in the eyes of all the other nations of the earth as His elect nation, and for the glory of His name.

MESSINA, on a bay at the NE. corner of Sicily; is a very ancient city, but rebuilt after the earthquake of 1783; has a 12th-century cathedral, two old castles, and a university, founded 1549; it manufactures light textiles, coral ornaments, and fruit canes; its excellent harbour encourages a good trade.

MESSINA STRAIT OF, 24 m. long, and at its narrowest 8½ m. broad; separates Sicily from the Italian mainland; here were the Scylla and Charybdis of the ancients.

MESSINES RIDGE, a spur of rising ground 6 m. S. of Ypres, captured by the Germans after severe fighting in Nov. 1914, and the scene of further fighting in June, 1917, and April, 1918.

MESSUAGE, a dwelling-house with buildings and land attached for the use of the household.

METABOLISM, name given to the chemical changes

continually in progress in the cells of living matter, and essential to life; constructive metabolism or the changes involved in building up protoplasm from food is known as *anabolism*, and the destructive process as *katabolism*.

METALLURGY, the science concerned with the various processes used in obtaining metals from their ores.

METAMORPHIC ROCKS are originally igneous or sedimentary rocks which have been altered by extreme heat or pressure, e.g. sandstones are changed into quartzite, limestones into marble, clays into slates, and granites into gneisses.

METAMORPHOSIS is a classical name for the changing of a human being into a beast, an inanimate object, or an element, stories of which are common in all folklores.

METAPHYSICS, the science of being as being in contradistinction from a science of a particular species of being, the science of sciences, or the science of the ultimate grounds of all these, and presupposed by them, called by Plato dialectics, or the logic of being.

METASTASIO, PIETRO, an Italian poet, born in Rome, the son of a common soldier named Trapassi; his power of improvising verse attracted the attention of one Gravina, a lawyer, who educated him and left him his fortune; he wrote opera librettos, which were set to music by the most eminent composers, was court poet at Vienna, and died there 40 years after his active powers were spent (1698-1782).

METCHNIKOFF, ELIAS, an eminent Russian bacteriologist, born in Kharkov; professor of zoology at Odessa; famous for his investigations into bacteria and the theory of phagocytosis (1845-1916).

METEORS, small pieces of rock which pass into the earth's atmosphere and appear as "shooting stars"; their size varies from a few ounces to several tons; as a rule they commence to glow when about 80 m. from the earth, owing to the friction of the air; they are usually destroyed in a short time, but occasionally one reaches the ground; they appear to enter the atmosphere at a speed of about 30 m. per hour; most meteors contain a large percentage of iron.

METHANE, or **MARSH-GAS**, an explosive hydrocarbon, occurs in the gases from oil wells; it is known as fire damp to miners and is sometimes the cause of explosions in coal workings; it is the simplest member of the paraffin series of hydrocarbons.

METHODISTS, a body of Christians founded by John Wesley in the interests of personal religion, ecclesiastically governed by a Conference with subordinate district synods, and holding and professing evangelical principles, which they teach agreeably to the theology of Arminius; the name is also given to the followers of Whitefield, who are Calvinists in certain respects.

METHYLATED SPIRITS, ethyl (ordinary) alcohol containing about 10 per cent. of methyl alcohol (wood spirit), and small quantities of paraffin oil and pyridine to render it unfit for drinking; it is not subject to the tax on pure spirit and is as good for many industrial purposes.

METIS (i.e. wise counsel), in the Greek mythology the daughter of Oceanos and Tethys, and the first wife of Zeus; afraid lest she should give birth to a child wiser and more powerful than himself, he devoured her on the first month of her pregnancy, and some time afterwards being seized with pains, he gave birth to Athena (q.v.) from his head.

METRE, the name given to the unit of length in the metric or decimal system, and equal to 39.37 English inches, the tenths, the hundredths, and the thousandths of which are called from the Latin respectively decimetres, centimetres, and millimetres, while ten times, a hundred times, and a thousand times are called from the Greek respectively decametres, hectometres, and kilometres. A metre was taken as one forty-millionth part of the earth's circumference.

METTERNICH, CLEMENT, PRINCE VON, Austrian diplomatist, born in Coblenz; served as ambassador successively at the courts of Dresden, Berlin, and Paris, and became first Minister of State in 1809,

exercising for 40 years from that date the supreme control of affairs in Austria; one of his first acts as such was to effect a marriage between Napoleon and the Archduchess Marie Louise, himself escorting her to Paris; he presided at the Congress of Vienna in 1815, and from that date dominated in foreign affairs in the interest of the rights of kings and the repression of popular insurrection; he had to flee from Vienna in 1848, but returned in 1851, after which, though not called back to office, he continued to influence affairs by his advice (1773-1859).

METZ, strongest fortress in Lorraine, on the Moselle, 105 m. SW. of Coblenz, captured in 1870 from the French, who had held it since 1552; has a cathedral, library, museum, and school of music; industries are unimportant; the trade is in liquor, leather, and preserved fruits.

MEUNG, JEAN DE, medieval French satirist; continued the unfinished "Roman de la Rose," in which he embodied a vivid satiric portrait of contemporary life (c. 1250-1305).

MEUSE, river, 500 m. long, rises in Haute-Marne, France, and becoming navigable flows N. through Belgium, turns E. at Namur, where the Sambre enters from the left, N. again at Liège, where it receives the Ourthe from the right; enters Holland at Maastricht, is for a time the boundary, finally trends westward, and joins the Rhine at the delta.

MEXICO, a federal republic of 27 States, a district, and two territories, lying S. of the United States, between the Gulf of Mexico and the Pacific, and including the peninsula of Lower California in the W. and Yucatan in the E.; is nearly half as large as Europe without Russia; it consists of an immense plateau 3000 to 8000 ft. high, from which rises the Sierra Nevada, 10,000 ft., running N. and S., and other parallel ranges, as also single peaks, Toluca (10,340 ft.), Orizaba (18,000), and Popocatepetl (17,000); the largest lake is Chapala, in the centre; the rivers are mostly rapid and unnavigable; the chief seaports are Vera Cruz and Tampico on the E. and Acapulco on the W., but the coast-line is little indented and affords no good harbours; along the eastern seaboard runs a strip of low-lying unhealthy country, 60 m. broad; on the Pacific side the coast land is sometimes broader; these coast-lines are well watered, with tropical vegetation, tropical and sub-tropical fruits; the higher ground has a varied climate; in the N. are great cattle ranches; all over the country the mineral wealth is enormous, gold, silver, copper, iron, sulphur, zinc, quicksilver, and platinum are wrought; coal also exists; the bulk of Mexican exports is of precious metals and ores; there are cotton, paper, glass, and pottery manufactures; trade is chiefly with the United States and Britain; imports being textile fabrics, hardware, machinery, and coal; one-fifth of the population is white, the rest Indian and half-caste; education is backward, though there are free schools in every town; the religion is Roman Catholic, the language Spanish; conquered by Cortez in 1519, the country was ruled by Spain and spoiled for 300 years; a rebellion established its independence in 1822, but the first 50 years saw perpetual civil strife, and wars with the United States in 1848 and France in 1862; in 1867 the constitution was modelled on that of the United States, and Porfirio Diaz, the President, proved a masterly ruler; in 1911 Diaz fell, revolutions and counter-revolutions gripping the country until partial order was restored in 1920 by the usurpation of power by Gen. Obregon; ownership of the vast petroleum fields of the country is a constant source of friction, as is the question of the power of the Catholic Church. Mexico, the capital of the republic, 7000 ft. above the level of the sea, in the centre of the country, is a handsome though unhealthy city, with many fine buildings, a cathedral, a picture-gallery, schools of law, mining, and engineering, a conservatory of music, and an academy of art; there are few manufactures; the trade is chiefly transit.

MEXICO, GULF OF, a large basin between United States and Mexican territory; is shut in by the peninsula of Florida and Yucatan, 500 m. apart, and the western extremity of Cuba, which lies between them; it receives the Mississippi, Rio Grande, and many other rivers; the coasts are low,

with many lagoons; ports like New Orleans, Havana, and Vera Cruz make it a highway for ships; north-easterly hurricanes blow in March and October.

MEYER, CONRAD FERDINAND, Swiss poet and novelist, native of Zurich; wrote "Der Heilige" and many other novels (1825-1898).

MEYER, FREDERICK BROTHERTON, British non-conformist minister. He first came to the fore as Baptist minister in Leicester in 1874; came to Regent's Park, London, in 1888, and in 1892 became minister at Christ Church, Westminster Bridge Road; he retired in 1920 (1847-1920).

MEYER, VICTOR, German chemist, carried out experiments on ammonium salts and organic compounds and introduced a method of the determination of vapour densities (1848-1897).

MEYERBEER, GIACOMO, musical composer, born in Berlin, of Jewish birth; composer of operatic music, and for 30 years supreme in French opera; produced "Robert le Diable" in 1831, the "Huguenots" in 1836, "Le Prophète" in 1849, "L'Étoile du Nord" in 1854, the "Dinorah" in 1859 (1791-1864).

MEYNELL, ALICE CHRISTIANA, poetess. Influenced in her early days by Ruskin and Henley, and educated by her father, T. J. Thompson, she produced her first volume of verse in 1875, her poems being distinguished by their simplicity and charm; she married Wilfrid Meynell, a poet and novelist, in 1877; in addition to volumes of essays she has written a Life of Ruskin (1893-).

MEZZOFANTI, GIUSEPPE, cardinal and linguist, born in Bologna; celebrated for the number of languages he knew, some 58 in all; lived chiefly in Rome, and was keeper of the Vatican library; Byron called him "a walking polyglot" (1774-1849).

MEZZOTINT, a mode of engraving on steel or copper in imitation of Indian ink drawings, the lights and shades of the picture being produced by scraping on a black ground.

MIALL, EDWARD, journalist, English apostle of disestablishment, founder of the Liberation Society; sat for Kochdale and Bradford (1809-1881).

MICA, a transparent mineral found in small flakes in most igneous rocks; white mica or muscovite is used for windows, where a non-inflammable substance is desirable, and as an insulator; it is mined in India; there is also a brown form known as biotite.

MICAH, one of the minor prophets of the Old Testament, a contemporary of Isaiah, Hosea, and Amos; his prophecies are in the same strain as those of Isaiah, and numerous are the coincidences traceable between them; though a great sternness of temper and severity of tone appears in his prophecies, a deep tenderness of heart from time to time reveals itself, and a winning persuasiveness (chap. vi. 8); chap. vii. 8-20 has been quoted as one of the sweetest passages of prophetic writing; his prophecies predict the destruction both of Samaria and Jerusalem, the captivity and the return, with the re-establishment of the theocracy and the advent of the Messiah.

MICAWBER, WILKINS, a character in "David Copperfield," a schemer whose schemes regularly come to grief, yet who always wakes up after his depression, and hopes something will turn up to his advantage.

MICHAEL, an archangel, the leader of the heavenly host, at never-ending war with the devil and his angels in their arrogance of claim; is represented in art as clad in armour, with a sword in one hand and a pair of scales in the other to weigh the souls of men at the judgment. Festival September 29.

MICHAEL, the name of a succession of eight emperors who, at different periods, occupied the throne of the East from 811 to 1282, the last being Michael VIII., the founder of the Palaeologian dynasty.

MICHAEL, king of Rumania, 1927-1930. Owing to the renunciation of rights by his father, Prince Carol (q.v.), he succeeded his grandfather, King Ferdinand, at the age of five in 1927. When his father returned to Rumania in June 1930 Michael abdicated in his favour and became Crown Prince (1922-).

MICHAEL ANGELO BUONAROTTI, painter, sculptor, architect, and poet, born in Caprese, in Tuscany,

one of the greatest artists that ever lived; studied art as apprentice for three years under Domenico Ghirlandajo, and at seventeen his talents attracted the notice of Lorenzo de' Medici, who received him into his palace at Florence, and employed as well as encouraged him; on the death of his patron he left for Bologna, and afterwards, in 1496, went to Rome, whither his renown as a sculptor had gone before him, and there he executed his antiques "Bacchus" and "Cupid," followed by his "Pietà," or "Virgin weeping over the dead Christ, and the colossal "David" from 1603 to 1613, he was engaged on the ceiling in the Sistine Chapel; in 1530, we find him at Florence dividing his time between work as an engineer in the defence of the city and his art as a sculptor; three years after this he was back in Rome, and by-and-by busy painting his great fresco in the Sistine Chapel, the "Last Judgment," which occupied him eight years; in 1542 he was appointed architect of St. Peter's, and he planned and built the dome; sculpture was his great forte, but his genius was equal to any task imposed on him, and he has left poems to show what he might have done in the domain of letters as he has done in that of the arts, with which his fame is more intimately associated (1474-1564).

MICHAELIS, JOHANN DAVID, an Orientalist and Biblical scholar, born in Halle; was a man of vast learning; professor of Philosophy as well as of Oriental Languages at Göttingen; wrote an "Introduction to the New Testament," and "Commentaries on the Legislation of Moses"; was one of the first to correlate the history of the Jews with that of the other Oriental nations of antiquity (1717-1791).

MICHAELMAS is the festival in honour of St. Michael and the angels, held on September 29, the day being one of the quarter days on which rents are levied.

MICHEL, FRANCISQUE, French antiquary, born in Lyons; was commissioned by the French Government in 1835 to visit the libraries of England in the interest of the history and literature of France; was a most erudite man, and edited a great many works belonging to the Middle Ages; wrote even on the Scottish language and Scottish civilisation (1800-1887).

MICHELET, JULES, French historian, born in Paris; was the author among other works of a "History of France" in 18 vols., and a "History of the Revolution" in 7 vols.; he cherished a great animosity against the priests, and especially the Jesuits, whom he assailed with remorseless invective; he was from 1838, for 13 years, professor of History in the College of France, but he lost the appointment because he refused to take the oath of allegiance to Louis Napoleon; from this date he abandoned all interest in public affairs, and gave himself to the quiet study of nature and animal life; wrote on birds and insects, on the sea, on women, on love, on witchcraft, and the Bible and humanity; as a writer of history he gave his imagination free scope, and painted it less as it was than as he regarded it from his own personal likes and dislikes (1798-1874).

MICHELSON-MORLEY EXPERIMENT, an attempt by two scientists, Michelson and Morley, to detect a difference in the velocity of light parallel with and perpendicular to the direction of motion of the earth; the experiment gave a negative result, the explanation of which is given by Einstein's Theory of Relativity.

MICHIGAN, a State of the U.S.A., larger than England and Wales, and broken in two by Lake Michigan; the western portion has Wisconsin on its S. border, the eastern portion has Indiana and Ohio on the S.; the rest of the State is surrounded by Lakes Superior, Huron, and Erie. The western section is mountainous, with great forests of pine, little agriculture, rich mines of copper and iron, and some gold; the eastern section is much larger, very flat and low, has coal, gypsum, and marble quarries, but is chiefly a wheat-growing area; in the Saginaw Valley are great salt wells; the climate is modified by the lakes. At first a French colony, the country was handed over to England in 1760, and to the United States in 1776; it was organised as a territory in 1806, and admitted a State in 1837; the chief commercial city is Detroit, on Detroit River, in the E.,

has manufactures of machinery and railway plant, leather, and a large shipping trade. Grand Rapids, on the Grand River, has furniture works, and makes a stucco-plaster and white bricks. Lansing is the State capital, and an important railway centre.

MICHIGAN LAKE, in the N. of the United States, between Michigan and Wisconsin, is the third largest of the fresh-water seas, its surface being three-fourths that of Scotland; it is 335 m. long and 50 to 80 m. broad, bears much commerce, has low sandy shores and no islands; the chief ports are Chicago, Milwaukee, and Racine.

MICKIEWICZ, ADAM, Polish national poet, born in Lithuania, of a noble family; in 1822 published at Kovno a collection of poems instinct with patriotic feeling; was exiled into the interior of Russia, in 1824, for secret intrigues in the interest of his nation; while there published three epics, conceived in the same patriotic spirit; left Russia in 1829 for Italy by way of Germany; was warmly welcomed by Goethe in passing; in 1834 published his great poem "Sir Thaddeus," and in 1840 was appointed to a professorship of Polish Literature in Paris, where to the last he laboured for his country; died at Constantinople, whence his bones were transferred to lie beside those of Kosciuszko at Cracow (1798-1855).

MICKLE, WILLIAM JULIUS, translator of the "Lusid" (q.v.), born in Lankholm, in Dumfriesshire, alleged to be the author of "There's nae Luck about the House" (1734-1788).

MICROBE, a minute organism found in the blood of animals, especially when suffering from disease. See **BACTERIA**.

MICROCOSM, name given by the Middle Age philosophers to man as representing the macrocosm or universe in miniature.

MICROMETER, a scientific instrument for measuring very small distances to an accuracy of one-millionth of an inch.

MICROPHONE, an instrument invented in 1788 by Professor Isaac, and consisting of charcoal, tempered in mercury, which intensifies and renders audible the faintest possible sound.

MICROSCOPE, an optical instrument for increasing the apparent size of a minute object by means of a combination of lenses, invented towards the end of the 16th century, although wrought glass lenses had been manufactured in the 14th century.

MICROZYME, a minute organism which acts as a ferment when it enters the blood and produces zymotic diseases.

MIDAS, a king of Phrygia who, in his lust of riches, begged of Bacchus and obtained the power of turning everything he touched into gold, a gift which he prayed him to revoke when he found it affected his very meat and drink, which the god consented to do, only he must bathe in the waters of the Pactolus, the sands of which ever after were found mixed with gold; appointed umpire at a musical contest between Pan and Apollo, he preferred the pipes of the former to the lyre of the latter, who thereupon awarded him a pair of asses, the which he concealed with a cap, but was unable to hide them from his barber, who could not retain the secret, but whispered it into a hole in the ground, around which sprang up a forest of reeds, and these as the wind passed through them told the tale into the general ear, to the owner's discomfiture.

MIDDLE AGES, is a term used in connection with European history to denote the period beginning with the fall of the Roman Empire in 476, and closing with the invention of printing, the discovery of America, and the revival of learning in the 15th century.

MIDDLE ENGLISH, the English in use for two centuries and a half from 1200 to 1400.

MIDDLE OIL, name given to one of the fractions obtained in the distillation of coal tar; the products obtained from it are naphthalene and carbolic acid.

MIDDLE PASSAGE, in the slave-trade the part of the Atlantic stretching between Africa and the West Indies.

MIDDLESBROUGH, iron manufacturing and shipping town at the mouth of the Tees, in the N. of Yorkshire, 45 m. N. of York; has also shipbuilding yards

and chemical works, and exports coal. It owes its growth to the discovery of one of the largest ironfields in the country in the Cleveland hills, near at hand, in 1850.

MIDDLESEX, a small county on the N. of the Thames, adjacent to and W. of London; has no hills and no rivers, only undulating pasture land and small streams. In 1888 the populous part next the metropolis was detached from the county of London, leaving no big town but many suburbs. Brentford, reckoned the county town, Harrow with its school, Highgate, and Hornsey, Hampton Court, Hampstead Heath, and Enfield Chase are in the county. There are many market gardens.

MIDDLETON, CONYERS, a liberal theologian; was engaged a good deal in controversy, particularly with Bentley; among other works wrote an able *Life of Cicero*; is distinguished among English authors for his "absolutely plain style" of writing (1688-1750).

MIDDLETON, THOMAS, dramatist, born in London, where he was afterwards City Chronicler, and where he died; was fond of collaboration, and received assistance in his best work from Drayton, Webster, Dekker, Rowley, and Jonson; his comedies are smart and buoyant, sometimes indecorous; his masques more than usually elaborate and careful; in the comedy of "The Spanish Gypsy" and the tragedies of "The Changeling," and "Women beware Women," is found the best fruit of his genius (1570-1627).

MIDGARD, a name given in the Norse mythology to the earth as intermediate between the Asgard (q.v.) of the gods and Utgard of the Jötnar (q.v.).

MIDIANTES, a race of Arabs descended from Abraham by Keturah, who dwelt to the E. of Akaba; though related, were troublesome to the Hebrews, but were subdued by Gideon.

MIDRASH, the earliest Hebrew exposition of the Old Testament; included the Halakha, or development of the legal system on Pentateuchal lines, and the Hagada, a commentary on the whole Scripture with ethical, social, and religious applications. The name Midrash came to refer exclusively to the latter, in which much fanciful interpretation was mixed with sound practical sense.

MIGNE, THE ABBÉ, French Catholic theologian, born in St. Flour; edited a great many works on theology, such as "Patrologia Cursus Completus," and "Orateurs Sacrés," and founded *L'Univers Religieux* Journal (1800-1876).

MIGNET, FRANÇOIS AUGUST, French historian, born in Aix, settled in Paris; was a friend of Thiers; became keeper of the archives of the Foreign Office, and had thus access to important historical documents; wrote a number of important works, among others a "History of the French Revolution," and "History of Marie Stuart" (1796-1884).

MIGNON, an impassioned Italian child, a creation of Goethe's in his "Wilhelm Meister," of mysterious origin and history; represented as compact of vague aspirations and longings under which, as never fulfilled, she at length pines away and dies.

MIGUEL, DOM, king of Portugal, born in Lisbon; usurped the throne in defiance of the right of his brother, Pedro IV., emperor of Brazil, who, however, conceded to him the title of regent on condition of his marrying Donna Maria, his daughter; on his arrival in Portugal he had himself proclaimed king, but refused to marry Maria, who followed him, and prohibited her landing, which, together with his conduct of affairs, provoked a civil war, in which the party of Pedro prevailed, and which ended in the capitulation of the usurper and his withdrawal to Italy (1802-1866).

MIKADO, the emperor of Japan, regarded as the head of both Church and State in his dominions.

MILAN, the largest city in N. Italy, is in Lombardy, 25 m. S. of Lake Como; of old much vexed by war, it is now prosperous, manufacturing silks and velvets, gold, silver, and porcelain ware, and trading in raw silk, grain, and tobacco, with great printing works, and is the chief banking centre of N. Italy; it is rich in architectural treasures, foremost of which is the magnificent Gothic cathedral of white marble; has a splendid picture-gallery, and many rich frescoes; in 1848 it revolted finally from Austrian oppression.

MILAN DECREE, a decree of Napoleon dated Milan, Dec. 27, 1807, declaring the British dominions in a state of blockade, and under penalty prohibiting all trade with them.

MILESTONES. Unless otherwise stated on the stone, the distances from London shown on the milestones on the road to Hertford are measured from Shore-ditch Church. Those on the Great North Road are measured from the Sessions House on Clerkenwell Green. Those on the Colchester and Ipswich Roads run from St. Mary's Church, Whitechapel; those to Dover and Folkestone from London Bridge; those to Brighton from the Royal Exchange; those to Worthing from Westminster Bridge. Those to Staines, Maidenhead, and Basingstoke run from Hyde Park Corner; and those to Oxford and St. Albans from the Marble Arch.

MILETUS, the foremost Ionian city of ancient Asia Minor, at the mouth of the Mæander, was the mother of many colonies, and the port from which vessels traded to all the Mediterranean countries and to the Atlantic; its carpets and cloth were far-famed; its first greatness passed away when Darius stormed it in 494 B.C., and it was finally ruined by the Turks; Thales the philosopher and Cædemon the historian were among its famous sons.

MILFORD HAVEN, 1ST MARQUESS OF (Prince Louis of Battenberg), British admiral, son of Prince Alexander of Hesse, he married Princess Victoria, a daughter of Princess Alice of England; from this age of 14 he served in the British navy, and in 1904 he commanded the Second Cruiser Squadron; from 1908 to 1912 he commanded the Atlantic Fleet, and was First Sea Lord from 1912 to 1914. He adopted the English title in 1917 (1854-1921).

MILITARY ORDERS were in crusading times associations of knights sworn to chastity and devoted to religious service; the Hospitaliers, the earliest, tended sick pilgrims at Jerusalem; the Templars protected pilgrims and guarded the Temple; the Knights of St. John were also celibate, but members of the orders of Alcantara and others in Spain, of St. Benet in Portugal, and others elsewhere, with different objects, were permitted to marry.

MILITIA, a body of troops intended primarily for home defence, the members of which had as a rule never served in the regular army, nor, except for a short period each year, had any proper military training. They were superseded by the Territorials (q.v.).

MILKY WAY, a dense band of stars encircling the sky in a great circle; the universe is now considered to be disc-shaped, and, as the earth is near the centre, the stars appear to be concentrated in a certain plane (the *galactic plane*).

MILL, JAMES, economist, born in Logie Pert, near Montrose, the son of a shoemaker, bred for the Church; was a disciple of Locke and Jeremy Bentham; wrote a "History of British India," "Elements of Political Economy," and an "Analysis of the Human Mind"; held an important lucrative post in the East India Company's service (1773-1836).

MILL, JOHN STUART, logician and economist, born in London, son of the preceding; was educated pedantically by his father; began to learn Greek at 3, could read it and Latin at 14, "never was a boy," he says, and was debarré from all imaginative literature, so that in after years the poetry of Wordsworth came to him as a revelation; entered the service of the East India Company in 1823, but devoted himself to philosophic discussion; contributed to the *Westminster Review*, of which he was for some time editor; published his "System of Logic" in 1843, and in 1848 his "Political Economy"; entered Parliament in 1865, but lost his seat in 1868, on which he retired to Avignon, where he died; he wrote a book on "Liberty" in 1859, on "Utilitarianism" in 1863, on "Comte" in 1865, and on "Sir William Hamilton's Philosophy" the same year, and left an "Autobiography"; he was a calm thinker and an impartial critic; he befriended Carlyle when he went to London, and Carlyle rather took to him, but divergences soon appeared, which, as it could not fall, ended in total estrangement; he had an Egeria in a Mrs. Taylor, whom he married when she became

a widow; it was she, it would almost seem, who was responsible for the fate of Carlyle's MS. (1806-1878).

MILLAR, SIR JOHN EVERETT, painter, born of Jersey parentage in Southampton; studied at the Royal Academy, and at 17 exhibited a notable historical work; early associated with Rossetti and Holman Hunt, he remained for over 20 years under their influence; to this period belong "The Carpenter's Shop," 1851, "Autumn Leaves," 1856, and "The Minuet," 1866; "The Gambler's Wife" marks the transition from pre-Raphaelitism; his chief subsequent work, in which technical interest predominates, was portraiture, including Gladstone and Beaconsfield; he was a profuse illustrator, and wrought some etchings; he was made R.A. 1864, a baronet in 1885, and P.R.A. February, 1896 (1829-1896).

MILLBANK PRISON, Westminster, constructed 1812-1821 on the plans of Howard and Bentham, so that each of its 1100 cells were visible from the governor's room, was used for solitary confinement preparatory to penal servitude, and as a convict prison until 1886, being demolished 1890; on its site was erected the Tate Gallery.

MILLER, HUGH, journalist and geologist, self-taught, born in Crumarty, of sailor ancestry; began life as a stone-mason; editor of the *Widnes* newspaper from 1830 till his death; wrote the "Old Red Sandstone," "Footprints of the Creator," and the "Testimony of the Rocks," books which awakened an interest in geological subjects, besides being the author of an account of his life, "My Schools and Schoolmasters"; died by his own hand at Portobello; he was a writer of considerable literary ability (1802-1856).

MILLER, WILLIAM, soldier of fortune, born in Wingham, Kent; fought in the Peninsular War and in America; joined Bolivar in the struggle for the liberation of Peru and became Chief of Staff and general (1795-1861).

MILLER, WILLIAM, line-engraver, lived at Millerfield, Edinburgh; famed for his engravings of Turner; was a member of the Society of Friends, and stood high in his art as an engraver (1797-1882).

MILLET, JEAN FRANCOIS, French painter of French peasant life, born near Greville, of a peasant family; sent to Paris, studied under Paul Delarocche, with drew into rustic life, and took up his abode at the village of Barbizon, near the Forest of Fontainebleau, where as a peasant he spent the rest of his life, honoured by all his neighbours, and produced inimitable pictures of French country life, completing his famous "Sower," and treating such subjects as the "Gleaners," the "Sheep-Shearers," "Shepherdess and Flock," &c., with an evident appreciation of the life they depicted so faithfully (1814-1875).

MILLIBAR, unit of atmospheric pressure used for meteorological purposes; 1000 millibars are equal to one bar, which is equivalent to a pressure of a million dynes per square centimetre or that of a column of mercury 29.53 inches or 750 mm. long.

MILMAN, HENRY HART, dean of St. Paul's, ecclesiastical historian, born in London; edited Gibbon's "Decline and Fall," wrote "History of the Jews," "History of Christianity to the Abolition of Paganism under the Empire," and "History of Latin Christianity," all learned works, particularly the last in 9 vols., described by Dean Stanley as "a complete epic and philosophy of medieval Christianity"; was professor of Poetry at Oxford (1791-1868).

MILNE, ALAN ALEXANDER, British author and journalist. At Cambridge he edited the *Granta* and then took to journalism in London, being assistant-editor of *Punch* from 1906 to 1914, when he joined the army for five years; he wrote novels, tales, and verses for children, and among plays "Mr. Pim Passes By" (1892-).

MILNE, SIR GEORGE FRANCIS, British general. Joining the Royal Artillery he served in the Sudan, the Boer War, and the Great War; in 1918 he took command of the British troops in Salonica, and in 1917 was chief officer in the fighting against Bulgaria; in 1918 he was knighted, and in 1926 was

made a field-marshal and chief of the Imperial general staff (1866-).

MILNE, JOHN, British scientist, devoted himself to the study of earthquake phenomena, and obtained many useful results; wrote several books on mining and kindred subjects (1850-1913).

MILNE-EDWARDS, HENRI, eminent naturalist, born in Bruges, of English parentage; wrote extensively and learnedly on natural history subjects, dissented from Darwin, and held to the theory of different centres of creation, and to this he stoutly adhered to the last (1800-1885).

MILNER, ALFRED, VISCOUNT, High Commissioner of South Africa in 1897, and Governor of the Transvaal and Orange River Colonies in 1901; a student of Balliol (graduating with a first class in classics) and a Fellow of New College, Oxford; called to the bar in 1881; Private Secretary to Goschen (1887-1889); Under-Secretary for Finance in Egypt (1889-1892); Chairman of the Inland Revenue Board, from 1892 to 1897, when he succeeded Lord Rosemead at the Cape; represented the Mother Country with great ability before and during the Boer War; visited England and was raised to the peerage in 1901; declined the Colonial Secretaryship in 1903; resigned in 1905, but in 1916 became a member of the War Cabinet, and in 1918 Secretary for War; transferring to the Colonial Office in 1920 he undertook a special and important mission to Egypt (1854-1925).

MILNER, JOSEPH, Church historian; master of the Grammar School, Hull; his "History of the Church" reaches down to the 10th century (1744-1797).

MILLO, a celebrated athlete, born in Crotona, of extraordinary strength, said to have one day carried a live bullock 120 paces along the Olympic course, killed it with his fist, and eaten it up entire at one repast; in old age he attempted to split a tree, but it closed upon his arm, and wolves devoured him.

MILTIADES, an Athenian general, famous for his decisive defeat of the Persians at Marathon, 490 B.C.; falling in a naval attack on Paros, and fined to indemnify the cost of the expedition, he was unable to pay, was cast into prison, and died there of his wounds.

MILTON, JOHN, poet, born in London, son of a scrivener; graduated at Cambridge, and settled to study, and write poetry in his father's house at Horton, 1632; in 1638 he visited Italy, being already known at home as the author of the "Hymn on the Nativity," "Allegro," "Penseroso," "Comus," a mask, and "Lycidas," an elegy on his friend Kink, who was drowned in the Irish Sea in 1637, besides much excellent Latin verse; the outbreak of the Civil War recalled him, and silenced his muse for many years; settling in London he took pupils, married in 1643 Mary Powell, and became active as a writer of pamphlets on public questions; his first topic was Church Government, then his wife's desertion of him for two years called forth his tract on Divorce, a threatened prosecution for which elicited in turn the "Areopagitica, a Speech for the Liberty of Unlicensed Printing"; his father died in 1647, his wife in 1652; under the Commonwealth he was "Secretary of Foreign Tongues," and successfully defended the execution of Charles I. in his Latin "Defence of the English People," and other bitter controversial works; he married in 1656 his second wife, Catherine Woodcock, who died two years later; the Restoration gave him back to leisure and poetry; his greatest work, "Paradise Lost," was composed rapidly, dictated to his daughters, and completed in 1663, but not published till 1667; 1671 saw "Paradise Regained" and "Samson Agonistes"; he had been blind since 1652; he married Elizabeth Minshull in 1663, who comforted him in his closing years, and in the Plague Year removed from London to Chalfont St. Giles; a man of fervent, impulsive temperament, and a lover of music, he was sincere in controversy, magnanimous in character, and of deep religious faith; the richness, melody, and simplicity of his poetry, the sublimity of his great theme, and the adequacy of its treatment, place him among the greatest poets of the world; in later years he leaned to Arianism, and broke away from the restraints of

outward religious practice; his last prose work, a Latin treatise on "Christian Doctrines," was lost at the time of his death, and only recovered 150 years later (1608-1674).

MILWAUKEE, chief city of Wisconsin, U.S., on W. shore of Lake Michigan, 80 m. N. by W. of Chicago. Exports grain, iron ore, &c.; manufactures flour, machinery, and pig-iron.

MIMES, dramatic performances among the Greeks and Romans, in comic representation of scenes in ordinary life, often in extempore dialogue.

MIMUS, in the Norse mythology the god of wisdom, guardian of the sacred well which nourished the roots of the tree Yggdrasil (q.v.), and a draught of whose waters imparted divine wisdom.

MINARETS, a salient feature of Mohammedan architecture, are tall slim towers, in several storeys with balconies, from which the muezzin calls the people to prayer, and terminated by a spire or finial.

MINERVA, the Roman virgin goddess of wisdom and the arts, identified with the Greek Athena (q.v.); born full-armed from the brain of Jupiter, and representing his thinking, calculating, inventive power, and third in rank to him.

MINGHETTI, MARCO, Italian patriot and statesman, born in Bologna; a man of liberal views; a friend and associate of Garibaldi and other leaders; was Minister of the Interior in 1862; was ambassador to the Court of St. James's in 1868, and Prime Minister at Rome from 1873 to 1876 (1818-1886).

MINIMS, an order of monks founded by St. Francis of Paula in 1453, a name which signifies "the least," to express super-humility.

MINNEAPOLIS, city of U.S., Minnesota, on both sides of the Mississippi, the greatest centre of the wheat and flour trade in U.S.

MINNESINGERS (i.e. love-singers), a name given to the lyric poets of Germany during the latter part of the 12th and the first half of the 13th centuries.

MINNESOTA, one of the United States of America; lies between the Dakotas on the W. and Wisconsin on the E., Canada on the N., and Iowa on the S.; round the upper waters of the Mississippi, the St. Lawrence, and the Red River of the North; the State is largely prairie, with hundreds of lakes, the largest Red Lake, and is chiefly a wheat-producing area; there are pine forests in the N., iron mines, slate and granite quarries; the climate is dry, equable, and bracing; education is good; the State university is at Minneapolis; the capital is St. Paul, where the Mississippi is still navigable, a fine city, founded in 1840, the centre of the grocery and dry-goods trade; the largest city is Minneapolis, which has great lumber and flour mills; Duluth has a magnificent harbour and good shipping trade.

MINORCA, the second of the Balearic Isles, hilly, with stalactite caves and rocky coast; is less fertile than Majorca, from which it is 25 m. distant N.E.; it produces oil, wine, and fruits, and makes boots and shoes, but under Spanish rule is not prosperous; the capital Mahon, in the S.E., is strongly fortified, and has a good harbour.

MINOS, an ancient king of Crete, celebrated for his administration of justice; was fabled to have been appointed, with Aeacus and Rhadamanthus, one of the judges of the dead on their descent into the nether world.

MINOTAUR, in the Greek mythology a monster, half-man half-bull with a bull's head, confined in the Labyrinth of Crete, fed by the annual tribute of seven youths and seven maidens of Athenian birth, till he was slain by Theseus with the help of Ariadne (q.v.).

MINSTRELS, a body of men who during the Middle Ages wandered from place to place, especially from court to court, singing their own compositions to the harp for a compensation.

MINTO, EARL OF, Governor-General of India; was bred to the bar, served in Parliament and as ambassador, went out to India in 1806, consolidated the British power, captured Java, and opened diplomatic relations with powers around (1751-1814).

MIOCENE, name given by geologists to the strata lying above the Oligocene and below the Pliocene; the British Isles were land during the period in which these deposits were laid down, and conse-

quently no strata of this age are found; in Miocene times mammals developed towards their modern forms, especially the anthropoids; there are large areas of Miocene deposits in North America, as well as in parts of Europe; the period was one of great earth movements.

MIRA, a remarkable variable star normally of the seventh magnitude but increasing at regular periods of about a year to the first magnitude, when its spectrum is found to be different from the normal.

MIRABEAU, GABRIEL HONORE RIQUETTI, COMTE DE, son of the succeeding, born at the manor-house of Bignon; was a man of massive intellect and strong physical frame, who came to the front in the French Revolution; being expelled from his order by the noblesse of Provence, he ingratiated himself with the Third Estate, and was elected commons-deputy of Aix to the States-General in 1789, where he became, as the incarnation of the whole movement, the ruling spirit of the hour, and gave proof that if he had lived he might have been able to change the whole course of the Revolution, for he was already in communication with the court and in hopes of gaining it over to accept the inevitable, when he sickened and died, to the consternation of the entire people, whose affection and confidence he had won (1749-1791). See Carlyle's "French Revolution" and his Essay in "Aristocracy."

MIRABEAU, VICTOR RIQUETTI, MARQUIS DE, "embedded old friend of men," born in Paris, in Provence, claimed to be of Florentine descent; "could never make the world go to his mind," and set about reforming it by cooing a family as self-willed as himself, to the driving of his celebrated son to desperate courses and reckless excesses; advocated the doctrines of the French economists in a series of writings instinct with a certain theoretical philanthropy (1715-1789).

MIRACLE PLAYS were strictly speaking dramas founded on legends of the saints, as distinct from mysteries founded on scriptural subjects, but the name came to cover all those religious representations for the instruction of the people fostered by the Church of the Middle Ages, performed first in churches, afterwards in public places; they were common in England from the 12th century, but laterly became corrupt through the introduction of grotesque indecorous comicities; the rise of the drama led to their abandonment; on the Continent ecclesiastical action was taken against them, not by the Reformers, but by the Church itself in the 18th century, and everywhere they have all but disappeared; the Passion Play acted every 10 years at Oberammergau, Bavaria, is the only important survival.

MIRANDA, the beautiful daughter of the magician Prospero in Shakespeare's "Tempest."

MIRANDA, FRANCESCO DE, a Portuguese poet; wrote sonnets and epistles in verse; was predecessor of Camoens (1495-1558).

MISERERE, a carved bracket on the under side of the stall seats in mediæval churches, which, when the seat was turned up during the standing portion of the service, afforded support to the older clergy. Miserere, the Catholic name for the 51st Psalm.

MISHNA, the oral law of the Jews, which is divided into six parts, and constitutes the text of the Talmud, of which the Gemara is the commentary.

MISPRISION, a high offence under, but close upon, the degree of a capital one; misprision of treason being a concealment of a felony without consenting to it.

MISSAL, a book containing the service of the mass for the entire year, such as is now in almost universal use throughout the Catholic world.

MISSING ELEMENTS, those unknown elements which should fill the vacant spaces in the periodic table (q.v.).

MISSISSIPPI, an American State on the E. bank of the Lower Mississippi, abutting on the Gulf of Mexico, between Louisiana and Alabama; has a hilly surface, traversed by numerous rivers, the Yazoo, a tributary of the Mississippi, forming a great fertile delta; the climate is free from extremes; the chief industry is agriculture; the best crops are grown in the N., and on the alluvial bottom lands; in the centre and N.E. are good grazing farms;

cotton, corn, oats, and fruits are the chief crops; virgin forests of hardwood cover much of the delta; valuable deposits of pipe and ochre clays and of lignite are found; cotton is manufactured, and there is trade in lumber; more than half the population is coloured, and the races are kept distinct in the State schools; the State university is at Oxford, and there are many other colleges; Jackson, the capital, is the chief railway centre, Meridian has iron manufactures, Vicksburg and Natchez are the chief river-ports; Mississippi was colonised by the French in 1699, ceded to Britain 1763, admitted to the Union 1817, joined the South in 1861, but was readmitted to the Union in 1869.

MISSISSIPPI RIVER, rises in Lake Itasca, Minnesota, and flowing S. for 2800 m., enters the Gulf of Mexico by a large delta; its earlier course is through picturesque country, often in gorges, with rapids such as the St. Anthony Falls, the Des Moines and Rock Island Rapids. After receiving the Missouri, over 2000 m. long, from the Rocky Mountains, it flows 24 m. per hour through great alluvial plains, which are protected from its overflows by hundreds of miles of earth embankments, and is joined by the Ohio from the N., the Red and Arkansas Rivers from the W., and many other navigable streams. The Mississippi is navigable by large steamers for 2000 m.; St. Louis, Memphis, Vicksburg, Natchez, and New Orleans are among the chief ports on its banks.

MISSISSIPPI SCHEME was started in France in 1717 by John Law and the Government, ostensibly to develop the Mississippi basin, but really to ease the pressure on the exchequer; a company was formed and empowered to monopolise almost all the foreign trade; 624,000 shares were issued; depreciated paper currency was accepted in payment, and the national bank issued notes without stint; in 1719 the demand for shares was enormous; the nation was completely carried away; next year the crash came, the Government made every effort to save the position, but in vain; the distress was extreme, and Law had to leave the country.

MISSOLOGHI, Greek seaport and fishing town, on the Gulf of Patras, chiefly noted for heroic defences in the War of Independence 1821-1826, and as the place of Byron's death 1824.

MISSOURI, an American State on the Mississippi, between Iowa and Arkansas, is half the size of the British Isles, and is traversed by the Missouri River; N. of that river the country is level, S. of it there rise the Ozark tablelands; the soil is very fertile, and the State principally agricultural; immense crops of maize, oats, potatoes, cotton, and tobacco are raised; there are large cattle ranches, and dressed beef and pork are largely exported; the climate is subject to extremes; coal, iron, lead, zinc, and other minerals abound, while marble, granite, and limestone are quarried; the rivers afford excellent transport facilities; the educational system is very complete; admitted to the Union in 1821, Missouri was divided in the Civil War, and suffered terribly, but since then has been very prosperous; the capital, St. Louis, is one of the greatest commercial and manufacturing towns in the Union, does a vast trade in grain and cotton, and has hardware, leather goods, and tobacco factories; Kansas City has great pork-backing establishments and railroad ironworks.

MISTRAL, FRÉDÉRIC, poet of Southern France, born near Millaune, was a peasant's son, and himself a peasant; his fame rose on the publication of the epic, "Mirlo," in Provençal dialect, 1859; in 1867 he published, "Calendou," in 1876 a volume of songs, and in 1884 "Nort," a novel (1880-1914).

MITFORD, MARY RUSSELL, authoress, born in Alford, Lincs, lived with her father, an extravagant physician, at Lyme Regis and London; she published poems in 1810-11-12, but, forced to earn a living, took to dramatic work; "Julian," "The Foscari," and "Rienzi" were successful if ephemeral tragedies; her best work was "Our Village," sketches of homely English life written with much care, which appeared first in the *Lady's Magazine*, and were published in 5 vols., 1824-1832 (1787-1855).

MITFORD, WILLIAM, English author; wrote a

"History of Greece" and on the "English Metre, or the Harmony of Language" (1744-1827).

MITHRAS (i.e. the Friend), the highest of the second order of deities in the ancient Persian religion, the friend of man in this life and his protector against evil in the world to come, sided with Ormuzd against Ahriman, and represented as a youth kneeling on a bull and plunging a dagger into his neck, while he is at the same time attacked by a dog, a serpent, and a scorpion; identified with sun-worship in later times, and accepted as a war-god by the Romans.

MITHRIDATES THE GREAT, surnamed Eupator, King of Pontus from 123 to 63 a.c.; an implacable enemy of the Romans, between whom and him there raged from 90 to 63 a succession of wars, till he was defeated by Pompey near the Euphrates, when, being superseded by his son, he put an end to his life; he was a great man and conqueror, subdued many surrounding nations, and was a collector of works of art; he made a special study of poisons, and familiarised himself with all their antidotes, in view of possible attempts by means of them to take away his life.

MITRAILLEUSE, a gun consisting of several, as many as 25, barrels, from which a number of shots may be fired simultaneously or in rapid succession, used by the French in the Franco-German War.

MIVART, ST. GEORGE, naturalist, a Roman Catholic professor at Louvain, distinguished for his opposition to Darwinism (1827-1900).

MNEMOSYNE, in the Greek mythology the daughter of Uranos, the goddess of memory, and the mother of the Muses by Zeus.

MOA, the name of several species of New Zealand and Australian birds, from 2 to 14 ft. high, and quite wingless; almost extinct since the 17th century; two living specimens were captured in 1876.

MOAB, a pastoral region extending along the E. of lower parts of the Jordan and the Dead Sea, and inhabited by the descendants of Lot, now extinct, or merged among the Arabs.

MOABITE STONE, a stone 4 ft. high and 2 ft. broad found by Dr. Klein in 1868 among the ruins of Dhiban, a town in Moab, and now in the Louvre at Paris; the inscription in the Phœnician characters described a victory of the Moabites over the Israelites; it was broken by the Arabs, but the fragments were collected and put into their proper places.

MOBILE, a city and port of Alabama, U.S., 30 m. N. of the Gulf of Mexico; a thriving place; exports cotton and lumber.

MOBILIER CREDIT, a banking and financial company founded in Paris in 1852; lends money on security of property other than real, and takes shares in public schemes, such as railways.

MODENA, Italian town, 62 m. N. of Florence; has a cathedral, with noted campanile, university, library, and art collections, and manufactures silk and leather; capital of a duchy; incorporated in the kingdom of Italy 1860.

MODJESKA, HELENA, actress, born in Cracow; went on the stage after her first marriage in 1861, and from 1868 to 1876 was the favourite of Warsaw; retired to California on her second marriage, but returned to the stage, having learned English in seven months in California, 1877, and till her final retirement in 1895, was eminently successful in America and Britain in such parts as Rosalind, Beatrice, &c. (1844-1909).

MODRED, SIR, a treacherous knight, the rebellious nephew of King Arthur, whose wife he seduced; was slain in battle, and buried in Avalon.

MOFFAT, HOWARD UNWIN, Rhodesian politician. Starting his career as a banker, he became an explorer in Bechuanaland, and served in the Matabeleland rebellion and the Boer War. In 1920 he became a local M.P., in 1923 Minister of Mines, and in 1927 Prime Minister of South Rhodesia (1860-).

MOFFAT, ROBERT, African missionary, born in Ormiston, Haddingtonshire; the scene of his nearly lifelong labours was among the Bechuanas in South Africa, whom he raised from a savage to a civilised state; he was sent out in 1816 by the London

Missionary Society. He married (1819) Mary Smith, a daughter of his former employer at Dunkinfield, and his daughter, Mary, became the wife of Livingstone (1795-1883).

MOFFATT, REV. JAMES, Scottish theologian. Educated at Glasgow University, he lectured there and at London, Oxford, and New York; among his works the most famous is his new translation of the New Testament (1870).

MOGUL, literally, in Arabic, Mongol, the Indian empire of that name having been founded in 1526 by Baber, who was descended from the great conqueror Tamerlane; the Mogul dynasty ended in 1858 after the Indian Mutiny.

MOHAMMED, great prophet of the Arabs, and founder of Islamism, born in Mecca, the son of Abdallah, of the tribe of the Koreish; left an orphan, brought up by his uncle Abu Taleb; became steward to a rich widow Kadijah (q.v.) whom he married at 26; was given to serious meditation, would retire into solitude and pray, and one day, by the favour of Heaven, got answer which left him "in doubt and darkness no longer, but saw it all," saw into the vanity of all that was not God, that He alone was great, inconceivably great; that it was with Him alone we had to do, we must all submit to Him; this revelation made to him he imparted to Kadijah, and after a time she assented, and his heart leaped for joy; he spoke of his doctrine to this man and that, but made slow progress in persuading others to believe it; made only 13 converts in 3 years; his preaching gave offence to the chief people, and his relatives tried hard to persuade him to hold his peace, but he would not; after 13 years a conspiracy was formed to take his life, and he fled, through peril after peril, to Medina, in his fifty-third year, and in 622 of our era; his enemies had taken up the sword against him, and he now replied with the same weapon, and in 10 years he prevailed; it was a war against idolatry in all its forms, and idolatry was driven to the wall, the motto on his banner "God is Great," a motto with a depth of meaning greater than the Mohammedan world, and perhaps the Christian, has yet realised; it is for one thing a protest on the part of Mohammed, in which the Hebrew prophets foretold him, against all attempts to understand the Deity and fashion "His ways, which are ever in the deep, and Whose footsteps are not known" (571-632).

MOHAMMEDANISM, the religion of Mohammed, or Islam, is essentially much the same as the religion of the Jews with some elements borrowed from the Christian religion, and is defined by Carlyle as a bastard Christianity; originating in Arabia, it spread rapidly over the W. of Asia, the N. of Africa, and threatened at one time to overrun Europe itself; it is the religion to-day of two hundred millions of the human race, and the profession of it extends over a wide area in western and southern Asia as also in northern Africa.

MOHAWEK, a tribe of American Indians, one of the most warlike members of the Iroquois League; they aided the British in the War of Independence and finally settled in Canada; the tribe gave its name, sometimes spelled Mohock, to a band of ruffians who infested the streets of London in 1711-1712.

MOHICANS, an American Indian tribe, took sides with the English settlers against the French and with the former against England.

MOELL, JULIUS VON, Orientalist, born in Stuttgart; edited the "Shahnâma" of Firdausi, a monumental work (1800-1876).

MOELLER, JOHANN ADAM, a Roman Catholic theologian, born in Württemberg, author of "Synbolik," a work which discusses the differences between the doctrines of Catholics and Protestants, as evidenced in their respective symbolical books, and which created no small stir in the theological world (1796-1838).

MOIR, DAVID MACBETH, the "Delta" of Blackwood, born in Musselburgh, where he practised as a physician; was author of "Mansie Wauch" (1798-1851).

MOIRA, FRANCIS RAWDON-HASTINGS, EARL OF, son of the Earl of Moira; entered the army 1771, and served against the Americans in the War of

Independence; created Baron Rawdon in 1783; succeeded to his father's title 1793; entered political life under Fox, and was Governor-General of India 1813-1823, in which period fell the Gorkha War, for the successful negotiations subsequent on which he was created Marquis of Hastings; his administration encouraged native education and freedom of the press; from 1824 he was Governor of Malta till his death at Naples (1784-1830).

MOISSAN, HENRI, French scientist, the first to isolate fluorine; remembered for his work on the electric furnace; professor at Paris; awarded the Nobel Prize in 1906 (1852-1907).

MOKANNA, AL, "the veiled one," a name given to Iakim ben Allah, who wore a veil to hide the loss of an eye; he professed to be an incarnation of the Deity and to work miracles; found followers; founded a sect at Khoraasan; seized some fortresses, but was overthrown at Kash A.D. 780, whereupon he took poison.

MOLDAVA, river in Czechoslovakia, rises on the N. of the Bohemian Mountains, flows S.E. along their base, then turns northward through Bohemia, passes Budweis, becomes navigable, is 100 yards broad at Prague, and joins the Elbe at Mohik after flowing 278 m.

MOLDAVIA, once Independent, now the northern division of Rumania, lies between the Carpathians and the Pruth River, and is well watered by the Sereth; its chief town is Jassy, in the N.E.

MOLE, LOUIS MATTHIEU, COMTE, French statesman, born in Paris; published in 1805 an essay on politics which, defending Napoleon, won for its author a series of minor offices, and in 1813 a peerage and a seat in the Cabinet; retaining power under Louis XVIII. and Louis Philippe, he was Minister of Marine 1817, Foreign Minister 1830, and Premier 1837, but retired from politics two years later (1781-1855).

MOLECULE, the smallest particle of which an element or a compound is composed, and one that retains all the properties in a free state.

MOLESWORTH, SIR WILLIAM, British statesman, born in London; was an advanced Liberal; editor and proprietor of the *Westminster Review*; edited the works of Hobbes (1810-1855).

MOLIÈRE, the stage name of Jean Baptiste Poquelin, great French comic dramatist, born in Paris; studied law and passed for the bar, but evinced from the first a proclivity for the theatre, and soon associated with actors, and found his vocation as a writer of plays; this procured him the friendship of Lafontaine, Boileau, and other distinguished men, though he incurred the animosity of many classes of society by the ridicule which he heaped on their weaknesses and their pretensions, the more that in his satires his characters are rather abstract types of men than concrete individualities; his principal pieces are "Les Précieuses Ridicules," "L'École des Femmes," "Le Tartuffe," "Le Misanthrope," "George Dandin," "L'Avare," "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme," "Les Fourberies de Scapin," "Un Médecin malgré Lui," "Les Femmes Savantes," and "Le Malade Imaginaire." Though seriously ill, he took part in the performance of this last, but the effort was too much for him, and he died that night; from the grudge which the priests bore him for his satires on them he was buried without a religious service (1622-1673).

MOLINA, LUIS, a Spanish Jesuit and theologian, author of a theory called Molinism, which resolves the doctrine of predestination into a mere foreknowledge of those who would accept and those who would reject the grace of God in salvation (1536-1600).

MOLINOS, MIGUEL DE, a Spanish theologian, born in Saragossa; published a book called the "Spiritual Guide," which, as containing the germ of Quietism, was condemned by the Inquisition, and its author sentenced to imprisonment for life (1640-1697).

MOLLAH, a judge of the highest rank among the Turks on matters of law, both civil and sacred.

MOLLWITZ, a village in Silesia, 20 m. S.E. of Breslau, where Frederick the Great defeated the Austrians, 1741.

MOLOCH, or **MOLECH**, the chief god of the Ammonites, the worship of whom, which prevailed

among all the Canaanites, was accompanied with cruelties, human sacrifices among others, revolting to the humane spirit of the Jewish religion; originally it appears to have been the worship of fire, through which the innocent as well as the guilty had often to pass for the achievement of the noblest enterprises, which degenerated at length into selfish sacrifices of others for interests of one's own, and into the substitution of the innocent for the guilty by way of atonement to the Deity.

MOLTKE, HELMUTH JOHANNES LUDWIG VON, German general. A nephew of the following, he served in the Franco-Prussian War, and was chief of the general staff when the Great War broke out; on account of the failure to capture Paris he was superseded in Oct. 1914 (1848-1916).

MOLTKE, HELMUTH KARL, COUNT VON, surnamed the Silent, great German field-marshal, born in Mecklenburg-Schwerin of an old family; was pre-eminent as a military strategist, planned and conducted the Prussian campaign against Austria in 1866, and the German campaign against France in 1870-1872; was in the service of Denmark before he entered the Prussian (1800-1891).

MOLUCCAS, or SPICE ISLANDS, an archipelago of mountainous islands, mostly volcanic, between Celebes and New Guinea, is in two main groups; in the N. the largest island is Jilolo, but the most important Tidor and Ternate, which export spices, tortoise-shell, and bees-wax; in the S. Buru and Ceram are largest, most important being Amboyna, from which come cloves; the people are civilised Malays; the islands are equatorial, tempered by sea-breezes, and healthy; discovered by the Portuguese in 1521, they have been in Dutch possession since 1607, except when held by Britain 1810-1814.

MOLYBDENUM, a rare white metal, first isolated by Helmh in 1782; enters into the composition of certain steel alloys.

MOMBASA, capital of British East Africa, on a rocky islet, close inshore, 50 m. N. of Pemba; was ceded with a tract of country six times the size of the British Isles, and rich in gold, copper, plumbago, and india-rubber, to the British East African Company by the Sultan of Zanzibar in 1888, since when it has been rebuilt, and the harbour, one of the best and healthiest on the coast, made a naval coaling-station and headquarters; it is a port of call for East and South African liners.

MOMMSEN, THEODOR, historian, born in Schleswig, a man of immense historical knowledge; his greatest work the "History of Rome"; was professor of Ancient History at Berlin; his forte was his learning rather than his critical capacity (1817-1903).

MONUS, the god of gallery, the son of Night, a kind of ancient Mephistopheles (q.v.).

MONACHISM, or MONASTICISM, is an institution in which individuals devote themselves, apart from others, to the cultivation of spiritual contemplation and religious duties, and which has constituted a marked feature in pre-Christian Jewish asceticism, and in Buddhism as well as in Christianity; in the Church it developed from the practice of living in solitude in the 2nd century, and received its distinctive note when the vow of obedience to a superior was added to the hermit's personal vows of poverty and chastity; the movement of St. Benedict in the 6th century stamped its permanent form on Western Monasticism, and that of St. Francis in the 12th gave it a more comprehensive range, entrusting the care of the poor, the sick, the ignorant, &c., to the hitherto self-centred monks and nuns; during the Middle Ages the monasteries were centres of learning, and their work in copying and preserving both sacred and secular literature has been invaluable; English Monachism was swept away at the Reformation; in France at the Revolution; and later in Spain, Portugal, and Italy it was suppressed; brotherhoods and sisterhoods have sprung up in the Protestant churches of Germany and England, but in all of them the vows taken are revocable.

MONACO, a small principality some 8 sq. m. in area, 9 m. E. of Nice, on the Mediterranean shore, surrounded by French territory and under French protection; has a mild, salubrious climate, and is a favourite winter resort. The capital, Monaco, is

built on a picturesque promontory, and 1 m. NE. stands Monte Carlo (q.v.).

MONAD, the name given by Leibnitz to one of the active simple elementary substances, the plurality of which in their combinations or combined activities constitutes in his regard the universe both spiritual and physical; it denotes in biology an elementary organism.

MONAGHAN, an inland county in the Irish Free State surrounded by Louth, Armagh, Tyrone, Fermanagh, Cavan, and Meath; is undulating, with many small lakes and streams; grows fax and manufactures linen and has limestone and slate quarries. The chief towns are Clones, and the county-town, Monaghan, which has a produce market.

MONBODDO, JAMES BURNETT, LORD, a Scottish judge, born in Kincardineshire, an eccentric writer, author of a "Dissertation on the Origin of Language" and of "Ancient Metaphysics"; had original fancies on the origin of mankind from a simian type, in which he anticipated Darwin (1714-1799).

MONCKEIFF, JAMES, LORD, eminent Scottish judge; was the author of the Veto Act, which led to the Disruption of 1843 (1776-1851).

MONCKEIFF, SIR HENRY W., son of preceding, became a Free Church minister, and was Principal Clerk of the General Assembly of the Free Church; an authority on Church law (1809-1885).

MONCKEIFF, JAMES, BARON, brother of preceding, bred for the Scottish bar; was Lord Advocate of Scotland under four administrations; was appointed Lord Justice-Clerk in 1860; was raised to the peerage in 1874 (1811-1895).

MOND, LUDWIG, distinguished technical chemist and inventor, born in Cassel, in Germany; was a pupil of Kolbe and Bunsen, and made important additions to chemical-industrial processes and products; with Sir John Brunner he started the alkali firm of Brunner, Mond & Co., afterwards merged in Imperial Chemicals, Ltd. (1839-1909).

MOND GAS, a mixture of nitrogen, hydrogen, carbon dioxide, and carbon monoxide, obtained by the action of air and steam on coal dust; it is used for gas engines (q.v.).

MONET, CLAUDE, French artist. Born in 1840, son of a Paris merchant, he studied under Boudin at Havre in his boyhood, served for a time in the army, and then settled in Paris to paint (1840-).

MONGE, GASPARD, celebrated French mathematician, born in Beaune; one of the founders of the Polytechnic School in Paris (1746-1818).

MONGOLS, a great Asiatic people having their original home on the plains E. of Lake Baikal, Siberia, who first rose into prominence under their ruler Genghis Khan in the 12th century; he, uniting the three branches of Mongols, commenced a career of conquest which made him master of all Central Asia; his sons divided his empire, and pursued his conquests; a Mongol emperor seized the throne of China in 1234, and from this branch sprang the great Kublai Khan, whose house ruled an immense territory, 1294-1368. Another section pushed westwards as far as Moravia and Hungary, taking Pesth in 1241, and founded the immense empire over which Tamerlane held sway. A third but later movement, springing from the ruins of these earlier empires, was that of Baber, who conquered India, and founded the Great Mogul line, 1519. Now Mongols are constituent elements in the populations of China, and Russian and Turkish Asia.

MONICA, ST., the mother of St. Augustine, who became to him the symbol of "the highest he knew on earth, bowing before a Higher in heaven."

MONISM, the name given to the principle of any system of philosophy which resolves the manifold of the universe into the evolution of some unity, in opposition to dualism (q.v.).

MONK, GEORGE, DUKE OF ALBEMARLE, general and admiral, was a Devonshire man, who spent his youth in the Dutch wars, and returned to England just in time to side with Charles I. against the Parliament; after leading a regiment in Ireland, he was captured at Nantwich in 1644, and spent two years in the Tower; obtaining his release by changing sides, he won commendation from Cromwell at Dunbar in 1650, and was entrusted with the

command of operations in Scotland afterwards; in 1653 he beat Van Tromp at sea, twice; from 1654 till 1660 he was Governor of Scotland; on the death of Cromwell he saw the confusion, marched with 6000 troops to London, and after cautious negotiations brought Charles II. to England and set him on the throne, receiving a peerage and many honours for reward; he behaved well as Governor of London in the plague year, and was again admiral in the Dutch wars of 1666 (1608-1670).

MONMOUTH, GEOFFREY OF. See **GEOFFREY OF MONMOUTH.**

MONMOUTH, JAMES, DUKE OF, illegitimate son of Charles II., born in Rotterdam; was admitted to Court after the Restoration, and received his title in 1668; his manners and his Protestantism brought him popular favour in spite of his morals, and by-and-by plots were formed to secure the succession for him; forced to fly to Holland in 1683, he waited till his father's death, then planned a rebellion with Argyll; Argyll failed in Scotland; Monmouth, landing in Dorsetshire, 1685, was soon overthrown at Sedgemoor, taken prisoner, and executed (1640-1685).

MONMOUTHSHIRE, a west of England county lying N. of the Severn estuary, between Glamorgan and Gloucestershire; is low and flat in the S., but otherwise hilly, and is traversed by the Ux River; more than half the surface is of permanent pasture; the wealth of Monmouthshire consists of coal and ironstone; Monmouth, the county town, is the centre of beautiful scenery, and has some fine buildings.

MONOPHYTES, a body of heretics who arose in the 5th century and maintained that the divine and human natures in Christ were united in one divine-human nature, so that He was neither wholly divine nor wholly human, but in part both.

MONOPLANE, an aeroplane with only one set of wings. It was in this type of machine that Lindbergh flew the Atlantic and that the highest speeds in the Schneider Cup races were attained. See **AVIATION.**

MONOTHEISM, belief in the existence of one God, or the divine unity, or that the Divine Being, whether twofold, as in Dualism, or threefold, as in Trinitarianism, is in essence and in manifestation one.

MONOTHEISM, a heresy which arose in the 7th century, in which it was maintained that, though in Christ there were two natures, there was but One Will, viz., the Divine.

MONRO, ALEXANDER, founder of Edinburgh Medical School, born of Scottish parentage in London; studied there, and at Paris and Leyden, and was appointed lecturer on Anatomy by the Surgeons' Company at Edinburgh in 1719; two years later he became professor, and in 1725 was admitted to the University; he was a principal promoter and early clinical lecturer in the Royal Infirmary, and continued his clinical work after resigning his chair to his son Alexander; he wrote several medical works, and was a Fellow of the Royal Society; he was called *primus*, to distinguish him from his son and grandson, who were called respectively *secundus* and *tertius*, and were professors of Anatomy in Edinburgh like himself (1697-1767).

MONRO, SIR CHARLES CARMICHAEL, British general, who in 1914 took the 2nd division to France, being given command of the 1st army corps in 1915, and later of the 3rd army; he succeeded Ian Hamilton at Gallipoli in 1915, was in France again in 1916, and was later sent to India (1860-1929).

MONROE, JAMES, 5th American President, born in Virginia, of Scottish descent; left college to join Washington's army; was wounded in the war, and studying law, entered Congress in 1783; he assisted in framing the Constitution, and sat in the Senate 1790-1794; his diplomatic career in France was marked by the purchase of Louisiana from that country in 1803; he was governor of Virginia thrice over, and Secretary of State till 1817; then followed two terms of the Presidency, which saw Florida acquired from Spain, 1819, the delimitation of the slave limit by the Missouri compromise, the recognition of the South American Republics, and the statement of the "Monroe doctrine" (q.v.);

in his later years his generosity led him into debt, and he spent his closing days with relations in New York (1758-1831).

MONROE DOCTRINE, the doctrine of James Monroe, twice over President of the United States, that the United States should hold aloof from all interference with the affairs of the Old World, and should not suffer the Powers of the Old World to interfere with theirs.

MONS, a town in the province of Hainaut, Belgium, on the River Trouville, an important colliery centre. The first and last battles of the Great War were fought here. On August 23, 1914, the British Expeditionary Force met superior German forces and were compelled to retreat; the town was recaptured by the Canadians on Nov. 11, 1918, a few hours before the "Cease Fire."

MONSOON originally denoted a periodical wind in the Indian Ocean, which blows from SW. from April to October, and from NE. from October to April; now denotes any wind connected with a continent regularly recurring with the seasons.

MONSTRANCE, a transparent pyx in which the Host is exhibited on the altar to the people, or conveyed in public procession.

MONT BLANC, in the Grail Alps, on the French-Italian frontier, the highest mountain in Europe, 15,782 ft., the upper half under perpetual snow; has 56 magnificent glaciers, including the Mer-de-Glace; it was first climbed by Balmat and Paccard in 1786, and since then has been many times ascended.

MONT CENIS, an Alpine peak (12,000 ft.) on the Savoy-Piedmont frontier and the adjacent pass, over which a road was constructed (1802-1810), and near which a railway tunnel was pierced (1857-1870) at a cost of £3,000,000.

MONT DE PIÉTÉ, an institution to lend money to the poor at little or no interest, first established in the 15th century, a time when lending to the poor was as much a work of mercy as giving to them; a public pawnbroking establishment, so called, in France.

MONTAGARDES, SEE MOUNTAIN, THE.

MONTAGU, RT. HON. EDWIN SAMUEL, British politician. From 1906 to 1922 he sat in the House of Commons, and from 1917 to 1922 he was Secretary for India, in which capacity he visited India and drew up a scheme of self-government (1879-1924).

MONTAGU, LADY MARY WORTLEY, an English lady, born in Nottinghamshire, celebrated for her wit and beauty, and for her "Letters on the Manners of the East" (1680-1762).

MONTAIGNE, MICHEL DE, a sceptico-speculative thinker and moralist, born in the Château de Montaigne, Périgord; an easy-going mortal, but a keen observer of the ways and manners of other people, which some experience in travel gave him opportunities to do as well as the study of the old classic Latin authors; his fame rests on his "Essays," in which he records his observations of mankind, but in which, from a decided desecularist twist he had, he betrays a rather low idea of the morale of the race; the book, however, is a favourite with all observant people of education, and a translation of it by Florio is the one book we know for certain to have been in the library of Shakespeare; bred as he was by his father's arrangement among the common people, he always retained a friendly feeling towards his neighbours, and they cherished towards him feelings of very high regard; he was a quiet, tolerant man, and his writings reveal a character which commands the respect of men who affect a much higher level of thinking than that occupied by himself (1533-1592).

MONTALEMBERT, CHARLES, COMTE DE, a French politician, born in London, son of a French emigrant; was associated with Lamennais and Lacordaire in the conduct of the *Avenir*, an Ultramontane Liberal organ, and spent his life in advocating the cause of a free, unfettered system of national education; wrote the "Monks of the West," his chief work (1810-1870).

MONTANA, a State of the American Union, in the NW., lies along the Canadian border between Idaho and the Dakotas, with Wyoming on the S.; has a mild climate, and a soil which, with irrigation, pro-

duce fine crops of grain and vegetables. Cattle-raising is profitable, but the chief industry is mining, in the Rocky Mountains, which occupy a fifth of the State. There gold, silver, copper, and lead abound. The Missouri and the Columbia Rivers rise in Montana, and the Yellowstone traverses the whole State. The State was admitted to the Union in 1889, with Helena as capital.

MONTANISM, a heresy which arose in the 2nd century; derived its name from an enthusiast in Phrygia named Montanus, who insisted on the permanency of the spiritual gifts vouchsafed to the primitive Church, and a return to the severe discipline of life and character prevailing in it.

MONTCALEM DE SAINT VERAN, LOUIS JOSEPH, MARQUIS DE, born near Nîmes; entered the army early, and at forty-four was field-marshal and commander of the forces in Quebec against the English; the capture of Fort Oswego and William Henry and the defence of Ticonderoga were followed by the loss of Louisburg and Fort Duquesne and the retreat on Quebec, where, surprised by Wolfe in 1759, he was totally defeated, and Canada lost to France; both generals fell (1712-1759).

MONTÉ CARLO, a great gambling centre in Monaco, 1 in. N.E. of the capital; visited by 400,000 persons annually. The Casino is held by a company, and stands on ground leased from the prince.

MONTFIORE, SIR MOSES, a philanthropic Jewish banker, born in Leshorn; a friend to the emancipation not only of the oppressed among his own race, but of the slaves in all lands; lived to a great age (1784-1885).

MONTGOUT, ÉMILE, French critic, born in Limoges; is noted for books of travel, studies in French and English literature, and for translations of Shakespeare, Macaulay's "History," and Emerson's "Essays" (1825-1895).

MONTENEGRO, a former Balkan State, less than half the size of Wales, lying in a wild, mountainous region between Herzegovina and Albania, and touching the Adriatic Sea with its S.W. corner; now a part of Jugoslavia, its king, Nicholas I., having been deposed in 1918 and the people deciding to throw in their lot with the newly-formed kingdom. Montenegro fought on the side of the Allies in the Great War, and was conquered by Austria.

MONTESAN, MARQUISE DE, mistress of Louis XIV.; a woman noted for her wit and beauty; bore the king eight children; was supplanted by Madame de Maintenon (q.v.); passed her last days in religious retirement (1641-1707).

MONTESQUIEU, BARON DE, illustrious French publicist, born in the Château La Brède, near Bordeaux; his greatest work, and an able, "Esprit des Loix," though rated in "Sartor" as at best the work of "a clever infant spelling letters from a hieroglyphic prophetic book, the lexicon of which lies in eternity, in heaven"; was author of an able work "On the Causes of the Grandeur of the Romans and their Declension" (1689-1755).

MONTVIDEO, on the N. shore of the Rio de la Plata, 180 m. E. of Buenos Aires; is the capital of Uruguay; a well-built town, with a cathedral, university, school of arts, and museum. The chief industries are beef-salting and shipping, though there is practically no harbour. Nearly half the population are foreigners.

MONTÉZ, LOLA, an adventuress of Spanish descent, born in Limerick, her real name being Maria Gilbert; contracted a number of marriages, which were broken off one after another; took to the stage; attracted the attention of King Louis of Bavaria, who made her a countess; left Europe on political trouble arising, and settled in United States, where she took to lecturing, and ended in trying to reclaim fallen women (1818-1861).

MONTÉZUMA II., the last of the Mexican emperors; submitted to Cortez when he landed; died in 1520 of a wound he received as he pleaded with his subjects to submit to the conqueror, aggravated by grief over the failure of his efforts to bring about a reconciliation.

MONTFORT, SIMON DE, son of a French count; came to England in 1230, where he inherited from his grandfather the earldom of Leicester; attached

to Henry III., and married to the king's sister, he was sent to govern Gascony in 1248; returned in 1263, and passed over to the side of the barons, whom he ultimately led in the struggle against the king; after repeated unsuccessful attempts to make Henry observe the Provisions of Oxford, Simon took up arms against him in 1263; the war was indecisive, and appeal being made to the arbitration of Louis the Good, Simon, dissatisfied with his award, renewed hostilities, defeated the king at Lewes, and taking him and his son prisoner, governed England for a year (1264-1265); he sketched a constitution for the country, and summoned the most representative parliament that had yet met, but as he aimed at the welfare not of the barons only, but the common people as well, the barons began to distrust him; Prince Edward, having escaped from captivity, joined them, and overthrew Simon at Evesham, where he was slain (circ. 1260-1265).

MONTGOLFIER BROTHERS, inventors of the balloon, who made their first ascent in Paris in 1783 in "their paper dome, filled with smoke of burnt wood, amid the shouts of congregated men"; Joseph (1740-1810), and Étienne (1745-1799).

MONTGOMERIE, ALEXANDER, Scottish poet, born, it is believed, in Ayrshire, from a branch of the Eglinton family; wrote sonnets and some short poems, but his best-known piece is an allegorical poem, "The Cherry and the Slave" (circ. 1640-1695).

MONTGOMERY, COMTE DE, a French knight of Scottish descent, captain of the Scottish Guard under Henry II. of France; having in 1559 mortally wounded the king in a tourney, he fled to England, but returned to fight in the ranks of the Huguenots, and, having had to surrender, he was taken to Paris and beheaded, in violation of the terms of surrender, which assured him of his life (1530-1574).

MONTGOMERY, JAMES, poet and hymn-writer, born in Irvine, son of a Moravian minister; studied for the same profession, but was not licensed; after some years of various occupations he started journalism, and eventually produced a journal of his own, *Sheffield Iris*, 1794-1825; he was twice fined and imprisoned for seditious publications, but became a Conservative in 1832, a pensioner 1835, and died at Sheffield; of his poetry most is forgotten, but "For ever with the Lord" and some dozen other hymns are still remembered (1771-1854).

MONTGOMERY, ROBERT, author of "The Omnipresence of Deity" and "Satan," born in Bath, son of a clown; passed undistinguished through Oxford, and was minister of Percy Street Chapel, London; all his many works are forgotten save the above, which live in Macaulay's famous review (1807-1855).

MONTGOMERYSHIRE, a North Wales inland county, surrounded by Merioneth, Cardigan, Radnor, Salop, and Denbigh; is chiefly a stretch of mountain pasture land, which attains to 2500 ft. in Pinninam, and in which the Severn rises; but in the E. are well wooded and fertile valleys. There are lead and zinc mines and slate and limestone quarries. There is some flannel manufacture at Newtown. The county town is Montgomery.

MONTMOLON, COMTE DE, French general, born in Paris, served under Napoleon, accompanied him to St. Helena, and left "Mémoires" (1782-1853).

MONTMORENCY, ANNE, DUC DE, marshal and constable of France, born of an old illustrious family; served in arms under Francis I.; was associated with Condé against the Huguenots, and was mortally wounded at St. Denis fighting against them (1493-1567).

MONTMORENCY, HENRI, SECOND DUC DE, born in Chantilly; distinguished himself in arms under Louis XIII., but, provoked along with Gaston, Duke of Orleans, into rebellion, he was taken prisoner and beheaded, notwithstanding intercessions from high quarters on his behalf for the zeal he had shown in defence of the Catholic faith (1595-1632).

MONTPELIER, capital of Vermont, 250 m. N. of New York and 120 m. N.W. of Portland, Maine, is on the Onion River, and has some mills and tanneries.

MONTPELLIER, capital of Hérault, France, on the Lex, 6 m. from the Gulf of Lyons, 80 m. SW. of Nîmes, is a picturesque town, containing a cathedral, a university, picture-gallery, libraries, and other institutions, and has been a centre of culture and learning since the 16th century; it also manufactures chemicals, corals, and textiles, and does a large trade in brandy and wine.

MONTREAL, the greatest commercial city of Canada, on an island in the St. Lawrence, at the confluence of the Ottawa River, 150 m. above Quebec; is the centre of railway communication with the whole Dominion and the States, connected by water with all the shipping ports on the great lakes, and does an enormous import and export trade; its principal shipment is grain; it is the chief banking centre, has the greatest universities (McGill and a branch of Laval), hospitals, and religious institutions, and has boot and shoe, clothing, and tobacco manufactures; more than half the population is French and Roman Catholic, and the education of Protestant and Roman Catholic children is kept distinct; founded in 1642 by the French on the site of the Indian town of Hochelaga, first visited by Cartier, Montreal passed to Britain in 1760; in 1776 it was occupied by the revolting American colonies, but recovered next year, and since then has had a steady career of prosperity and advancement.

MONTROSE, an ancient burgh and seaport of Forfarshire, 35 m. S. of Aberdeen, stands on a tongue of land between the sea and a basin which is almost dry at low water; carries on timber trade with Baltic and Canadian ports, and spins flax, makes ropes and canvas.

MONTROSE, JAMES GRAHAM, MARQUIS OF, born in Old Montrose, and educated at St. Andrews; travelled in Italy, France, and the Netherlands; returning in 1637, he joined the Covenanters, and we find him at Aberdeen, Stonehaven, and across the English border supporting the Covenant by force of arms; suspected of treachery to the cause, he was imprisoned for a year, 1641-1642, in Edinburgh Castle, whereupon he joined the side of the king; in 1644-1645 he did splendid services for Charles in Scotland, defeating the Covenanters near Aberdeen, at Inverlochry and Kilsyth; but routed by Leslie at Philiphaugh he lost the royal confidence, and next year withdrew to Norway; an unsuccessful invasion in the Stuart cause in 1650 ended in his defeat at Invercarron, capture, and execution. "The Great Marquis," as he is called, was a soldier of genius, and a man of taste, learning, clemency, and courage (1612-1650).

MONTSERRAT, was discovered by Columbus in 1493 and named by him after a mountain in Spain which he fancied it resembled. The English colonized it in 1632 and the French took it in 1664, to return it to England in 1668. In 1782 it capitulated to the French, and became British again in 1784. The area is 32 sq. m. The climate is healthy and the scenery beautiful; Montserrat is the Montpellier of the West Indies.

MONTYON PRIZES, four prizes in the gift of the French Academy, so named from their founder, Baron de Montyon (1733-1820), and awarded annually for (1) improvements in medicine and surgery; (2) improvements tending to health in some mechanical process; (3) acts of disinterested goodness; (4) literary works conducive to morality; the last two are usually divided among several recipients.

MOODY, DWIGHT LYMAN, evangelist, born in Massachusetts; settled in Chicago, where he began his career as an evangelist, associated with Ira D. Sankey; visited Great Britain in 1873 and 1889, and produced a widespread impression, especially on the first visit (1837-1890).

MOON, the satellite of the earth, from which it is distant 238,800 m., and which revolves round it in 27½ days, taking the same time to rotate on its own axis, so that it presents always the same side to us; is a dark body, and shines by reflection of the sun's light, its diameter 2165 m.; it has a rugged surface of mountains and valleys without verdure; has no water, no atmosphere, and consequently no life.

MOON, MOUNTAINS OF THE, a range of mountains

supposed by Ptolemy and early geographers to stretch across Africa from Abyssinia to Guinea, now variously identified as the Kenia, Kilima-Njaro, Ruwenzori, &c.

MOONSHEE, in India a teacher of languages, especially Hindustani and Persian.

MOORE, GEORGE, Irish author. He was educated in London and Paris, and produced his first volume of verse at the age of 22; in 1885 came his first novel, "A Mummer's Wife," which was followed by others of realistic type. He did much to promote the revival of Irish literature at the beginning of this century (1853-).

MOORE, JOHN, M.D., author and novelist, born in Stirling, studied medicine in Glasgow, and practised there, in Holland, Paris, and London; he published books on the countries of Europe which he visited, an essay on the French Revolution, and among several novels one of some note, "Zeluco" (1789); he died at Richmond (1729-1802).

MOORE, SIR JOHN, general, eldest son of above, born in Glasgow; served in Corsica, the West Indies, Ireland, Holland, Egypt, Sicily, and Sweden; his famous and last expedition was to Spain in 1808, when with 10,000 men he was sent to co-operate in expelling the French; Spanish apathy and other causes weakened his hands, and in December he found himself with 25,000 men at Astorga, a French force of 70,000 advancing against him; retreat was necessary, but disastrous; he was overtaken by Soult at Coruña in the act of embark; the victory lay with the English, but Moore was killed (1761-1809).

MOORE, THOMAS, the Bard of Erin, born in Dublin, the son of a grocer, studied at Trinity College; went to London with a translation of "Anacreon," which gained him favour and a valuable appointment in the Bermudas in 1803; fought a duel with Jeffrey in 1806, began his "Irish Melodies" in 1807, and published "The Two Penny Poaching" in 1812; in 1817 appeared "Lalla Rookh," a collection of Oriental tales, and in 1818 a satire piece, "The Fudge Family," and he published "The Life of Byron in 1830; Moore's songs were written to Irish airs, and they contributed much to ensure Catholic emancipation (1779-1852).

MOORS, a general term for tribes in North Africa descended from Arab and Berber stock; they were Christians for several centuries, but on their conquest by Arabs in 647 embraced Mohammedanism; the town Moors do not endure before European settlers, but the nomad tribes show more vitality; Moorish peoples seized and settled in Spain early in the 8th century, and, introducing a civilisation further advanced than that in Europe generally with respect to science, art, and industry alike, maintained a strong rule till the 11th century; then the Spaniards gradually recovered the peninsula; Toledo was taken in 1085, Saragossa in 1118, Valencia in 1238, Seville in 1248, Murcia in 1290, and Granada in 1492; Turkish successes in the East came too late to save the Moors, and the last were banished from the country in 1609.

MORAINES, the debris deposited by a glacier, consisting of the fragments of rock which it has eroded; lateral moraines are those found at the edges of the glacier, terminal those deposited at the end, and medial those formed from the lateral moraines when two glaciers unite.

MORALITIES, didactic dramas, following in order of time the miracle plays and mysteries, in which the places of saints and Biblical personages in them were taken by characters representing different virtues and vices, and the story was of an allegorical nature; becoming popular about the end of the 14th century, they were the immediate precursors of the secular drama.

MORAVIA, a territory now in Czechoslovakia, lying between the Moravian and the Carpathian Mountains, with Silesia on the N., Hungary on the E., Lower Austria on the S., and Bohemia on the W.; is mountainous, with lofty plains in the S., and is watered by the March, a tributary of the Danube; the valleys and plains are fertile; grain, beetroot, flax, hemp, and vines are grown; cattle and poultry rearing and bee-keeping occupy the peasantry; sugar, textiles, and tobacco are the chief manu-

factures; there are coal and iron mines, graphite and meerschaum are found; the capital is Brunn, which has woollen and leather industries; associated with Bohemia in 1029, Moravia passed with that country to Austria in 1526, its association with Bohemia terminating in 1849; the inhabitants are two-thirds Slavs and one-third German, and are mostly Roman Catholic.

MORAVIANS, a sect of Protestant Christians who, followers of John Huss, formed themselves into a separate community in Bohemia in 1467 on the model of the primitive Church, in which the members regarded each other as brethren, and were hence called the United Brethren; like other heretics they suffered much persecution at the hands of the orthodox Church; they are known also as Herrnhuters.

MORAY, JAMES STUART, EARL OF, illegitimate son of James V. of Scotland, and so half-brother of Mary, Queen of Scots; was from 1556 the leader of the Reformation party, and on Mary's arrival in her kingdom in 1561 became her chief adviser; on her marriage with Darnley he made an unsuccessful attempt to raise a Protestant rebellion, and had to escape to England, 1565, and after a visit to Edinburgh, when he connived at Elzbio's murder, to France in 1567; he was almost immediately recalled by the nobles, who had imprisoned Mary in Lochleven, and appointed regent; next year he defeated at Langside the forces which, on her escape, had rallied round her, and in the subsequent management of the kingdom secured both civil and ecclesiastical peace, and earned the title of "the Good Regent"; he was shot by a partisan of the queen, James Hamilton of Bothwellhaugh, when riding through Linlithgow (1581-1570).

MORDANTS, substances used in the dyeing industry to make the dye cling to the fabric.

MORE, HANNAH, English authoress, born near Bristol; wrote dramas, a novel entitled "Celebs in Search of a Wife," and a tract, "The Shepherd of Salisbury Plain" (1745-1833).

MORE, HENRY, a Platonist, born in Grantham, a Fellow of Christ College, Cambridge, and author of a poem, "Song of the Soul"; he was a mystic who exercised a great influence among the young men of Cambridge (1614-1687).

MORE, SIR THOMAS, Chancellor of England, born in London; was the lifelong friend of Erasmus, and the author of "Utopia," an imaginary commonwealth; succeeded Wolsey as Chancellor, but resigned the seals of office because he could not sanction the king's action in the matter of the divorce, and was committed to the Tower for refusing to take the oath of supremacy, whence after 12 months he was brought to trial and sentenced to be beheaded; he ascended the scaffold, and laid his head on the block in the spirit of a philosopher; was one of the wisest and best of men (1478-1535).

MOREA is the modern name of the ancient Peloponnesus, that remarkable peninsula, larger than Wales, which constitutes the southern half of Greece, and is joined to the mainland by the Isthmus of Corinth, less than 4 m. broad.

MOREAU, JEAN VICTOR, French general, born in Morlaix; served with distinction under the Republic and the Empire; was suspected of plotting against the latter with George Cadoudal, and banished on conviction; went to America, but, returning to Europe, joined the ranks of the Russians against his country, and was mortally wounded by a cannon ball at Dresden (1761-1813).

MORGAN, SIR HENRY, buccaneer and colonial governor; born in Glamorgan; a leader among the buccaneers of the West Indies, he ravaged Cuba and the Central American mainland, sacking Panama, 1670; was knighted by Charles II. and made lieutenant-governor of Jamaica (1635-1688).

MORGAN, JOHN PIERPOINT, American financier. Wealthy by birth, he took early to finance and came to London as agent for an American company; he founded the firm named after him, carried through large industrial deals, including the establishment of the U. S. Steel Corporation, and was a generous patron of art and learning (1837-1913).

MORGAN, WILLIAM DE, novelist; born in London; was associated with Burne-Jones and Rossetti

in the Pre-Raphaelite movement; began to write at age of 60, and produced "Alice-for-Short," "Joseph Vance," "When Ghost Meets Ghost," and other books, comparable in length and style with those of Dickens and Thackeray (1839-1917).

MORGANATIC MARRIAGE, a union permitted to German princes, who, forbidden to marry except with one of equal rank, may ally themselves with women of inferior status, their children being legitimate, but not eligible for the succession; the marriages of British princes contracted before the age of 25 without consent of the sovereign, or after that age without consent of Parliament, are of a Morganatic nature.

MORGARTEN, a mountain slope in the canton of Zug, Switzerland, where 1400 Swiss, on Nov. 15, 1815, in assertion of their independence, defeated an Austrian army of 15,000.

MORGHEN, RAPHAEL SANZIO CAVALIERE, engraver, born in Naples of German parentage; studied in Rome, and by genius and industry became one of the foremost engravers; his works include engravings of Raphael's "Transfiguration," the result of 10 years' labour, and Leonardo da Vinci's "Last Supper," his masterpiece (1758-1833).

MORGUE, a house in which bodies found dead are placed for identification.

MORISONIANISM, the principles of the Evangelical Union, a Scottish denomination founded by the Rev. James Morison of Kilmarnock on his expulsion from the United Secession Church in 1843, and united with the Scottish Congregational Union in 1897; differed from the older Presbyterianism in affirming the freedom of the human will to accept or reject salvation, and the universal scope of the offer of salvation as made by God to all men; in polity the Morisonians observed a modified independence.

MORLAND, GEORGE, painter, born in London; specialised in country life and animal subjects, of which his "Inside of a Stable" is in the National Gallery, while others, such as "The Gypsies," have become popular as engravings (1763-1805).

MORLEY, EDWARD WILLIAMS, American chemist; professor at the Western University, U.S.A.; carried out accurate determinations of the densities of hydrogen and oxygen (1838-1923).

MORLEY, HENRY, man of letters; born in London; assisted Dickens on *Household Words* and *All the Year Round*; edited the *Examiner*; wrote several biographies, "English Writers" (1864), "A First Sketch of English Literature" (1873), edited Morley's Universal Library (1822-1894).

MORLEY, JOHN DERRY, VISCOUNT, author, journalist, and politician. Born in Blackburn, Lancs., he took early to journalism in London, published a "Life of Burke" in 1867, and became editor of the *Fortnightly Review* the same year; later he edited the *Morning Star* and the *Pall Mall Gazette*. Among his other works were lives of Voltaire, Rousseau, Diderot, and Cobden, and the "English Men of Letters" series. As an editor he exerted considerable influence on politics; in 1883 he entered Parliament, became Secretary for Ireland, and was a member of all the Liberal Cabinets till 1914, when he retired. He was raised to the peerage in 1908 (1838-1923).

MORMON, BOOK OF, a book which in 1827 fell into the hands of Joseph Smith, the son of a farmer, alleged by him to have been written by a Hebrew prophet who emigrated to America 600 years before Christ, and to have been recorded by him as a direct revelation to himself from heaven, by means of which the interrupted communication between heaven and earth was to be restored.

MORMONISM, the creed of the Mormons, or Latter-day Saints, as they are called, who have settlements of their own in the valley of the Salt Lake, generally called Utah, U.S.; they conceive, according to Hepworth Dixon, of God as a flesh and blood man, of man as of the divine substance, as existing from, and to exist to, all eternity, and without inherited sin, of the earth as only one of many inhabited worlds, of the spirit world as consisting of beings awaiting incarnation, of polygamy as of divine ordination and the relationship eternal, and of their social system as the kingdom of God on earth.

MORNY, DUO DE, French politician, born in Paris; played a conspicuous part in the *coup d'état* of December, 1851, and was President of the Corps Législatif; was believed to have been the son of Queen Hortense, and consequently Louis Napoleon's half-brother (1811-1865).

MOROCCO, an empire under French and Spanish protection in the N.W. corner of Africa, three times the size of Great Britain, its coastline stretching from Algeria to Cape Nun, and its inland confines being vaguely determined by the French hinterlands. Two-thirds of the country is desert; much of the remainder is poor pasture land; the Atlas Mountains stretch from SW. to NE., but there are some expanses of level, fertile country; on the seaboard the climate is delightful, with abundance of rain in the season; among the mountains extremes prevail; south of the Atlas it is hot and almost rainless; the mineral wealth is probably great; gold, silver, copper, and iron are known to be plentiful, but bad government hinders development; the exports are maize, pulse, oil, wool, fruit, and cattle; cloth, tea, coffee, and hardware are imported; the chief industries are the making of leather, "Fes" caps, carpets, and the breeding of horses; government is extremely despotic and corrupt, and authority over many of the tribes is merely nominal; there is education; the religion is Mohammedanism, and slavery prevails; there are no roads, and the country is imperfectly known; telegraph, telephone, and postal service are in European hands; the country was taken from the Romans by the Arabs in the 7th century, and has ever since been in their hands, but Berbers, Spaniards, Moors, Jews, and negroes also go to make up the population. Throughout this century there has been constant friction between France and Spain and the tribes struggling for independence under various leaders, of whom Abd-el-Krim (q.v.) proved the most successful. The chief towns are Fes, in the N., a sacred Moslem city, squalid and dirty, but with good European trade, and a depot for the caravans from the interior; and Morocco, in the S., near the Tensift River, 240 m. SW. of Fes, well situated for local and transit trade, but a dilapidated city.

MOROCCO, a fine-grained leather of the skin of a goat or sheep, first prepared in Morocco.

MORPHEUS (i.e. the Moulder), the god of dreams, the son of Night and Sleep.

MORPHINE, the colourless crystalline alkaloid which, with narcotine, is the narcotic principle in opium and laudanum.

MORPHOLOGY, the branch of biology which deals with the structure of plants and animals.

MORRIS-DANCE, a rustic merrymaking common in England after 1350, and still extant; is of disputed origin; the chief characters, Maid Marian, Robin Hood, the hobby-horse, and the fool, execute fantastic movements and jingle bells fastened to their feet and dress.

MORRIS, WILLIAM, poet, art-worker, and Socialist, born in Walthamstow, near London, son and heir of a wealthy merchant; studied at Oxford, where he became the lifelong bosom friend of Burne-Jones; of an artistic temperament, he devoted his working hours to decorative art, in particular designing wall-papers; produced in 1858 "The Defence of Guinevere and other Poems," in 1867 "The Life and Death of Jacon," and from 1868 to 1870 his masterpiece, "The Earthly Paradise"; among other works he translated the "Æneid" and the "Odyssey," and gave a splendid rendering of some of the Norse legends (1854-1896).

MORRIS, SIR WILLIAM, British industrialist. Educated at a village school at Cowley, Oxfordshire, he began his career as a cycle repairer, experimented with motor-cars, and built up a massive manufacturing concern with works at Cowley, which became the biggest British car factory, the products of which succeeded in capturing the cheap car market from Henry Ford (q.v.) of America (1885-).

MORRISON, ROBERT, first missionary to China, and Chinese scholar, born of Scottish parentage in Morpeth; entered the Independent ministry, and was sent to Macao and Canton by the London

Missionary Society in 1807; in 1814 he published a Chinese version of the New Testament, and in 1819 of the Old Testament; in 1823 his great Chinese Dictionary was published at the expense of the East India Company; returning to England in 1824, he went out again 10 years later as interpreter to Lord Napier, and died at Canton (1783-1854).

MORSE, SAMUEL FINLEY BREESE, inventor, born in Charlestown, Massachusetts, graduated at Yale in 1810 and adopted art as a profession; he gained some distinction as a sculptor, and in 1835 was appointed professor of Design in New York; electrical studies were his hobby; between 1832 and 1837 he worked out the idea of electric telegraph—simultaneously conceived by Wheatstone in England—and in 1843 Congress granted funds for an experimental line between Washington and Baltimore; honour and fortune crowded on him, his invention was adopted all over the world, and he received an international grant of £16,000; he died in New York (1791-1872).

MORTGAGE, a deed conveying property to a creditor as security for the payment of a debt, the person to whom it is given being called the Mortgagee.

MORTON, JAMES DOUGLAS, EARL OF, regent of Scotland; joined the Reforming party, was made Chancellor, took part in the murder of Rizzio, and was privy to the plot against Darnley; joined the confederacy of the nobles against Mary, fought against her at Langside, and became regent in 1572; became unpopular, was charged with being accessory to Darnley's murder, and beheaded in 1581.

MOSAYLIMA, a rival of Mohammed, posed as equally a prophet, and entitled to share with Mohammed the sovereignty of the world; two battles followed, in the second of which Mosaylima was killed, to the dispersion of his followers.

MOSCHUS, a Greek pastoral poet, author of lyrics, which have been translated by Andrew Lang; lived 150 B.C.

MOSCOW, on the River Moskva, in the centre of European Russia, 370 m. SE. of Leningrad; until 1713 it was the capital of Russia, and it was made so again in 1918; it is a great industrial and commercial centre; its manufactures include textiles, leather, chemicals, and machinery; it does a great trade in grain, timber, metals from the Ural, and furs, hides, &c., from Asia; besides the great cathedral there are many churches, palaces, and museums, a university, library, picture-gallery, and observatory, and the enclosure called the Kremlin or citadel; thrice in the 18th century the city was devastated by fire, and again in 1812 to compel Napoleon to retire.

MOSELEY, HENRY, British physicist; carried out a series of experiments in connection with atomic structure at Oxford in 1913-1914; his work led to the recognition of the importance of atomic numbers; studied X-rays in their relations to the atom; Moseley showed signs of developing into one of the greatest scientists of the century; killed in action at Suva Bay, Gallipoli, 1915 (1867-1915).

MOSELLE, river, rising W. of the Vosges Mountains, flows NW. through Lorraine, then NE. to join the Rhine at Coblenz, 315 m. long, two-thirds of it navigable; it passes in its tortuous course Metz, Thionville, and Trèves.

MOSES, the great Hebrew lawgiver, under whose leadership the Jews achieved their emancipation from the bondage of Egypt, and began to assert themselves as an independent people among the nations of the earth; in requiring of the people the fear of God and the observance of His commandments, he laid the national life on a sure basis, and he was succeeded by a race of prophets who from age to age reminded the people that in regard or disregard for what he required of them depended their prosperity or their ruin as a nation, of which from their extreme obscurity they had again and again to be admonished.

MOSHEIM, JOHANN LORENZ VON, a Protestant Church historian, born in Lübeck, was professor at Göttingen, his principal work a History of the Church, written in Latin, and translated into English and other languages (1694-1755).

MOSQUITO, an insect which bites the human body

and sucks the blood; native to tropical countries and, to a less extent, temperate regions; the mosquito plays a large part in the propagation of diseases such as malaria, the germs of which it injects into the blood stream.

MOSS-TROOPERS, marauders who formerly raided the moss-grown borderland of England and Scotland.

MOSUL, a city in Iraq, and capital of the vilayet of the name, on the Tigris near the remains of Nineveh. It was held by Turkey throughout the Great War, and is chiefly important on account of its oil wells, in which Great Britain has a substantial interest.

MOTHERWELL, WILLIAM, Scottish poet, born in Glasgow, educated in Edinburgh; entered a lawyer's office in Paisley in 1811 and became Sheriff-Clerk Depute of Renfrewshire 1818; he was editor of the *Paisley Advertiser* in 1828, and of the *Glasgow Courier* in 1830; he wrote biographical notices of local poets, and edited "Minstrelsy, Ancient and Modern," in 1827; but his own fame was established by "Poems, Narrative and Lyrical," 1832, the gem of the collection being "Jeanie Morison"; he died in Glasgow (1797-1835).

MOTLEY, JOHN LOTHROP, historian and diplomatist, born in Massachusetts; commenced his literary career as a novelist, but soon turned all his thoughts to the study of history; spent years in the study of Dutch history; wrote the "History of the Dutch Republic," which was published in 1866, the History of the United Netherlands," publishing the first part in 1860 and the second in 1868, and the "Life and Death of John Barneveldt" in 1874; was appointed the United States minister at Vienna in 1861, and at St. James's in 1869; he ranks high as a historian, being both faithful and graphic (1814-1877).

MOTOR-CAR. Steam carriages ran on the streets of Paris before the end of the 18th century, while they first appeared in London in 1803; these vehicles were not a practical proposition, and further experiment was discouraged by the law limiting the speed to 4 miles per hour; the modern motor-car dates from the invention of the petrol internal combustion engine by Daimler in 1884; further improvements in power and design were continuous from then onwards; in 1928 experiments were first made with motor vehicles having heavy oil engines, similar in type to the Diesel engine (q.v.).

MOUNTAIN, THE, the name given to the Jacobins, or the extreme democratic party, at the French Revolution, from their occupying the highest benches in the hall of the National Convention; they included such men as Marat, Danton, Robespierre, and the men of the Reign of Terror.

MOUNTAINS. The highest mountain is Mount Everest, 29,002 ft., in the Himalayas; in South America the highest is Illimpu, 25,248 ft.; in North America the highest is McKinley, 29,300 ft.; Mount Elbrus in the Caucasus, which, owing to political changes, is sometimes in Europe and sometimes in Asia, is 18,256 ft.; Mont Blanc in the Alps is 15,781 ft. The highest mountain in Scotland is Ben Nevis, 4,406 ft.; Snowdon in Wales is 3,570 ft.; Scafell in England is 3,210 ft.; and Cam Tual in Ireland is 3,414 ft.

MOUNTED POLICE. See **ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE**.

MOVABLE FEASTS, festivals of the Church, the date of which varies with the date of Easter.

MOZAMBIQUE, the general name for Portuguese East Africa, lies between Cape Delgado and Delagoa Bay on the mainland, opposite Madagascar; the Zambezi divides it into two; the coast is low and wet, inland are richly wooded plateaux; the soil is fertile, and minerals abound, but the government is bad, and industry does not develop; 62 miles of railway connect Lorenzo Marques with the Transvaal; other chief towns are Quillimane, and the capital Mozambique, on an island.

MOZART, WOLFGANG AMADEUS CHERYSOSTOM, eminent musical composer, born in Salzburg; was distinguished for his musical genius as a boy, and produced over 600 musical compositions, but his principal works were his operas, "The Marriage of Figaro," "Don Giovanni," and "The Magic Flute"; his fate was an unhappy one; he suffered much from poverty and neglect; the last piece he wrote

was a Requiem Mass, which he felt, he said, as if he were writing for himself, and he died at Prague on the evening of its rehearsal (1756-1791).

MUCOUS MEMBRANE, a delicate membrane which lines the cavities and the canals of the human body.

MUDIE, CHARLES EDWARD, the founder of the famous library which bears his name and which he started in 1842, thereby revolutionising the reading habits of the nation (1818-1890).

MUEZZIN, an official, usually blind, attached to a Mohammedan mosque, who summons the faithful to prayer with a chant from a minaret.

MUFTI, a doctor and interpreter of Mohammedan law.

MUFTI, THE GRAND, is head of the Ulema, or interpreters of the Koran; holds his appointment from the Sultan, and exercises great influence at the Porte; legal advisers to local and general councils in the Turkish empire were also styled Mufti.

MUGGLETON, LODOWICK, founder of the Muggletonians, a tailor who, with one Reeve, at the time of the Commonwealth, pretended to be the two witnesses of the Revelation and the last of God's prophets, invested with power to save and to damn; individuals of the sect founded by him existed till the beginning of last century (1609-1698).

MUIR, JOHN, a Sanskrit scholar, born in Glasgow; was in the Indian Civil Service; was a man of liberal views, particularly in religion, and a patron of learning; endowed the Chair of Sanskrit in Edinburgh University (1810-1882).

MUIRHEAD, DAVID, Scottish artist. He started as an architect, and studied painting in Edinburgh and London; made an A.R.A. in 1921, he has works in the principal galleries of Europe (1867-1930).

MUKDEN, in Chinese Shing-king, the capital of Manchuria, on a tributary of the Liao, in the S. of the province; is a city of considerable commercial importance, and has good coal-mines in the neighbourhood; there are a great palace and numerous temples; Irish and Scottish Presbyterian and Roman Catholic missions have a centre here; the Japanese invasion of 1894-1895 was directed towards it.

MULL, large island in the NW. of Argyllshire, third of the Hebrides; is mountainous and picturesque, with greatly indented coast-line; the highest peak is Ben More, 3185 ft., the largest inlet Loch-na-Keel; the soil is best adapted for grazing. Tobermory, in the N., is the only town.

MÜLLER, GEORGE, founder of the Orphan Homes near Bristol; born in Prussia; founded the Orphan Home, in 1836, on voluntary subscriptions, in answer to prayer, to the support one year of more than 2000 orphans (1805-1898).

MÜLLER, HERMAN, German politician. He edited from 1899 to 1906 a Socialist paper, then took to more active politics, and in 1914 was sent by German Socialists to confer with French workers on means of preventing the Great War, a mission in which he failed. In 1918 he became a member of the Reichstag, was appointed Foreign Secretary in 1919, attended the Peace Conference and signed the Treaty of Versailles, and for a short time in 1920 was Chancellor (1876-).

MÜLLER, JOHANNES, eminent German physiologist, born in Coblenz; professor at Berlin; ranks as the founder of modern physiology, and famed as author of a text-book on the science, entitled "Handbuch der Physiologie des Menschen" (1801-1858).

MÜLLER, JOHANNES VON, celebrated historian, born in Schaffhausen, the "History of Switzerland" his principal work (1752-1809).

MÜLLER, JULIUS, a German theologian, born in Brieg; professor at Halle; his great work, the "Christian Doctrine of Sin"; he collaborated on theological subjects with Neander and Nitzsch (1801-1878).

MÜLLER, KARL OTFRIED, archeologist and philologist, born in Brieg, brother of the preceding; was professor at Göttingen, and distinguished for his researches in Grecian antiquities and his endeavour to construe all that concerns the history and life of ancient Greece, including mythology, literature, and art (1797-1840).

MULOCK, DINAH MARIA (Mrs. Craik), English novelist, born in Stoke-on-Trent, authoress of "John Halifax, Gentleman," and other novels (1820-1887).

MULREARY, WILLIAM, *genre* painter, born in Kinsale, Ireland, illustrated the "Vicar of Wakefield" and other works; designed the first penny postage envelope in 1840 (1786-1863).

MULTAN, a Punjab city near the Chenab River, 200 m. SW. of Lahore; has many mosques and temples; manufactures of silks, carpets, pottery, and enamel ware, and considerable trade.

MÜNCHHAUSEN, BARON VON, a cavalry officer in the service of Hanover, famed for the extravagant stories he used to relate of his adventures and exploits, which, with exaggerations, were collected by one Raspe, and published in 1785 under Münchhausen's name (1720-1797).

MÜNICH, capital of Bavaria, on the Isar, 440 m. by rail SW. of Berlin; is a city of magnificent buildings and rare art treasures; palaces, public buildings, cathedral, churches, &c., are all on an elaborate scale, and adorned with works of art; there are galleries of sculpture, and ancient and modern painting, a university, colleges, and libraries; the industries include stained glass, lithography, bell-founding, and scientific instrument-making, and there are enormous breweries. Munich has been a centre of artistic life and culture, and associated with it are Cornelius, Kaulbach, and many famous names.

MUNITIONS, MINISTRY OF, a war-time department of State, set up in 1915 and abolished in 1920.

MUNNINGS, ALFRED, British artist. Studying at Norwich and Paris, he first exhibited at the Royal Academy at the age of 20, making turf and horse pictures his speciality; his "Epsom Downs" is his best known work. During the Great War he served in France and painted a series of war pictures for the Canadian government. He was made an A.R.A. in 1919 and an R.A. in 1925 (1878-).

MUNSTER, capital of Westphalia, a mediæval-looking town, 100 m. by rail N. of Cologne; has textile, paper, and printing industries; there is an old cathedral of 12th century, a town hall, castle, and 16th-century wine-cellar; the place of the Catholic university has been taken by an academy with Catholic theological and philosophical faculties; here took place the Anabaptist movement of 1535; the bishops retained their secular jurisdiction till 1803.

MUNZER, THOMAS, Anabaptist leader, born in Stolberg and began to preach at Zwickau 1520; he came into collision both with the civil authorities and the Reformed Church; for several years he travelled through Bohemia and South Germany, and in 1525 settled at Mühlhausen; here his communist doctrines obtained popularity and kindled an insurrection; the rebels were routed at Frankenhausen, and Munzer was executed (1489-1525).

MURAT, JOACHIM, king of Naples, born near Cahors, the son of an innkeeper; entered the army, attracted the notice of Bonaparte, and became his aide-de-camp; distinguished himself in many engagements, received Bonaparte's sister to wife, and was loaded with honours on the establishment of the Empire, and for his services under it as a dashing cavalry officer was rewarded with the crown of Naples in 1808, but to the last allied in arms with his brother-in-law; he had to fight in the end on his own behalf in defence of his crown, and was defeated, taken prisoner, and shot (1767-1815).

MURATORI, LUDOVICO ANTONIO, Italian antiquary and historian, born in Vignola, Modena; became librarian in Milan, 1695, and of the D'Este library, Modena, in 1700, in which city he died; he edited the Italian chronicles of the 6th-16th centuries, with many essays and dissertations, and many other historical and antiquarian works; but his name is chiefly associated with the "Muratorian Fragment," which dates from the 2nd century, and contains a list of the then canonical scriptures, and which he published 1740 (1672-1750).

MURCHISON, SIR RODERICK IMPEY, geologist, born in Ross-shire; entered the army and served in the Peninsular War, but retiring in 1816 gave himself to science; he explored many parts of Europe, predicted the discovery of gold in Australia,

was President of the British Association in 1846, was knighted the same year, and subsequently received many other scientific appointments and honours; he founded the Chair of Geology in Edinburgh University in 1870; but his fame rests on his discovery and establishment of the Silurian system; his book on "The Silurian System" is the chief of several works (1792-1871).

MURDOCK, WILLIAM, engineer, born in Auchinleck, Ayrshire; was a manager of the Bobo Works under Boulton and Watt, where he distinguished himself by his inventive ingenuity, and where on his suggestion coal was first employed for lighting purposes (1754-1839).

MURE, WILLIAM, Greek scholar, born in Caldwell, Ayrshire; wrote a scholarly work, "A Critical Account of the Language and Literature of Ancient Greece" (1799-1860).

MÜRGER, HENRI, French novelist and poet, born in Paris; is chiefly distinguished as the author of "Scènes de la Vie de Bohème," from his own experiences, and instinct with pathos and humour, sadness his predominant tone; wrote lyrics as well as novels and stories, the chief "La Chanson de Musette," "A tear," says Gautier, "which has become a pearl of poetry" (1822-1861).

MURILLO, BARTHOLOME ESTEBAN, a celebrated Spanish painter born in Seville; his subjects were drawn partly from low life and partly from religious or scriptural themes, such as the Immaculate Conception and the Assumption of the Virgin, as well as "Moses Smiting the Rock," the "Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes," &c.; died from a fall from a scaffold while painting an altar-piece at Cadix (1618-1682).

MURRAY, JOHN, London publisher, a successful business man; was on intimate terms with the celebrated men, such as Byron and Scott, whose works he published (1778-1843).

MURRAY, LINDLEY, grammarian, born in Pennsylvania, of Quaker parents; having realised a competency in business, came to England, and settled near York, where he produced his "Grammar of the English Language" in 1795 (1745-1820).

MURRAY, WILLIAM, Scottish actor, lessee of Edinburgh theatre for 42 years; enjoyed the friendship of the Edinburgh literary celebrities of the time, and was an excellent actor; did Falstaff to perfection (1791-1852).

MURRAY RIVER, the chief river of Australia, 1120 m. long, rises at the foot of Mount Kosciusko, in New South Wales, flows NW. between New South Wales and Victoria; receives the Lachlan and Darling on the right, and entering South Australia turns southward and reaches the sea at Encounter Bay.

MURREN, a summer and winter resort in Switzerland at an altitude of 6,000 ft. in the Bernese Oberland.

MUSEUS, JOHN AUGUST, German author, born in Jena, famous as the author of *Görnians Volkstümchen*, three of which, "Dumb Love," "Libussa," and "Melechala," were translated in the volumes of "German Romance" by Thomas Carlyle; he parodied Richardson's "Sir Charles Grandison" and satirised Lavater's "Physiognomical Travels" (1735-1767).

MUSCAT, capital of Oman, in Eastern Arabia, on the Gulf of Oman; is an ill-built, unhealthy city, but does an important transit trade between Arabia, Persia, India, and East Africa; it was in Portuguese possession from 1508 to 1658, but has been independent since.

MUSES, THE, daughters of Zeus and Mnemosyne, presided over the liberal arts particularly, were nine in number, and dwelt with Apollo near Mount Parnassus, Pieria, and Helicon; Clio presided over history, Euterpe over music, Thalia over comedy, Melpomene over tragedy, Terpsichore over choral dance and song, Erato over erotic poetry and elegy, Polyhymnia over lyric poetry, Urania over astronomy, and Calliope over eloquence and epic poetry.

MUSSELBURGH. See **MIFLAKIN**.

MUSSELBURGH, an old-fashioned Midlothian fishing town on the coast, 6 m. E. of Edinburgh, with golf links, and paper, nets, and tanning industries, and famous for Loretto school.

MUSSET, ALFRED DE, the premier poet of modern French literature, born in Paris of good parentage; wayward and impulsive in youth, he would settle to no occupation, till his already awakened taste for poetry, receiving a powerful stimulus through contact with Victor Hugo, led him to embrace the profession of letters; two volumes of poetry were published before he achieved, in 1833, his first signal success with the dramas "André del Sarto" and "Les Caprices de Marianne"; in the same year began his famous *Idioten* with George Sand (q.v.), involving him in the ill-fated expedition to Venice, whence he returned in the spring of 1834 shattered in health and disillusioned; from one unhappy love intrigue he passed to another, seeking in vain a solace for his restless spirit, but reaping an experience which enriched his writings; "Confessions d'un Enfant du Siècle" appeared in 1836, and is a significant confession of his life at this time; two years later he was appointed librarian at the Home Office, and in 1847 his charming comedy, "Un Caprice," was received with enthusiasm; in 1852 he was elected to the Academy, but his work was done, and already an ill-controlled indulgence in alcohol had fatally undermined his never robust strength; his writings, besides possessing the charm of an exquisite style, heightened by an undercurrent of true tenderness, are chiefly remarkable for the intense sincerity of feeling, albeit of a limited range, which animates them, and which finds its highest expression in his four great lyrical pieces, "Les Nuits"; his fine instinct for dramatic situation and gift of witty dialogue are manifest in the dramas already mentioned, as also in many others; of his prose works, "Le Fils du Titien," "Mademoiselle Minni Pinson" and the "Confessions" are his best; he was a handsome man, with fascinating manners (1810-1857).

MUSSOLINI, BENITO, Italian politician and Fascist dictator. Of humble origin, the son of a working man in Romagna province who was a militant Socialist, he worked with his hands, but also contrived to obtain education, studying in Italy and Switzerland. All this time he was a passionate adherent of his father's creed, and when quite a young man he was made editor of the principal Socialist organ, *Avanti!*. The Great War completely shattered his faith in internationalism. He resigned his editorship and his membership of the Socialist party, and founded his own daily paper, *Popolo d'Italia*. In 1915 he went to the front as a corporal, and returned wounded to continue the fight in his paper. The failure of the official Italian Socialists to repudiate the spreading poison of Bolshevism was really the origin of the whole Fascist movement, but Mussolini's new party was not strong enough to stem the tide until 1920, when the Bolsheviks seized works and factories and Fascists began to take a strong line. In 1922 the Fascist Association in Naples decided that the time had come to seize power, the march on Rome followed, and, the king siding with the marchers, Mussolini was installed as premier and dictator. Suppressing the liberty of the Press and Parliament, he nevertheless succeeded in restoring his country's finances and industrial power. Disputes with Greece and France,

the seizure of Corfu (q.v.), and the signing of the Lateran Treaty (q.v.), were outstanding events of the following years, during which repeated attempts were made on Mussolini's life (1883-).

MUSTARD GAS, or dichloroethyl-sulphide, a poisonous gas used in the Great War; it is absorbed by the skin, causing painful inflammation, which is often fatal.

MUTATION, or sport, a slight variation in individuals of a species, which may ultimately give rise to a fresh species; the causes of mutations are obscure.

MUTSU HITO, Mikado of Japan, ascended the throne in 1867, married in 1869; had one son, Prince Yoshihito, who succeeded him, and three daughters; his reign was marked by great reforms, and especially the abolition of the feudal system which till then prevailed (1852-1912).

MYCENÆ, capital of Agamemnon's kingdom, in the N.E. of the Peloponnese, was in very ancient days a great city, but never recovered from the invasion of the people of Argos in 468 B.C.; excavations point to its civilisation being more akin to Phœnician than Greek.

MYCOLOGY, the branch of botany dealing with fungi.

MYOPIA, or shortsightedness, the inability to see distant objects distinctly owing to the eye being too long; this defect is rectified by the use of concave lenses.

MYRMIDONS, "ant-men," so-called because Zeus was said to have peopled Thessaly, from which originally they came, by transforming ants into men; they were the people of *Akina*, whose warriors followed Achilles to the siege of Troy.

MYSORE, a native State, half the size of England, embedded in the Madras Presidency, occupies a lofty, broken, but fertile tableland; the upper waters of the Kistna and Kaveri are used for irrigation purposes; betel-nut, coffee, cotton, rice, and silk are exported; cloth, wheat, and precious metals are imported; the climate is healthy and pleasant; under British government from 1831, it was restored to its prince in 1881, under British protection; the capital is Mysore, a prosperous, well-built town.

MYSTAGOGUE, in Greece, was the priest who instructed candidates and prepared them for initiation into the various religious mysteries; in the Christian Church it denoted the catechist who prepared catechumens previous to their admission to the sacraments.

MYSTERIES, sacred rites and ceremonies of stated observance among the Greeks and Romans in connection with the worship of particular divinities, to which only the initiated were admitted, and in which, by associating together, they quickened and confirmed each other in their faith and hope, and in which it would seem they made solemn avowal of these; the name is also applied to the miracle plays (q.v.) of the Middle Ages.

MYSTICISM, a state of mind and feeling induced by direct communion with the unseen, and by indulging in which the subject of it estranges himself more and more from those who live wholly in the outside world, so that he cannot communicate with them and they cannot understand him.

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NABOB. See **NAWAB**.

NABOTH, a Jew, who was stoned by order of Ahab, king of Israel, because he refused to sell him his vineyard, an outrage for which Ahab was visited by Divine Judgment; is symbol, in the regard of the Jews, of the punishment sure to overtake all rich oppressors of the poor.

NACHTIGAL, GUSTAV, German traveller and explorer; visited the heart of Africa (1869-1874), the first European to do so, at the instance of Fruehauf by way of Tripoli, returning by way of Cairo, and wrote an account of his journey, "Sahara and Sudan"; in 1884 annexed to Germany territory in West Africa; died on his return voyage, and was buried at Cape Palmas (1834-1885).

NADIR, name given to the part of the heavens directly under our feet, as zenith to that directly over our head.

NADIR SHAH, king of Persia, born in Khorassan of low origin; began his career as a brigand; set himself at the head of 3000 brigands to deliver Persia from the yoke of the Afghans, and expelled them, rising by degrees to the sovereignty of Persia, made war on the Afghans, invaded Hindustan, and took and plundered Delhi, restoring its former dominion to the Persian monarchy; became subject to suspicion of plots against him, had recourse to violence, and was assassinated (1688-1747).

NAEVIUS, GNEIUS, one of the earliest Roman poets, born in Campania; wrote dramas, and an epic poem on the first Punic War, in which he had served; satirised the aristocracy, and was obliged to leave Rome, where he had spent thirty years of his life; died at Utica (265-204 B.C.).

NAGARI, the name given to the characters in Sanskrit and Hindi alphabets.

NAGAS, in the Hindu mythology "deified serpents," sons of Kadru, a personification of darkness; are represented as more or less invested with a human form, and endowed with knowledge, strength, and beauty; live in the depths of the ocean, and their capital city exposes to the vision a display of the most dazzling riches. They are not always represented as harmful; though armed with poison they possess the elixir of strength and immortality, and form the supports of the universe. They are a reflection of the belief that the deadly powers as well as the regenerative centre in one and the same deity, in his wisdom killing that he may make alive. Also the name of a race of aborigines in North-East India.

NAGASAKI, one of the six treaty ports of Japan, on the NW. of the island Kiushiu; has a beautiful and extensive harbour, within which lies the island of Deshima; manufactures "egg-shell" china, exports coal, tea, &c., and possesses an excellent dockyard; American and English missions are carried on.

NAGPUR, or **NAGPORE**, capital of the Central Provinces of British India, and of a district and division of the same name; an important railway terminus, 450 m. NE. of Bombay; is noted for the manufacture of fine cloth, and carries on a brisk trade in wheat, salt, spices, &c.

NAHUM, one of the minor prophets of the Old Testament; appears to have been a contemporary of Isaiah, and to have prophesied after the destruction of Samaria and the defeat of Sennacherib before Jerusalem in the reign of Hezekiah. His mission as a prophet was to console the people in the presence of the formidable power of Assyria, and to predict its downfall, and especially that of its capital city Nineveh, which was destroyed by the Medes and Babylonians in 606 B.C. His thought is forcible, his expression clear, and his diction pure, all three worthy of the classical age of Hebrew literature.

NAIADS, nymphs of the fresh-water fountains and streams, and as such endowed with prophetic power, and associated with other deities in the sphere of nature gifted with the same power; are

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represented as lovely maidens in a nude or semi-nude state.

NAIRN, chief town of its county, prettily situated at the entrance of the Nairn into the Moray Firth, 16 m. NE. of Inverness; is frequented by summer visitors, and has a harbour and golf links.

NAIRNE, BARONESS, Scottish poetess, born in Gaik, Perthshire, third daughter of Laurence Oliphant of that ilk, of Jacobite proclivities; known for her beauty as the Flower of Strathern; was married to the sixth Lord Nairne, whom she survived; wrote 78 songs, the most famous among them being "The Land o' the Leal," "The Laird o' Cockpen," "Bonnie Charlie's noo awa," "Callor Herrin," and "The Auld House"; died at Gaik (1766-1845).

NAIRNSHIRE, a northern county of Scotland, fronts the Moray Firth, wedged in between Elgin on the N. and Inverness on the W. and S.; the surface rugged and mountainous in the S. and E., slopes towards the Firth, and is traversed by the rivers Nairn and Findhorn; Loch Loy is the largest of several small lochs; scarcely one-fifth of the soil is devoted to the raising of cereals, but more attention is given to stock-raising; Cawdor and Auldearn are places of local historic and antiquarian interest.

NAIROBI, the capital of Kenya Colony, British East Africa; an important station on the Uganda railway.

NAIRS, Hindus of high caste, claiming to rank next the Brahmans, who lived on the Malabar coast of India; among them polyandry prevailed, and the royal power descended through the female line.

NAMAQUAS, a warlike but pastoral people of South Africa; one of the principal branches of the Hottentot race, and inhabiting Great Namaqualand.

NAMUR, capital of a province of the same name in Belgium, is situated at the junction of the Meuse and the Sambre, 35 m. SE. of Brussels. The town is strongly fortified, but only a few of its fine old buildings have escaped the ravages of war. It fell to the Germans in August, 1914, after a six-day siege, part of the town being burnt and a number of civilians murdered. The citadel, the cathedral, and the Jesuit church of St. Loup still stand. Cutlery, fire-arms, &c., are manufactured. The province skirts the N.E. border of France between Hainaut and Luxembourg.

NANA SAHIB, a Hindu traitor, his real name Dundhu Panth, of Brahman descent, adopted son of the ex-Peshwa of the Marhattas, whose pension from the British Government was not continued to Nana on his death, which rendered the latter the deadly foe to British rule in India, and the instigator, on the outbreak of the Mutiny in 1856, of the massacre of Cawnpore; he had on the outbreak of the Mutiny in question offered his services to a British general, but placed himself at the head of the mutineers; the miscreant escaped to Nepal, and his fate was never known; b. 1820. See **CAWNPORE**.

NANCY, capital of the department of Meurthe-et-Moselle, North-East France, is prettily situated amid woodland scenery on the river Meurthe, 220 m. E. of Paris; the new town is spaciouly laid out, while the old town, narrowed in its streets, has many interesting old buildings, e.g. the cathedral and 16th-century palace; there is a university, and an active trade in embroidered cambric and muslin, besides cotton and woollen goods, &c. It was the scene of a French victory over the Germans in August, 1914.

NANKING, an ancient city, and up to the 16th century the capital of China, is situated on the Yangtze River, 130 m. from its mouth; between 1853 and 1864 its finest buildings were destroyed by the Taiping rebels; its manufactures of nankeen and satin and of its once famous pottery and artificial flowers have fallen off, but it still continues to be the chief seat of letters and learning in China.

NANNA, in the Norse mythology the wife of Balder, the sun-god; distinguished for her conjugal fidelity, threw herself on the funeral pyre of her husband, and descended to the shades with him; when the pair were entreated to return, he sent his ring to Odin and she her thimble to Frigg.

NANSEN, FRIDTJOF, Norwegian explorer. Educated at Christiania University, his first voyage was to Greenland in 1882; he tried in 1895 in the *Fram* to reach the North Pole, but succeeded only in reaching what was then the record of 88° N.; he then took to politics, supporting the separation of Norway from Sweden; was Norwegian Ambassador in London in 1905, and in 1921 superintended the relief of Russians during the famine (1891-1930).

NANTES, capital of the department of Loire-Inférieure, North-West France, on the Loire, 35 m. from the sea; its fine streets, handsome buildings, and historical associations make it one of the most interesting cities in France; the cathedral and the ducal castle date from the 16th century; ship-building, sugar-refining, and hardware are the staple industries, while an active shipping trade is kept up with the colonies.

NANTES, EDICT OF, edict granted by Henry IV., 1598, allowing to Protestants religious liberty and political enfranchisement, and confirmed by Louis XIII. in 1614, but revoked, after frequent infringements, in the shape of dragonnades and otherwise, by Louis XIV., Oct. 23, 1685, at the instance of Madame de Maintenon and Père la Chaise.

NAPHTHA, a mixture of liquid hydrocarbons of an inflammable nature, found in petroleum.

NAPHTHALENE, a white, crystalline solid hydrocarbon present in the "middle oil" obtained by the distillation of coal tar; its derivatives are of great importance in the dye industry.

NAPIER, SIR CHARLES, the conqueror of Sind, born in Westminster, descendant of Napier of Merchiston; entered the army, was present at Coruña, served in the Peninsular War, in 1841 made commander-in-chief of the Bombay army, defeated the Sikhs at Meeanee in 1843 in a brilliant engagement; became governor of Sind, returned to England, and was welcomed with enthusiasm; went to India again on the outbreak of a second Sikh War, to find it suppressed; quarrelled with the Governor-General and came home; was a brave, upright, and humane man, and a great favourite with the army (1782-1853).

NAPIER, SIR CHARLES, admiral, cousin of preceding, born near Falkirk; entered the navy as a volunteer in 1799, assisted in two naval engagements, and for a time served as a volunteer in the Peninsular army; joined the Portuguese navy, defeated the fleet of Dom Miguel, tried to reform the navy of Portugal, but failed, assisted by land and sea in driving Mehmet Ali out of Syria, and held the command of the Baltic fleet during the Crimean War, but disappointed expectations and was deprived of command (1786-1860).

NAPIER, JOHN, lord of Merchiston, mathematician, born in Merchiston Castle, near Edinburgh; famed over the world as the inventor of logarithms; wrote a book on the Apocalypse, which contains some plain-spoken counsel to King James; believed in astrology, and was addicted to divination as well as mechanical invention (1650-1817).

NAPIER, SIR WILLIAM, brother of the conqueror of Sind; entered the army at the age of 15, served all through the Peninsular War, and wrote, besides the "Conquest of Sind," the "History of the Peninsular War," a celebrated work, written from intimate knowledge of the events and with matchless graphic power (1786-1860).

NAPIER OF MAGDALA, LORD, military engineer officer, born in Ceylon; distinguished himself at the sieges of Multan, Delhi, and Lucknow; commanded an expedition in Abyssinia, stormed and took Magdala in 1868, for which he was rewarded with high honours; was commander-in-chief in India, 1870-1876; made field-marshal, 1883 (1810-1890).

NAPLES, the largest and richest city of Italy; has a lovely situation within the bend of Naples Bay, spreading from the foreshore back upon wooded hills and rising terraces, behind which lie the snow-

clad Apennines; to the E. lies the old town with its historic Via di Roma and narrow crowded thoroughfares; the newer portion on the W. is more spaciouly laid out, and much has been done in recent years to improve the sanitation and water supply; the national museum, rich in Pompeii relics, the university, the national library, the archiepiscopal cathedral, and the four medieval gateways are the chief architectural features; large quantities of wine, olive-oil, chemicals, perfumery, &c., are exported, while woollen, silk, linen, glove, and other factories carry on a good home trade; Naples became incorporated in the kingdom of Italy in 1861 after the Bourbon dynasty had been swept away by Garibaldi.

NAPOLEON I., emperor of the French, born in Ajaccio, Corsica, the second son of Charles Bonaparte and Letitia Ramolino; trained at the military schools of Brienne and Paris; distinguished first as a captain of artillery at the siege of Toulon in 1793; elected general of brigade in the Italian campaign of 1794; he fell under suspicion, but was soon after invested with the supreme command of the army there and the conduct of the war, which was rendered memorable by the victories of Montenotte, Lodi, Rivoli, Arolo, &c.; on his return to Paris he was received with an enthusiasm which excited in him the ambition to render himself indispensable to the country; to utilize his services in their own interest the Directory determined to strike a blow at England, and Egypt being the point of attack selected he sailed in command of an expedition for that destination in 1797, and conducted it with successes and reverses till, in 1799, the unpopularity and threatened fall of the Directory called him back; it was the occasion for a *coup d'état* which he had meditated, and which he accomplished on the henceforward celebrated 18th Brumaire (Nov. 9, 1799), when a consulship of three was established, himself first Consul, and eventually in 1802 Consul for life; his administration in this capacity, while discredited by several despotic acts, was in the main instrumental for the public benefit and distinguished by its regard for the interest of law and good order, but his personal ambition the while was not asleep, for, by a Concordat with the Pope, he so attached the Catholic Church to the State as to secure the clerical support to his ambitious projects, and was able on May 18, 1804, to set himself invested with the Imperial dignity, only Carnot in the Tribunal and Regreire in the Senate protesting against the step as a violation of liberty; Napoleon owed it to his victories in the field that he attained this elevation, and held that the sword must maintain what the sword had won; from this date accordingly began that long array of wars against the rest of Europe, distinguished by the victories of Austerlitz, Jena, Eylau, Friedland, Eckmühl, and Wagram, which contributed to inspire all the nations around with a sense of the terror of his name; but with the unfortunate expedition into Russia, in 1812, Napoleon's glory began to wane and the tide to turn; after the battles of Lützen and Bautzen, he might perhaps have signed an honourable peace, but he declined the terms offered, and was defeated at Leipzig (Oct. 1813) by the Allies, who invaded France and entered Paris in spite of all his efforts to keep them at bay, upon which he was compelled to abdicate at Fontainebleau and retire to Elba, April 20, 1814; it was in vain for him to return from his retreat and re-enter Paris on March 20 following, for the Powers, with England and Prussia at their head, leagued against him and crushed him at Waterloo; by this defeat he had forfeited the throne, and was compelled to abdicate, but, unable to escape from France, he delivered himself up to Captain Maitland of the *Bellerophon*, and was shipped off to St. Helena, where, after some six years of misery, he died, May 5, 1821; his body was disinterred and buried with great pomp under the dome of the Hôtel des Invalides, December 15, 1840 (1769-1821).

NAPOLEON, LOUIS. See **LOUIS NAPOLEON**, also **BONAPARTE**.

NAPOLEON, VICTOR, son of Prince Napoleon; claimed to be head of the house of Bonaparte in 1891, though his younger brother, Prince Louis, a

colonel in the Russian Imperial Guard, was preferred to him by many Bonapartists.

NAPOLEON D'OR, a French gold coin worth 20 francs, named after the Emperor Napoleon I.

NARAKA, among the Hindus and the Buddhists the place of penal suffering after death.

NARCISUS, a self-satisfied youth who dined the addresses of Echo, in consequence of which she pined away and died, and who, by way of penalty, was doomed to fall in love with his own image, which he kept beholding in the mirror of a fountain till he too pined away and died, his corpse being metamorphosed in the flower that bears his name.

NARCOTINE, an alkaloid found in opium.

NARES, SIR GEORGE STRONG, vice-admiral, born in Monmouthshire; was engaged in the search for Franklin, 1852-1854; commanded the *Challenger* scientific research expedition, 1873-1876 (1831-1915).

NARROWS, THE, name given to the section of the St. Lawrence River which extends between Lake Superior and Lake Huron.

NARSES, a statesman and general of the old Roman empire, who rose from being a slave to be keeper of the imperial privy purse; was successful against the Goths, whom he drove out of Rome; d. 573.

NARTHEX, a space in early churches raised off from the rest for catechumens and penitents.

NASEBY, a village in Northampton, where the Royalists under Charles I. and Prince Rupert were defeated by the Parliamentary forces under Fairfax and Cromwell in June, 1645, the "Ironside" bearing the brunt of the battle and winning the honours of the day.

NASH, JOHN, English architect, born in London; besides designing plans for some of the chief streets in the city and the buildings in them, including Regent St., since rebuilt, was the architect of Buckingham Palace and the Pavilion at Brighton (1752-1835).

NASH, PAUL, British artist. Educated at St. Paul's and the Slade School, he first exhibited in 1911, but it was the Great War that established his reputation. He served in France and produced a number of striking water-colours illustrating the effect of modern warfare on nature; he was one of the official war artists (1889-).

NASH, RICHARD. See **BEAU NASH**.

NASH, THOMAS, English satirist, born in Lowestoft, a Cambridge University wit; wrote plays, as well as pamphlets, bearing on the Marplot controversy (c.v.) (1567-1601).

NASHVILLE, capital of Tennessee, U.S., on the Cumberland River, 185 m. SW. of Louisville; a suspension bridge and railway drawbridge join it with Edgefield suburb; it is an important railway and educational centre, the seat of the Fisk, Vanderbilt, and Nashville universities, and is actively engaged in the manufacture of cotton, tobacco, flour, paper, oil, &c.

NASMITH, ALEXANDER, Scottish landscape painter, born in Edinburgh; did portraits also, and one of Burns in particular, deemed the best likeness we have of the poet (1758-1840).

NASMITH, JAMES, mechanician, son of the preceding, born in Edinburgh; invented the steam-hammer and a steam pile-driver (1808-1890).

NASSAU, till 1866 a duchy of Germany, now included in the Prussian province of Hesse-Nassau (c.v.).

NATAL, province of South Africa, somewhat larger than Denmark, fronts the Indian Ocean on the E., having a foreshore of 180 m., between Zululand on the N. and Kaffraria on the S.; the Drakensberg Mountains form its western boundary; enjoys a fine, salubrious climate, and possesses abundance of fertile land, watered by some 140 inches of rainfall; along the coast the sugar-cane is largely cultivated, as also some tea, coffee, tobacco, &c., while all kinds of fruits flourish in its sub-tropical climate; the rising ground inland produces good cereals, and large numbers of sheep and cattle find excellent pasturage on the plains and mountain slopes on the W.; excellent coal is mined in large quantities, and iron and copper are found; wool, sugar, hides, feathers, and ivory are the principal exports, and are shipped mainly at Durban, the chief port; it has good railways, schools, representative govern-

ment, and a legal code based on old Dutch law; Pietermaritzburg (c.v.) is the capital; Natal was discovered in 1497 by Vasco da Gama, and after being annexed to Cape Colony in 1844, was declared, 11 years later, a separate colony.

NATHAN, a Jewish prophet who had the courage to charge King David to his face with a heinous crime he had committed and convict him of his guilt, to his humiliation in the dust.

NATION OF SHOPKEEPERS, as applied to England, first used by Adam Smith in his "Wealth of Nations," 1776.

NATIONAL ANTHEM, its authorship has been long matter of controversy, and it is uncertain to this day; it has been ascribed to H. Carey and to Dr. John Bull.

NATIONAL CONVENTION, the revolutionary assembly of France, consisting of 749 members chosen by universal suffrage, which on September 22, 1792, supplanted the Legislative Assembly, proclaimed the Republic, and condemned Louis XVI. to the guillotine; in spite of its perplexities and internal discords, it was successful in suppressing the Royalists in La Vendée and the south, and repelling the rest of Europe leagued against it, not only in arms, but in the field of diplomacy; it laid the foundation of several of the academic institutions of the country, which have since contributed to its glory as well as welfare, and collected them together in the world-famous Institute; its work done, it willingly dissolved in an act of self-dissolution in favour of a Directory of Five on October 20, 1795.

NATIONAL COVENANT. See **COVENANT**.

NATIONAL DEBT, THE, the capital liability of the State, originating in 1692 in the reign of William III.; in 1914 it stood at £651,000,000, and by the end of the Great War it had grown to £7,557,000,000.

NATIONAL GUARD, THE, a militia of citizens organised in the municipality of Paris in 1790, with Lafayette as commandant, but suppressed in 1827, and again suppressed in 1872, after two revivals, in consequence of their taking part with the Commune of the tier day.

NATIONAL PHYSICAL LABORATORY, a State institution under the Department of Industrial and Scientific Research established at Teddington, Middlesex, in 1901; the work consists of the standardisation of instruments and general research on materials in connection with pure physics, engineering, aerodynamics, and electricity.

NATIONAL REGISTRATION, a system adopted in 1915 under which all inhabitants of the British Isles between the ages of 15 and 65 had to register in order that they might, if necessary, be called upon for war service.

NATIONAL SERVICE, MINISTRY OF, a department of State set up in 1916 to supervise war work. Neville Chamberlain was its first head, and Auckland Geddes its second. It ceased in Nov. 1918.

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND, a federal Roman Catholic university founded in 1908, with colleges at Dublin, Galway, and Cork.

NATIONALISATION, the acquisition by the State of an industry, a policy advocated in this country by the Labour Party, especially as regards the mines and railways, both of which had a measure of Government control during the Great War. Schemes of nationalisation have been tried in Russia, Australia, Canada, Belgium, Germany, France, and other countries, but the conditions under which the experiments have been tried vary too much for any conclusion of value to be drawn as to the probable results of the policy in this country.

NATIONALIST PARTY, an Irish political movement advocating Home Rule which became an important force in the House of Commons in the late 'seventies under Parnell (c.v.). When Liberals and Conservatives were of nearly equal strength the Irish vote was of paramount importance. John Redmond succeeded Parnell as leader in 1890, and the party became defunct in 1918 on the rise of Sinn Féin (c.v.).

NATURAL SELECTION, name given by Darwin to the survival of certain plants and animals that are fitted, and the decrease contemporaneously of certain others that are not fitted, to a new environment.

NATURALISM, a philosophical term used to denote the resolution of the supernatural into the natural, and its obliteration; the reference of everything to merely natural laws, and the denial of all supernatural interference with them.

NAUSICAÄ, the daughter of Alcinoüs, king of the Phæaciæ, who gave welcome to Ulysses when shipwrecked on the shore, and whom Homer represents as, with her maidens, washing the clothes of the hero and his companions.

NAUVOO, a village in Illinois, on the Mississippi, where the Mormons first settled in 1840, and from which they were expelled in 1846.

NAVAJOES, a once warlike tribe of North American Indians in the Western States, now peaceably settled on reservations in Arizona and New Mexico.

NAVARINO, a bay on the SW. coast of the Morea, the scene of the naval victory of the Athenians over the Spartans, 426 B.C., and of the annihilation of the Turkish and Egyptian navies by the combined fleets of England, France, and Russia, under Codrington, October 20, 1827.

NAVARRÉ, one of the 49 provinces of Spain, comprising by far the greater portion of the old kingdom of Navarre, which lasted up to 1512, the other part of which now forms French Basses-Pyrénées; the Spanish province lies on the SW. border of France, is very varied in surface and climate; in the N. the people are chiefly Basques, and are much more energetic than the southern Spaniards; maize, wheat, and red wine are the chief products.

NAVY, THE BRITISH, was started by Alfred the Great in 897 and continued sporadically afterwards. The greatest naval victory of olden time was the defeat of the Armada in 1588. Steam was first used in 1840, the first ironclad was built in 1860, and the first submarine in 1901. During the Great War the principal naval battles were those of Heligoland Bight, Coronel, and Falkland Isles (1914), Dogger Bank (1915), and Jutland (1916).

NAWAB, a viceroy of a province in the Mogul empire, applied also to a Mohammedan chief in India, and spelt Nabob when attached to a man who has made his wealth in India.

NAKOS, an island of the Cyclades, in the Ægean Sea, famed for its marble; it exports salt and emery powder.

NAYLER, JAMES, a fanatical Quaker in the time of the Commonwealth, with a following as fanatical as himself, who escorted him through Bristol on his release from prison after the manner of Christ's entry into Jerusalem; was very cruelly punished for blasphemy in fancying or seeming to fancy himself a new incarnation of Christ (1618-1660).

NAZARETH, a town in a hollow of the hills on the N. of the Plain of Esdrælon, 67 m. N. of Jerusalem and 11 m. W. of the Sea of Galilee, celebrated over Christendom as the home of the Holy Family.

NAZARITES, among the Jews people consecrated by a vow to some special religious service, generally for a definite period, but sometimes for life; during its continuance they were bound to abstain not merely from strong drink, but from all fruit of the vine, to wear their hair uncut, this being the symbol of their consecration; the vow was sometimes made by their parents for them before their birth; the said vow is the symbolic assertion of the right of any and every man to consecrate himself, in disregard of every other claim, to any service which God may require of him.

NEAGE, LOUGH, the largest lake in the British Isles, lies in the N.E. of Ireland, touching the borders of five counties, is 20 m. long, and has an average breadth of 10 m. and a greatest depth of 102 ft.

NEAL, DANIEL, Nonconformist divine, born in London, and minister there; wrote a "History of the Puritans" and a "History of New England" (1678-1743).

NEAL, JOHN MASON, hymnologist, born in London; was a zealous and advanced High Churchman, wrote a "History of the Holy Eastern Church"; is best known for his hymns, translated and original (1818-1866).

NEANDER, JOHANN AUGUST WILHELM, Church historian, born in Göttingen, of Jewish parents, his father's name Mendel, which he changed into

Neander (new man) on his baptism at the age of 17; studied theology under Schleiermacher at Halle, commenced his work as a teacher of theology in Heidelberg in 1811, but was two years after called to the chair of Church History in Berlin, a post he occupied with signal distinction till his death, his fame all along attracting to him students from every quarter of Christendom; besides several monographs, he wrote the history of the Church from its first starting through its after expansion, and a "Life of Christ" in answer to Strauss, which for its apprehension of the spirit of Christ and His teaching has never been surpassed (1789-1850).

NEANDERTHAL MAN, an early sub-man remains of which were first found in the Neanderthal near Düsseldorf, in 1856, and subsequently in many other parts of Europe; these men lived towards the end of the Lower Palæolithic period and their remains belong to the culture known as Mousterian; the species, which appears to have become extinct at the end of the last ice age, although human in some respects is definitely anthropoid in others; Neanderthal man represents an extremely low type of man-like being in Europe, corresponding to similar remains discovered in Belgium, Germany, and elsewhere.

NEATH, a borough and river port of Glamorganshire, on the navigable Neath, 6 m. N.E. of Swansea; is an old town, and has interesting ruins of an abbey and of a castle (burned 1231); has prosperous copper, tin, iron, and chemical works.

NEBILIM, the prophets of Israel as an organised class, who first figure as guardians of the spiritual interests of the nation to the time of Samuel, when it was threatened with extinction piecemeal at the hands of the Philistines, and whose mission it was to recall the divided tribes to a sense of their unity as the chosen of Jehovah, and to see that they were welded into one under a single king; they lived together in communities, appeared in companies, wore a distinctive dress, and were called the sons of the prophets; while they were performing and discharging their offices they were true to their calling, but when order was established they, as is usual in such cases, became more and more lax, until first Elisha, and then another and another who were for more part not of the order, had to remind the nation of what its authorised teachers, in their unfaithfulness, were failing to do, and in consequence suffering God's cause to go to wreck.

NEBO, an Assyrian deity, associated with moon-worship, and a god of the arts and sciences; the name appears in that of several Babylonian monarchs, as in Nebuchadnezzar.

NEBRASKA, one of the west central States of the U.S.A., has Dakota on its N. and Kansas and Colorado on the S., is 14 times the size of England; in the E. stretches of fertile land yield abundant crops of grain (maize chiefly), hemp, flax, sugar-beet, and tobacco, while in the W. rich prairie pastures favour a prosperous stock-raising; the Platte, Niobrara, and Republican Rivers follow the eastward slope of the land; Omaha and Lincoln (capital) are the chief centres of the manufacturing industries; climate is dry and bracing; wolves, foxes, skunks, &c., abound, chiefly in the "Bad Lands" of the N.; Nebraska was incorporated in the Union in 1867.

NEBULÆ can be divided into *dark nebulae*, or great clouds which obscure part of the Milky Way, appearing as voids in the heavens; *diffuse luminous nebulae*, like the great nebula in Orion, are clouds of fine dust or rare gas, owing most of their luminosity to neighbouring stars; *planetary nebulae*, like the ring nebula in Lyra, have in most cases a central bright star, and are probably now in a late stage of development; *spiral nebulae*, like that in Andromeda, are considered to be "island universes" outside our system; the first three classes are confined to the neighbourhood of the Milky Way.

NEBULAR HYPOTHESIS, a theory of the origin of the solar system published by Laplace in 1796; he imagined that the system started as a hot gaseous nebula which cooled and contracted, leaving rings of material which condensed to form the various planets; the theory was first criticised by Babinet in 1861 and has now been discarded as untenable.

NECKER, JACQUES, celebrated financier, born in Geneva; married the accomplished Susanne Curchod, the rejected of Gibbon, and became by her the father of Mme. de Staël; was a man of high repute for probity and business capacity; became in 1777 Director-General of Finance in France, tried hard and honestly, by borrowing and retrenchment, to restore the fallen public credit, but after five years was dismissed; was recalled in 1788, but though the funds rose, and he contributed to their relief two million livres of his own money, was again dismissed, to be once more recalled, only to expose his inability to cope with the crisis and to be forced to retire (1782-1804).

NECTAR, in the regard of the Greeks the drink of the gods, which, with ambrosia, their food, nourished the labor, their blood, and kept them ever in the bloom of immortal youth; it was not permitted to mortals to drink of it.

NEEDLE-GUN, a breech-loading gun, the cartridge of which is exploded by a needle; now obsolete.

NEGATIVE, in photography a picture of an object in which the lights and shadows are reversed, so that the shady part appears white and the light in it appears dark.

NEGATIVITY, the name given in philosophy to the negative element determinative or definitive of things and all ideas of things, whereby a thing is this because it is not that, and is seen to be this because it is seen not to be that, an antagonism essential to all forms of being, spiritual as well as material, and to all definite and distinct thought.

NEGRITOES, Spanish name for certain distinctive tribes of a diminutive race resembling negroes, occupying the central portions of some of the Philippine Islands, also known as Aetas or Itas; also applied to certain Malayan tribes and to the Andamanes; sometimes loosely used to designate Papuans and all the Melanesian peoples of Polynesia.

NEGROES, the dark race of tropical Africa, distinguished by their dark woolly hair, their black eyes, their flat noses, and their thick lips; they occupy rather a low level in the scale of humanity, and are lacking in those mental and moral qualities which have impressed the stamp of greatness on the other races that have distinguished themselves in the history of the world.

NEHEMIAH, a Jew of the captivity, of royal degree and in high favour, being king's cup-bearer at the court of Artaxerxes, the Persian king; received a commission from the king to repair to Jerusalem and restore the Jewish worship, and ruled over it for 12 years, till he saw the walls of the city amid much opposition restored; returned afterwards to superintend the reform of the worship, of which the book of the Old Testament named after him relates the story.

NEHUSHTAN (a piece of brass), the name given in contempt to what was alleged to be the "Serpent in the Wilderness," which had become an object of worship among the Jews, and was destroyed by King Hezekiah among other idolatrous relics (2 Kings xviii. 4).

NEIGHERRY HILLS (the Blue Mountains), a bracing mountain district in South India, forming a triangular-shaped and somewhat isolated mass of elevated country, peaks of which attain an altitude of close upon 8000 ft.; grassy slopes alternate with thick masses of forest, amid which several small native wild tribes still dwell; Cootacamund is the chief station of the many Europeans who frequent the district as a health resort.

NELSON, (1) a prosperous manufacturing borough of Lancashire, 3½ m. N.E. of Burnley. (2) Capital of a district in the N. end of South Island, New Zealand; has a busy harbour in Blind Bay, and manufactures cloth, leather, and soap; the district itself is rich in minerals.

NELSON, HORATIO, LORD, great English admiral, born in Burnham Thorpe, Norfolk; entered the navy as a midshipman in 1770, and after voyages to the West Indies, the Arctic regions, and the East Indies, was promoted to a Lieutenancy in 1777; three years later he headed the expedition against San Juan, was invalided home, and in 1781 acted under Lord Hood in American waters; in

command of the *Boreas* on the Leeward Islands station, he involved himself in some trouble through his severe and arbitrary enforcement of the Navigation Act against American traders, and there also he met and married in 1787 the widow of Dr. Nesbit; returning home, he lived for five years in retirement, but on the eve of the French Revolutionary war he was again summoned to active service, and in command of the *Agamemnon* advanced his reputation by gallant conduct in the Mediterranean operations of Lord Hood, injuring his right eye during the storming of Calvi, in Corsica (1794); conspicuous bravery at the engagement with the Spaniards off Cape St. Vincent (1797) brought him promotion to the rank of rear-admiral; in the same year he lost his right arm at Santa Cruz, and in the following year, with an inferior force, annihilated the French fleet in the Bay of Aboukir, for which he was raised to the peerage as Baron Nelson, and created Duke of Bronte by the King of Naples; at this time began his lifelong liaison with Lady Hamilton (q.v.); involving himself in Neapolitan affairs, he went beyond his commission in suppressing the rebel Jacobins, and especially in executing their leader Caracciolo; in 1800 he returned home, his never robust strength considerably impaired; as vice-admiral nominally under Sir Hugh Parker, he in 1801 sailed for the Baltic and effected a great defeat on the Danish fleet of Copenhagen; for this he was made Viscount and commander-in-chief; during the scare of a Napoleonic invasion he kept a vigilant watch in the Channel, and on the resumption of war he on October 21, 1805, crowned his great career by a memorable victory off Trafalgar over the French and Spanish fleets under Villeneuve, but was himself mortally wounded at the very height of the battle (1768-1806).

NELSON'S COLUMN, a monument in memory of Lord Nelson in Trafalgar Square, London, begun in 1840 and finished in 1867; designed by William Railton, it is a copy of a Corinthian column of the Temple of Mars Victor at Rome, and is 170 ft. in height.

NEMEAN GAMES, one of the four great national festivals of Greece, celebrated every other year.

NEMEAN LION, a monstrous lion in Nemea, a valley of Argolis, which Hercules slew by throttling it with his hands, clothing himself ever after with its skin.

NEMESIS, in the Greek imagination, the executioner of divine vengeance on evil-doers, conceived of as incarnated in the fear which precedes and the remorse which accompanies a guilty action.

NENNIUS, the reputed author of a chronicle of early British history, who appears to have lived not later perhaps than the 9th century; his "Historia" was written in Latin and it contained legends of King Arthur and his knights, from which later authors borrowed their material.

NEOLITHIC or NEW STONE AGE, the latter part of the stone age, distinguished from the palæolithic age by the grinding and polishing of the stone tools used, and the more elaborate axe-heads and hammer-stones; it was followed by the bronze age.

NEOLOGY, the name given to the rationalist theology of Germany or the rationalisation of the Christian religion.

NEON, one of the inert gases present in small quantities in the atmosphere; was discovered by Sir William Ramsay in 1898.

NEO-PLATONISM, a system of philosophy that originated in Alexandria at the beginning of the 3rd century, which resolved the absolute, or God, into the incarnation thereof in the Logos, or reason of man, and which aimed at "demonstrating the graduated transition from the absolute object to the personality of man"; it was a concretion of European and Oriental thought.

NEPAL, a native State in North India, occupying a narrow, mountainous territory along and including the southern slopes of the Himalayas, which separates it from Tibet; consists mainly of valleys and intervening mountain ridges, among which dwell various hill tribes, the dominant race being the hardy Gorkhas (q.v.).

NEPENTHE, an imaginary goddess, the allayer of pain and the soother of sorrows, or the impersonation of stern retributive justice.

NEPOS, CORNELIUS, Roman historian, born in Pavia; was a contemporary and friend of Cicero; was the author of several historical works, no longer extant, and the one still extant ascribed to him, entitled "De Viris Illustribus," is believed to be an abridgment of an earlier work by him.

NEPTUNE, the chief marine deity of the Romans, and identified with the Poseidon of the Greeks; is represented with a trident in his hand as his sceptre.

NEPTUNE, the remotest planet of the solar system; revolves round the sun at a mean distance of 2,800 million miles in a period of 166 years; its period of rotation on its axis is uncertain, but is believed to be about 8 hours; its diameter is four times and its mass fifteen times that of the earth; discovered by Adams and Leverrier in 1846, after calculations based on the irregularities of the orbit of Uranus; it has one satellite.

NERBUDDA, or NARBADA, a sacred river of India; has its source in the Amarkantak plateau of the Deccan, and flows westward, a rapid flow of greenish-blue water, through the great valley between the Vindhya and Satpura Mountains, reaching the Gulf of Cambay after a course of 800 m., the last 30 of which are navigable.

NEREIDS, nymphs in the Mediterranean Sea, daughters of Nereus, 50 in number, and attendant on Poseidon.

NEREUS, the god of the Mediterranean Sea, the son of Pontus and Gaia, the husband of Doris, and father of the Nereids, represented as a sage, venerable old man.

NERI, ST. PHILIPPO DI, Italian priest, born in Florence, of noble family; founder of the Congregation of the Oratory; was known from his boyhood as the Good Pippo, and spent his life in acts of devotion and charity (1515-1595). Festival, May 26.

NERNST, WALTER, German chemist, professor in Göttingen and Berlin; his most important work was in the realm of physical chemistry; inventor of the incandescent lamp named after him (1864-).

NERO, Roman emperor from A.D. 54 to 68, born in Antium, son of Cn. Domitius Ahenobarbus and of Agrippina, daughter of Germanicus; after the murder of Claudius, instigated by Agrippina, who 4 years previously had become the emperor's wife, Nero seized the throne, excluding Britannicus, the rightful heir; during the first 5 years of his reign his old tutors, Seneca and Burrus, were his advisers in a wise and temperate policy, but gradually his innate tendency to vice broke through all restraint, and hurried him into a course of profligacy and crime; Britannicus was put to death, his mother and wife, Octavia, were subsequent victims, and in 64 numbers of Christians suffered death, with every refinement of torture, on a trumped-up charge of having caused the great burning of Rome, suspicion of which rested on Nero himself; a year later Seneca and the poet Lucan were executed as conspirators, while he killed his second wife Poppaea in a frenzy; these and many other similar crimes brought on inevitable rebellion; Spain and Gaul declared in favour of Galba; the Praetorian Guards followed suit; Nero fled from Rome, and sought refuge in suicide (37-68).

NERVA, Roman emperor from 96 to 98, elected by the Senate; ruled with moderation and justice; resigned in favour of Trajan, as from age unable to cope with the turbulence of the Praetorian Guards.

NESS, LOCH, the second largest loch in Scotland, stretches along the valley of Glenmore, in Inverness-shire, is 22½ m. long, and has an average breadth of 1 m. and an extreme depth of 280 ft.; its main feeders are the Morriston, Oich, and Foyers; the Ness is its chief outlet.

NESELEBRODE, COUNT VON, celebrated Russian diplomatist, born in Lisbon, where his father was Russian ambassador; represented Russia at a succession of congresses, played a prominent part at them, and directed the foreign policy of the empire under Alexander I. and Nicholas I., from 1816 to 1856, though he strove to avoid the war with Turkey which broke out in 1853 (1780-1862).

NESSUS, a Centaur who, for attempting to carry off Dejanira, Hercules' wife, was shot by Hercules with an arrow dipped in the blood of the Hydra (q.v.), and who in dying handed to Dejanira his

mantle, dipped in his poisoned blood, as a charm to regain her husband's affections should he at any time prove unfaithful. See **HERCULES**.

NESSUS' SHIRT, the poisoned robe which Nessus gave Dejanira, and which in a moment of distrust she gave to Hercules. See **NESSUS**.

NESTOR, king of Pylos, a protégé and worshipper of Poseidon, the oldest, most experienced, and wisest of the Greek heroes at the siege of Troy.

NESTORIUS, a celebrated heresiarch, born in Syria; was made patriarch of Constantinople in 428, deposed for heresy by the Council of Ephesus, 431, and banished to the Libyan Desert, where he died; the heresy he taught, called after him Nestorianism, was that the two natures, the divine and the human, coexist in Christ, but are not united, and he would not allow to the Virgin Mary the title that had been given her as the "Mother of God"; the orthodoxy of the Church as against the doctrine was championed by Cyril of Alexandria.

NETHERLANDS, a term formerly applied to the whole NW. corner of Europe, occupied by Belgium (q.v.) and Holland, but now an official designation only of Holland (q.v.).

NETLEY, the site of the handsome Royal Victoria Hospital, on the shore of Southampton Water, 3 m. SE. of Southampton, and connected by railway line with Portsmouth; founded in 1863 as an asylum for invalided soldiers, also the headquarters of the female nurses of the army; in the vicinity also are interesting remains of a Cistercian abbey.

NETTLERASH, or urticaria, an irritating eruption in the skin causing a sensation like the stinging of nettles. It may be acute or chronic, frequently caused by errors of diet.

NEUCHÂTEL, a western canton of Switzerland, lying between Lake Neuchâtel and France; the surface is diversified by the Jura Mountains, and plentifully supplied with small streams; the greater part of the inhabitants are French Protestants; coal and iron are found, stock-raising and agriculture are engaged in, but the great specialty of the canton is watchmaking, which is chiefly carried on at Le Chaux-de-Fonds and Le Locle; Neuchâtel was incorporated in the Swiss Confederation in 1815. Neuchâtel, capital of the canton, has a fine situation on the NW. shore of the lake, 86 m. NE. of Geneva; has many educational, art, and charitable institutions, and is chiefly engaged in the manufacture of watches, jewellery, &c. Lake of Neuchâtel is a beautiful sheet of water, 25 m. in length, and from 3 to 6 in breadth.

NEUSTRIA, western portion of the kingdom of the Franks in the time of the Merovingian and Carolingian dynasties, and in constant rivalry with Austrasia (q.v.), the kingdom of the East; it extended from the Scheldt to the Loire and Solons; Paris, Orleans, and Tours were the chief towns.

NEUTRODYNE, a special type of circuit used in a wireless receiving set, designed to prevent oscillation.

NEUVE CHAPELLE, village in the department of Nord, France. The advancing German army occupied it in Oct., 1914, and it was the scene of an important battle in March, 1915, when British troops captured the village with heavy casualties.

NEUVILLE, ALPHONSE DE, French painter of battle-scenes, born in St. Omer; he was an illustrator of books, among others Guizot's "Histoire de France" (1836-1835).

NEVA, a river of Russia issuing from the SW. corner of Lake Ladoga, flows westward in a broad, rapid current past Leningrad, and discharges its great volume of water into the Bay of Cronstadt, in the Gulf of Finland, after a winding course of 40 miles.

NEVADA, one of the western States of the U.S.A., occupying a wide stretch of territory on the Great Plateau or Basin, between the Rocky Mountains on the E. and the Cascades and the Sierra Nevada on the W., has Oregon and Idaho on the N., and California on the S. and W.; elevated, cold, dry, and barren, it offers little inducement to settlers, and is in consequence the least in population of the American States; the great silver discoveries of 1859 brought it first into notice, and mining still remains the chief industry; Virginia City and Carson (capital) are the chief towns; was admitted to the Union in 1864.

NEVILLE'S CROSS, BATTLE OF, battle fought near Durham between the Scots and English in 1346, in which the former were defeated and King David II. taken prisoner.

NEVINSON, CHRISTOPHER RICHARD WYNNE, British artist. He studied in London and Paris and first exhibited in 1910; he came to the fore as an official artist of the Great War, in which he served in the army for two years; his work shows Cubist and Futuristic influences and is designed to show man as a cog in a machine (1889-).

NEVIS, an island in the Leeward group (q.v.), with capital Charlestown; colonised in 1628; exports sugar, oranges, and limes.

NEVIS, BEN. See **BEN NEVIS**.

NEW BRITAIN, a large island controlled by Australia, in the Archipelago of that name, West Pacific, lying off the N.E. coast of New Guinea, from which it is separated by Dampier Strait; is 300 m. long, with an average breadth of 40 m.; is mountainous and volcanic in the interior, and thickly clad with forest trees; fruits of various kinds are the chief product; is inhabited by savages; for a time under German control, it was known as Neu-Pommern.

NEW BRUNSWICK, a S.E. province of Canada, presents a long fore-shore to the Gulf of St. Lawrence on the N.E. and to the Bay of Fundy on the S.E., while directly E. lies Nova Scotia, to which it is joined by the Isthmus of Chignecto; the surface is diversified by numerous lakes, magnificent forests of pine and other woods, and the fertile valleys of the Rivers St. John, Restigouche, and Miramichi; timber is the chief export, but only less valuable are its fisheries, while shipbuilding is also an important and growing industry; coal is mined in good quantities, and the chief towns, St. John, Portland, and Fredericton (capital) are busy centres of iron, textile, and other factories; the climate is subject to extremes of heat and cold, but is healthy; many of the inhabitants are of French origin, for New Brunswick formed part of the old French colony of Acadia.

NEW CALEDONIA, an island of the South Pacific belonging to France, the most southerly of the Melanesian group, lying about 800 m. E. of Australia and nearly 1000 m. N. of New Zealand; is mountainous, produces the usual tropical fruits, and exports some nickel, cobalt, coffee, &c.; is used by the French as a convict station; discovered by Captain Cook in 1774 and annexed by France in 1853; Nouméa, on the S.W., is the capital.

NEW ENGLAND, a name given in 1614 by Captain John Smith to the eastern and most densely populated portion of the United States, which now comprises Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut; was first colonised under the name of North Virginia by the Plymouth Company; the inhabitants, known distinctively as Yankees, are mostly of Puritan and Scottish descent, and are noted for their shrewdness and industry.

NEW FOREST, a district in the S.W. of Hampshire, 14 m. from N. to S. and 16 m. wide, and consisting of 92,000 acres, of which 62,000 belong to the Crown demesnes; one-fourth of the area consists of enclosed plantations, chiefly of oak and beech, the rest being open woodland, bog, and heath; Lyndhurst is the principal town.

NEW GUINEA, the largest island in the world (excluding the island continent), lies N. of Australia, from which it is divided by Torres Strait (90 m. wide); is an irregular, mountainous, well-rivered territory, 10 times the size of Scotland, and is held by two European powers—the Dutch in the western and least developed half; the British in the territory of Papua in the eastern half, administered by the Commonwealth of Australia. The north-east region was formerly German, under the name of Kaiser Wilhelm Land, and administered by the German New Guinea Company. It was captured from them by the Australians in 1914. Successful encouragement has been given to colonisation, and good exports of gold, pearl-shells, copra, &c., are made. Much of the interior is still to explore, and is inhabited by Papuans, Negritoes, and other Melanesian tribes. A hot, moist climate gives rise to much endemic fever, but encourages a profusion of tropical

growth, giving place in the highlands to the hardier oak and pine, and still higher to a purely alpine flora; as in Australia, the animals are chiefly marsupials; the mountain ranges, which stretch in a more or less continuous line throughout the island, have peaks that touch an altitude of 20,000 ft. and send down many navigable streams. Port Moresby is the capital of the British portion.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, the second most northerly of the New England States (q.v.), and from the beauty of its lake and mountain scenery called the "Switzerland of America." lies N. and S. between Quebec province and Massachusetts, while the Atlantic washes part of its eastern borders; is more engaged in manufactures than in agriculture, and obtains valuable water-power and water-way from its rivers, the Piscataqua, Merrimack, and Connecticut; Manchester, on the Merrimack, is the largest city, with Concord the capital.

NEW HAVEN, capital of New Haven county, Connecticut, and chief city and seaport of the State, at the head of New Haven Bay, 4 m. from Long Island Sound, and 73 m. N.E. of New York; is a finely built city, and, since 1718, has been the seat of Yale College; is an important manufacturing centre, producing rifles, ironware of all kinds, carriages, clocks, &c., and was up till 1873 joint capital of the State with Hartford.

NEW HEREDS, a group of some 30 volcanic islands (20 inhabited) in the Western Pacific, lying W. of the Fiji Islands and N.E. of New Caledonia; is nominally a possession of Britain, and inhabited by cannibals of the Melanesian race. Missionary enterprise has had some effect in the southern islands; Espiritu Santo (70 m. by 40) is the largest.

NEW HOLLAND. See **AUSTRALIA**.

NEW JERSEY, one of the 13 original States of the American Union, faces the Atlantic between New York State on the N. and Delaware Bay on the S., with Pennsylvania on its western border; the well-watered and fertile central plains favour a prosperous fruit and agricultural industry, tracts of pine and cedar wood cover the sandy S., while the N. is traversed by ranges of the Appalachians, abounding in valuable forests of oak, hickory, chestnut, sawgrass, &c.; minerals are plentiful, especially iron ores. New Jersey is thickly populated, well provided with railway and water transit, and busily engaged in manufactures—e.g. glass, machinery, silk, sugar. Newark (capital) and Jersey City are by far the largest cities.

NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH, a church consisting of the disciples of Emanuel Swedenborg, formed into a separate organisation for worship about 1788. See **SWEDENBORGIANISM**.

NEW MEXICO, an extensive region in the S.W. of North America, since 1910 one of the United States, 400 m. long and 358 m. wide; was in 1848 detached from Mexico (q.v.), and constituted a part of the American Union; consists mainly of elevated plateau sloping to the S., and traversed by ranges of the Rocky Mountains; precious metals are widely distributed, especially silver; good deposits of coal and copper are also found. It is watered by the Rio Grande, and in the broad river valleys excellent crops are raised, and stock-raising is an important industry. The territory is divided into 14 counties; Santa Fé is the capital; a State university exists at Albuquerque.

NEW ORLEANS, the capital and largest city of Louisiana, is beautifully situated on both sides of the Mississippi, 107 m. from its mouth, with a curved river-frontage of 16 m.; founded in 1718, it was the capital of the old French territory in the south; is the second cotton port of the world, and the greatest sugar-market in the United States; is the chief trade emporium of the surrounding States, and the main outlet for the produce of the Mississippi Valley, which includes cotton, sugar, tobacco, wheat, and salt.

NEW SOUTH WALES, the "mother colony" of Australia, fronts the Pacific for 700 m. on the E. between Queensland (N.) and Victoria (S.), is 2½ times the size of Great Britain and Ireland; mountain ranges (including the Australian Alps) running parallel with, and from 20 to 100 m. distant from, the coast, divide the narrow littoral plains

from the great plains of the W. and the interior, and are the source of many large rivers (e.g. the Darling) flowing E. and W.; the climate is warm and everywhere healthy; rain falls plentifully on the coast lands and mountains, but is scarce in the W. The mineral wealth is very great—gold and silver are found in large quantities, as also copper, tin, iron, &c., but coal is the most abundant and valuable mineral product. Cereals, fruits, sugar, tobacco, and vines, are cultivated, but in small quantities compared with the immense output of wool, the chief product of the State. Sydney (q.v.) is the capital and chief port. Government is vested in a Crown-appointed Governor and two Houses of Parliament (triennial and paid). Education is free and compulsory. Established in 1788, the colony was, up to 1840, used as a settlement for transported criminals. In 1851 the great gold discoveries started the State on its prosperous career.

NEW YORK, the foremost State in the American Union in population, wealth, commerce, and manufactures, is the twenty-fifth in area, and is about the size of England; is triangular in shape, with a north-western base on Lakes Erie and Ontario, and an eastern apex reaching the Atlantic between Connecticut (N.) and New Jersey (S.). Manhattan, Staten, and Long Island are the most important of many islands belonging to the State. The land slopes from the mountainous E. to the shores of the great western lakes, and is pleasantly diversified with mountain, valley and plain, forest and river. The Hudson, Oswego, Genesee, and Niagara (with its famous waterfall) are the principal rivers, while the St. Lawrence forms part of the northern boundary. One-half of the area is under cultivation; the vine flourishes; hops and tobacco are grown, and market gardening prospers near the large cities; but manufacturing is the chief industry, and the transit of goods is greatly facilitated by the many waterways and network of railways. Was finally occupied by the English in 1664, after the expulsion of the Dutch.

NEW YORK CITY, including Brooklyn, Jersey City, and other suburban places, the premier city of the American continent, one of the wealthiest in the world, occupies Manhattan Island (131 sq. miles) and several smaller islands at the terminal influence of the Hudson with East River, which opens into Long Island Sound; 18 m. S. of the city is Sandy Hook, where two ship channels cross the bar and lead into the outer or lower bay, which in turn is joined by a strait to the magnificent harbour or inner bay; all approaches are strongly fortified; a suspension bridge spans East River, uniting the city with Brooklyn; the rivers and the many wharves are crowded with shipping. The old town is a busy hive of industry, with its great centres of banking and mercantile enterprise—Wall, New, and Broad Streets. The modern part of the city is a model of regularity, is traversed by great avenues 8 m. in length and 100 ft. wide, the finest being Fifth Avenue. The City Hall and the Court House are of white marble; the hotels are the largest in the world; Astor library (250,000 vols.), academy of design, university, museums, art galleries, and many other handsome buildings adorn the streets; carries on industries of almost every description.

NEW ZEALAND, a British Dominion in the South Pacific, lying wholly within the temperate zone, 1200 m. ENE. of Australia; comprises North Island (45,000 sq. m.), South or Middle Island (58,000 sq. m.), Stewart Island (much smaller), and a number of islets; total area considerably more than that of Great Britain. The two main islands, separated by Cook Strait, are in no part broader than 160 m., and are traversed from end to end by a great and partly volcanic mountain chain, the range in South Island being known as the Southern Alps (highest peak Mount Cook, 12,350 ft.), and that in North Island as the Ruahine Range and the Tararua Mountains; everywhere rivers abound, Waikato (North Island) and Clutha (South Island) being the largest; numerous lakes (Lake Taupo, six times the size of Loch Lomond), fertile valleys, and well-grassed plains, together with the mountains, make up a beautiful and diversified surface, which much

resembles that of Scotland, while the climate, temperate and healthy, is warmer and more equable than in Great Britain; almost all the animals have been imported, as well as the grains and fruits; great forests of indigenous kauri pines, however, exist; sheep-farming, agriculture, and mining (gold and coal) are the leading industries, wool being the chief export; Auckland, the largest, and Wellington, the capital, in North Island, and Dunedin and Christchurch in South Island, are the chief towns; Government is vested in a Crown-appointed Governor, an Executive Ministry, and a Parliament of two Chambers; education is free, secular, and compulsory, but no State aid is given to any form of religion; discovered in 1642 by Taran, the islands were first surveyed by Cook in 1769; their formal cession to the British crown took place in 1840.

NEWARK, city of U.S., New Jersey, 7 m. W. of New Jersey City. It has extensive tanneries, and manufactures of hats, thread, and celluloid.

NEWBOLT, SIR HENRY JOHN, British author and poet. The son of a clergyman, he was educated at Clifton and Oxford, and in 1892 he published his first novel. It is chiefly his poems that have made his reputation, notably "Duke's Drum," which appeared in his "The Island Race." He was knighted in 1915 (1862-).

NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME, a borough and old market-town of Staffordshire, 40 m. S. of Manchester; is a well-built town, actively engaged in brewing, malting, and paper-making.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, a city and county of itself, and chief town of Northumberland; situated on the N. bank, and 10 m. from the mouth of the Tyne, 275 m. N. of London. The old town extends some two miles along the river bank and with its crowded quays, narrow, winding streets, and dingy warehouses, presents a striking contrast to the handsome modern portion, which stretches back on gently rising ground. The cathedral is an imposing and interesting architectural structure, while the public buildings are more than usually ornate. The Colleges of Medicine and of Science are affiliated to Durham University. There are several fine libraries, theatres, hospitals, and charitable institutions, and the city is especially well off in the matter of public parks and pleasure grounds. Four bridges (including Robert Stephenson's famous High Level Bridge) span the river and connect Newcastle with Gateshead. It is the chief centre of the English coal trade, and is a busy hive of all kinds of metallic, chemical, machinery, and kindred works, which give rise to an immense shipping trade. As a centre of British shipbuilding the Tyne is second only to the Clyde.

NEWCOMEN, THOMAS, blacksmith, born in Dartmouth; invented a steam-engine in which the piston was raised by steam and driven down by the atmosphere after the injection into the cylinder of a squirt of cold water, which cooled it, so that the steam when injected did not raise up the piston at once. By James Watt's invention of a separate condenser it was superseded, and employed afterwards principally for pumping water. The interruption in the movement between the descent and ascent of the piston made it worthless for many purposes (1668-1729).

NEWDIGATE, SIR ROGER, born in Warwickshire; represented Oxford in Parliament, and founded in 1805 the Newdigate Prize for the best English poem by an undergraduate (1719-1806).

NEWFOUNDLAND, the oldest island dominion of Britain, situated at the mouth of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, North America; is about one-eighth larger than Ireland, and triangular in shape, the northern apex running close in to the coast of Labrador; inland the country is bleak, sparsely populated, and ill cultivated; lakes and rivers abound; the deeply indented coast provides excellent harbours for the large fishing fleets that frequent it; minerals are found, including coal, iron, lead, and copper; agriculture and timber-felling are on the increase, but the fisheries—cod, salmon, herring, and seal—form the staple industry; the climate is more temperate than in Canada, although subject to fogs; St. John's (q.v.) is the

capital; discovered in 1497 by John Cabot, seized by the English in 1583, and finally ceded to Britain by the French (who retained certain fishing rights) in 1713; Newfoundland possesses a responsible government, consisting of a popularly elected Assembly and a Crown-appointed Governor, and exercises political rights over the adjoining coast territory of Labrador.

NEWGATE, a former dark, gloomy prison in London, the original of which dates as far back as 1218; was two centuries afterwards rebuilt, and destroyed in the great fire of 1666; rebuilt in 1770; demolished in 1904 and the Central Criminal Court built on its site.

NEWMAN, FRANCIS WILLIAM, man of letters, born in London, brother of the following, with whom he was wholly out of sympathy, and at the opposite pole; he was a theist in his religious opinions, and wrote in defence of them his principal works, "The Soul: Her Sorrows and Aspirations," and "Phases of Faith" (1805-1807).

NEWMAN, JOHN HENRY, cardinal, born in London, son of a banker; educated at Ealing, studied at Trinity College, Oxford, and obtained a Fellowship in Oriel College in 1823; trained in evangelical beliefs, he gradually drifted into High Church notions, and becoming vicar of St. Mary's, the university church of Oxford, in 1828, started the Tractarian Movement in 1833, and, busy with his pen, wrote no fewer than 24 of the celebrated "Tracts for the Times" in advocacy of High Church teaching, till Tract XC., which he composed, overrode the mark, and he resigned his connection with the Church of England, and was received into the Catholic Church on October 28, 1845; shortly after this he visited Rome, was ordained a priest, and after some stay there on his return became head of the Birmingham Oratory in 1849, where he spent over 40 years; was made a cardinal in 1879; the influence on Church matters which he exercised as university preacher at Oxford was very great, and made itself felt through his voluminous writings over the length and breadth of the Church; on his secession he continued to employ his pen in defence of his position, particularly in one work, now widely known, entitled "Apologia pro Vita Sua"; what he wrote was for the time he lived in, and little of it except certain of his hymns, notably "Lead, Kindly Light," and his poem, "The Dream of Gerontius," has long survived him (1801-1890).

NEWMHAM COLLEGE, a college for women at Cambridge, founded in 1875; since 1922 women have been admitted to the degree of B.A. of the University of Cambridge; there are over two hundred students.

NEWPORT, (1) capital of the Isle of Wight, and near its centre; in its vicinity is Carisbrooke Castle, where Charles I. was imprisoned. (2) The largest town in Monmouth, at the mouth of the Usk, engaged in manufacture of various kinds, but chiefly as a port for the export of minerals, which is very large. (3) A town in Rhode Island, U.S., a fashionable watering-place, as well as a manufacturing town; was for a time the residence of Bishop Berkeley.

NEWSPAPERS were first circulated in Italy in the 16th century, and the fee to readers was a *gazetta* (less than 2d. in value), hence the name of so many papers. In England news-letters and broadsheets became common early in the 17th century, and a *Weekly News* was published in London in 1622. The *London Gazette* was founded in 1665, the *Morning Post* in 1772, and the *Times* in 1788; out of London the oldest daily paper is the *Sheffield Daily Telegraph*.

NEWSTEAD ABBEY, an abbey near Nottingham, founded by Henry II. by way of atonement for the murder of Thomas à Becket, which was given at the dissolution of the monasteries to an ancestor of Lord Byron, who lived in it and sold it, since when it has been restored.

NEWTON, SIR ISAAC, illustrious natural philosopher, born in Woolsthorpe, near Grantham, in Lincolnshire; entered Trinity College, Cambridge, in 1661, where he applied himself specially to the study of mathematics, invented the method of fluxions (q.v.), and began to theorise on gravitation, graduating in 1667, and becoming professor of Mathematics

in 1669; falling at first, from a mistaken judgment given of the earth's diameter, in his attempt to establish the theory on gravitation as to the motions of the earth and moon, he set to the construction of telescopes, and discovered the composition of light; shortly after this, hearing of a correction of the measurement required, he renewed his study of gravitation, and made his theory good in a series of papers communicated to the Royal Society, though it was not till 1687, encouraged by Halley, that he gave the complete demonstration in his "Principia" to the world; in 1695 he was made Warden of the Mint, and afterwards Master, a post he held till his death; his works were numerous, and he wrote on prophecy as well as treatises on science (1642-1727).

NEWTON, JOHN, English clergyman, born in London; after a wild youth as sailor and slave-trader was converted, entered the Church, and became curate of Olney, where he became acquainted with Cowper, and had, owing to his severe Calvinism, an influence over him not altogether for good; was associated with the poet in the production of the "Olney Hymns"; wrote "Cardiphonia" (1725-1807).

NEWTON, THOMAS, English divine; edited Milton's "Paradise Lost" and "Paradise Regained," with notes, and wrote "Dissertations on the Prophecies" (1704-76).

NEY, MICHEL, peer and marshal of France, born in Saarlouis, son of a cooper; entered the army as a private hussar in 1797; distinguished himself by his bravery in the wars of the Revolution and the Empire, and earned for himself from the army under Napoleon, and from Napoleon himself, the title of the "Bravest of the brave"; on the emperor's abdication in 1814 he attached himself to Louis XVIII., but on Napoleon's return from Elba he joined his old master, and stood by him during the hundred days; on the second Restoration he was arrested, tried by his peers, and shot (1769-1815).

NGAMI, LAKE, a shallow sheet of water 50 m. long in S. Africa, on the borders of the Kalahari Desert, which is always changing its margin; is at one time, from the rains, sweet and drinkable, and at another time, from drought, saline; it is infested with crocodiles, and swarms with fish; was discovered by Livingston in 1849.

NIAGARA, a section of the St. Lawrence River, in N. America, extending between Lakes Erie and Ontario, having a descent throughout its course of 36 m. of 328 ft., the Falls, preceded and succeeded by rapids, being among the largest in the world; the Canadian or Horse Shoe Fall is 3000 ft. wide, with a descent of 158 ft., and the American Fall one-third of the width of the Canadian, with a descent of over 162 ft.

NIAM-NIAM, a people of the E. Sudan, SE. of Darfur, occupying territory between the basins of the Nile and the Congo; are mostly cannibals.

NIBELUNG, king of the Nibelungen, a mythical Burgundian tribe, the fabulous possessor of a hoard of wealth so inexhaustible that "twelve waggons in twelve days, at the rate of three journeys a day, could not carry it off"; this treasure he bequeathed to his two sons on his deathbed, by the vanquishing of whom the hoard fell into the hands of the redoubtable hero Siegfried.

NIBELUNGEN LIED (i.e. Lay of the Nibelungen), an old German epic, of date, it is presumed, earlier than the 12th century; it consists of two parts, the first ending with the murder of Siegfried by Hagen, his wresting of the hoard (see *supra*) from his widow, Kriemhild, and burying it at the bottom of the Rhine; and the second relating the vengeance of Kriemhild and the annihilation of the whole Burgundian race, Kriemhild included, to whom the treasure had originally belonged; to the latter part the name of the Nibelungen Not (or Distress) has been given.

NICARAGUA, the largest and richest of five republics occupying Central America, stretches across the isthmus from the Pacific to the Caribbean Sea, between Honduras (N.) and Costa Rica (S.); the Cordilleras traverse the heart of the country, and the immense valleys of the W. are remarkable for the two great southern lakes, Nicaragua and Managua, which are studded with volcanic islands; rich in gold,

silver, copper, and coal, with vast forests of mahogany, rosewood, &c., splendid pastures and a fertile soil; the country has through misgovernment and a bad climate remained in a backward state, but in recent times much has been done to remedy this; hides, bananas, coffee, and indiarubber are the chief exports, and a good deal of mining goes on; the great ship-canal from the Pacific to the Caribbean was opened in 1914; Managua is the capital; Nicaragua asserted its independence from Spain in 1821, and has since been rent by countless revolutions; a president and a congress of 48 administer its affairs.

NICE, or **NICEA**, an ancient city of Bithynia, in Asia Minor, celebrated as the seat of two oecumenical councils of the Church, the first, presided over by Constantine in 325, which condemned Arianism, and the second, under the Empress Irene in 787, which deliberated on image-worship.

NICE, capital of the department Alpes-Maritimes, France, charmingly situated on the Mediterranean coast near the Italian border; terraced hills shelter it on the N., and its genial and equable climate makes it a favourite winter resort; the Paigione, a small stream, divides the old and modern portion; Castle Hill, with ruins and pleasure gardens, the cathedral, art-gallery, &c., are features of interest; olive-oil is the chief export, and artistic pottery, perfumery, &c., are manufactured.

NICENE CREED, a creed established as orthodox at Nice (q.v.), which affirmed as against Arianism that Christ as Son of God was not merely of like substance, but of the same substance with the Father.

NICHOLAS, the name of five Popes: N. I., St., sur-named the Great, Pope from 858 to 867, asserted the supremacy of the papal see, Festival, Nov. 13; N. II., Pope from 1058 to 1061; N. III., Pope from 1277 to 1280; N. IV., Pope from 1288 to 1292; N. V., Pope from 1447 to 1456, after the capture of Constantinople by the Turks, took the exiled Greek scholars under his protection, fostered the learning of the East, and laid the foundation of the Vatican Library by the collection of over 5000 Greek and Latin MSS.

NICHOLAS, ST., the patron saint of boys, sailors, and of Russia and Aberdeen, as well as other towns; was bishop of Myra, persecuted under Diocletian; is generally represented in bishop's robes, and has either three purses or three children as his attributes; the three children and the three purses refer to one and the same story: St. Nicholas, on learning that a father who had three daughters was tempted by extreme poverty to expose them to a life of dishonour, went by night and threw into the window of the house three bags of money, which served as a marriage portion for each, and thus rescued them from a life of shame.

NICHOLAS I., czar of Russia, born in St. Petersburg, third son of Paul I., ascended the throne in 1825 in succession to Alexander I., his eldest brother; suppressed with rigour and not a little severity a formidable conspiracy which took form on his accession; took up arms against Persia and wrested Erivan from its sway, struggled against both the Poles and the Turks till his overbearing policy against the latter provoked a coalition of France, England, and Sardinia to their defence in the Crimean War, which was still going on when he died; in 1848 he aided Austria in the suppression of the Hungarian insurrection (1796-1855).

NICHOLAS II., czar of Russia. The eldest son of Alexander III., he had a short military career before succeeding to the throne in 1894. His reign saw the abolition of the last traces of serfdom, the growth of industrial and political unrest, the Great War, and the revolution. A weak monarch in the hands of his advisers, notably his cousin, the Grand Duke Nicholas (q.v.) and Rasputin (q.v.), he was powerless to stay the march of events. He was forced to abdicate in March, 1917, went to his estate in the Crimea, was arrested and sent to Tobolsk, and later to Ekaterinburg, where in July, 1918, he was executed, with his wife, formerly Princess Alix of Hesse, whom he had married in 1894, and other members of his family (1868-1918).

NICHOLAS, THE GRAND DUKE, Russian general. A cousin of Czar Nicholas II. (q.v.), he was twelve

years his senior; embarking on a military career, he secured the command of the Russian armies in 1914; in 1915 he took command in the Caucasus and conquered Turkish Armenia. At the revolution he was exiled to the Crimea, but was allowed to go to Italy in 1919 (1856-1920).

NICHOLSON, JOHN, an Indian officer, born in Dublin, son of a physician; served in the Sikh Wars, and at the outbreak of the Mutiny in 1857 in the Punjab helped to crush it in the bud; a brigadier-general, he led the attack at the siege of Delhi, Sept. 14; but fell mortally wounded as the storming party were entering the Kabul Gate (1821-1857).

NICHOLSON, WILLIAM, British artist. Born in Newark, he eventually achieved considerable reputation as a portrait and still-life painter (1872-).

NICKEL, a hard white metal, which is feebly magnetic and does not rust in air; it is used extensively for plating other metals and enters into the composition of many alloys, such as nickel silver and German silver; steel containing nickel is very tough and is used for certain engineering purposes; invar, steel with 35 per cent. of nickel, has a very small heat expansion and is used for pendulums.

NICOBAR ISLANDS, a group of picturesque islands in the Indian Ocean, S. of the Andaman Islands and midway between Ceylon and the Malay Peninsula; 14 of the 20 islands are inhabited, chiefly by indigenous Indians and Malays; after being in the hands of Denmark for upwards of 100 years, they were annexed by Britain in 1869; trade is carried on with India in coco-nuts, ambergris, tortoise-shell, &c.

NICOLAÏTANS, a sect of heretics that arose in the Apostolic Church, presumed to have been a party of professing Christians of Gentile descent, who, after their profession, continued to take part in the heathen festivals, and to have contributed to break down the distinction between the Church and the world.

NICOLÉ, PIERRE, French divine and moralist, born in Chartres, a Port-Royalist (q.v.), friend of Arnauld and Pascal; was along with the former author of the famous "Port Royal Logic" (1625-1695).

NICOLL, SIR WILLIAM ROBERTSON, British writer. Ordained a Nonconformist minister in 1874, he took over in 1886 the editorship of the *British Weekly*, and exerted considerable influence on Liberal and Nonconformist thought; he also produced books on religion and literature (1851-1923).

NICOTINE, an alkaloid present in the tobacco plant.

NIEBUHR, BARTHOLO GEORG, distinguished historian, born in Copenhagen, son of the succeeding; studied at Kiel, and for a time at London and Edinburgh; after various civil appointments in Denmark, entered the civil service of Prussia in 1806; on the establishment of the university of Berlin in 1810 gave in connection with it a course of lectures on Roman history, by which he established his reputation as a historian, several of the conclusions of which he afterwards confirmed during his residence as ambassador at the Papal Court at Rome from 1816 to 1823; the revolution of the three days of July, 1830, in Paris threatening, as he thought, a recurrence of the horrors of the first, gave him such a shock that he sickened of it and died; by his treatment of the history of Rome he introduced a new era in the treatment of history generally, which consisted in expiscating all the fabulous from the story and working on the residuum of authenticated fact, without, however, as would appear, taking due account of the influence of the faith of the people on the facts, and the effect of the latter on the life and destiny of the nation whose history it was his purpose to relate (1776-1831).

NIEBUHR, KARSTEN, a celebrated traveller, born in Hanover; joined a Danish expedition in exploration of Arabia, and alone of the members of it returned home, which he did by way of Persia, Palestine, and Cyprus, and wrote an account of the results of his researches (1733-1815).

NIEL, ADOLPHE, French marshal, born in Muret; entered the Engineers 1825, served in the Algerine War in 1835, before Rome in 1849, at Bomarsund in 1854, at Sebastopol in 1856, as well as at Magenta

and Solferino, and finally became Minister of War (1802-1809).

NIEPCE, JOSEPH NICÉPHORE, French chemist, born in Châlons-sur-Saône; inventor of photography, the method of effecting which he achieved after long brooding in 1824, and afterwards communicated to Daguerre, with whom he entered into partnership, and who made it known after his death (1765-1833).

NIEZSCHÉ, FRIEDRICH, German writer and philosopher. At the age of 25 he became a professor at Basel, was compelled to resign ten years later on account of his health, and in 1900 he died after ten years of insanity. His most famous work, "Thus Spake Zarathustra," had a tremendous influence on German literature and national thought with its advocacy of the super-man, and its doctrine that strength alone is admirable and weakness the only vice, a doctrine that found sufficient followers in his country to lead to the disaster of the Great War (1844-1900).

NIFLHEIM, or **Mist-Home**, in the Norse mythology the primeval northern region of cold and darkness, in contrast with **Muspelheim**, or **Bright-home**, the primeval southern region of warmth and light, the two poles, as it were, of the Norse world.

NIGER, a great river of Western Africa, whose headwaters rise amid the Kong Mountains behind Sierra Leone; flowing N.E. as far as Fimbucoo (2 m. from the river), it then bends gradually southward, receives from the E. its great affluent the Benue, and about 100 m. from the coast begins to form a wide forest and jungle-covered delta (larger than that of the Nile), and finally flows into the Gulf of Guinea by 22 mouths after a course of some 2600 m. Forms, with the Benue, an invaluable highway into the heart of the country; its upper and middle parts, under the name **Joliba**, are within the French sphere, and the lower portion below Say is under English authority.

NIGERIA extends along the Right of Benin, from Dahomey to the Cameroons, and has an area of 336,000 sq. m. and a population of 18½ millions. Its capital is Lagos, from which it has a railway to Kano, 705 m. long, and another line runs from Port Harcourt to the Udi coalfields, which are being largely developed, the coal being of good quality. Among its exports, which are mainly agricultural, is tin, which comes from mines and from dredgings in the rivers.

NIGHTINGALE, FLORENCE, a famous philanthropic nurse, born in Florence, of wealthy English parentage; at the age of 22 entered the Institution of Protestant Deaconesses at Kaiserswerth to be trained as a nurse, and afterwards studied the methods of nursing and hospital management with the Sisters of St. Vincent de Paul, Paris; after thoroughly reorganizing Harley Street Hospital, London, in 1854 she volunteered to organise a staff of nurses to tend the wounded soldiers in the Crimea; arriving at Scutari on the eve of Inkermann during the terrible winter of 1854-1855, she ministered with unwearied devotion to the suffering soldiers; on her return in 1856 she established, with public support, a training college for nurses at St. Thomas's and at King's College Hospital; she was author of "Notes on Nursing," "Notes on Hospitals," &c. (1820-1910).

Nihilism, the principles of a movement on the part of the educated classes in Russia which repudiated the existing creed and organisation of society, and insisted on a root-and-branch wholesale abolition of them and a reconstruction of them on communist principles, and for the purely secular and everyday ends of common life, subordinating every thing in the first place to the feeding, clothing, and lodging of human beings in a manner worthy of their rank in the scale of being. The term **Nihilism** is also applied to those philosophical systems which sweep the course clear of all incredibilities and irrationalities, but leave us bare of all our inherited spiritual possessions.

NILNI-NOVGOROD, capital of a Russian province of the same name, situated at the confluence of the Oka with the Volga, 274 m. E. of Moscow, for years the seat of Peter-Paul's Fair, the greatest in the world, from July to September, attracting merchants from Asia and Europe.

NILE, the longest river of Africa, and one of the most noted in the world's history; the **Shimru**, **Ianna**, and other streams which flow into **Victoria Nyanza** from the S. are regarded as its ultimate headwaters; from **Victoria Nyanza**, the **Victoria Nile** or **Somerset River** holds a north-westerly course to **Albert Nyanza**, whence it issues under the name of the **Bahr-el-Jebel**, swelled by the waters of the **Semliki** from **Albert Edward Nyanza**; about 650 m. N. it is joined by the **Bahr-el-Ghazal** from the W., and bending to the E., now under the name **White Nile**, receives on that side the **Sobat**, and as a sluggish navigable stream flows past **Fashoda** on to **Khartoum**, where it is met by the **Bahr-el-Azrak** or **Blue Nile**; 200 m. lower it receives the **Atbara** or **Black Nile**. Through Egypt the river's course is confined to a valley some 10 m. broad, which owes its great fertility to the alluvial deposits left by the river during its annual overflow (July to October, caused by seasonal rains in Abyssinia, &c.). From **Khartoum** to **Assuan** occur the cataracts; below this the stream is navigable. A few miles N. of **Cairo** begins the delta, which lies within the **Rosetta** and **Damietta**—two main branches of the divided river—and is some 150 m. broad at its base. From **Victoria Nyanza** to the coast the river measures about 3400 m.

NILSON, CHRISTINE, an operatic singer, born in Sweden, daughter of a peasant, and one of the foremost sopranos of her day; distinguished for her dramatic talent no less than by her powers as a vocalist (1843-1882).

NIMEGUEN, an interesting old Dutch town in **Guelderland**, on the **Waal**, 73 m. E. of **Rotterdam**; has a fine 13th-century Gothic church and other notable buildings; its prosperous manufactures include tobacco, perfume, beer, &c.; here, in 1678-1679, France effected famous peace treaties with **Holland**, **Spain**, and **Austria**.

NIMES, or **NISMES**, capital of the department of **Gard**, S. of France, lies surrounded by the **Cevennes** in the fertile valley of the **Vistre**, 31 m. E. of **Montpellier**; has unique Roman remains, including an imposing amphitheatre, now used as a bull-arena, the noble Corinthian "Maison Carrée," a mausoleum, baths, &c.; textiles (silk, cotton, &c.), wines, and brandy are the chief articles of manufacture; it declared for the Reformation in 1559, and suffered cruelly on the Revocation of the **Edict of Nantes**.

NIMROD, an early king of **Amyria** or **Babylonia**, characterised in Scripture (**Gen. x. 9**) as "a mighty hunter before the Lord"; a name now applied to a distinguished hunter.

NINE WORTHIES. The nine worthies were **Hector**, **Alexander**, and **Julius Cæsar**, who were pagans, **Joshua**, **David**, and **Judas Maccabeus**, who were Jews, and **King**; **thurs**, **Charlemagne**, and **Godfrey de Bouillon**, who were Christians. The **Nine Worthies** of London, according to **Richard Johnson**, who wrote "The Seven Champions of Christendom," were **Sir William Walworth**, **Sir Henry Pritchard**, **Sir William Sevenoke**, **Sir Thomas White**, **Sir John Benham**, **Christopher Croker**, **Sir John Hawkwood**, **Sir Hugh Calverley**, and **Sir Henry Mauleverer**.

NINETEEN-SIXTEEN REBELLION, a serious anti-British rising in **Dublin**; organised by **Blum Foin** with German assistance, it broke into open armed rebellion on April 24, 1916, and stern measures had to be taken by the British military authorities before it was suppressed.

NINEVEH, a great city, capital of ancient **Amyria**, which stood on the left bank of the **Tigris**, opposite the modern town of **Mosul**, said to have been included within a wall 60 m. long, 100 ft. high, the breadth of three chariots in width, and defended by 1500 towers each 200 ft. in height. See **NAKUR**.

NINIAN, ST., early apostle of Christianity to the southern **Picts** of Scotland, born on the shores of the **Solway**, of noble descent; went to Rome, was consecrated by the Pope, visited **St. Martin** at **Tours** on his way back; had founded a church at **Whithorn**, **Wigtownshire**, which he dedicated to **St. Martin** on his return, and died there, "perfect in life and full of years," in 432.

NINUS, a legendary king of **Amyria**, a celebrated conqueror, to whom tradition assigns the founding of **Nineveh**.

NIOBE, in the Greek mythology the daughter of Tantalus, and wife of Amphion, king of Thebes, to whom she bore six sons and six daughters, in her pride of whom she rated herself above Leto, who had given birth to only two children, Apollo and Artemis, whereupon they, indignant at this insult to their mother, gave themselves for nine days to the slaughter of Niobe's offspring, and on the tenth the gods buried them; Niobe, in her grief, retired to Mount Sipylon, in Lydia, where her body became cold and rigid as stone, but not her tears, which, ever as the summer months returned, burst forth anew.

NIPPON, or **NIHON**, the native name for Japan.

NIRVANA, the name given to the consummation of bliss in the Hindu, but especially the Buddhist, religious, synonymous with extinction, which in the Hindu creed means the extinction of individuality by absorption in the Divine Being, and in Buddhism, not, as some presume, the extinction of existence, but the extinction of agitation of mind through the crucifixion of all passion and desire, the attainment of self-centred, self-sufficient quiescence of being, or rest and peace of soul.

NISUS, a Trojan youth who accompanied Aeneas into Italy, and whose friendship for Euryulus is so pathetically immortalized by Virgil in the ninth book of the "Æneid."

NITHEADLE, WILLIAM MAXWELL, EARL OF, a noted Catholic, who took part in the Jacobite rising of 1715, was captured at Preston, found guilty of treason, and sentenced to death: the night before the day appointed for his execution (February 24, 1716) he effected an escape from the Tower by exchanging clothes with his daring and devoted countess, who had been admitted to his room; he fled to Rome, where he lived in happiness with his wife until her death (1676-1744).

NITRE, or saltpetre, nitrate of potash found as a mineral and used as a fertiliser; it is one of the constituents of gunpowder; a similar substance, nitrate of soda, is known as Chile saltpetre, on account of the large deposits found in that country.

NITROGEN, the gaseous element which constitutes about four-fifths of the air; all forms of life need nitrogen for the building up of proteins; animals are dependent upon the proteins already formed in the food, and all plants, except the bean family, can only build them up from nitrogen compounds in the soil, which sooner or later become exhausted, so that the soil has to be treated with fertilisers; in recent years the supplies of mineral nitrates have shown signs of exhaustion and methods have been devised for producing nitrogen compounds from the free nitrogen in the atmosphere.

NITROGLYCERINE is formed by the action of nitric acid on glycerine; it explodes violently on detonation and is used for the manufacture of dynamite, blasting gelatine, and cordite, &c.

NITROUS OXIDE, a gas prepared by heating ammonium nitrate; used by dentists as an anæsthetic; also known as "laughing gas."

NITZSCH, KARL EMMANUEL, German theologian, born in Borna; became professor at Bonn, Saxony, in 1822, whence in 1847 he was removed to succeed Marheineke at Berlin; was of the Schleiermacher school of theologians, and author, among other works, of a "System der Christlichen Lehre" and "Practischen Theologie," the latter in evidence of the importance the author attached to the ethical element in the Christian religion (1787-1868).

NIVELLE, ROBERT GEORGES, French general. Born in Tulle, he joined the army in 1878, served in Tunisia, Algeria, and China, and in 1914 took command of an artillery Regiment in Alsace; he took part at the Aisne, at Verdun in 1916, and in the same year succeeded Joffre as commander-in-chief; after heavy French losses in 1917 he was transferred to N. Africa (1856-1924).

NIXIE, in German folklore a water-sprite of a mischievous disposition, believed to have been suggested to the imagination by the reflection of the stars in the water.

NIZAM, the name given to a viceroy or administrator of justice in the Mogul Empire of India.

NIZAM'S DOMINIONS, **THE**, or Hyderabad, in the heart of the Deccan, situated between the Central

Provinces and the Presidency of Madras; it is highly fertile, and the largest of the native States in India. See **HYDERABAD**.

NOAH, the patriarch of Scripture antiquity who, by the command of God, constructed an ark for the preservation of the human race and the dry-land animals during the prevalence of the deluge that would otherwise have swept all these forms of life away.

NOAILLES, the name of an old French family, several members of which distinguished themselves in the service of both Church and State: Anne Jules St., marshal of France, celebrated for his cruelties against the Huguenots (1650-1708); Louis Antoine de, his brother, archbishop of Paris, who was made cardinal (1651-1729); Louis Marie, Vicomte de, deputy to the States-General, who took part for a time in the Revolution (1756-1804).

NOAKES, JOHN O', a fictitious name for a litigious person, used by lawyers in actions of ejectment.

NOBEL, ALFRED, Swedish chemist, famous for his work on explosives; invented dynamite and nitroglycerine; died a millionaire; in his will left a sum of 1½ millions to found five annual prizes to be awarded to the most outstanding man or woman in physics, chemistry, medicine, literature, and peace (1833-1896).

NOBEL PRIZES, awards made annually for excellence in several branches of learning and also for the promotion of peace, founded by Alfred Nobel (q.v.); of value over £8000 each, the prizes are open to men and women of every nationality and are awarded by the Swedish Academies of Science and Literature, the Stockholm Faculty of Medicine and the Norwegian Storting.

NOBLE, UMBERTO, Italian general and aviator who with Amundsen, in 1925, undertook a North Polar airship voyage; in 1928 in a second voyage he attempted in the airship *Italia* to reach the Pole, succeeded in flying over it, but was forced down on the ice and rescued after a month's privation; Amundsen lost his life attempting to locate the airship from an aeroplane.

NOBLE, a gold coin first minted by Edward III., formerly current in the country; worth 6s. 8d., and ultimately 10s., when the value of the gold increased.

NOCTURNE, picture of a night scene; also a musical piece appropriate to the night.

NODES, name given to the two points in the orbit of a planet or moon where it crosses or intersects the ecliptic, called ascending when it goes N., and descending when it goes S.

NODIER, CHARLES, able French littérateur, born in Hesaucon; a man of great literary activity and some considerable literary influence; author of charming stories and fairy tales, including a novel, "Tribby" (1822) (1780-1844).

NOLLEKENS, JOSEPH, sculptor, born in London, son of an Antwerp painter; studied in Rome; his *forte* lay in busts, of which he modelled a great many, including busts of Garrick, Sterne, Dr. Johnson, Pitt, and Fox, and realised thereby a large fortune; he was a man of no education; his principal work is "Venus with the Sandal" (1737-1823).

NOMINALISM, the name given to the theory of those among the Scholastics who maintained that general notions, which we denote by general terms, are only names, empty conceptions without reality, that there was no such thing as pure thought, only conception and sensuous perception, whereas realists, after Plato, held by the objective reality of universals. And, indeed, it is not as modern philosophy affirms, in the particular of the individual, in which alone, according to the Nominalists, reality resides, but in the universal, in regard to which the particular is nothing if it does not refer.

NONCONFORMISTS, a name originally applied to the clergy of the Established Church of England, some two thousand, who in 1662 resigned their livings rather than submit to the terms of the Act of Uniformity passed on August 24 that year, and now applied to the whole Dissenting body in England.

NONES, in the Roman calendar the ninth day before the Ides (q.v.), being the 7th of March, May, July, and October, and the 5th of the rest.

NONJURORS, a name given to that section of the Episcopal party in England who, having sworn fealty to James II., refused to take the oath of allegiance to William III., six of whom among the bishops for their obstinacy were deprived of their sees.

NO-POPEY RIOTS, name given principally to riots in London in June, 1780, due to the zeal of Lord George Gordon (q.v.), ending in the death of some 800 persons.

NORDENSKIÖLD, NILS ADOLF ERIK, BARON, a Swedish naturalist, born in Helsinki; after several successive voyages and explorations in the Arctic Sea, in which he paid frequent visits to Spitzbergen, where he measured an arc of the meridian, in 1878-1879 he discovered the North-East Passage by traversing, along the N. shores of Europe and Asia, the whole Arctic Sea from the Atlantic to the Pacific; he wrote accounts of his expeditions (1882-1901).

NORDKYN (i.e. north chin), the most northerly point in Norway, and of the continent of Europe generally.

NORE, MUTINY AT THE, a mutiny in the fleet stationed at the Nore, an anchorage off Sheerness, in the Thames, which broke out on May 20, 1797, and was not suppressed till June 15, for which the ringleaders were tried and hanged; the mutiny arose from alleged grievances—bad food, insufficient pay and official tyranny—on the part of the seamen, but is believed to have been fostered by revolutionary agents.

NORFOLK, an eastern maritime county of England, lies N. of Suffolk, and presents a long eastern and northern foreshore (90 m.) to the North Sea; the Wash lies on the NW. border; light fertile soils and an undulating, well-watered surface favour an extensive and highly developed agriculture, of which fruit-growing and market-gardening are special features; rabbits and game abound in the great woods and sand-dunes; the chief rivers are the Ouse, Bure, and Yare, and these and other streams form in their courses a remarkable series of inland lakes known as the Broads (q.v.); its antiquities of Roman and Saxon times are many and peculiarly interesting.

NORFOLK ISLAND, a small precipitous island in the Western Pacific, midway between New Caledonia and New Zealand, 400 m. NW. of the latter; its inhabitants, many of whom came from Pitcairn Island, and now number fewer than 1000, govern themselves under the superintendence of New South Wales.

NORMAN ARCHITECTURE, a massive architecture introduced into England, particularly in the construction of churches, abbeys, &c., by the Normans even before the Conquest, which was in vogue in the country till the end of Henry II.'s reign, and which is characterized by the prevalence of the rounded arch.

NORMANDY, an ancient province of France, fronting the English Channel, NE. of Brittany; received its name from the Normen who, under Rollo, established themselves there in the 10th century; was for a long time an appanage of the English crown after the Norman Conquest; after being taken and retaken, was finally lost to England in 1450; it became practically a part of France when it was taken by Philip Augustus in 1204; it is now represented by the five départements Seine-Inférieure, Eure, Orne, Calvados, and Manche.

NORNIR, or NORNE, in the Norse mythology the three Fates—the Past, the Present, and the Future; maidens or dames who water the roots of Yggdrasil (q.v.), the ash-tree of existence, and determine the destinies of both gods and men.

NORRKÖPING (i.e. north market), a town in Sweden, called the "Scandinavian Manchester," 113 m. SW. of Stockholm, with cotton and woollen factories worked by the power of the river Motala, that in falls and rapids rushes through the town.

NORROY KING OF ARMS, a name given to the third king-of-arms, whose province is on the N. side of the Trent, the one on the S. side being called Clarenceux.

NORTH, FREDERICK, LORD, English statesman; entered Parliament in 1754, became Tory leader

in the House of Commons in 1767, and Prime Minister in 1770; was entirely subservient to the will of the king, George III., and was responsible in that relation for the loss of the American colonies; a coalition was effected in 1783 between him and Fox, to the disgrace of the latter, but it soon terminated; he died, Earl of Guilford, blind (1789-1793).

NORTH AUSTRALIA, a portion of the Northern Territory separated from South Australia in 1911 and since 1926 administered by a Government Resident appointed under the Commonwealth; has an area of 287,050 sq. m., extending S. from Central Australia to the Arafura Sea on the N.; bounded on the W. by Western Australia and on the E. by Queensland; principal industries agriculture, cattle-raising and pearling; peanut-growing is being developed; gold and other minerals are mined; chief town, Darwin.

NORTH BERWICK. See **BERWICK, NORTH**.

NORTH CAPE, with Nordkyn (q.v.), the most northerly point in Europe, in the island of Magerø, in 71° N. latitude.

NORTH CAROLINA. See **CAROLINA, NORTH**.

NORTH SEA, between the E. coast of Britain and the Continent, spreads out into the Arctic Ocean, is shallow, is crossed by many sandbanks, and is subject to frequent violent storms; the Dogger Bank, between England and Denmark, is to 16 fathoms deep, is rich in fish, especially cod.

NORTH-EAST and NORTH-WEST PASSAGES, the name given to the sea-routes through the Arctic Ocean, the former by the N. of Europe and Asia and the latter by the N. of North America, which the northern nations were ambitious to open up into the Pacific, the access to which by the Capes in the S. was in possession of the fleets of Spain and Portugal; the attempts to achieve it cost much money and much life, and realised no permanent material advantage.

NORTH-WEST PROVINCES, a province and lieutenant-governorship of British India, embraces the upper portion of the Ganges Valley and Doab, and reaches from Bengal to the Punjab, enclosing Oudh on all sides but the N.; area twice that of England; is the chief wheat province, and also raises opium, cotton, tea, and sugar; was separated from Bengal in 1856, and with it in 1877 was conjoined Oudh; Allahabad is the capital.

NORTHALLERTON, the principal market-town of the North Riding of Yorkshire, 30 m. NW. of York; in the vicinity was fought the famous Battle of the Standard, in which David I. of Scotland was routed by the English, August 22, 1138.

NORTHAMPTON, county town of Northamptonshire, on the Nen, 66 m. NW. of London; has two fine old Norman churches, is the centre of the boot and shoe manufacture, and is actively engaged in brewing, lace-making, &c.; in the outskirts is a popular racecourse; was the scene of Henry VI.'s defeat by the Yorkists on July 10, 1460.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE, or NORTHANTS, a midland county of England, bordering upon nine others; has an undulating fertile surface, and is distinguished from the surrounding counties by extensive woods and plantations; is chiefly engaged in agriculture and stock-raising; the Nen and the Welland are the principal rivers; among its antiquities are Fotheringay Castle, where Mary Stuart was beheaded, and Burleigh House; the battles of Edgecote (1469) and Naseby (1645) were fought within its borders.

NORTHCOTE, ALFRED HARMSWORTH, 1ST VISCOUNT, British newspaper proprietor. Founding the *Daily Mail* in 1896, he was the pioneer of the modern popular paper with news told shortly and presented attractively for the busy reader. Later he acquired the *Times* for some years, and also owned the *Evening News* and the *Weekly Dispatch*, besides a number of periodicals. He was made a baronet in 1904, a baron in 1905, and a viscount in 1917, in which year he went on a mission to America. In 1918 he took office under the Coalition as Director of Propaganda (1896-1922).

NORTHOTE, JAMES, English portrait-painter; studied under Sir Joshua Reynolds, whose life he wrote, as well as Titian's; wrote also "Fables" and "Conversations" (1746-1831).

NORTHCOTE, SIR STAFFORD HENRY. See **IDDES-LEIGH, LORD.**

NORTHERN IRELAND, an area consisting of the cities of Belfast, Londonderry and Armagh, and the counties of Antrim, Armagh, Down, Fermanagh, Londonderry, and Tyrone. Granted Home Rule in 1920, it is governed by a Governor-General, Senate, and House of Commons, and sends 18 representatives to the Imperial House of Commons. Belfast is the capital, and the chief industries are agriculture, shipbuilding, flax-spinning, linen-making, and distilling. The province contains nearly all the Protestants of Ireland.

NORTHMEN, or NORSEMEN, the name given in the Middle Ages to the sea-roving, adventure-loving inhabitants of Norway, Sweden, and Denmark; in their sea-rovings they were little better than pirates, but they had this excuse, their home was narrow and their lands barren, and it was a necessity for them to sail forth and see what they could plunder and carry away in richer lands; they were men of great daring, their early religion definable as the consecration of valour, and they were the terror of the quieter nations whose lands they invaded; at first their invasions were mere raids for plunder, but at length they were satisfied with nothing less than conquest and the permanent occupancy of the lands they subdued, settling some of them on the shores of England and France, and even in the S. of Italy; these invasions were common and frequent during the whole of the 9th and the early part of the 10th centuries; according to their sagas they were the first Europeans to visit America.

NORTHUMBERLAND, the most northerly county of England, lies on the border of Scotland, from which it is separated by the Cheviots and the Tweed; its eastern shore, off which lie the Farne Islands, Lindisfarne, and Coquet Isle, N. of Durham, fronts the North Sea; it is fifth in size of the English counties; in the N. the Cheviot slopes form excellent pasturage, but the Pennine Range towards the W. presents dreary and less valuable moorland; on the W. are arable lowlands; Tweed, Tyne, Till, Alne, Wansbeck, are the chief rivers. Its great coalfield in the S.E. is the most celebrated in the world, and is the county's greatest source of wealth, and includes upwards of 100 collieries; Newcastle, Alnwick (county town), Hexham, and North Shields are the principal towns. Within its borders were fought the battles of Otterburn, Homildon Hill, and Flodden.

NORTHUMBRIA, one of the ancient English kingdoms; comprised the eastern half of the island from the Humber to the Firth of North, and was divided into the Northern Bernicia and the Southern Deira; was founded in 547 by Ida the Angle.

NORTHWICH, a town in Cheshire, with springs in and around of brine, from which salt has been procured for centuries.

NORTON, CHARLES ELIOT, American litterateur, born in Cambridge, Massachusetts; travelled a good deal in Europe; edited, with Lowell, the *North American Review* and the early *Letters of Carlyle*, as well as the "Reminiscences," which had been too carelessly edited by Froude (1827-1908).

NORTON, MRS., English novelist and poet, *née* Sheridan, granddaughter of Richard Brinsley Sheridan, authoress of "Stuart of Dunleath," "Lost and Saved," &c., described by Lockhart as "the Byron of poetesses," figures in Meredith's "Diana of the Crossways" (1808-1877).

NORWAY, a kingdom of North Europe, comprising the western side of the Scandinavian peninsula, and separated from Sweden on the E. by the Kjölen Mountains; the Arctic and Atlantic Oceans beat upon its long and serrated western seaboard, forcing a way up the many narrow and sinuous fiords; Sogne Fiord, the longest, runs into the heart of the country 100 m.; off the northern coast lie the Lofodens, while the Skerries skirt the E. The country forms a strip of irregular and mountainous coastland 1160 m. long, which narrows down at its least breadth to 26 m.; 70 per cent. of the surface is uncultivable, and 24 per cent. is forest; the lakes number 80,000, of which Lake Wenner (2136 sq. m.) is the largest; immense glaciers are found in the

great mountain barrier, and innumerable rivers run short and rapid courses to the Atlantic and to the Skager-Rak in the S.; the Glommen, flowing into Christiania Fiord, is the largest (400 m.). The climate of the W. coast districts is tempered by the Gulf Stream drift; inland there is a decrease in the rainfall, but much intenser cold is experienced. The wealth of the country lies in its forests and fisheries, mines and shipping; only 2 per cent. of the land-surface is under cultivation, and 2·8 per cent. is utilised for grazing; the copper, iron, and silver mines are declining. Oslo or Christiania, (the capital) is the centre of the industrial area. The Norwegians are intensely democratic (titles and nobility were abolished in the year 1821), and although under a king (Haakon VII), they enjoy democratic home rule, no members of the Storting (Parliament) being paid. Education is free and compulsory, and the bulk of the people are Lutherans. The monetary unit is the *Krone* (= 1s. 1½d.). Norway, originally inhabited by Lapps and Gothic tribes, was first united by Harold Haarfager (A.D. 863-930), and subsequently welded into a Christian kingdom by his descendant St. Olaf (1015). From 1536 it was held as a conquered province by Denmark up to 1814; in that year it was joined to Sweden, but the union came to an end in 1905.

NORWICH, (1) an ancient cathedral city and county town of Norfolk, on the Wensum. Immediately above its junction with the Yare, 114 m. N.E. of London; its beautiful woodland surroundings have won it the name of "the city in an orchard"; chief of its many fine buildings is the cathedral, a handsome Norman structure, founded in 1096; of the old Norman castle only the keep now stands, crowning a central hill; its celebrated triennial musical festivals began in 1824; textile fabrics are still an important manufacture, but have been superseded in importance by mustard, starch, footwear, and ironware factories; has been a bishopric since 1094. (2) Capital of New London County, Connecticut, on the Thames River, 36 m. S.E. of Hartford.

NORWOOD, a southern suburban district of London, at one time the locality of a gypsy encampment.

NORWOOD, REV. FREDERICK WILLIAM, theologian. Born and educated in Australia, he held various ministries there, came to Europe in the Great War as chaplain to the Australian Imperial Forces, and in 1919 became minister of the City Temple.

NOSTRADAMUS, a celebrated astrologer, the assumed name of Michel de Notredame, born in St. Remy, Provence; was a medical man by profession, but gave himself to divination, uttered in rhymes in a series of published predictions called "Centuries" (1503-1566).

NOTABLES, THE, name given to certain actual or virtual rulers of the different districts of France, consisting of men of different ranks, summoned together in a time of civic perplexity and trouble to advise the king, and especially the convocation of them convened at the instance of Controller Colonne, and that assembled at the Château de Versailles on February 22, 1787, to the number of a "round grose," including seven princes of the blood, who were "organised out" nine weeks afterwards, their debates proving ineffectual, to be recalled on November 6 the year following, to "vanish ineffectual again on December 12, and return no more."

NOTARY PUBLIC, a professional person appointed to certify to a formality required by law as observed in his presence.

NOTE DAME, celebrated metropolitan church of Paris, situated on the "Île de la Cité"; its erection was begun in 1163 on the site of a prior Merovingian cathedral, which itself had superseded a pagan temple on the spot, and completed, at least the general ensemble of it, in 1230.

NOTTINGHAM, county town of Nottinghamshire, on the Trent, 126 m. N.W. of London; spacious and well-built, with an arboretum, castle (now an art gallery), two theatres, university college, free library, old grammar-school, racecourse, &c.; is the centre of lace-making and hosiery in England, and manufactures cottons, silks, bicycles, cigars,

needles, beer, &c.; a fine granite and iron bridge spans the river.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE, a north-midland county of England, lies wedged in between Lincoln (E.) and Derby (N.), and touches York on the N.; embraces the broad, level, and fruitful valley of the Trent, Sherwood Forest, and Wolds in the S.; excepting the Vale of Belvoir in the E., part of the Wolds, and the Valley of the Trent, the land is not specially productive; coal and iron ore are found. The principal towns, Nottingham, Newark, Mansfield, &c., are busily engaged in the manufacture of all kinds of lace, hosiery, and various woollen goods; ironfounding is also carried on.

NOUMENA, the philosophical name for realities, as distinct from phenomena, which are regarded as but the appearances of reality.

NOVA SCOTIA, a province of Canada, lies E. of New Brunswick, facing the Atlantic, which, with its extensions, Bay of Fundy and Gulf of St. Lawrence, all but surrounds it; consists of a peninsula (joined to New Brunswick by Chignecto Isthmus) and the island of Cape Breton, separated by the Gut of Canso; area equals two-thirds of Scotland, short rivers and lakes abound; all kinds of cereals (except wheat) and root-crops are grown in abundance, and much attention is given to the valuable crops of apples, pears, plums, and other fruits; gold, coal, iron, &c., are wrought extensively; manufactures and dairy-farming are increasing; the fisheries (mackerel, cod, herring, salmon, &c.) and timber forests are the chief sources of wealth; the province is well opened up by railways; government is in the hands of a lieutenant-governor, an executive council (9), and a legislative assembly (38); Halifax (q.v.) is the capital; climate varies in temperature from 20° below zero to 98° in the shade, fogs prevail in the coast-land; was discovered in 1497 by Cabot, formed a portion of French Acadie, and finally became British in 1713.

NOVA ZEMBLA, a long and narrow island (sometimes classified as two islands), the Arctic Ocean, between the Kara Sea and Barents Sea, 600 m. by 60 m.; the Matochkin Shar, a narrow winding strait, cuts the island into two halves; belongs to Russia, but is not permanently inhabited; is visited by seamen and hunters.

NOVALIS, the *nom de plume* of Friedrich von Hardenberg, a German author, born in Wiedersdorf, near Mansfeld, one of the most prominent representatives of the Romantic school of poets, author of two unfinished romances entitled "Heinrich von Ofterdingen" and "Lehrlinge zu Sala," together with "Geistliche Lieder" and "Hymnen an die Nacht"; was an ardent student of Jacob Boehme (q.v.), and wrote in a mystical vein, and was at heart a mystic of deep, true feeling; pronounced by Carlyle "an anti-mechanist—a deep man, the most perfect of modern spirit seers"; regarded, he says, "religion as a social thing, and as impossible without a church" (1772–1801). See Carlyle's "Miscellanies."

NOVATIAN, a priest of the Church in Rome, a convert from paganism, who in the third century took a severe view of the conduct of those who had lapsed under persecution, particularly the Decian, and insisted that the Church, having no power to absolve them, could not, even on penitence, readmit them, in which protest he was joined by a considerable party named after him Novatians, who continued to trouble the Church for centuries after his death, assuming the name of Cathari or purists.

NOVEMBER, the eleventh month of the year, so called by the Romans, in whose calendar it was the ninth.

NOVOGOD, a noted Russian city, and capital of a province of the same name, is situated on the Volkhof, 110 m. S.E. of Leningrad; is divided into two parts by the bridged river, contains the cathedral of St. Sophia (11th century); with its foundation in 864 by Rurik, a Scandinavian prince, Russian history begins; was by the 12th century a free State, but in 1471 was put down by the Muscovite Czar Ivan III.; the province of Novgorod lies E. of Leningrad, embraces the Valdai plateau and hills, is chiefly forest land, and includes some 3000 lakes.

NOX, the Latin for "night," and the name of the "goddess of night." See NYX.

NOYADES, drownings superintended during the Belan of Terror at Nantes by the attorney Carrier, and effected by cramming some 90 priests in a flat-bottomed craft under hatches, and drowning them in mid-stream after scuttling the boat at a signal given, followed by another in which some 138 persons suffered like "sentence of deportation"; of these drownings there are said to have been no fewer than 25.

NOYES, ALFRED, British poet. Born in Staffordshire and educated at Oxford, he published his first verse in 1902, which he followed with many other volumes; "A Tale of Old Japan" is his best-known poem; he also wrote some plays, short stories, and biographies (1880–).

NUBIA, a large and ill-defined region of North-East Africa, lies between Egypt (N.) and Abyssinia (S.), and stretches from the Red Sea (E.) to the desert (W.); is divided into Lower and Upper Nubia, Dongola being the dividing point; Nubia has in recent times rather fallen under the wider designation of Egyptian Sudan; except by the banks of the Nile the country is bare and arid desert; climate is hot and dry, but quite healthy.

NUMA POMPILIUS, the second king of Rome and the successor of Romulus, its founder, born in Cures, in the Sabine country, and devoted himself to the establishment of religion and laws among his subjects and the training of them in the arts of peace, in which, according to the legend, he was assisted by a nymph Egeria (q.v.), who lived close by in a grotto, and to whom he had ever and anon recourse for consultation; he was long revered in the Roman memory as the organizer of the State and its civil and sacred institutions, and his reign was long and peaceful, lasting from 716 to 673 B.C.

NUMANTIA, an ancient Spanish town on a steep height on the Douro, celebrated for the heroic defence maintained by its inhabitants against the Romans, till from the thinning of its defenders by starvation and the sword it was taken and destroyed by Scipio Africanus in 134 B.C.

NUMBERS, BOOK OF, the fourth book of the Pentateuch, and so called from the two numberings of the people, one at the beginning and the other at the close of the period it embraces; it covers a period of 38 years, and continues the narrative from the departure of the camp of Israel out of the wilderness of Sinai to its arrival on the borders of Canaan, and relates an account of the preparations for the march, of the march itself, and of the preparations for the conquest.

NUMIDIA (i.e. land of Nomads), ancient country in North Africa, nearly coextensive with Algiers, the inhabitants of which were of the Berber race, were brave but treacherous, and excelled in buccannery; sided at first (1) the Carthaginians in the Punic Wars (q.v.), and finally with Rome, till the country itself was reduced by Caesar to a Roman province.

NUMISMATICS, the name given to the study and science of coins and medals.

NUMITOR, a legendary king of Alba Longa, in Italy, and the grandfather of Romulus and Remus.

NUNEATON, a thriving market-town of Warwickshire, on the river Anker and the Coventry Canal, 22 m. E. of Birmingham; has a Gothic church; cotton, woollen, and worsted spinning is the chief industry; was the scene of George Eliot's education.

NUR ED-DIN, MAHMOUD, sultan of Syria, born in Damascus; the extension of his empire over Syria led to the Second Crusade, preached by St. Bernard; compelled the Crusaders to raise the siege of Damascus, which he made his capital; called to interfere in the affairs of Egypt, he conquered it, and made it his own, a sovereignty which Saladin (q.v.) disputed, and which Nur ed-Din was preparing to reassert when he died (1171–1176).

NUREMBERG, an interesting old Bavarian town on the Pegnitz, 95 m. N. of Munich, is full of quaint and picturesque mediæval architecture in fine preservation; has valuable art collections, a large library, and a museum; is noted for the production of watches, toys, wood, metal, bone carvings, beer, and chemicals, and exports large quantities of hops; was made a free imperial city in 1219, and retained independence up to 1806.

NUTATION, name given to a slight oscillatory motion of the celestial pole of period 19 years; it is due to the effect of the moon upon the precessional motion of the earth's axis.

NYANZA, ALBERT. See **ALBERT NYANZA.**

NYANZA, VICTORIA. See **VICTORIA NYANZA.**

NYASA, LAKE. lake in East Africa, feeds the Zambesi; is 350 m. long by 40 broad, at an elevation of 1570 ft., and was discovered by Livingstone in 1859; the waters are sweet, and abound with fish; the regions bordering it on the S. and W. are called Nyasaland.

NYASALAND, a region in East Africa under British protection, lying round the shores of Lake Nyasa, the chief town of which is Blantyre; it is known also as the British Central Africa Protectorate, the administration being in the hands of a commissioner acting under the Foreign Office; there are plantations of sugar, coffee, tobacco, &c., and almost the entire trade is with Britain.

NYĀYA, the name of one of the six principal systems of Hindu philosophy, which is devoted to the dialectics or metaphysics of philosophy.

NYMPHS, in the Greek mythology maiden divinities of inferior rank, inhabiting mountains, groves, seas, fountains, rivers, valleys, grottoes, &c., under the several names of Oceanides (q.v.), Nereids (q.v.), Naiads (q.v.), Oreads (q.v.), Dryads (q.v.), &c.; they are distinguished by their grace and fascinating charms.

NYNEE TAL, a place of resort in the summer season and a sanatorium in the North-West Provinces of India, 22 m. S. of Almora, 6521 ft. above sea-level.

NYX (i.e. Night), in the Greek mythology the goddess of night, the daughter of Chaos (q.v.), and the sister of Erebus (q.v.), one of the very first of created beings, the terror of gods, and by Erebus became the mother of Æther, pure light, and Hemera, daylight, as well as other entities of note.

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OAKHAM, county town of Rutland, 17 m. E. of Leicester, in the centre of a fine wheat country; has an old church, a grammar-school founded in 1584, and a castle mostly in ruins; manufactures boots and hosiery, and carries on malting.

OAKLAND, on the E. coast of the Bay of San Francisco, 41 m. across from San Francisco city, is the capital of Alameda County, California, a beautiful city with tree-lined streets, surrounded by vineyards and orchards; it has a home of the adult blind of the State, manufactures of textile and iron goods, and fruit-canning industries, and is the terminus of the Southern Pacific Railroad.

OAKS, **THE**, one of the three great classic races in England, run at Epsom; established by the 12th Earl of Derby in 1779 for fillies of 3 years old.

OAKUM, name given to fibres of old tarry ropes sundried by teasing, and employed in caulking the seams between planks in ships; the teasing of oakum was an occupation for prisoners in jails.

OASES, fertile spots in a desert due to the presence of springs or water near at hand underground; met with in the deserts of North Africa, Arabia, and Gobi.

OATES, **LAWRENCE EDWARD GRACE**, British explorer. An army captain who was wounded in the Boer War, he joined Scott's Antarctic expedition in 1910, and was a member of the final party that reached the Pole. On March 17, 1912, Oates, who had been taken ill and feared the party might wait for him, deliberately walked from the tent into the blizzard. Scott commented in his diary, "It was the act of a very gallant gentleman" (1890-1912).

OATES, **TITUS**, fabricator of a Popish plot for the overthrow of the Protestant faith in England, the allegation of which brought to the block several innocent men; rewarded at first with a pension and safe lodgment in Westminster Hall, was afterwards convicted of perjury, flogged, and imprisoned for life, but at the revolution was set at liberty and granted a pension of £300 (1649-1705).

OBADIAH, a Hebrew prophet who appears to have lived about 588 B.C., shortly after the destruction of Jerusalem, at which the Edomites had assisted, and whose prophecy was written to assure the exiles in Babylon that the judgment of God had gone forth against Edom, and that with the execution of it Israel would be restored.

OBAN, a modern town situated in the W. of Argyllshire, on a landlocked bay opening off the Firth of Lorne; is the capital, sometimes called the "Queen," of the Western Highlands, and a fashionable tourist resort; it has excellent railway and steamboat communications, and has near it two ruined castles, an ancient cave dwelling, and much beautiful scenery; Dunstaffnage Castle is 4 m. to the N. of it, where the early Scottish kings used to be crowned.

OBRAH, or **OBI**, the black art as practised by the witch-doctors and sorceresses of the West Indies and portions of West Africa; another name for ju-ju and voodoo worship (q.v.).

OBED, in the Eastern Sudan, 220 m. SW. of Khartoum, is the capital of Kordofan; was the scene in November, 1898, of the annihilation by the forces of the Mahdi, after three days' fighting, of an Egyptian army under Hicks Pasha and other English officers; its trade consists of ivory, gold, feathers, and gum.

OBELISK, a tall four-sided pillar, generally monolithic, tapering to a pyramidal pointed top, erected in connection with temples in Egypt, and inscribed all over with hieroglyphs, and in memorial, as a rule, of some historical personage or event; ancient obelisks were mostly in pairs.

OBERSAMERGAU, a small village in Bavaria, 45 m. SW. of Munich; famed for the Passion Play performed there by the peasants, some 500 in number, every ten years, which attracts a great many

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spectators to the spot; the play was instituted in 1634 in token of gratitude for the abatement of a plague.

OBERLIN, **JEAN FRIEDRICH**, a benevolent Protestant pastor, born in Strasburg; laboured all his life at Ban de la Roche, a wild mountain district of Alsace, and devoted himself with untiring zeal to the spiritual and material welfare of the people, which they rewarded with their pious gratitude and warmest affection; was the earliest founder of infant schools (1740-1828).

OBERON, the king of the fairies, and the husband of Titania.

OBI, a river and, with its tributaries, great water highway of West Siberia, which rises in the Altai Mountains, and after a course of 2120 m. falls into the Arctic Ocean.

OBI. See **OBEAH**.

OBJECTIVE, a philosophical term used to denote that which is true universally apart from all merely private sense or judgment, and finds response in the universal reason, the reason that is common to all rational beings; it is opposed to subjective, or agreeable to one's mere feelings or fancy.

OBLATES, the name given to an organisation of secular priests living in community, founded by St. Charles Borromeo at the end of the 16th century, who are ready to render any services the bishop may require of them.

OBOE, a treble-sounding musical instrument of the reed class, to which the bassoon is reckoned the base.

OBOLUS, a small coin, worth about a penny, according to a custom among the Greeks placed in the mouth of a corpse at burial to pay to Charon to ferry the ghost of it over the Styx.

OBREGON, **ALVARO**, Mexican politician. He first came into prominence in 1912, taking sides against Orozco's rebellion, and in 1914 he commanded the Constitutional army in support of Carranza against Villa. After the murder of Carranza he became President in 1920, holding office for four years. Soon after being elected again in 1928 he was assassinated (1880-1928).

O'BRIEN, **WILLIAM SMITH**, Irish patriot; entered Parliament in 1826; sat for Limerick from 1835 to 1843, when he joined the Repeal Association under O'Connell, but separated from it; joined the physical force Young Ireland party, and became the head; attempted an insurrection, which failed, and involved him in prosecution for treason and banishment for life; a free pardon was afterwards granted on promise of abstaining from all further disloyalty; he died at Bangor, in North Wales (1808-1864).

OBSCURANTIST, name given to an opponent to modern enlightenment as professed by the devotees of modern science and philosophy.

OBSIDIAN, a hard, dark-coloured rock of a glassy structure found in lava, which breaks with conchoidal fracture.

O'CASEY, **SEAN**, Irish dramatist. Born in Dublin, he received no education, and worked as a builder's labourer, on the railway, and as a navvy. Among his plays, which are mainly realistic studies of Dublin life, especially of the civil war period, are "Juno and the Paycock," "The Plough and the Stars," and "The Silver Tassie."

OCCAM, or **OCCHAM**, **WILLIAM OF**, an English Scholastic philosopher, born in Ockham, Surrey, surnamed *Doctor Inevincibilis*; was a monk of the order of St. Francis; studied under Duns Scotus (q.v.), and became his rival, and a reviver of Nominalism (q.v.) in opposition to him, by his insistence on which he undermined the whole structure of Scholastic dogmatism, that is, its objective validity, and plunged it in hopeless ruin, but cleared the way for modern speculation and its grounding of the Objective (q.v.) on a surer basis (1280-1347).

OCEANA, an imaginary commonwealth described by James Harrington (1611-1697) in which the project of a doctrinaire republic is worked out; also a book of Froude's on the English colonies.

OCEANIA, the name given to the clusters of islands, consisting of Australasia in the S., Malaysia in the E. Indian Archipelago, and Polynesia in the N. and E. of the Pacific.

OCEANIDES, the nymphs of the Ocean, all daughters of Oceanus, some 8000 in number.

OCEANUS, or **OCEANOS**, in the Greek mythology the great world-stream which surrounds the whole earth, and is the parent source of all seas and streams, presided over by a Titan, the husband of Tethys, and the father of all river-gods and water-nymphs. He is the all-father of the world, as his wife is the all-mother, and the pair occupy a palace apart on the extreme verge of the world.

OCHILS (i.e. the heights), a range of hills lying NE. and SW. between the valleys of the Forth and Tay; reach their highest point in Ben Cleuch (2363 ft.), near Strirling; the range is 24 m. long by 12 broad, and affords pasture for black-faced sheep; of the peaks of the range Dunmyat is the most striking, as Ben Cleuch is the highest.

OCHINO, **BERNARDINO**, an Italian monk, born in Siena; after 40 years' zeal in the service of the Church, embraced the Reformed doctrine; fled from the power of the Inquisition to Geneva; took refuge in England; ministered here and there to Italian refugees, but was hunted from place to place; died at last of the plague in Moravia (1487-1564).

OCHTERLONY, SIR DAVID, British general, born in Boston, U.S., of Scottish descent; entered the Indian army; distinguished himself in the war against the Goorkhas; was made a baronet, and received a pension of £1000 for his services; a monument to his memory stands in the Maidan Park, Calcutta (1759-1825).

OCKLEY, SIMON, Orientalist, became professor of Arabic; wrote a "History of the Saracens," part of it in a debtors' prison; died in indigence (1678-1720).

O'CONNELL, DANIEL, Irish patriot, known as the "Liberator," born near Cahirciveen, co. Kerry; educated at St. Omer, Douay, and Lincoln's Inn; was called to the Irish bar in 1798, and was for twenty-two years a famous and prosperous practitioner on the Munster circuit; turning to politics, he became leader of the Catholics in 1811, his object being the removal of the Catholic disabilities; the Catholic Association of 1823 was organised by him, which he induced the priesthood to join, and awakened irresistible enthusiasm throughout the country; the electors now began to vote independently, and O'Connell was returned for Clare in 1828; the House refused to admit him; but so strong, and at the same time so orderly, was the agitation in Ireland, that in 1829 the Catholic disabilities were removed, and O'Connell, returned again for Clare, took his seat in the House of Commons; next year he represented Waterford in the new Parliament, and subsequently Kerry, Dublin, Kilkenny, and Cork; he now formed a society for promoting the repeal of the Union, which survived several suppressions, and reappeared under different names; but in spite of his exertions in the House and in the country the cause languished, till, in 1843, as Lord Mayor of Dublin, he carried a resolution in its favour in the City Council; but now under the pressure of less experienced agitators, his monster meetings and other proceedings began to overstep legal limits, and in 1844 he, with six of his supporters, was indicted for raising sedition; he was sentenced to a year's imprisonment and a fine of £2000, but the sentence was set aside in 14 weeks; by this time the Young Ireland party had broken away from him, the potato famine came, he was conscious of failure, and his health was broken; he died on his way to Rome, at Genoa; a man of great physical strength and energy, and a master of oratory, he gave himself unselfishly to serve his country, sacrificing a legal practice worth £7000 a year, honestly administering the immense sums contributed, and spending his private means for his cause; with an undeniable taint of meane-

ness, violence, and scurrility in his nature, he was yet a man of independent and liberal mind, an opponent of rebellion, loyal to his sovereign, a great and sincere patriot (1775-1847).

O'CONNOR, THOMAS POWER, British politician. He started his career as a journalist in 1867, entered Parliament in 1880 as an Irish Nationalist, and retained the party label after the Irish question had been disposed of. He became Father of the House of Commons, but never gave up his journalistic work, founding and editing the *Star* among other papers (1848-1929).

OCTAVIA, the sister of Augustus, a woman distinguished for her beauty and her virtue; was married first to Marcellus, and on his death to Mark Antony, who forsook her for Cleopatra, but to whom she remained true, even on his miserable end, nursing his children by Cleopatra together with her own; one other grief she had to endure in the death of her son Marcellus (q.v.) by her former husband, the destined successor of Augustus on the throne; d. 11 B.C.

OCTOBER, the tenth month of the year so called (i.e. the eighth) by the Romans, whose year began in March.

ODDFELLOWS, the name of several friendly societies. The Independent Order of Oddfellows, Manchester Unity, is the largest and most important of the number. It has been the pioneer in many important movements of the kind, and several of the provisions now compulsory on all societies it observed of its own accord prior to their enactment; the actuarial tables compiled from its statistics in 1845 by its secretary, Henry Radcliffe, are still a standard work. There are also the Grand United Order of Oddfellows and the National Independent Order of Oddfellows.

ODER, an important German river, rises in Moravia, and crossing the frontier flows NW. through Silesia, and N. through Brandenburg and Pomerania 550 m. into the Stettiner Haff and so to the Baltic. On its banks stand Rastlin, where navigation ends, Breslau, Frankfurt, and Stettin; it receives its chief tributary, the navigable Warthe, on the right, and has canal communication with the Spree and the Elbe.

ODESSA, on the Black Sea, 25 m. NE. of the mouth of the Dniester, is the fourth largest city of Russia, and the chief southern port and emporium of commerce. It exports large shipments of wheat, sugar and wool; imports cotton, groceries, iron, and coal, and manufactures flour, tobacco, machinery, and leather. It is well fortified, and though many of the poor live in mean hovels, is a fine city, with a university, a cathedral, and a public library. It was a free port from 1817 till 1857. The population includes many Greeks and Jews.

ODIN, or **WODEN**, the chief god of the ancient Scandinavians, combined in one the powers of Zeus and Ares among the Greeks, and was attended by two black ravens—Hugin, mind, and Munin, memory, the bearers of tidings between him and the people of his subject-world. His council chamber is in Asgard (q.v.), and he holds court with his warriors in Valhalla (q.v.). He is the source of all wisdom as well as all power, and is supposed by Carlyle to have been the delineation of some one who incarnated in himself all the characteristic wisdom and valour of the Scandinavian race; Frigg was his wife, and Balder and Thor his sons. See Carlyle's "Heroes."

ODO, bishop of Bayeux, brother of William the Conqueror, fought by his side at Hastings; after blessing the troops, was made Earl of Kent, and appointed governor of the kingdom during William's absence in Normandy; had great influence in State affairs all along, and set out for the Holy Land, but died at Palermo (1032-1096).

ODOACER, king of the Heruli, who overthrew the western empire of Rome, dethroned Augustulus, and became emperor himself; Zeno, the emperor of the East, enlisted Theodoric of the Ostrogoths against him, who made a treaty with him to be joint ruler of the kingdom of Italy, and assassinated him in 493.

O'DONNELL, LEOPOLD, Spanish soldier and politician, born, of Irish descent, in Santa Cruz, in Tenerife; entered the army, and attached himself to the cause of Queen Isabella, on whose emergence

from her minority in 1843 he was made Governor of Cuba; there he enriched himself by trading in slaves, and returning to Spain threw himself into politics; he joined Espartero's cabinet in 1854, and two years later supplanted him as chief minister; he commanded in the Moorish war of 1858, and was created Duke of Tetuan after the capture of that city; he was again Prime Minister till 1866, and died in exile at Bayonne (1809-1867).

ODYSSEY, an epic poem by Homer relating the ten years' wanderings of Ulysses (Odysseus) after the fall of Troy, and his return at the end of them to his native kingdom of Ithaca. See **ULYSSES**.

OEOLAMPADIUS, JOANNES, one of the leaders of the Reformation, born in Welshburg, in Württemberg; became preacher at Basel, assisted Erasmus in his edition of the New Testament, entered a convent at Augsburg, came under Luther's influence and adopted the reformed doctrine, of which he became a preacher and professor, embracing in particular the views of Zwingli (1482-1531).

EDIPUS, a mythological king of Thebes, son of Laius and Jocasta, and fated to kill his father and marry his mother; unwittingly slew his father in a quarrel; for answering the riddle of the Sphinx (*q.v.*) was made king in his stead, and wedded his widow, by whom he became the father of four children; on discovery of the incest Jocasta hanged herself, and Edipus went mad and put out his eyes.

OEHLenschläger, ADAM GOTTLÖB, great Danish poet, born in Copenhagen; his poems first brought him into notice and secured him a travelling pension, which he made use of to form acquaintanceship with such men as Goethe and his literary confrères in Germany, during which time he commenced that series of tragical or northern subjects on which his fame chiefly rests, which include "Hakon Jarl," "Correggio," "Palmstoke," &c.; his fame, which is greatest in the North, has spread, for he ranks among the Danes as Goethe among the Germans, and his death was felt by the whole nation (1779-1850).

OEHLER, GUSTAV, learned German theologian, professor at Tübingen, eminent for his studies and writings on the Old Testament (1812-1872).

OEIL-DE-BŒUF (*i.e.* ox-eye), a large reception-room in the palace of Versailles, lighted by a window so called, which gave its name in French history to the French Court, particularly during the Revolution period.

OEHLAND, an island off the S.E. coast of Sweden, 55 m. long and about 10 m. broad; has good pasture ground, and yields alum; the fisheries are valuable.

ŒNONE, a nymph of Mount Ida, near Troy, beloved by and married to Paris, but whom he forsook for Helen; is the subject of one of Tennyson's poems.

ØRSTED, HANS CHRISTIAN, a Danish physicist; was professor of Physics in Copenhagen, the discoverer of electro-magnetism, of the compressibility of water, and the metal aluminium; did much to popularise science in a volume entitled "The Soul in Nature" (1777-1851).

ØSEL, a marshy, well-wooded Estonian island at the mouth of the Gulf of Riga, in the Baltic, 45 m. long and 25 m. of average breadth; has some low hills and precipitous coasts; Arensburg, on the S.E. shore, is the only town; Danish from 1559, the island passed to Sweden in 1645 and to Russia in 1721; the wealthier classes are of German descent.

OFFA'S DYKE, an entrenchment and rampart between England and Wales, 100 m. long, extending from Flintshire as far as the mouth of the Wye; said to have been thrown up by Offa, king of Mercia, about the year 780, to confine the marauding Welsh within their own territory.

OFFENBACH, JACQUES, a musical composer, born in Cologne, of Jewish parents, creator of the *opera bouffe*; was the author of "La Belle Héloïse," "Orphée aux Enfers," "La Grande Duchesse," "Madame Favart," and "Les Contes d'Hoffmann" (1819-1880).

OFFERTORY, in the Roman Catholic Church a portion of the liturgy chanted at the commencement of the eucharistic service, also in the English the part of the service read during the collection of the alms at communion.

OFFERTINGER, HEINRICH VON, a famous Minnesinger (*q.v.*) of the 15th century.

OGHAM, or OGAM, an alphabet of 20 letters in use among the ancient Irish and Celts, found carved on monumental stones in Ireland, Wales, Cornwall, and the North of Scotland.

OGIER THE DANIEL, a paladin of Charlemagne; returned to France after two hundred years, according to legend, to defend the country against the Jafynims, after which he was transported again to the fairy land of Avalon.

OGLETHORPE, JAMES EDWARD, English general, born in London; served in the Marlborough wars, sat in Parliament for several years, conceived the establishment of a colony for debtors in prison, and founded Georgia; afterwards fought against the Pretender, and died in Essex (1696-1785).

OGOWE, a West African river, 600 m. long, rises in the Akukula plateau, and following a semi-circular course northward and westward enters the Atlantic by a delta at Cape Lopes, its course lying wholly within French Congo territory; in the dry season its volume is much diminished, and its many sandbanks prevent its navigation except by small boats.

OGPU, the Russian secret police service under the Soviet government.

O'GROAT'S HOUSE, JOHN. See **JOHN O'GROAT'S HOUSE**.

OGYGES, a Boeotian autochthon, the legendary first king of Thebes, which is called at times Ogygia, in whose reign a flood, called the Ogygian after him, inundated the land, though some accounts make it occur in Attica.

OGYGLA, a mythological island of Homeric legend, situated far off in the sea, and the home of the sorceress Calypso (*q.v.*).

O'HIGGINS, BERNARDO, son of a vicar of Peru, of Irish descent; as dictator in Chile was successful in driving out the Spaniards (1776-1842).

O'HIGGINS, KEVIN CHRISTOPHER, Irish politician, who became Vice-President of the Irish Free State and Minister for Home Affairs in 1923, and who when Minister of Justice was assassinated in 1927 in Dublin while on his way to mass (1892-1927).

OHIO, a State of the U.S.A., a third larger than Scotland, stretches northward from the Ohio River to Lake Erie, between Pennsylvania and Indiana. It consists of level and undulating plains, on which are raised enormous crops of wheat and maize. Sheep-grazing and cattle-rearing are very extensive; its wool-clip is the largest in America. There are valuable deposits of limestone and freestone, and in output of coal Ohio ranks third of the States. The manufactures are very important; it ranks first in farm implements, and produces also wagons and textile fabrics. In the N. excellent fruit is grown. The capital is Columbus, the largest city is Cincinnati. Admitted to the Union in 1803, its boats among its sons four Presidents—Grant, Hayes, Garfield, and Benjamin Harrison.

OHIO RIVER, formed by the confluence of the Alleghany and the Monongahela, pursues a westward course of 1000 m., separating Ohio, Indiana and Illinois from West Virginia and Kentucky, and after receiving sundry tributaries joins the Mississippi, being the largest and, next to the Missouri, the longest of its affluents; it is navigable for the whole of its course; on its banks stand Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Louisville, and Madison.

OHM, the unit of electrical resistance, defined as the resistance of a column of mercury of specified size; an electro-motive force of one volt will send a current of one ampere through a resistance of one ohm.

OHM, GEORG SIMON, a German physicist, born in Erlangen; discovered the mathematical theory of the electric current, known as Ohm's Law, a law based on experiment, that the strength of the electric current is equal to the electro-motive force divided by the resistance of the wire (1787-1854).

ŒHNET, GEORGES, French novelist, born in Paris; author of a series of novels in a social interest, entitled "Les Batailles de la Vie" (1848-1918).

OIL CITY, on the Alleghany River, Pennsylvania, by rail 130 m. N. of Pittsburg, is the centre of a great oil trade and oil-refining industry; there are also engineer and boiler works; it suffered severely from floods in 1892.

OIL ENGINES, (1) internal combustion engines burning heavy oil instead of petrol, e.g. Diesel engines (q.v.); (2) ordinary steam engines (turbines, &c.) burning an oil fuel instead of coal, as installed on many modern large vessels.

OISE, river of France in a department of the name, rising in Belgium and flowing into the Seine. The French fought a battle here in August, 1918, in which General Mangin inflicted a defeat on the Germans.

OKA, a river of Central Russia, which rises in Orel and flows N., then E., then N. again, joining the Volga at Nizhny-Novgorod after a course of over 700 m., navigable nearly all the way on its banks are Orel, Kaluga, and Riazan; while Moscow stands on an affluent.

OKAPI, an animal of the giraffe species, but resembling an antelope, with zebra-like markings on the flanks and legs; was discovered in 1901 in Uganda by Sir H. Johnston.

OKEN, LORENZ, German naturalist; was professor first at Jena, then at Munich, and finally at Zurich, his settlement there being due to the disfavour with which his extreme political opinions, published in a journal of his called the *Frie*, were received in Germany; much of his scientific doctrine was deduced from a transcendental standpoint or by *a priori* reasoning; is mentioned in "Barbar" as one with whom Teufelsdröck in his early speculations had some affinity (1779-1851).

OKHOTSK, SEA OF, an immense sheet of water in Eastern Siberia, lying between the peninsula of Kamchatka and the mainland, with the Kurile Islands stretched across its mouth; is scarcely navigable, being infested by fogs.

OKLAHOMA, a State of the United States, stretching southward from Kansas to the Red River, with Texas on the W. and S. Arkansas on the E., is a third larger than Scotland, and presents a prairie surface crossed by the Arkansas, Cimarron, and Canadian Rivers, and rising to the Wichita Mountains in the S. There are many brackish streams; the rainfall is light, hence the soil can be cultivated only in parts. Ceded to the United States under restrictions by the tribes of the Indian Territory in 1866, there were various attempts by immigrants from neighbouring States to effect settlements in Oklahoma, which the Government frustrated by military interference, maintaining the treaty with the Indians till 1889, when it finally purchased from them their claim. At noon on April 22, 1889, the area was opened for settlement, and by twilight 50,000 had entered and taken possession of claims. The chief town is Oklahoma.

OKUMA, PRINCE SHIGENOBU, a Japanese, rose into office from the part he took in the Japanese Revolution of 1868, held in succession but resigned the office of Minister of Finance and of Foreign Affairs, organised the Progressive Party in 1881, and entered office again in 1890; formed in 1898 the first government for a time in Japan on a party basis agreeably to his idea. He was Prime Minister from 1914 to 1915; 1916 there was an unsuccessful attempt to assassinate him (1838-1923).

OLAF, ST., a Norwegian king; wrested the throne from Eric, and set himself to propagate Christianity by fire and sword, excited disaffection among his people, who rebelled and overpowered him with the assistance of Cnut of Denmark, so that he fled to his brother-in-law, Jaroslav of Russia; by his help he tried to recover the throne, but was defeated and slain, his body being buried in Trondheim; he was canonised in 1164, and is patron saint of Norway.

OLAU, the name of three early kings of Sweden and of five of Norway, who figured more or less in the history of their respective countries.

OLBERS, HERMANN, German astronomer, born near Bremen; discovered five of the comets and the two planetoids Pallas and Vesta, and advanced a new method for calculating the orbits of comets (1758-1840).

OLD BAILEY, the Central Criminal Court on the site of Newgate in London, for the trial of offences committed within a certain radius round the city; presided over by the Recorder and the Common Serjeant of London.

OLD CATHOLICS, a section of the Roman Catholic Church in Germany and Switzerland that first

announced itself in Munich on the declaration in 1870 of the dogma of the infallibility of the Pope, the prime movers in the formation of the protestation against this being Dr. Dollinger and Professor Friedrich, backed by 44 professors of the university; the movement thus begun has not extended itself to any considerable extent.

OLD DOMINION, THE, Virginia, so styled by Acts of Parliament prior to the Declaration of Independence.

OLD MAN OF THE MOUNTAIN, a name given to Hassan ben Sabbah, the founder in the 11th century of a formidable Mohammedan dynasty in Syria, whose residence was in the mountain fastnesses of the country, and whose following was known by the name of Assassins (q.v.).

OLD MAN OF THE SEA, a monster whom Sindbad the Sailor encountered on his fifth voyage, who fastened on his back and so clung to him that he could not shake him off till he made him drunk.

OLD MORTALITY, a character in Scott's novel of the name, the original of which was one Robert Paterson, who, as related of him, went about the country visiting the churchyards, and renewing the moss-covered tombs of the Covenanters (q.v.).

OLD NOLL, an epithet applied by his Royalist contemporaries to Oliver Cromwell.

OLD RED SANDSTONE, name given to the rocks laid down in Scotland and South Wales in Devonian (q.v.) times, to distinguish them from the New Red Sandstone of Triassic age; the fossils indicate that these deposits were laid down in inland seas.

OLDBUCK, JONATHAN, a whimsical character in Scott's novel "The Antiquary," a man devoted to the study and collection of old coins, but with an irritable temper, due to disappointment in a love affair.

OLDBURY, a busy manufacturing town in Worcestershire, 3 m. E. of Dudley, has chemical, iron, and steel works, and factories of various kinds.

OLDCASTLE, SIR JOHN, Lord Cobham, distinguished himself in arms under Henry IV. in 1411, embraced Lollardism, which he could not be prevailed on to renounce, though renounced with by Henry V.; was tried for heresies and committed to the Tower, but escaped to Wales; charged with abetting insurrection on religious grounds, and convicted, his body was hung in chains as a traitor, and in this attitude, as a heretic, burned to death in 1417; he was a zealous disciple of Wycliffe, and did much to disseminate his principles.

OLDENBURG, a German free state embracing three territories: (1) Oldenburg proper, the largest, is let into Hanover with its northern limit on the North Sea; it is a tract of moorland, sand-down, and fen, watered by the Weser, Hunte, and tributaries of the Ems; here is the capital, Oldenburg, on the Hunte, 30 m. NW. of Bremen, in the midst of meadows, where a famous breed of horses is raised; (2) Lübeck, lying in Holstein, N. of but not including the city of Lübeck; (3) Birkenfeldt, lying among the Hunderck Mountains, in the S. of Rhenish Prussia; independent since 1180, Danish 1667-1773, Oldenburg acquired Lübeck in 1803, and Birkenfeldt in 1815, when it was raised to the rank of grand-duchy.

OLDHAM, on the Medlock, 7 m. NE. of Manchester, is the largest of the cotton manufacturing towns round that centre; it has 300 cotton mills, and manufactures besides silks, velvets, hats, and machinery; there is a lyceum, and a school of science and art.

OLDYS, WILLIAM, bibliographer, was a man of dissolute life, the illegitimate son of a chancellor of Lincoln; he was librarian to the Earl of Oxford for 10 years, and afterwards received the appointment of Norroy king-of-arms; besides many bibliographical and literary articles, he wrote a "Life of Raleigh" and "The Harleian Miscellany" (1696-1761).

OLEFINES, a series of hydrocarbons, which burn with a luminous and smoky flame and easily combine with other substances; the simpler members, e.g. ethylene, are gases, whilst the more complex are liquids or solids.

OLERON, an island of France, in the Bay of Biscay, at the mouth of the Charente, 11½ m. long and from 3 to 7 broad, is separated from the mainland by a

shallow, narrow channel. Laws of Oléron, a code of maritime law that prevailed in the Middle Ages, regulating the trade in wine and oil.

OLGA, ST., a Scandinavian pagan princess, converted to Christianity and baptised as Helena; laboured for the propagation of the Christian faith among her subjects, was canonised after her death in 969, and is one of the saints of the Russian Church. Festival, July 21.

OLIGOCENE, name given to the division of tertiary rocks, lying above the eocene and below the miocene; the only rocks of this age in England overlie the eocene deposits of the Hampshire basin.

OLIGOCLASSE, a variety of felspar (q.v.).

OLIPHANT, LAURENCE, religious enthusiast and mystic, born in Cape Town; spent his boyhood in Ceylon, where his father was chief justice; early conceived a fondness for adventure, accompanied Lord Elgin to Washington as his secretary, and afterwards to China and Japan; became M.P. for the Stirling Burghs, mingled much in London society, contributed to *Blackwood*, and wrote "Piccadilly," pronounced by Mrs. Oliphant "one of the most brilliant satires on society ever published"; parliamentary life being new to him, he soon threw it up for life in a community with Harris at Lake Erie, U.S., whence, after two years' probation, he returned to resume life in the wide world; while in France during the Franco-German War, he married Alice l'Estrange; with her he went to Palestine, pitched his tent under the shadow of Mount Carmel, and wrote two mystical books under her inspiration (1829-1888).

OLIPHANT, MRS. MARGARET (nee Wilson), authoress, born in Wallyford, near Musselburgh, a lady of varied abilities and accomplishments, and distinguished in various departments of literature, began her literary career as a novelist and a contributor to *Blackwood*, with which she kept up a lifelong connection; her first work which attracted attention was "Passages in the Life of Mrs. Margaret Maitland," and her first success as a novelist was the "Chronicles of Carlingford"; she wrote on history, biography, and criticism, the "Makers of Florence, of Venice, of Modern Rome," "Lives of Dante, Cervantes, and Edward Irving, among other works, and was engaged on a narrative of the publishing-house of *Blackwood* when she died; her last days were days of sorrow under heavy bereavement (1829-1897).

OLIVAREZ, COUNT D', a Spanish statesman, born in Rome, where his father was ambassador; was the confidant and minister of Philip IV., and the political adversary of Richelieu; was one of the ablest statesmen Spain ever had, but was unfortunate in his conduct of foreign affairs (1587-1645).

OLIVER, a favourite paladin of Charlemagne, who, with Roland, rode by his side, and whose name has passed into the phrase, a "Roland for an Oliver," meaning one good masterstroke for another, such as both these knights never failed to deliver.

OLIVES, MOUNT OF, or MOUNT OLIVET, a ridge with three summits, stretching N. and S. E. of Jerusalem, in height 160 ft. above the city, 400 ft. above the intervening valley of Kedron, and 2682 ft. above the sea-level; so called as at one time studded with olive-trees; is celebrated as the scene of some of the most sacred events in the life of Christ.

OLLIVIER, EMILE, French statesman, born in Marseilles; bred for the bar, and eminent at it; became Prime Minister under Louis Napoleon in 1870; precipitated the country into a war with Germany, but returned in 1872, and devoted himself to literature; died at Geneva (1825-1876).

OLMÜTZ, a strongly fortified city in Moravia, an important centre of trade, and the former capital of the country; suffered severely in the Thirty Years' and the Seven Years' Wars.

OLNEY, a little town in Buckinghamshire, associated with the life of Cowper, and where he wrote, with John Newton, the "Olney Hymns."

OLYMPIA, a plain in a valley in Elis, on the Peloponnesus, traversed by the river Alpheus, the scene of the Olympic Games which were celebrated every fifth year in honour of Zeus; it was adorned with

temples (one to Zeus and another to Hera), statues, and public buildings.

OLYMPIAD, a name given to the period of four years between one celebration of the Olympic Games and another, the first recorded dating from 776 B.C.

OLYMPIAS, the wife of Philip II. of Macedonia, and mother of Alexander the Great; divorced by Philip, who married another, she fled to Epirus, and instigated the assassination of Philip and the execution of her rival; returned to Macedonia on the accession of her son, who always treated her with respect, but allowed her no part in public affairs; on his death she dethroned his successor, but, driven to bay in her defence afterwards, she was compelled to surrender the power she had assumed, and was put to death 316 B.C.

OLYMPIC GAMES, an international athletic meeting held every four years in a different country, and deriving its name from the ancient Greek contests held at Olympia (q.v.). The modern series started in 1896 at Athens. The Greek games were originally open only to competitors of pure Hellenic descent, and the reward of the victors was but a wreath of wild olive, though to this their fellow-citizens added more substantial honours; they consisted of foot and chariot races, and feats of strength as well as dexterity.

OLYMPUS, a mountain range in Greece, between Thessaly and Macedonia, the highest peak of which is 9750 ft.; the summit of it was the fabled abode of the Greek gods; it is clothed with forests of pine and other trees.

OM, a mystic word among the Hindus and Buddhists; presumed to be charged with some magic virtue, and used on solemn occasions as a sort of spiritual charm efficacious with the upper powers, and potent to draw down divine assistance in an hour of need.

OMAGH, on the Strule, 34 m. S. of Londonderry; in the county town of Tyrone; though a very ancient town it has been rebuilt since 1743, when it was destroyed by fire.

OMAHA, chief city of Nebraska, on the W. bank of the Missouri, 20 m. above the confluence of the Platte; is connected by a bridge with Council Bluffs on the opposite shore; it has many fine buildings, including colleges and schools; its silver-smelting works are among the largest in the world; it ranks third in the pork-packing industry, and has manufactures of linseed oil, boilers, and safes; an important railway centre; near it are the military headquarters of the Platte department.

OMAN, a territory of Arabia, lying along the shores of the Persian Gulf and the Arabian Sea, round the south-eastern end of the peninsula; has some stretches of very fertile country where there happens to be water for irrigation, but the coast is very hot and not healthy. The region is subject to the Sultan of Muscat, who is in turn a pensioner of the Anglo-Indian Government.

OMAR, the successor of Abu-Bekr, and the second Caliph, from 634 to 644; was at first a persecutor of the Faithful, but underwent in 615 a sudden conversion like Said, with a like result; was vizier of Abu-Bekr before he succeeded him; swept and subdued Syria, Persia, and Egypt with the sword in the name of Allah, but is accused of having burned the rich library of Alexandria on the plea that it contained books hostile to the faith of Islam; he was an austere man, and was assassinated by a Persian slave whose wrongs he refused to redress.

OMAR KHAYYAM, astronomer-poet of Persia, born in Nishapur, in Khorassan; lived in the latter half of the 11th century, and died in the first quarter of the 12th; wrote a collection of poems which breathe an Epicurean spirit, and while they occupy themselves with serious problems of life, do so with careless sportiveness. The burden of his songs assuredly is, as his translator says, "If not 'let us eat, let us drink, for to-morrow we die.'" His best-known work is the "Rubáiyát," which Edward Fitzgerald translated into English verse.

OMAR PASHA, general in the Turkish army, was born an Austrian, his proper name being Michael Lattas, and educated at the military school of Thurn; guilty of a breach of discipline, he ran away to Bosnia, turned Mohammedan, and hence-

forth threw in his lot with the Turks; he became writing-master to the Ottoman heir, Abdul-Medjid, and on the succession of the latter in 1839 was made a colonel; he was military governor of Lebanon in 1842, won distinction in suppressing rebellions in Albania, Bosnia, and Kurdistan, but his chief services were rendered in the Russian War; he successfully defended Kalafat in 1853, entered Bucharest in 1854, and defeated 40,000 Russians next year at Eupatoria in the Crimea; his capture of Cetinje, Montenegro, in 1862 was a difficult feat (1806-1897).

OMDURMAN, BATTLE OF, an engagement in which British and Egyptian troops, under the command of Colonel (afterwards Lord) Kitchener and Hector MacDonald, defeated the Khalifa's forces in Sept. 1898.

O'MEARA, BARRY EDWARD, a surgeon, born in Ireland, who accompanied Napoleon to St. Helena, and became his physician, having been surgeon on board the *Bellerophon* when the emperor surrendered himself; is remembered as the author of "A Voice from St. Helena; or, Napoleon in Exile," a book which from its charges against Sir Hudson Lowe created no small sensation on its appearance (1786-1856).

OMMIADAE, an Arab dynasty of 14 caliphs which reigned at Damascus from 661 to 750; helmshted by the Abbasides, they were under Abdul-Kahman I. welcomed in Spain, and established themselves in Cordova, where they ruled from 756 to 1031.

OMNIBUS, a public vehicle plying for hire on a fixed route at fixed fares; they were introduced into London by George Shillibeer in 1829, the idea being taken from Paris. Steam omnibuses were tried in 1833, and petrol-driven ones were introduced in 1904.

OMNIPRESENCE, an attribute of the Divine Being as all-present in every section of space and moment of time throughout the universe.

OMPHALE, a queen of Lydia, to whom Hercules was sold for three years for murdering Iphitus, and who so won his affection that he married her, and was content to spin her wool for her and wear the garments of a woman while she donned and wore his lion's skin.

OMSK, capital of Western Siberia, on the Om, at its confluence with the Irtysh, 1800 m. E. of Moscow; is within the area of Russian colonization, and has a military academy, Greek and Roman Catholic cathedrals, and large cattle trade.

ONEGA, LAKE, in the NW. of Russia, next to Ladoga the largest in Europe, nearly three times the size of Norfolk, being 140 m. long and 59 broad; has an irregular shore, deeply indented in the W., many inflowing rivers, but is drained only by the Swir, which flows for four months, there is busy traffic the rest of the year; navigation is promoted by canals, but hindered by many reefs; fish abound in the waters.

O'NEILL, EUGENE GLADSTONE, American dramatist. Born in New York and educated at Princeton and Harvard, he first took to commerce, then spent two years at sea, and produced his first play in 1914, "Anna Christie" and "The Emperor Jones," his best-known plays, had London productions; he deals largely with the oppressed classes, and especially with the colour problem (1888-).

ONOMATOPEA, formations of words resembling in sound that of the things or actions denoted by them.

ONTARIO, province of Canada, lies N. of the Great Lakes, between Quebec and Manitoba, and is three times the size of Great Britain; the surface is mostly undulating; there are many small lakes, and the chief rivers flow eastward to join the Ottawa; agriculture is the chief industry, enormous crops of wheat, maize, and other cereals are raised; stock-rearing and dairy-farming are important; the climate is subject to less extremes than that of Quebec, but the winter is still severe; there are rich mineral deposits, especially of iron, copper, lead and silver, petroleum, and salt; manufactures of agricultural implements, hardware, textiles, and leather are carried on; of the towns Toronto is the largest, Ottawa is the capital of the Dominion, Hamilton an important railway centre; the pro-

perity of the province is largely promoted by the magnificent waterways, lakes, rivers, and canals with which it is furnished. Founded by loyalists from the United States after the Declaration of Independence, the province was constituted in 1791 as Upper Canada, united to Quebec or Lower Canada in 1840, and received its present name on the federation of Canada in 1867; there are many colleges and universities; municipal and provincial government is enlightened and well organized; the prevalent religious faith is Protestant.

ONTARIO, LAKE, in area almost equal to Wales, is the smallest and easternmost of the five great lakes of the St. Lawrence Basin, North America; it lies between the province of Ontario, Canada, and New York State; receives the Niagara River in the SW., several streams on both sides, and issues in the St. Lawrence in the NE.; on its shores stand Hamilton, Toronto, and Kingston on the N., and Oswego on the S.; canals connect it with Lake Erie and the Hudson River, and it is a busy and always open highway of commerce.

ONTOLOGY, another name for metaphysics (q.v.), or the science of pure being, i.e. being at its living source in spirit or God, or Nature viewed as divine, especially as the ground of the spiritual in man and giving substantive being to him.

ONYX, a variety of agate or chalcedony, in which occur even layers of white and black or white and brown, sharply defined in good specimens; they come from India, and are highly valued for cameo-cutting.

OOLITIC, name given to a group of limestones of Jurassic age, e.g. building stone found in the Bath district.

OOSTERZEE, JAN JAKOB VAN, a theologian of the Dutch Church, born in Rotterdam; became professor at Utrecht, wrote several theological and exegetical works on evangelical lines (1817-1882).

OPAL, a variety of quartz, of which the finest kind, precious opal, is translucent, with blue or yellow tint, and when polished with a convex surface shows an admirable play of colours; it is found largely in Queensland, Mexico, Austria, and Guatemala.

OPEN, SESAME, the magic formula the pronunciation of which opened the robbers' stronghold in the "Arabian Nights."

OPERA, a drama set to music and acted and sung to the accompaniment of a full orchestra, of which there are several kinds, according as they are grave, comic, or romantic.

OPERA BOUFFE, an opera in an extravagant burlesque style, with characters, music, and other accompaniments to match; is the creation of Offenbach (q.v.), his more distinguished successors in this form of production being Lecocq, Hervé, and Strauss.

OPHELIA, the daughter of Polonius in "Hamlet" and in love with the Danish prince, but whose heart, from the succession of shocks it receives, is shattered and broken.

OPHIOLATRY. See **SERPENT WORSHIP**.

OPHIR, a region in the East of uncertain situation, frequently referred to in Scripture as a country from which gold and precious stones were imported.

OPHITES, a sect of Gnostics who regarded the serpent as a benefactor of the race in having persuaded Eve to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in disregard, or rather in defiance, of the warning of the God of the Jews.

OFIE, JOHN, English artist, born near Truro, Cornwall; began to learn his father's trade of carpenter, but turning to art went with Dr. Wadett to London in 1780; for a year he had phenomenal success as a portrait-painter; on the wane of his popularity he turned to scriptural and historical painting and to illustration; after being Associate for a year he was elected Academician in 1787; besides some lectures on art, he wrote a Life of Reynolds and other works; his wife, Amelia Ofie, attained some distinction as a novelist (1761-1807).

OPINICUS, a fabulous winged creature with the head of a griffin, the body of a lion, and the tail of a camel; a heraldic symbol, used as the crest of the Barber-Surgeons.

OPITZ, MARTIN VON, a German poet, born in Silesia; was much patronized by the princes of Germany; was crowned with laurel, and ennobled by Ferdinand II.; his poetry was agreeable to classic models, but at the expense of soul, though, to his credit it must be said, the German language and German poetry owe him a deep debt (1597-1639).

OPTUM, a mixture of alkaloids obtained from the juice of the poppy, containing morphine and narcotine as well as other alkaloids, and small quantities of mineral salts and organic acids; laudanum is a solution of opium in alcohol.

OPIMUM WAR, a war fought between Britain and China in 1840, following the destruction of British ships taking opium to China. The war ended in the ceding of Hong Kong and the Treaty Ports to Britain.

OPORTO, at the mouth of the Douro, 200 m. N. of Lisbon, the chief manufacturing city of Portugal, and second in commercial importance; is the headquarters of the trade in port wine; the industries include cloth, silk, hat, porcelain manufacture, tobacco, metal-casting and tanning; besides wine it exports cattle, fruit, cork, and copper. There are many old churches, schools, a library, and two picture-galleries.

OPPORTUNIST, name given to a politician whose policy it is to take advantage of, or be guided by, circumstances.

OPTICS, the science of the study of light, one of the branches of physics.

OPTIMISM, the doctrine or belief that in the system of things all that happens, the undesirable no less than the desirable, is for the best.

OPUS OPERATUM (i.e. the work wrought), a Latin phrase used to denote the spiritual effect in the performance of a religious rite which accrues from the virtue inherent in it, or by grace imparted to it, irrespective of the administrator.

ORACLES, in ancient times the source of divine revelation; are referred to in the Scriptures; among the Greeks the most famous were those at Olympia and Delphi, the latter being at the temple of Apollo.

ORAN, the busiest port in Algeria, is 260 m. W. of Algiers; it has a Roman Catholic cathedral, a mosque, a school, a college, and two castles, and exports esparto grass, figs, ore, and cereals.

ORANG-UTANG, an anthropoid ape native to the East Indies; less man-like than the gorilla or chimpanzee; is remarkable for the length of its arms, its stout legs, and long, reddish hair.

ORANGE FREE STATE, a province of South Africa, lying between the Vaal and the Orange Rivers, Griqualand West, and the Drakensberg Mountains; has an area nearly the size of England, with a healthy, temperate climate; undulating plains slope northward and southward, from which rise isolated hills called kopjes. The chief industries are the rearing of sheep, cattle, horses, and ostriches; coal-mining in the N. and diamond-mining in the S.W.; the exports comprise wool, hides, and diamonds. Founded by Dutch Boers from Natal, it was annexed by Britain in 1848, but granted independence in 1854. The capital, Bloemfontein, is connected by a railway with Johannesburg and with the Cape. Having made common cause with the South African Republic in the Boer War, it was annexed by Great Britain in 1900.

ORANGE RIVER, or **GARIEP**, chief river of South Africa, rises in the eastern highlands of Beaufortland, and flows 100 m. westward to the Atlantic, receiving the Vaal and the Caledon as tributaries, and having Cape Province on the S. bank and the Orange Free State, Griqualand West, Bechuanaland, and Namaqualand on the N.; a bar at the mouth and the aridity of its lower course make it unfit for navigation.

ORANGEMEN, a name given to an association of Protestants in Ireland instituted to uphold the Protestant succession to the crown, and the Protestant religion as settled at the Revolution of 1688; so called after William, Prince of Orange, on whose accession to the throne Protestantism was established; it became dormant for a time after its institution, but it showed very decided signs of life at political crises when Protestantism and the Union seemed in danger.

ORATORIO, a musical composition on a sacred theme, dramatic in form and associated with orchestral accompaniments, but without scenic accessories; it derives its name from the oratory of St. Philip of Neri at Rome, in which a composition of the kind was first performed, and was a musical development of the miracle plays (q.v.).

ORATORY, CONGREGATION OF THE, community of secular priests formed by St. Philip of Neri (q.v.), and bound by no religious vow, each one of which is independent of the others; it consists of novices, triennial fathers, decennial fathers, and a superior, their functions being to preach and hear confession.

ORCAGNA, a Florentine painter, sculptor, and architect, did several frescoes; was architect of the cathedral of Orvieto; his masterpiece a marble tabernacle in the church of Or San Michele, Florence (1329-1389).

ORCHARD, REV. WILLIAM EDWIN, theologian. Educated at a board school, he studied privately, went to Cambridge, and in 1904 was ordained; in 1911 he became minister of the King's Welsh House, London, a Congregational church; he wrote a number of religious books, "The New Catholicism," etc. (1877-).

ORCHARDSON, SIR WILLIAM QUILLER, English genre-painter, born in Edinburgh; his pictures are numerous, among the best and most popular being "The Challenge," "Her Mother's Voice," "On Board the Bellerophon," "Marriage de Convenance" (1835-1910).

ORCUS (i.e. place of confinement), another name for Hades, or the "World of the Dead"; also applied to the god of the nether world.

ORDAL, a test by fire, water, poison, weapon of battle, or the like, of the innocence or guilt of persons in appeal thereby to the judgment of God in default of other evidence, on the superstitious belief that by means of it God would interfere to acquit the innocent and condemn the guilty, a test very often resorted to among savage or half-civilized nations.

ORDERICUS VITALIS, a medieval chronicler, born near Shrewsbury; was a monk of the Abbey of St. Evroul, in Normandy; wrote an ecclesiastical history of Normandy and England—a veracious document, though crude; d. 1143.

ORDERS IN COUNCIL, are issued by the British Sovereign, with the advice of the Privy Council, and within limits defined by Parliament. In cases of emergency these limits have been disregarded, and Parliament subsequently asked to homologate the action by granting an indemnity to those concerned.

ORDOVICIAN rocks are those overlying the Cambrian (q.v.), and cover large areas in Wales; they consist mainly of slates and shales, with some limestones and grits; the period was one of great volcanic activity and many of the Welsh mountains are the worn-down stumps of Ordovician volcanoes, e.g. Snowdon; many of the slates of Cumberland and the lavas of Ayrshire are of this age; in the slates graptolites are the characteristic fossils.

ORE, a mineral containing sufficient of a metal to make its extraction an economic proposition.

ORADES, in the Greek mythology nymphs of the mountains, with special names appropriate to the district they severally inhabit.

OREGON, one of the United States, on the Pacific seaboard, with Washington, Idaho, Nevada, and California on its inland borders, nearly twice the size of England, has the Coast Mountains along the W., the Cascade range parallel 60 m. E., and 70 farther E. the Blue Mountains. The centre and E. is hilly, and affords excellent grazing and dairy-farming ground; the western or Willamette Valley is arable, producing cereals, potatoes, tobacco, hops, and fruit. Between the Coast Mountains and the sea excessive rains fall. The State is rich in timber, coal, iron, gold, and silver; and the rivers (of which the Columbia on the N. border is the chief) abound in salmon. Owing to the mountain shelter and the Japanese ocean currents the climate is mild. The capital is Salem, the largest city Portland, both on the Willamette River. The State offers excellent educational facilities; it has many libraries, schools and colleges, and the Blue Mountain University. The State (constituted in 1859) forms

part of the territory long in dispute between Great Britain and the United States. It was occupied jointly from 1818 to 1846, when a compromise fixed the present boundary of British Columbia.

ORELLANA, FRANCISCO DE, Spanish adventurer, born in Truxillo; accompanied Pizarro to Peru in 1531, and ten years later set out to explore the country of the Amazon (1490-1550).

ORELLI, JOHANN KASPAR VON, a Swiss scholar, born in Zurich, where he was professor of Classical Philology; edited editions of the classics, particularly Horace, Tacitus, and Cicero, highly esteemed for the scholarship they show and their critical judgment (1787-1849).

ORISTES, the son of Agamemnon and Clytemnestra, and brother of Electra and Iphigenia, who killed his mother to avenge the murder by her of his father and went mad afterwards, but was acquitted by the Areopagus and became king of Argos and Laconia; his friendship for Pylades, who married his sister Electra, has passed into a proverb; the tragic story is a favourite theme of the Greek tragedians.

ORELLA, MATTHIEU JOSEPH BONAVENTURE, French chemist and physician, born in Minorca; mainly distinguished for his works on toxicology (1787-1853).

ORGANISM, a structure instinct with life, and possessed of organs that discharge functions subordinate and ministrative to the life of the whole.

ORGANON, a term adopted by Bacon to denote a system of rules for the regulation of scientific inquiry.

ORGIES, festivals among the Greeks and Orientals generally connected with the worship of nature divinities, in particular Demeter (q.v.), Dionysos (q.v.), and the Cabiri, celebrated with mystic rites and much licentious behaviour.

ORIFLAMME (i.e. flame of gold), the ancient banner of the kings of France, borne before them as they marched to war; it was a red flag mounted on a gilded staff, was originally the banner of the abbey of St. Denis, and first assumed as the royal standard by Louis VI. as he marched at the head of his army against the Emperor Henry V. in 1124, but one bears no more of it after the battle of Agincourt in 1415, much as it was at one time regarded as the banner of the very Lord of Hosts.

ORIGEN, one of the most eminent of the Fathers of the Church, born in Alexandria. It is presumed, the son of a Christian who suffered martyrdom under Severus; studied the Greek philosophers that he might familiarise himself with their standpoint in contrast with that of the Christian; taught in Alexandria and elsewhere the religion he had inherited from his father, but was not sufficiently regardful of episcopal authority, and after being ordained by another bishop than that of his own diocese was deposed and banished; after this he settled in Caesarea, set up a celebrated school, and had Gregory Thaumaturgus among his pupils; he made journeys to other parts, but under much persecution, and died at Tyre; he wrote numerous works, apologetical and exegetical as well as doctrinal, besides a "Hexapla," a great source of textual criticism, being a work in which the Hebrew Scriptures and five Greek versions of them are arranged side by side; in his exegesis he had a fancy for allegorical interpretation, in which he frequently indulged (185-253).

"ORIGIN OF SPECIES," a work by Charles Darwin (q.v.) published in 1859, in which he developed his theory of Natural Selection and the survival of the fittest in life's struggle for existence.

ORIGINAL SIN, the name given by the theologians to the inherent tendency to sin on the part of all mankind due, as alleged, to their descent from Adam and the imputation of Adam's guilt to them as sinning in him.

ORINOCO RIVER, a great river in the NE. of South America, rises in the Parimé Mountains, and flowing westward bifurcates, the Cassiquiare channel going southward and joining the Rio Negro, the Orinoco proper continuing westward, north and east through Venezuela, and reaching the Atlantic after a course of 1500 m. by an enormous delta; it receives thousands of tributaries, but cascades half-way up stop navigation.

ORION, in the Greek mythology a handsome giant and hunter, was struck blind by Dionysos for attempting an outrage on Merope, but recovered his eyesight on exposing his eyeballs to the arrowy rays of Aurora, and became afterwards the companion of Artemis in the hunting-field; here he fell a victim to the jealousy of Apollo, the brother of Artemis, and was transformed by the latter into a constellation in the sky, where he figures as a giant wearing a lion's skin and a girdle or belt and wielding a club.

ORISSA, the name of an ancient Indian kingdom, independent till 1568, and falling into British possession in 1803; is now restricted to the most south-easterly province of Bengal. It is larger than Wales, and comprises a hilly inland tract and an alluvial plain formed by the deltas of the Mahanadi, Brahmani, and Baitarani Rivers, well irrigated, and producing great crops of rice, wheat, pulse, and cotton. Chief towns Cuttack, Balasor, and Puri.

ORKNEY ISLANDS, an archipelago of 90 islands, Pomona the largest, lying north of the Scottish mainland, from which they are separated by the Pentland Firth, 7 m. broad. The scenery is tame, the climate is mild and moist; there are no trees, crops are poor; the chief industries are fishing and stock-raising; Kirkwall, with a cathedral, and Stromness are the chief towns. Seized from the Picts by Norse vikings, they passed to James III. as security for the dowry of Margaret of Denmark and were never redeemed. The natives show their Scandinavian ancestry in their features, and the nomenclature is largely Scandinavian.

ORLANDO, a hero who figures in the romantic tales connected with the adventures of Charlemagne and his paladins, a knight of pure and true blood; had a magical ivory horn called Olivant, with which he wrought wonders; the French form of the name is **ROLAND** (q.v.).

ORLANDO, VITTORIO EMMANUELE, Italian politician. A professor at Palermo, he entered Parliament in 1898, first took office in 1906, and became Prime Minister in 1917, in which capacity he attended the Peace Conference. He fell from power in June, 1919, and became ambassador in Brazil in 1920 (1860-).

ORLEANS, on the Loire, 75 m. by rail SW. of Paris, is the capital of the province of Loiret, a trading rather than an industrial town, commerce being fostered by excellent railway, canal, and river communications; the town is of ancient date, and its streets are full of quaint wooden houses; there is an old cathedral and museum; many historic associations include the raising of the siege in 1429 by Joan of Arc, and two captures by the Germans, 1870.

ORLEANS, DUKES OF, the name of four distinct branches of the royal family of France, the first commencing with Philippe, fifth son of Philippe of Valois, in 1344; the second with Louis, brother of Charles VI. (1371-1407); the third with Jean Baptiste Gascon, brother of Louis XIII., who took part in the plots against Richelieu, and was appointed lieutenant-general on the death of his brother (1608-1660); the fourth with Philippe I., brother of Louis XIV. (1640-1701); Philippe II., son of the preceding, governed France during the minority of Louis XV.; involved his finances by his connection with Louis, and did injury to the public morals by the depravity of his life (1674-1723); Louis-Philippe, his grandson, lieutenant-general and governor of Dauphiné (1725-1785); Louis-Philippe Joseph, son of preceding, surnamed Philippe-Egalité, played a conspicuous part in the Revolution, and perished on the scaffold (1747-1793); and Louis-Philippe, his son (q.v.); Prince Louis Robert, eldest son of Comte de Paris; claimant to the throne (1869-).

ORLOFF, the name of two brothers, Russians: Gregory, the favourite of Catherine II. (1784-1783), and Alexis, a man remarkable for his stature and strength, who murdered Peter III. and was banished by Paul I. (1737-1809).

ORME, ROBERT, historian, born in Travancore; entered the East India Company's service, in which he was appointed historiographer; wrote the

history of its military transactions from 1745 to 1763 (1729-1801).

ORMOLU, a name given to bronze or brass of a golden-yellow colour, and resembling gold.

ORMONDE, JAMES BUTLER, DUKE OF, supporter of the cause of Charles I. in Ireland during the war between the king and the Parliament, on the ruin of which he repaired to the Continent to promote the restoration of the dynasty; was appointed Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland after the Restoration, and escaped from a party of ruffians headed by Colonel Blood, who dragged him from his carriage with intent to hang him; he was a brave man, and much esteemed by his friends (1610-1688).

ORMUZ, an island at the mouth of the Persian Gulf, once the headquarters of the Persian trade with India, and famous as the mart for diamonds and other precious stones.

ORMUZD, the good deity of the Zoroastrian religion, the embodiment of the principle of good as Ahriman is of the principle of evil: the creator of light and order as the other of darkness and disorder. See **DUALISM**.

ORNTORHYNCHUS, the duck-billed platypus, a monotrematous, burrowing mammal restricted to southern and eastern Australia and Tasmania, of aquatic and nocturnal habits; the young are hatched from eggs and are born with teeth, which soon disappear.

ORONTES, the principal river of Syria, rises in the western slopes of Anti-Lebanon, and flows northward through Syria, turning at last S.W. to the Mediterranean; its course of 150 m. is through country in many parts well cultivated, past the towns of Hems and Hamah, and latterly through a woody ravine of great beauty.

OROSIUS, PAULUS, Spanish Christian apologist of the 5th century, born in Tarragona, a disciple of Augustine; wrote at his suggestion against the pagans a history of the world, used as a text-book in the Middle Ages.

OROYA, a town in Peru, about 100 m. N.E. of Lima, at an elevation of 15,800 ft.; is the highest village in the world.

ORPEN, SIR WILLIAM, British artist. The son of a clergyman in Dublin, he was educated there and at the Slade School, and established an early reputation by winning a gold medal and exhibiting at the New English Art Club. At first a general painter, he built up his reputation with portraits, in which he showed remarkable ability to handle colour. He was made A.R.A. in 1910, and later an R.A.; he was knighted in 1918. "The Chef" is probably his most famous painting (1878-).

ORPHEUS, in the Greek mythology son of Apollo and the Muse Calliope, famed for his skill on the lyre, from which the strains were such as not only calmed and swayed the rude soul of nature, but persuaded even the inexorable Pluto to relent; for one day when his wife Eurydice was taken away from him, he descended with his lyre to the lower world and prevailed on the nether king by the spell he wielded to allow her to accompany him back, but on the condition that he must not, as she followed him, turn round and look; this condition he failed to fulfil, and he lost her again, but this time for ever; whereupon, as the story goes, he gave himself up to unappeasable lamentings, which attracted round him a crowd of upbraiding Menades, who in their indignation took up stones to stone him, and menaced him to death; his lyre as it floated down the river seaward kept sounding "Eurydice! Eurydice!" till it was caught up by Zeus and placed in memorial of him among the stars of the sky.

ORRERY is a mechanical toy which exhibits, by an arrangement of rods, balls, and toothed wheels, the sun, the planets, and their moons, all performing their respective motions; so named after the Earl of Orrery, for whom John Rowley made the first one in 1715, though the actual inventor is said to have been George Graham.

ORSINI, FELICE, COUNT DI, Italian conspirator, born of a noble family, but bred in the atmosphere of revolution and secret plotting; with three others attempted the life of Louis Napoleon; was defended

by Jules Favre, but condemned to death and guillotined (1810-1858).

ORSOVA, two fortified towns in Rumania on opposite banks of the Danube, at the Iron Gates: Old Orsova is a trading and shipping centre; New Orsova was repeatedly taken and retaken in the wars of the 18th century.

ORTHOCOLARE, a variety of felspar (q.v.).

ORVIEITO, an Italian city in Perugia, 78 m. by rail N. of Rome, is noted for its wines; it dates from Roman times, and in the Middle Ages was a frequent refuge of the Pope.

OSCAN, a primitive people of Italy occupying Campania; were subjugated in the 5th century B.C. by the Samnites, who amalgamated with them and were subsequently incorporated with the Romans; the Oscan tongue, a cruder form of Latin, may have had its own literature, and is still extant on coins and in inscriptions.

OSCAR I., king of Sweden and Norway, son of Bernadotte, born in Paris, reigned from 1844 to 1857 (1799-1858); **Oscar II.**, king of Sweden and Norway, son of preceding, succeeded his brother Charles XV., in 1872, distinguished himself in literature by translating Goethe's "Faust" into Swedish, and by a volume of minor poems under his *nom de plume* Oscar Frederick (1829-1907).

OSCOOT, a village in Staffordshire, 4 m. N. of Birmingham, the site of the Roman Catholic College of St. Mary's, which claims to be the centre of Catholicism in England; founded in 1762, it was housed in magnificent buildings in 1886, and became exclusively a training-school for the priesthood in 1889, though it originally had laymen among its students.

O'SHAUGHNESSY, ARTHUR, poet, born in London; held a post in the natural history department of the British Museum; wrote, among other works, three notable volumes of poems, "The Epic of Women," "Lays of France," and "Music and Moonlight" (1844-1881).

OSLANDER, ANDREAS, a German Reformer, born near Nuremberg; attached himself early to Luther, became a preacher, and eventually professor of Theology at Königsberg; involved himself in a bitter controversy with Chemnitz on justification, ascribing it not to imputation, but the germination of divine grace in the heart, or the mystical union of the soul with God, a controversy which was kept up by his followers after his death (1498-1552).

OSIRIS, one of the principal gods of Egypt, the husband of Isis, who was his sister and the father of Horus, who avenged the wrongs he suffered at the hands of the Earth, his mother, in whose womb he was born and in whose womb he was buried; he was the god of all the earth-born, and subject to the like fate.

OSLO, name of the city formerly called Christiania, the capital of Norway. It is romantically situated at the head of a fiord, and is the residence of the king and the seat of government. Extensive manufacturing is carried on, but as a trading port it suffers through being blocked by ice for four months in the year. It is a university city.

OSMAN DIGNA, a slave-dealer who rose to be leader of Sudan dervishes and a governor under the Mahdi; in the latter's rebellion was defeated at the battles of El Teb and Tamai in 1884 by Gen. Graham; was killed at battle of Tokar (1886-1900).

OSMANLIL, name given to the Ottomans, from that of their founder, Osman or Othman.

OSMUM, a rare earth metal used in the manufacture of filaments for electric bulbs.

OSMOSE, if two liquids be separated from each other only by a skin or parchment, each will percolate through the membrane and diffuse into the other; the process is known as osmose, and is constantly illustrated in the animal and vegetable world.

OSNABRÜCK, a town in Hanover, 70 m. W. of Hanover, with a bishopric founded by Charlemagne, which was held by a brother of George I., and was secularized in 1803.

OSSA, a mountain in Thessaly, famous in Greek mythology. See **PELION**.

OSSIAN, the heroic poet of the Gaels, the son of Fingal and the king of Morven, said to have lived in the 3rd century, the theme of whose verse concerns the

exploits of *Fingal* and his family, the translation of which he brought home from fairland, to which he had been transported when he was a boy, and from which he returned when he was old and blind; James Macpherson, who was no Gaelic scholar, professed to have translated the legend, as published by him in 1760-1763, but a committee of inquiry into the authenticity of the poems failed to uphold his claim.

OSTADE, ADRIAN and ISAAC, two Dutch painters, brothers, born in Haarlem, famous for their pictures of rural life; Adrian (1610-1685), and Isaac (1621-1649).

OSTEND, a favourite watering-place on the SW. coast of Belgium, 65 m. due W. of Antwerp; attracts thousands of visitors every summer; it is an important seaport, having mail communication with Dover, and it manufactures linen and sailcloth; fishing is the chief industry; it is famed for oysters, which are brought over from England and fattened for export. It was captured by the Germans in October, 1914, and in April, 1918, it was attacked by British naval forces simultaneously with the attack on Zeebrugge; as this raid failed as regards Ostend it was repeated in May, when the *Vindictive* was sunk, practically blocking up the harbour.

OSTIA, the seaport of ancient Rome, at the mouth of the Tiber, now in ruins.

OSTRACISM, banishment (lit. by shell) for a term of years by popular vote from Athens of any individual whose political influence seemed to threaten the liberty of the citizens; the vote was given by each citizen writing the name of the individual on a potsherd or oyster-shell (Gr. *ostrakon*), and depositing it in some place appointed, and it was only when supported by 6000 citizens that it took effect.

OSTROGOTES, or the Eastern Goths, a Teutonic people, who, having been induced to settle on the banks of the Danube, in the pay of the Roman emperor, invaded Italy, and founded in the end of the 5th century a kingdom under Theodoric, which fell before the arms of Justinian in 532.

OSTWALD, WILHELM, German chemist, professor at Leipzig; famous for his work on physical chemistry; awarded the Nobel Prize in 1909 (1853-).

OSWALD, ST., king of Northumbria, where by the aid of Aidan (q.v.) he established the Christian religion, after his conversion to it himself in exile among the Scots; he died in battle fighting against Penda, king of Mercia; d. 642.

OSWEGO, principal port on the E. of Lake Ontario, is at the mouth of the Oswego River, in New York State; it has miles of quays, and extensive accommodation for grain, and has a large trade, especially with Canada, in grain and lumber; the falls in the river are utilised for industrial purposes, the manufacture of starch and cornflour being famed.

OSWESTRY, a market-town of Shropshire, 20 m. NW. of Shrewsbury; has an old church, castle, and school, railway workshops, tanneries, and some woollen mills.

OTAGO, the southernmost province in the South Island, New Zealand, somewhat less in size than Scotland, is mountainous and inaccessible in the W., but in the E. consists of good arable plains, where British crops and fruits grow well; the climate is temperate; timber abounds; there are gold, coal, iron, and copper mines, manufactures of woollen goods, iron, and soap, and it exports wool, gold, cereals, and hides; founded in 1848 by the Otago Association of the Free Church of Scotland, but immigration became general on the discovery of gold in 1861; education is promoted by the Government in a university and many colleges and secondary schools; the capital is Dunedin, the chief commercial city of New Zealand, the other principal towns being Invercargill, Port Chalmers, Oamaru, Milton, and Lawrence.

OTHEMAN, the third caliph, who ruled from 614 to 636, was assassinated by Mohammed, son of Abu-Bekr.

OTHEMAN, or **OSMAN I.**, surnamed the Conqueror, the founder of the empire of the Ottoman Turks, born in Bithynia (1259-1326).

OTHO, Roman emperor, had been a companion of Nero; was created emperor by the Pretorian Guards in succession to Galba, but being defeated by the German legionaries, stabbed himself to death after a reign of three months (32-69).

OTIS, JAMES, American lawyer, born in Massachusetts, distinguished as a ringleader in the revolution in the colonies against the mother-country that led to American independence, for which he had to pay with his life and the prior loss of his reason (1726-1783).

OTRANTO, a decayed seaport and fishing town of SE. Italy, 52 m. S. of Brindisi; founded by Greek colonists, it was in early times the chief port of trade with Greece; it contains a cathedral and castle.

OTTAWA, capital of the Dominion of Canada, is situated 90 m. up the Ottawa River and its confluence with the St. Lawrence, between the Chaudière and Rideau Falls. Here are the Parliament buildings, destroyed by fire in 1916 and later rebuilt, the Governor-General's residence, a Roman Catholic cathedral, numerous colleges and schools, and a great library. There is some flour-milling and some iron-working, but the chief industry is lumber. Half the people are French Roman Catholics. It became the capital of the Dominion in 1858.

OTTAWA RIVER, the largest tributary of the St. Lawrence, and one of the largest Canadian rivers, is 700 m. long; rising in the W. of Quebec, it flows W., then S., then SE., sometimes in a narrow channel, sometimes broadening into lakes, receiving many tributaries, and passing down rapids and falls, to join the St. Lawrence at Montreal; down its waters are floated immense quantities of lumber.

OTTERBURN, a Northumberland village, 16 m. S. of the border, famous as the scene of a struggle on August 19, 1388, between the Douglas and the Percies, at which the Earl of Douglas lost his life, and Hotspur was taken prisoner. See **CHEYV CHASE**.

OTTO or ATTAR OF ROSES, an essential oil obtained by distilling rose leaves; certain species in water, of very strong odour, pleasant when diluted; is used for perfumery; it is made in India, Persia, Syria, and at Kazanlik, in Roumelia.

OTTOMANS, the name given to the Turks, from Othman (q.v.).

OTWAY, THOMAS, English dramatist, born in Sussex; intended for the Church, he took to the stage, failed as an actor, and became a playwright, his chief production in that line being "Alcibiades," "Don Carlos," "The Orphan," and "Venice Preserved," the latter two especially; he led a life of dissipation, and died miserably, from choking, it is said, in greedily swallowing a piece of bread when in a state of starvation (1652-1685).

OUBLETTE, an underground cell, perfectly dark, in which prisoners were subjected to perpetual confinement; was so called as being a "place of forgetfulness," or where one is forgotten; those thus imprisoned were often put secretly to death.

OUDEMARDE, a town in Belgium, 15 m. S. of Ghent, scene of Marlborough's third victory over the French in 1708; it contains a 16th-century hôtel de ville, with a fine tower, and some interesting churches.

OUDEH, a province in the Bengal Presidency, occupying the basin of the Gumti, Gogra, and Rapti Rivers, and stretching from the N. bank of the Ganges to the lower Himalayas; is a great alluvial plain, through which these rivers flow between natural embankments, affording irrigation by their marshes and overflows. The sole industry is agriculture; the crops are wheat and rice, which are exported by rail and river. The population is one of the densest in the world, the labouring classes being very poor. The only large town is Lucknow, on the Gumti. One of the earliest centres of Aryan civilisation, Oudeh became subject to the empire of Delhi in the 12th century, but was an independent State for a century prior to its annexation by the British in 1856.

OUDINOT, NICOLAS CHARLES, DUKE OF REGGIO, marshal of France, born in Bar-le-Duc; served with distinction under the Revolution and the Empire; led the retreat from Moscow, and was wounded; joined the Royalists after the fall of

Napoleon, and died Governor of the *Hôtel des Invalides* (1767-1847).

OUIDA, the pseudonym of Louise de la Ramée, English novelist, born in Bury St. Edmunds; resided chiefly at Florence; wrote over a score of novels, "Under Two Flags" and "Moths" among the best (1840-1908).

OUSE, the name of several English rivers, of which the chief are (1) the Yorkshire Ouse, flowing through the great Vale of York southwards to the Humber, receiving the Swale, Ure, Nidd, Wharfe, and Aire from the W. and the Derwent from the E., and having in its basin more great towns than any other river in the country; (2) the Great Ouse, rising in the S. of Northamptonshire, pursuing a winding course NE. through the plains of Buckingham, Bedford, Huntingdon, Cambridge, and Norfolk to the Wash; and (3) the Sussex Ouse, running through mid-Sussex past Lewes to Newhaven.

OUTRAM, SIR JAMES, British general, surnamed by Napier the "Bayard of India," born in Derbyshire, began his military career in Bombay, served in the Afghan War and the war with Persia, played an important part in the suppression of the Mutiny, marching to the relief of Lucknow, magnanimously waived his rank in favour of Havelock, and fought under him (1803-1863).

OVERBECK, FRIEDRICH, celebrated German painter, born in Lübeck; was head of the new Romantic or Pre-Raphaelite school of German art; had devoted himself to religious subjects, abjured Lutheranism, and joined the Roman Catholic Church; is famed for his frescoes "Christ's Entry into Jerusalem" and "St. Francis" in particular, still more than his oil-paintings; spent most of his life in Rome (1789-1869).

OVERBURY, SIR THOMAS, English gentleman, remembered chiefly from the circumstances of his death, having been poisoned in the Tower at the instance of the Earl of Rochester and his wife for dissembling the former from marrying the latter, for which crime the principals were pardoned and the instruments suffered death; he was the author of certain works published after his death, "The Wife," a poem, "Characters," and "Crumbs from King James's Table" (1581-1613).

OVERLAND ROUTE, the route to Australia and the East across the European continent instead of round the Cape of Good Hope, was inaugurated by Lieutenant Waghorn in 1845, modified on the opening of the Suez Canal in 1869, and is now via France, the Mont Cenis tunnel, Brindisi, the Levant, Suez Canal, Red Sea, and Indian Ocean.

OVERREACH, SIR GILES, a character in Massinger's play, "A New Way to Pay Old Debts" (1628).

OVERSTONE, BARON, English financier, represented Hythe in Parliament; was made a peer in 1850; wrote on finance; was opposed to limited liability and the introduction of the decimal system; died immensely rich (1796-1883).

OVID (Publius Ovidius Naso), Roman poet of the Augustan age, born in Sulmo, of equestrian rank, bred for the bar, and, serving the State in the department of law for a time, threw it up for literature and a life of pleasure; was the author, among other works, of the "Amores," "Fasti," and the "Metamorphoses," the friend of Horace and Virgil, and the favourite of Augustus, but for some unknown reason fell under the displeasure of the latter, and was banished in his fiftieth year, to end his days among the swamps of Scythia, near the Black Sea (43 B.C.-A.D. 18).

OVIDO, capital of the Spanish province of Asturias, near the river Nalon; is the seat of a university, library, and cathedral; it is the centre of the chief coal-field of Spain; in the neighbourhood are a gun-factory and many ironworks.

OWEN, JOHN, Puritan divine, born in Oxfordshire, educated at Oxford; driven from the Church, became first a Presbyterian, then an Independent; Cromwell made him chaplain for a sermon he preached the day after Charles I.'s execution, and he was presented in 1651 with the deanery of Christ Church, Oxford, and next year with the Vice-Chancellorship, but on the Restoration was deprived of both, after which, from 1657, he spent his life in retirement; wrote an exposition of the Epistle to

the Hebrews, on the Holy Spirit, and many other works in support of the Puritan theology, which at one time were held in greater favour than they are now (1616-1683).

OWEN, SIR RICHARD, celebrated English naturalist and comparative anatomist, born in Lancaster; wrote extensively, especially on comparative anatomy and physiology, in which, as in everything that occupied him, he was an enthusiastic worker, being a disciple of Cuvier, and reconstructed many extinct animals, such as dinosaurs, from fossil forms; did not oppose, but was careful not to commit himself to, Darwin's evolutionary theories; he was president of the British Association at Leeds in 1858 (1804-1892).

OWEN, ROBERT, a Socialist reformer, born in Montgomeryshire; became manager of a cotton mill at New Lanark, which he managed on Socialist principles, according to which all the profits in the business above 5 per cent. went to the workpeople; in furtherance of his principles he published his "New Views of Society," the "New Moral World," as well as pamphlets, lecturing upon them, moreover, both in England and America, but his schemes ended in practical failures, especially as proving too exclusively secular, and he in his old age turned his mind to spiritualism; was a pioneer of infant schools and co-operative societies (1771-1858).

OXALIC ACID, a crystalline poisonous organic acid found as the potash salt in wood-sorrel and rhubarb leaves; used in the dye industry and for cleaning.

OXENFORD, JOHN, English man of letters and critic; translated Goethe's "Dichtung und Wahrheit," and "Eichermann's Conversations with Goethe"; was dramatic critic for the *Times*, and wrote plays, as well as an "Illustrated Book of French Songs" (1812-1877).

OXENSTERN, AXEL, COUNT, Swedish statesman, favourite minister of Gustavus Adolphus; supported him through the Thirty Years' War, though he disapproved of his engaging in it, and managed the affairs of the State with great ability after his death (1638-1654).

OXFORD, the county town of Oxfordshire, seat of one of the great English universities and of a bishopric; is on the left bank of the Thames, 52 m. W. of London; it is a city of great beauty, its many collegiate buildings and chapels and other institutions making it the richest of English cities in architectural interest; naturally historical associations abound; here the Mad Parliament met and adopted the Provisions of Oxford in 1258; Latimer and Ridley in 1555, and Cranmer in 1556, were burned in Broad Street; Charles I. made it his headquarters after the first year of the Civil War; it was the refuge of Parliament during the plague of 1665. Of recent years it has become a centre of the motor manufacturing industry.

OXFORD AND ASQUITH, HENRY HERBERT, 1ST EARL OF, British politician. Born in Morley, he lost his father when eight, was sent to the City of London School, and won a scholarship to Balliol, where he studied under Jowett and was President of the Union. He was called to the Bar in 1876, married Helen Melland in 1877, and, after her death, Margot Tennant in 1894. Entering Parliament in 1886 as a Gladstonian Liberal for East Fife, a seat he held till 1918, he was prominent as counsel in the Parnell Commission of 1899, and became Home Secretary in 1892. He declined the leadership of the party in 1899, took an Imperial line during the Boer War, and in 1905 was Chancellor of the Exchequer under Campbell-Bannerman, whom he succeeded as Prime Minister in 1908, for a period of office that saw the conflict with the House of Lords over the Parliament Act, the Ulster troubles, the suffragette campaign, and finally the outbreak of the Great War. In May, 1915, he invited leaders of other parties to join the Cabinet, and resigning in December took the leadership of the Independent Liberals. He lost his seat in 1918, but was returned for Paisley in 1922. With the fall of the Coalition he became leader of the reunited Liberal Party, and led his followers into the lobby

last years were clouded by disputes on party policy and procedure (1852-1928).

OXFORD UNIVERSITY. Oxford is spoken of as a seat of learning as early as the 11th century. Cloistral schools existed before that. Schools of divinity, law, and topography were founded in the 12th century. In the 13th Dominican and Franciscan scholars raised it to a level only second to Paris, and by the end of the 14th century there were thousands of students in attendance. Oxford responded quickly to the Renaissance, and by the time of the Reformation 13 colleges were founded. Her Protestantism stood firm through Mary's reaction, sank into passive obedience under the Stuarts, but woke up to resist James II.'s Catholic propaganda. Thereafter followed a serious lapse in efficiency, but last century saw a complete revival. Oxford has now 21 colleges. It is rich in museums and libraries; the Bodleian Library is of great value, the Taylor Library is devoted to modern literature. The Oxford or Tractarian Movement, one of the most remarkable religious impulses of modern times, had its centre in the University between 1834 and 1845. Among distinguished Oxford alumni were Hooker, Jeremy Taylor, Wesley, Newman; Hobbes, Locke, Adam Smith; Johnson, Gibbon, Freeman, Green; Chatham, Gladstone; Ruskin; Shelley, Keble, Arnold, and Clough. Of the colleges of which the University consists, University was founded in 1249, Balliol in 1264, Merton in 1274, Exeter in 1314, Oriel in 1326, Queen's in 1340, New in 1386, Lincoln in 1427, All Souls' in 1437, Magdalen in 1458, Brasenose in 1509, Corpus in 1516, Christ Church in 1532, Trinity in

1554, St. John's in 1555, Jesus in 1571, Wadham in 1612, Pembroke in 1624, Worcester in 1714, Keble in 1870, and Hertford in 1874. St. Edmund's Hall, the sole academical hall remaining, dates from 1226.

OXFORDSHIRE, a S. midland county of England, stretching on the N. bank of the Thames between Gloucester and Buckingham; is an agricultural district; bleak in the N. and W., it is hilly, well wooded, and picturesque in the S., where are the Chiltern Hills; ironstone is mined near Banbury, blankets made at Witney, and paper at Shipplake and Henley; natives of the county were Edward the Confessor, Leland, Warren Hastings, Maria Edgeworth, and J. R. Green.

OXUS, or Amu-Daria, a great river of Central Asia, rises in the Pamirs, and flows W. between Turkestan and Afghanistan, then N. through Turkestan to the Sea of Aral; it is believed at one time to have flowed into the Caspian, and there is record of two changes of course; half its waters are absorbed in irrigating the plains of Khiva.

OXYGEN, a colourless, odourless gas which constitutes one-fifth in volume of the atmosphere, and which, in combination with hydrogen, forms water. It is the most widely diffused of all the elements and is essential to life.

OYER AND TERMINER, an English Court Commission to hear and determine special causes.

OZONE, is an allotropic form of oxygen, from which it can be produced by electricity, and into which it can be resolved by heat, present in small quantities in the atmosphere, and possessing strong oxidising properties.

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PACHE, JEAN, Swiss adventurer, who became Mayor of Paris, and even Minister of War during the French Revolution; is credited with the authorship of the famous revolutionary motto, Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity, or Death (1746-1823).

PACHMANN, VLADIMIR DE, Russian pianist. Born in Odessa, he studied under his father and at the Vienna Conservatoire, where he won a gold medal; he made his concert debut at Leipzig in 1878, and first appeared in London in 1882; he is specially famous for his Chopin recitals (1848-).

PACHOMIUS, ST., an Egyptian hermit, the founder of conventual monachism, who established the first institution of the kind at Tabennesi, an island in the Nile; he also established the first nunnery under his sister (292-346). Festival, May 14.

PACHYDERMATA, hoofed animals with thick skins and non-ruminant, such as the elephant and the hog. The term was introduced by Cuvier.

PACIFIC OCEAN, the largest sheet of water on the globe, occupies a third of its whole surface, as much as all the land put together. It is a wide oval in shape, lying between Australia and Asia on the W., and North and South America on the E. Except from Asia it receives no large rivers. On its American shores the Gulf of California is the only considerable indentation; the Okhotsk, Japanese, Yellow, and Chinese Seas, on the Asiatic coast, are rather wide bays shut in by islands than inland seas. Its innumerable islands are the chief feature of the Pacific Ocean. The continental islands include the Aleutian, Kurile, Japan, and Philippine Islands, and the archipelago between the Malay Peninsula and Australia; the Oceanic Islands include countless groups, volcanic and coral, chiefly in the southern hemisphere, between the Sandwich Islands and New Zealand. Commerce on the Pacific Ocean increased vastly with the extension of the United States westward, the colonisation of Australia, and the opening of Chinese and Japanese ports. San Francisco and Valparaiso on the E., Hong-Kong and Sydney on the W., are the chief centres of trade; it received its name from Magellan.

PACTOLUS, a small river of Lydia, famous for the gold contained in its sand, due, it was alleged, to Midas washing the gold off him in its waters; it was the alleged source of the wealth of Croesus; its modern name is Sarabat. See MIDAS.

PACUVIUS, an old Latin dramatist, nephew of Ennius (q.v.); wrote dramas after the Greek models, but only fragments remain (220-130 B.C.).

PADANG, a town and free port on the W. coast of Sumatra, the largest town on the island, and the Dutch official capital.

PADERWERSKI, IGNAZ JAN, a celebrated pianist, born in Podolia, in Russian Poland; master of his art by incessant practice from early childhood, made his debut in 1837, with instant success; his first appearance created quite a furore in Paris and London; a brilliant composer as well as performer, he composed numerous pieces both for the voice and the piano. On the rebirth of Poland as a nation in 1919 he became Prime Minister, and was present at the Paris Peace Conference, resigning the same year (1860-).

PADILLA, JUAN LOPEZ DE, a celebrated Castilian noble, who headed a rebellion against Charles V., which he heroically maintained till his defeat at Villalar in 1521, and which his wife, Donna Maria, no less heroically maintained against strong besieging force after his capture and execution (1484-1521).

PADISHAH, from two Persian words meaning "protector prince," is a title given to the Shah of Persia and formerly to the Sultan of Turkey and the Emperors of Austria and Russia.

PADUA, a walled city of Venetia, 23 m. by rail W. of Venice, has some manufactures of leather and musical-instrument strings, but is chiefly interesting for its artistic treasures; these include the municipal

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buildings, cathedral, and nearly fifty churches, innumerable pictures and frescoes, and Donatello's famous equestrian statue of Gattamelata; there is also a renowned university, library, museum, and the oldest botanical garden in Europe; after very varied fortunes it was held by Venice, 1405-1797, then by Austria till its incorporation into Italy, 1866. Livy was a native, as also Andrea Mantegna.

PAESTUM, an ancient Greek city of Lucania, in South Italy, with remains of Greek architecture second only to those of Athens.

PAGAN, ISABEL, Scottish poetess, authoress of the plaintive song "Ca' the Yowes to the Knowes" (1740-1821).

PAGANINI, NICOLO, a celebrated Italian violinist, born in Genoa of humble origin; widely famous for his astonishing feats on a single-stringed instrument; was a composer of musical pieces for both violin and guitar; died rich (1782-1840).

PAGANISM, heathenism (q.v.), so called as lingering among the "pagan," or country people, after Christianity had taken root in the large towns.

PAGE, HANDLEY, British engineer; designed a type of biplane used extensively by the British air services in the Great War and subsequently on commercial air routes (1875-).

PAGODA, an Indian or Chinese temple, associated chiefly with Buddhism, of a more or less pyramidal form and of several stories, the most imposing being the Greek Pagoda of Tanjore; in China more often a memorial than a temple; the name is applied also to a gold coin stamped with a pagoda, which is current in India.

PAHLEVI, name given to a translation of the Zendavesta (q.v.) in the Zend dialect for the use of the priesthood.

PAINE, THOMAS, a notorious freethinker and democrat, born in Theford; emigrated to America, contributed, as he boasted, by his pamphlet "Common Sense," to "free America," by rousing it to emancipate itself from the mother-country; wrote the "Rights of Man" against Burke's "Reflections"; had to emigrate to France; took part in the Revolution, offended Robespierre, and was put in prison, where he wrote the first part of his "Age of Reason," a book which offended the Christian world and procured him ignominy and even execution in many quarters; died in New York, but his bones were conveyed to England by Cobbett in 1819 (1737-1809).

PAINLEVÉ, PAUL, French politician, who after serving under Ribot and Briand became Prime Minister for a time in 1917 and again in 1925 (1863-).

PAINTER, WILLIAM, author of "Palace of Pleasure," a collection of tales chiefly from Italian sources, which proved suggestive in furnishing the dramatists with interesting subjects for representation (1540-1604).

PAISIELLO, GIOVANNI, an Italian composer, born in Taranto; his great work, the opera "Il Barbiere di Siviglia"; composed besides other operas, cantatas and requiems (1741-1816).

PAISLEY, a Renfrewshire town, 7 m. W. of Glasgow, on the White Cart. It is the chief centre of manufacture of cotton thread in the world, and its other industries include dyeing, bleaching, woollen goods, and engineering. There are several fine buildings, of which the Baptist Church is said to be the finest modern ecclesiastical building in Scotland. The ornithologist Wilson, Professor Wilson (Christopher North), and Tannahill were born here.

PALACKY, FRANCIS, distinguished Bohemian historian and politician, born in Moravia, author of a "History of Bohemia," in 5 vols., his chief work (1798-1876).

PALADIN, the name given to the peers of Charlemagne, such as Roland, and also to knights-errant generally.

PALEOGRAPHY, the name given to the study and the deciphering of ancient manuscripts.

PALEOLITHIC AGE, the earlier stone age, characterized by rather crude implements; the period ended about 10,000 B.C.; remains of sub-men have been found among remains of the early paleolithic age, while the first true men appear in the later or upper paleolithic; their remains are known as Aurignacian, Molutian, and Magdalenian.

PALEOLOGUS, the name of a Byzantine family, several members of which attained imperial dignity, the last of the dynasty dying in 1453; they came into prominence in the 11th century.

PALEONTOLOGY, the study of the fossilized remains of animals and plants of former geological ages; the fossils as a rule take the form of petrified skeletons, where the original material (chitin, silica, or carbonate of lime) has been partly or wholly replaced by other minerals; in some cases the skeleton has been dissolved away by percolating water, leaving a mould; fossils are important aids to geologists in determining the relative ages of rocks in different places, as well as giving information about the conditions under which they were laid down; fossils give us much information about the evolution of the various forms of animal life.

PALEOZOIC, or Age of Ancient Life, includes the Cambrian, Ordovician, Silurian, Devonian, Carboniferous, and Permian geological systems; in the Lower Paleozoic the only fauna were invertebrates and fishes, whilst at the end of the age reptiles appear; the characteristic fossils of paleozoic times are the trilobites.

PALEOZOOLOGY, the branch of paleontology dealing with animals found as fossils in geological strata.

PALAFOX, DON JOSEPH, a Spanish soldier, born of a noble Aragonese family, who immortalized himself by his heroic defence of Saragossa against the French in 1808-1809; on the fall of the place was taken to France and imprisoned till 1813; on his release was created Duke of Saragossa and promoted to other high honours at home (1780-1847).

PALAIS ROYAL, a pile of buildings in Paris, of which the nucleus was a palace built in 1629 by Lenormet for Richelieu, and known afterwards as the Palais Cardinal; by gift of Louis XIV. it became the town residence of the Orleans family; these buildings suffered much damage in 1848 and in 1871, but were restored.

PALAMEDES, one of the chiefs of the Greeks at the siege of Troy, a man of inventive genius; discovered the assumed madness of Ulysses, but incurred his resentment in consequence, which procured his death.

PALANQUIN, in India and China a covered box-like conveyance for one person borne on the shoulders of men.

PALATINATE, the name of two States, originally one, of the old German empire, one called the Lower Palatinate or the Palatinate of the Rhine, partitioned in 1815 among the States of Baden, Bavaria, Prussia, and Hesse-Darmstadt, and the other called the Upper Palatinate, now nearly all included in Bavaria; the former has for principal towns Spire and Landau, and the latter Ratisbon.

PALATINE, one of the seven hills of ancient Rome, and, according to tradition, the first to be occupied, and forming the nucleus of the city; it became one of the most aristocratic quarters of the city, and was chosen by the first emperors for their imperial residence.

PALATINE COUNT, a judicial functionary of high rank under the early Frankish kings ruling over what was called a palatinate.

PALATINE COUNTIES, certain frontier counties in England, such as Chester, Durham, and Lancaster, which possess royal privileges and rights.

PALE, THE, that part of Ireland in which after the invasion of 1172 the supremacy of English rule and law was acknowledged, the limits of which differed at different times, but which generally included all the eastern counties extending 40 or 50 m. inland.

PALENQUE, a town in the State of Chiapas, Mexico, discovered in 1750, buried under a dense forest, with extensive ancient structures in ruins, including a temple to the Sun.

PALERMO, capital of Sicily, picturesquely situated in the midst of a beautiful and fertile valley called the Golden Shell; is a handsome town, with many

public buildings and nearly 300 churches in Moorish and Byzantine architecture, a university, art school, museum, and libraries; industries are unimportant, but a busy trade is done with Britain, France, and the United States, exporting fruits, wine, sulphur, &c., and importing textiles, coals, machinery, and grain.

PALES, in Roman mythology the tutelary deity of shepherds and their flocks, the worship of whom was attended with numerous observances, as in the case of the nature divinities generally.

PALESTINE, or the Holy Land, a small territory on the S.E. corner of the Mediterranean, about the size of Wales, being 140 m. from N. to S. and an average of 70 m. from E. to W., is bounded on the N. by Lebanon, on the E. by the Jordan Valley, on the S. by the Sinaitic Desert, and on the W. by the sea; there is great diversity of climate throughout its extent owing to the great diversity of level, and its flora and fauna are of corresponding range; it suffered much during the wars between the Eastern monarchies and Egypt, and in the wars between the Crescent and the Cross, and is now rescued from the hands of the Turk; it has in recent times been the theatre of extensive exploring operations in the interest of its early history, and was the scene of fighting during the Great War in General Allenby's campaign.

PALESTRINA, an Italian town, 22 m. S.E. of Rome, on a slope of the Apennines, 2548 ft. above sea-level, on the site of the ancient Praeneste, with the remains of Cyclopean walls, and a palace of the Barberini, formerly belonging to the Colonna (q.v.).

PALESTRINA, GIOVANNI PIERLUIGI DE, celebrated composer of sacred music, styled the Prince of Music, born in Palestrina; resided chiefly at Rome, where he wrought a revolution in church music, produced a number of masses which at once raised him to the foremost rank among composers; was the author of a well-known *Stabat Mater* (1524-1594).

PALEY, FREDERICK APTHORP, classical scholar, grandson of the succeeding, born near York; became a Roman Catholic, contributed to classical literature by his editions of the classics of both Greece and Rome, remarkable alike for their scholarship and the critical acumen they show (1815-1888).

PALEY, WILLIAM, "one of the most masculine and truly English of thinkers and writers," born in Peterborough; studied at Christ's College, Cambridge, where he was Senior Wrangler, and obtained a Fellowship; held afterwards various Church preferments, and died archdeacon of Carlisle; was a clear writer and cogent reasoner on common-sense lines, and was long famous, if less so now, as the author of "Horse Pauline," "Evidences of Christianity," and "Natural Theology," as well as "Moral and Political Philosophy"; they are genuine products of the time they were written in, but are out of date now (1743-1805).

PALGRAVE, SIR FRANCIS, historian, born in London, of Jewish parents of the name of Cohen; was called to the bar in 1827, and became Deputy-Keeper of Her Majesty's Records in 1838; was the author of a history of the "Rise and Progress of the English Commonwealth," and of a "History of England," tracing it back chiefly to the Anglo-Norman period, among other works (1758-1911).

PALGRAVE, FRANCIS TURNER, poet, son of preceding, born in London, professor of Poetry at Oxford, editor of "Golden Treasury of Songs and Lyrics," as well as author of lyrics, rhymes, &c. (1824-1897).

PALGRAVE, WILLIAM GIFFORD, Arabic scholar, born in Westminster, brother of preceding; after a brief term of service in the army joined the Society of Jesus, and served as a member of the order in India, Rome, and in Syria, where he acquired an intimate knowledge of Arabic, by means of which he contributed to our knowledge of both the Arabic language and the Arab race; wrote a narrative of a year's journey through Arabia (1826-1888).

PALI, the sacred language of the Buddhists, once a living language, but, like Sanskrit, no longer spoken.

PALIMPSEST, the name given to a parchment manuscript written on the top of another that has been

erased, yet often not so thoroughly that the latter cannot be in a measure restored.

PALINGENESIA, name equivalent to "new birth," and applied both to regeneration and restoration, of which baptism in the former case is the symbol; in the Stoic philosophy it is preceded by dissolution, as in the rejuvenescence process of *Alcedo* (q.v.).

PALINURUS, the pilot of one of the ships of *Æneas*, who, sleeping at his post, fell into the sea and was drowned.

PALISSY, BERNARD, the great French potter and inventor of a new process in the potter's art, born in Périgord, of humble parentage; celebrated for his fine earthenware vases ornamented with figures artistically modelled, but above all for his untiring zeal and patience in the study of his art and mastery in it, making fuel of his very furniture and the beams of his house in the conduct of his experiments; he was a Huguenot, recognised as one of the ablest philosophers and thinkers of his day, and was specially exempted, by order of Catherine de' Medici, from the massacre of St. Bartholomew in 1572, although he was in 1585, as a Huguenot, imprisoned in the Bastille, where he died (1610-1590).

PALK'S STRAIT, the channel which separates Ceylon from the mainland of India, 100 m. long and 40 m. wide, generally shallow. See **ADAM'S BRIDGE**.

PALL MALL, a road in Westminster near St. James's Palace, deriving its name from a French ball game that used to be played there in the 17th century.

PALLADIO, ANDREA, an Italian architect, born in Vicenza, of poor parents; was precursor of the modern Italian style of architecture, and author of a treatise on architecture that has borne fruit; his works, which are masterpieces of the Renaissance, consist principally of palaces and churches, and the finest specimens are to be met with in Venice and in his native place (1618-1580).

PALLADIUM, a statue of Pallas in Troy, on the preservation of which depended the safety of the city, and from the date of the abstraction of which by Ulysses and Diomedes the fate of it was doomed; it was fabled to have fallen from heaven upon the plain of Troy, and after its abstraction to have been transferred to Athens and Argos; it is now applied to any safeguard of the liberty of a state.

PALLADIUM, a rare metal, resembling platinum in its properties.

PALLADIUS, ST., is called the "chief apostle of the Scottish nation," but his connection with Scotland during his lifetime is doubtful; he was sent to Ireland by Pope Celestine in A.D. 430, whence, after his death, his remains were brought by St. Ternan to Fordoun, Kincardineshire.

PALLAS, one of the names of *Athena* (q.v.), considered as the goddess of war; a name of uncertain derivation.

PALLAS, PETER SIMON, a German traveller and naturalist, born in Berlin, professor of Natural History in St. Petersburg; explored Siberia, and contributed to the geographical knowledge of the Russian empire (1741-1811).

PALLAVICINO, FERRANTE, Italian patriot, who gave offence by his pasquinades to the Papal Court and the Barberini; was betrayed and beheaded (1618-1644).

PALLAVICINO, SFORZA, cardinal and historian, born in Rome; was of the Jesuit order, and wrote a "History of the Council of Trent," in correction of the work of Paul Sarpi (1607-1667).

PALLICE, LA, port of La Rochelle, from which it is 3 m. distant, with harbourage for ocean-going steamers.

PALM, JOHANN PHILIPP, a Nürnberg bookseller, tried by court-martial at the instance of Napoleon, and shot, for the publication of a pamphlet reflecting on Napoleon and his troops, as act, from the injustice of it, that aroused the indignation of the whole German people against him (1768-1806).

PALM OIL, the liquid oil obtained from palm nuts; it can be hardened into a solid fat by the hydrogenation process, first used in 1910 at Warrington, and used for the soap and candle industry.

PALM SUNDAY, the Sunday before Easter, is so called from its being commemorative of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem; it is observed by

the Anglican, Greek and Roman Churches; in the last-named palm branches are blessed by the priest before mass, carried in procession, distributed to the congregation, carried home by them, and kept throughout the year.

PALMA, (1) capital of the Balearic Islands, on the Bay of Palma, S.W. coast of Majorca; has a Gothic cathedral, a Moorish palace, and a collection of pictures in the old Town Hall; manufactures silk, woollens, and jewellery, and does a busy trade. (2) One of the Canary Islands, 15 m. N.W. of Tenerife; grows sugar, and exports honey, wax, and silk manufactures.

PALMA, JACOPO, or The Old, a celebrated painter of the Venetian school, was a pupil of Titian; painted sacred subjects and portraits, all much esteemed (1480-1528).

PALMA, JACOPO, The Young, nephew of the preceding, also a painter, but of inferior merit, though he aimed to be the rival of Titoretto and Paul Veronese (1644-1628).

PALMER, the name given to a pilgrim to the Holy Land who has performed his vow, in sign of which he usually bore a palm branch in his hand, offering the same on the altar on his return home.

PALMER, EDWARD HENRY, Oriental scholar, born in Cambridge; had an aptitude for languages and was especially proficient in those of the East; by his knowledge of Arabic contributed to the success of exploring expeditions to S. Palestine and Sinai; was appointed professor of Arabic at Cambridge in 1871; produced a Persian-English Dictionary, an Arabic Grammar, and a translation of the Koran, and in 1882 undertook two missions to Egypt, in the latter of which he and his party were betrayed and murdered (1840-1882).

PALMER, SAMUEL, English landscape-painter, chiefly in water-colours, and with some distinction as an etcher (1805-1881).

PALMERSTON, HENRY JOHN TEMPLE, VISCOUNT, English statesman, born, of an Irish family, in Broadlands, Hants; was educated at the universities of Edinburgh and Cambridge; succeeded to his father's title, an Irish peerage, in 1802, and entered Parliament in 1807 as member for Newport, Isle of Wight; during his long career he subsequently represented Cambridge University (1811-1831), Bitchelwy, South Hampshire, and Liverpool, from 1809 to 1828, under five Premiers, he was Junior Lord of the Admiralty and Secretary for War; and separating himself finally from the Tory party, he joined Earl Grey's Cabinet as Foreign Secretary in 1830; contrary to all expectation he kept the country out of war, and during the next 11 years he associated England's influence with that of France in Continental affairs; returning to office in 1848, he remained at his old post till 1851, steering England skilfully through the Spanish troubles and the revolutionary reaction of 1848; a vote of censure on his policy was carried in the Lords in 1850, but, after a five hours' speech from him, the Commons recorded their approval; he resigned owing to differences with the Premier, Lord John Russell; in 1852 he joined Lord Aberdeen's coalition ministry, and on its fall became himself Prime Minister in 1855; he prosecuted the Crimean War and the Chinese War of 1857, and suppressed the Indian Mutiny, 1857-1858; defeated in 1858, he returned to office next year with a cabinet of Whigs and Peelites; his second administration furthered the cause of free trade, but made the mistake of allowing the *Alabama* to leave Birkenhead; he was Prime Minister when he died; a brusque, high-spirited, cheery man, sensible and practical, unpretending as an orator, but a skilful debater, he was a great favourite with the country whose prosperity and prestige it was his chief desire to promote (1784-1865).

PALMISTRY, the art of reading character from the lines and marks on the palm of the hand, according to which some claim to read fortunes as well.

PALMYRA, a ruined city of Asia Minor, 150 m. N.E. of Damascus, once situated in an oasis near the Arabian desert; a place of importance, and said to have been founded by Solomon for commercial purposes; of imposing magnificence as its ruins testify, notably under Zenobia; it was taken by the Romans

in 272, and destroyed by Aurelian, after which it gradually fell into utter decay; its ruins were discovered in 1678; it contains the remains of a temple to Baal, 60 of the 800 columns of which were found still standing.

PALO ALTO, 33 m. SE. of San Francisco; is the seat of a remarkable university founded by Senator Leland Stanford, and opened in 1891, to provide instruction, from the Kindergarten stage to the most advanced and varied, to students and pupils boarded on the premises.

PALUDAN-MÜLLER, FREDERIK, distinguished Danish poet, born in Fünen; his greatest poem, "Adam Homo," a didactic-humorous composition; was an earnest man and a finished literary artist (1809-1878).

PAMELA, a novel by Richardson from the name of the heroine, a girl of low degree, who resists temptation and reclaims her would-be seducer.

PAMIRS, THE, or the "Roof of the World," a plateau traversed by mountain ridges and valleys, of the average height of 13,000 ft., NW. of the plateau of Tibet, connecting the mountain system of the Himalayas, Tian-Shan, and the Hindu Kush, and inhabited chiefly by nomad Kirghiz bands.

PAMPAS, vast grassy, treeless, nearly level plains in South America, in the Argentine State; they stretch from the lower Paraná to the S. of Buenos Aires; afford rich pasture for large herds of wild horses and cattle, and are now in certain parts being brought under tillage.

PAMPLONA, or **PAMPLONA**, a fortified city of Northern Spain, is 80 m. due SE. of Bilbao. It has a Gothic cathedral and a surgical college, with manufactures of pottery and leather, and a trade in wine. Formerly capital of Navarre, it has suffered much in war.

PAMPERO, a strong south-westerly wind which blows off the pampas in the region of the river Plate, South America, usually accompanied by thunderstorms.

PAN, in the Greek mythology a goat-man, a personification of rude nature, and the protector of flocks and herds; originally an Arcadian deity, is represented as playing on a flute of reeds joined together of different lengths, called Pan's pipes, and dancing on his cloven hoofs over glades and mountains escorted by a bevy of nymphs side by side. There is a remarkable tradition that on the night of the Nativity at Bethlehem an astonished voyager heard a voice exclaiming as he passed the promontory of Tarentum, "The great Pan is dead." The modern devil is invested with some of his attributes, such as cloven hoofs, &c.

PANAMA, a free port in the State of Colombia, on the Pacific coast of the isthmus of the same name, and an oppressively hot and humid place; is the terminus of the Panama railroad and canal, and the seat of a great transit trade. It has a Spanish cathedral. The population, of Italian and negro descent chiefly, is only half what it was when the canal works were in full operation. Founded in 1518, the city was sacked and laid waste by the buccaner Morgan, 1671, the present city being rebuilt two years later.

PANAMA CANAL. Geographers were familiar with the idea of connecting the two oceans by a canal through Central America as early as the beginning of the 16th century, and Dutch plans are said to exist dating from the 17th century. The first practical steps were taken by Ferdinand de Lesseps in 1879; two years later work was begun; the cost was estimated at \$24,000,000, but on January 1, 1899, the company was forced into liquidation after spending over \$70,000,000, and accomplishing but a fifth of the work. Extravagance and incapacity were alleged among the causes of failure; but the apparently insurmountable difficulties were marshes, quicksands, and the overflow of the Chagres River, the prevalence of earthquakes, the length of the rainy season, the cost of labour and living, and the extreme unhealthiness of the climate. The effects of the French Panama Canal Company were bought by the United States of America for forty million dollars in 1902; Panama seceded from Colombia, which refused to ratify the treaty by which the territory on the line of the canal was conceded, and

was at once recognised as independent by the United States; the strip of land is ten miles wide and the canal is fifty miles long, the channel being from 800 to 1000 ft. wide at the bottom; the excavation amounted to 220 million cubic yards; the cost was 460 million dollars; the first steamer passed through from the Atlantic to the Pacific and back again on August 1, 1914.

PANATHENÆA, a festival, or rather two festivals, the Lesser and the Greater, anciently celebrated at Athens in honour of Athena, the patron-goddess of the city.

PANCAJATARA, an old collection of fables and stories originally in Sanskrit, versions of which have passed into all the languages of India, have appeared in different forms, and been associated with different names.

PANCRAS, ST., a boy martyr of 16, who suffered under the Diocletian persecution about 304, and is variously represented in mediæval legend as bearing a stone and sword, or a palm branch, and trampling a Saracen under foot, in allusion to his hatred of heathenism.

PANDECTS, the digest of civil law executed at the instance of the Emperor Justinian between the years 529 and 529.

PANDORA (i.e. the All-Gifted), in the Greek mythology a woman of surpassing beauty, fashioned by Hephestos, and endowed with every gift and all graces by Athena, sent by Zeus to Epimetheus (q.v.) to avenge the wrong done to the gods by his brother Prometheus, bearing with her a box full of all forms of evil, which Epimetheus, though cautioned by his brother, cried into when she left, to the escape of the contents all over the earth in winged flight, Hope alone remaining behind in the casket.

PANDOURS, a name given to a body of light infantry at one time in the Austrian service, levied among the Slaves on the Turkish frontier, and now incorporated as a division of the regular army.

PANDULF, CARDINAL, was the Pope's legate to King John of England, to whom, on his submission, John paid homage at Dover; d. 1226.

PANGE LINGUA, a hymn in the Roman Breviary, service of Corpus Christi, part of which is incorporated in every Eucharistic service; was written in rhymed Latin by Thomas Aquinas.

PANINI, a celebrated Sanskrit grammarian, whose work is of standard authority among Hindu scholars, and who lived some time between 600 and 300 B.C.

PANIPAT, a town in the Punjab, 53 m. N. of Delhi; was the scene of two decisive battles, one in 1526, to the establishment of the Mogul dynasty at Delhi, and another in 1761, to the extinction of the Marhatta supremacy in North-West India.

PANIZZI, SIR ANTONIO, principal librarian of the British Museum from 1850 to 1866, born in Modena; took refuge in England in 1821 as implicated in a Piedmontese revolutionary movement that year; procured the favour of Lord Brougham and a post in the Museum, in which he rose to be one of the chiefs (1797-1879).

PANKHURST, MRS. EMMELINE, British feminist leader. With her husband, Dr. Pankhurst, she founded the Women's Franchise League in 1889, and took an active part in Manchester politics; she founded the Women's Social and Political Union in 1903, and was a leader of militant methods to secure votes for women, being several times imprisoned. After 1918 she became a Conservative. In her work she was assisted by her daughters Christabel and Sylvia (1854-1928).

PANNONIA, a province of the Roman empire, conquered between 35 B.C. and A.D. 8; occupied a square with the Danube on the N. and E. and the Save almost on the S. border; it passed to the Eastern Empire in the 6th century, fell under Charlemagne's sway, and was conquered by the modern Hungarians shortly before A.D. 1000.

PANOPTICON, a prison so arranged that the warder can see every prisoner in charge without being seen by them.

PANSLAVISM, the name given to a movement for union of all the Slavonic races in one nationality, a project which lags heavily owing to the jealousy on the part of one section or another.

PANTAGRUEL, the principal character of one of the two great works of Rabelais, and named after him; he and his father Gargantua figured as two enormous giants, being personifications of royalty with its insatiable lust of territory and power.

PANTHEISM, the doctrine or creed which affirms the immanency of God in nature, or that God is within nature, but ignores or denies His transcendence, or that He is above nature; distinguished from deism, which denies the former but affirms the latter, from theism, which affirms both, and from atheism, which denies both.

PANTHEON, a temple in Rome, first erected in 27 B.C. by Aspidus, son-in-law of Augustus, circular in form, 150 ft. in height, with niches all round for statues of the gods, to whom in general it was dedicated; it is now a church, Santa Maria Rotonda, and affords sepulture to illustrious men. Also a building in Paris, originally intended to be a church in honour of the patron saint of Paris, but at the time of the Revolution converted into a receptacle for the ashes of the illustrious dead, Mirabeau being its first occupant, and bearing this inscription, *Aux grands hommes la patrie reconnaissant*; it was subsequently appropriated to other uses, but under the third republic it became again a resting-place for the ashes of eminent men.

PANTOGRAPE, the name given to a contrivance for copying a drawing or a design on an enlarged or a reduced scale.

PANURGE, one of the principal characters in the "Pantagruel" of Rabelais, an exceedingly crafty knave, a libertine, and a coward.

PANZA, SANCHE, Don Quixote's squire, a squat, paunchy peasant endowed with rude common-sense, but incapable of imagination.

PAOLI, PASQUALE DE, a Corsican patriot; sought to achieve the independence of his country, but was defeated by the Genoese, aided by France, in 1768; took refuge in England, where he was well received and granted a pension; returned to Corsica and became lieutenant-general under the French republic, raised a fresh insurrection, had George III. proclaimed king, but failed to receive the viceroyalty, and returned to England, where he died a disappointed man (1726-1807).

PAPAL STATES, a territory in the N. of Italy extending irregularly from Naples to the Po, at one time subject to the temporal sovereignty of the Pope, originating in a gift to his Holiness from Pepin the Short, and taking shape as such about the 11th century, till in the 16th and 17th centuries the papal power began to assert itself in the general politics of Europe, and after being suppressed for a time by Napoleon it was formally abolished by annexation of the territory to the crown of Sardinia in 1870. In 1929 the Lateran Treaty revived the Papal States in a modified form, the Pope being granted sovereign power over a small area called the Vatican City (q.v.).

PAPHOS, the name of two ancient cities in the SW. of Cyprus; the older (now Kyklia) was a Paphnagian settlement, in which afterwards stood a temple of Venus, who was fabled to have sprung from the sea-foam close by; the other, 8 m. westward, was the scene of Paul's interview with Sergius Paulus and his encounter with Elymas.

PAPIAS, bishop of Hierapolis, in Phrygia, who flourished in the middle of the 2nd century, and wrote a book entitled "Exposition of the Lord's Sayings," fragments of which have been preserved by Eusebius and others; he was, it is said, the companion of Polycarp.

PAPIER-MÂCHÉ is a light, durable substance made from paper pulp or sheets of paper pasted together and variously treated with chemicals, heat, and pressure, largely used for ornamental trays, boxes, light furniture, &c., in which it is varnished and decorated to resemble lacquer-work, and for architectural decoration, in which it is made to imitate plaster moulding; the manufacture was learned from the Eastern nations, Persia, India, and Japan having been long familiar with it; America has adapted it to use for railroad wheels, &c.

PAPIN, DENIS, French physicist, born in Blois, practised medicine at Angers; came to England and assisted Boyle in his experiments, made a

special study of the expansive power of steam and its motive power, invented a steam-digester with a safety-valve, since called after him, for cooking purposes at a high temperature; became professor of Mathematics at Marburg (1847-1712).

PAPINI, GIOVANNI, Italian writer. Born and educated in Florence, he edited several periodicals, and in 1921 produced a Life of Christ (1881-).

PAPINIANUS, EMILIUS, a celebrated Roman jurist; was put to death by Caracalla for refusing, it is said, when requested, to vindicate his conduct in murdering his brother (142-212).

PAPIRIUS, a Roman pontiff to whom is ascribed a collection of laws constituting the Roman code under the kings.

PAPPENHEIM, COUNT VON, Imperial general, born in Bavaria; played a prominent part in the Thirty Years' War; was distinguished for his seal as well as his successes on the Catholic side; was mortally wounded at Lützen, expressed his gratitude to God when he learned that Gustavus Adolphus, who fell in the same battle, had died before him (1594-1682).

PAPPUS OF ALEXANDRIA, a Greek geometer of the 3rd or 4th century, author of "Mathematical Collections." In eight books, of which the first and second have been lost.

PAPUANS, the name of the members of the negro race inhabiting certain islands of Oceania, including New Guinea, New Hebrides, New Caledonia, Fiji Islands, &c.

PAPYRUS, the Greek name of the Egyptian papyrus, is a kind of sedge growing 10 ft. high, with a soft triangular stem, the pith of which is easily split into ribbons, found still in Egypt, Nubia, Abyssinia, &c.; the pith ribbons were the paper of the ancient Egyptians, of the Greeks after Alexander, and of the later Romans; they were used by the Arabs of the 8th century, and in Europe till the 12th; at first long strips were rolled up, but later rectangular pages were cut and bound together book fashion; though age has rendered the soft white pages brown and brittle, much ancient literature is still preserved on papyrus; the use of papyrus was superseded by that of parchment and rag-made paper.

PARÁ, a Brazilian port at the mouth of the Guama, on the E. shore of the Pará estuary, is a compact, regularly-built, thriving town, with whitewashed buildings, blue and white tiled roofs, tree-shaded streets; it has a cathedral; is the emporium of the Amazon trade, exporting indiarubber and cacao, and sending foreign goods into the interior; though hot, it is healthy.

PARABLE, a short allegorical narrative intended to illustrate and convey some spiritual instruction.

PARABOLA, a conic section formed by the intersection of a cone by a plane parallel to one of its generating lines; the path of a projectile thrown in the air at an angle with the vertical is a parabola.

PARACELSUS, a Swiss physician, alchemist, and mystic, whose real name was Theophrastus Bombastus von Hohenheim, born in Einsiedeln, in Schwyz; was a violent revolutionary in the medical art, and provoked much hostility, so that he was driven to lead a wandering and unsettled life; notwithstanding, he contributed not a little, by his knowledge and practice, to inaugurate a more scientific study of nature (1493-1541).

PARAFFIN, or kerosene, the less volatile oil obtained from petroleum (q.v.) and used for burning in lamps; the name "paraffin" is given to a series of hydrocarbons, methane, ethane, propane, &c., some of which enter into the constitution of paraffin oil, petrol, &c.

PARAGUAY, except Uruguay the smallest State in South America, is an inland republic whose territories lie in the fork between the Pilcomayo and Paraguay and the Paraná Rivers, with Argentina on the W. and S., Bolivia on the N., and Brazil on the N. and E.; it is less than half the size of Spain, consists of rich undulating plains, and, in the S., of some of the most fertile land on the continent; the climate is temperate for the latitude; the population, Spanish, Indian, and half-caste, is Roman Catholic; the country is rich in natural products, but without minerals; dye-woods, rubber, Paraguay tea (a kind of holly), gums, fruits, wax, cochineal, and many medicinal herbs are gathered

for export: maize, rice, cotton, and tobacco are cultivated; the industries include some tanning, brick-works, and lace-making; founded by Spain in 1535, Paraguay was the scene of an interesting experiment in the 17th century, when the country was governed wholly by the Jesuits, who, excluding all European settlers, built up a fabric of Christian civilisation; they were expelled in 1765; in 1810 the country joined the revolt against Spain, and was the first to establish its independence; for 26 years it was under the government of Dr. Francia; from 1865 to 1870 it maintained a heroic but disastrous war against the Argentine, Brazil, and Uruguay, as a consequence of which the population fell from a million and a half to a quarter of a million; it is again prosperous and progressing. The capital is Asunción, at the confluence of the Pilcomayo and Paraguay.

PARAGUAY RIVER, a South American river 1800 m. long, the chief tributary of the Paraná, rises in some lakes near Matto Grosso, Brazil, and flows southward through marshy country till it forms the boundary between Brazil and Bolivia, then, traversing Paraguay, it becomes the boundary between that State and the Argentine Republic, and finally enters the Paraná above Corrientes; it receives many affluents, and is navigable by ocean steamers almost to its source.

PARAKEITE, the Holy Spirit which Christ promised to His disciples would take His place as their teacher and guide after He left them. Also the name of the monastery founded by Abelard near Nogent-sur-Seine, of which Hilfoles (q.v.) was abbot.

PARALLAX, of a star is the angle subtended at the star by the radius of the earth's orbit; generally, it denotes the apparent change in the position of an object due to a change in the position of the observer.

PARALLELOGRAM, a quadrilateral with both pairs of opposite sides parallel.

PARAMARIBO, the capital of Dutch Guiana, on the Surinam, 10 m. from the sea, and the centre of the trade of the colony.

PARAMO, the name given to an elevated track of desert on the Andes.

PARANA RIVER, a great river of South America, formed by the confluence of the Rio Grande and the Paranáhyba, in S.E. Brazil, flows S.W. through Brazil and round the N.E. border of Paraguay, then, receiving the Paraguay River, turns S. through the Argentine, then E. till the junction of the Uruguay forms the estuary of the Plate. The river is broad and rapid, 2000 m. long, more than half of it navigable from the sea; at the confluence of the Yrassu it enters a narrow gorge, and for 100 m. forms one of the most remarkable rapids in the world; the chief towns on its banks are in the Argentine, viz. Corrientes, Santa Fé, and Rosario.

PARCE, the Roman name of the Three Fates (q.v.), derived from *pars*, a part, as apportioning to every individual his destiny.

PARCEL POST, the delivery of parcels up to 7 lbs. in weight by the Post Office, started in 1883; in 1927 a system of cash on delivery (C.O.D.) was instituted.

PARCLEMENT consists of skins specially prepared for writing on, and is so called from a king of Persians, who introduced it when the export of papyrus from Egypt was stopped; the skins used are of sheep, for fine parchment or vellum, of calves, goats, and lambs; parchment for drum-heads is made from calves' and asses' skins.

PARCS-AUX-CERFS, the French name for clearings to provide hunting fields for the French aristocracy prior to the Revolution.

PARÉ, AMBROISE, great French surgeon, born in Laval; was from the improved methods he introduced in the treatment of surgical cases entitled to be called, as he has been, the father of modern surgery; noted for his success as an operator, in particular the tying of divided arteries and the treatment of gunshot wounds; was appointed surgeon to Francis II., Charles IX., and Henry III. of France; his writings exercised a beneficent influence on the treatment of surgical cases in all lands (1517-1600).

PARIAH, a Hindu of the lowest class, and of no caste; pariahs are of various grades, but all are outcast,

and treated as such; the name is applied strictly to Bhils, Santhals, and some other primitive tribes who do not profess Brahmanism.

PARIS, the capital of France, in the centre of the northern half of the country, on both banks of the Seine, and on two islands (La Cité and St. Louis) in the middle, 110 m. from the sea; is the largest city on the Continent, and one of the most beautiful in the world. No city has finer or gayier streets, or so many noble buildings. The Hôtel de Clugny, and the Hôtel de Sens are rare specimens of 15th-century civic architecture. The Palais de la Tuilerie, on the right bank of the Seine, dates from the 16th century, and was the royal residence till the Revolution. Connected with it is the Louvre, a series of galleries of painting, sculpture, and antiquities, whose contents form one of the richest collections existing and include the peerless "Venus de Milo." The Palais Royal encloses a large public garden, and consists of shops, restaurants, the Théâtre Français, and the Royal Palace of the Orleans family. South of the river is the Luxembourg, where the Senate meets, and on the Ile de la Cité stands the Palais de Justice and the Conciergerie, one of the oldest Paris prisons. St.-Germain-des-Prés is the most ancient church, but the most important is the cathedral of Notre Dame, 12th century, which might tell the whole history of France could it speak. Saint-Chapelle is said to be the finest Gothic masterpiece extant. The Panthéon, originally meant for a church, is the burial-place of the great men of the country, where lie the remains of Voltaire, Rousseau, and Carnot. The oldest hospitals are the Hôtel Dieu, La Charité, and La Pitié. The University Schools in the Quartier Latin attract the youth of all France; the chief are the Schools of Medicine and Law, the Scottish College, the College of France, and the Sorbonne, the seat of the faculties of letters, science, and Protestant theology. Triumphant arches are prominent in the city. There are many museums and charitable institutions: the Bibliothèque Nationale, in the Rue Richelieu, rivals the British Museum in numbers of books and manuscripts. The Palace of Industry and the Eiffel Tower commemorate the exhibitions of 1854 and 1889 respectively. Great market-places stand in various parts of the city. The Rue de Rivoli, Rue de la Paix, Rue du Faubourg St.-Honore, and the Rue Royale are among the chief streets; beautiful squares are numerous, the most noted being the Place de la Concorde, between the Champs-Élysées and the gardens of the Tuilleries, in the centre of which the Obelisk of Luxor stands on the site of the guillotine at which Louis XVI. and Marie Antoinette, Philippe Égalité, Danton, and Robespierre died. Boulevards lined with trees run to the outskirts of the city. The many roads, railways, canals, and rivers which converge on Paris have made it the most important trading centre in France, and the concourse of wealthy men of all nations has given it a high place in the financial world. It is a manufacturing city, producing jewellery, ornamental furniture, and all sorts of artistic "articles de Paris." The centre of French, and indeed European, fashion, it is noted for its pleasure and gaiety. The concentration of Government makes it the abode of countless officials. It is strongly fortified, being surrounded by a ring of forts, and a wall 22 m. long, at the gates of which the octroi duties are levied. The Prefect of the Seine, appointed by the Government, and advised by a large council, is the head of the municipality, of the police and fire brigades, cleansing, draining, and water-supply departments. The history of Paris is the history of France, for the national life has been, and is, in an extraordinary degree centred in the capital. It was the scene of the great tragic drama of the Revolution, and of the minor struggles of 1830 and 1848. In more recent times its great humiliation was its siege and capture by the Germans in 1870-1871.

PARIS, the second son of Priam and Hecuba; was exposed on Mount Ida at his birth; brought up by a shepherd; distinguished himself by his prowess, by which his parentage was revealed; married Énéas (q.v.); appealed to to decide to whom the "apple of discord" belonged, gave it to Aphrodite

in preference to her two rivals Hera and Athena: was promised in return that he should receive the most beautiful woman in the world to wife, Helen of Sparta, whom he carried off to Greece, a deed which led to the Trojan War (q.v.): slew Achilles, and was mortally wounded by the poisoned arrows of Hercules.

PARIS, MATTHEW, English chronicler; a Benedictine monk of St. Albans; author of "Chronica Majora," which contains a history, written in Latin, of England from the Conquest to the year in which he died (1195-1299).

PARK, MUNGO, African traveller, born in Foulshie, near Selkirk; was apprenticed to a surgeon, and studied medicine at Edinburgh; 1791-1793 he spent in a voyage to Sumatra, and in 1795 went for the first time to Africa under the auspices of the African Association of London; starting from the Gambia, he penetrated eastward to the Niger, then westward to Kamalia, where illness seized him; conveyed to his starting-point by a slave-trader, he returned to England and published "Travels in the Interior of Africa," 1799; he married and settled to practice at Peebles, but he was not happy till in 1805 he set out for Africa again at Government expense; starting from Pisania, he reached the Niger, and sending back his journals attempted to descend the river in a canoe, but, attacked by natives, the canoe overturned, and he and his companions were drowned (1771-1806).

PARKER, SIR GILBERT, British novelist and politician. Born in Canada, he emigrated to Australia and then to London, where he made a name with novels dealing largely with life in Canada, "The Seats of the Mighty" and "The Weavers" being two of the best known. For 18 years he sat as M.P. for Gravesend, and he was knighted in 1902 (1882-).

PARKER, JOHN HENRY, archaeologist and writer on architecture; originally a London publisher, his chief work the "Archæology of Rome," in nine vols., a subject to which he devoted much study (1806-1884).

PARKER, JOSEPH, Nonconformist divine, born in Hexham; a popular minister of the City Temple; a vigorous and eloquent preacher, and the author of numerous works bearing upon Biblical theology and the defence of it; his *magnum opus* is the "People's Bible" (1830-1902).

PARKER, MATTHEW, archbishop of Canterbury, born in Norwich; was a Fellow of Cambridge; embraced the Protestant doctrines; became Master of Corpus Christi College, Oxford; was chaplain to Anne Boleyn, and made Dean of Ely by Edward VI.; was deprived of his offices under Mary, but made Primate under Elizabeth, and the Bishop's Bible was translated and issued under his auspices (1504-1575).

PARKER, THEODORE, an American preacher and lecturer; adopted and professed the Unitarian creed, but discarded it, like Emerson, for one still more liberal; distinguished himself in the propagation of it by his lectures as well as his writings; was a vigorous anti-slavery agitator, and in general a champion of freedom; died at Florence while on a tour for his health (1810-1860).

PARKMAN, FRANCIS, American historian, born in Boston; his writings valuable, particularly in their bearing on the dominion of the French in America, its rise, decline, and fall (1823-1893).

PARLEMENT, the name given to the local courts of justice in France prior to the Revolution, in which the edicts of the king required to be registered before they became laws; given by pre-eminence to the one in Paris, which was composed of lawyers, or gentlemen of the long robe, as they were called, whose action the rest uniformly endorsed, and which played an important part on the eve of the Revolution, and contributed to further the outbreak of it, to its own dissolution in the end.

PARLIAMENT is the name of the great legislative council of Britain representing the three estates of the realm—Clergy, Lords, and Commons. The Clergy are represented in the Upper House by the archbishops and 24 bishops, of whom London, Winchester, and Durham are always three, the remainder sitting according to seniority of consecra-

tion; the rest of the Upper House comprises the dukes, marquises, earls, viscounts, and barons of the peerage of Great Britain who sit in virtue of their titles, and representatives of the Scottish and Irish peerages elected for life; the total membership is over 700; the House of Lords may initiate any bill not a money bill; it does not deal with financial measures at all except to give its formal assent; it also revises bills passed by the Commons, and may reject these within limits. Of late years this veto has come to be exercised only in cases where it seems likely that the Commons do not retain the confidence of the people, having thus the effect of referring the question for the decision of the constituencies. The Lords constitute the final court of appeal in all legal questions, but in exercising this function only those who hold or have held high judicial office take part. The House of Commons comprises 615 representatives of the people; its members represent counties, divisions of counties, burghs, wards of burghs, and universities, and are elected by the entire adult population, male and female, over 21. The Commons initiates most of the legislation, deals with bills already initiated and passed by the Lords, inquires into all matters of public concern, discusses and determines imperial questions, and exercises the sole right to vote supplies of money. To become law bills must pass the successive stages of first and second reading, committee, and third reading in both Houses, and receive the assent of the sovereign, which has not been refused for two centuries.

PARLIAMENT ACT, a law passed in August, 1911, aimed chiefly at decreasing the power of the House of Lords. Under it the Lords cannot reject or amend a money Bill, and cannot touch a measure passed three times by the House of Commons; the life of the House of Commons under the Act was reduced from seven to five years. The Act only passed the House of Lords after Asquith had threatened to create enough new peers to secure a majority for it, and its passing ended a constitutional crisis that had begun with the rejection by the House of Lords of the 1909 Budget.

PARLIAMENT, THE LONG, the name given to the last English Parliament convoked by Charles I. in 1640, dissolved by Cromwell in 1653, and recalled twice after the death of the Protector before it finally gave up the ghost.

PARLIAMENT OF DUNCES, name given by Sir E. Coke to a parliament held at Coventry by Henry IV. in 1494, because no lawyer was allowed to sit in it.

PARLIAMENTARIAN, one who, in the English Civil War, supported the cause of the Parliament against the king.

PARMA, a cathedral and university town in N. Italy, on the Parma, a tributary of the Po, 70 m. N.E. of Genoa; is rich in art treasures, has a school of music, picture-gallery, and museum of antiquities; it manufactures pianofortes, silks, and woollens, and has a cattle and grain market; Parma was formerly the capital of the duchy of that name, which was united to Italy in 1860; it was the residence of Correggio, as well as the birthplace of Parmigiano.

PARMENIDES, a distinguished Greek philosopher of the Eleatic school, who flourished in the 5th century B.C.; his system was developed by him in the form of an epic poem, in which he demonstrates the existence of an Absolute which is unthinkable, because it is without limits, and which he identifies with thought, as the one in the many.

PARMENTON, an able and much-esteemed Macedonian general, distinguished as second in command at Granicus, Issus, and Arbela, but whom Alexander at some fit of jealousy and under unfounded suspicion caused to be assassinated in Media.

PARMIGIANO, a Lombard painter whose proper name was Francesco Mazzuoli, born in Parma; went to Rome when 19 and obtained the patronage of Clement VII.; after the storming of the city in 1527, during which he sat at work in his studio, he went to Bologna, and four years later returned to his native city; failing to implement a contract to paint frescoes he was imprisoned, and on his release retired to Casalmaggiore, where he died; in

style he followed Correggio, and is best known by his "Cupid Shaping a Bow" (1504-1540).

PARNASSUS, a mountain in Phocis, 10 m. N. of the Gulf of Corinth, 8000 ft. high, one of the chief seats of Apollo and the Muses, and an inspiring source of poetry and song, with the oracle of Delphi and the Castalian spring on its slopes; it was conceived of by the Greeks as in the centre of the earth.

PARNELL, CHARLES STEWART, Irish Home Ruler, born in Avondale, in Wicklow; he was of land-owner parents and was educated at Cambridge. He entered Parliament in 1875 as a Home Ruler, and led his party in obstructionist methods; he also founded the Land League. Public opinion holding him responsible for crimes in Ireland, and especially the Phoenix Park murder, a Royal Commission sat on "Parnellism and Crime," and proved that an incriminating letter attributed to him was a forgery. Cited as co-respondent in the O'Shea divorce case when at the height of his power, he retired from the leadership of the party at the command of Gladstone, and died a few months later (1846-1891).

PARNELL, THOMAS, English minor poet of the Queen Anne period, born in Dublin, of a Cheshire family; studied at Trinity College, took orders, and became archdeacon of Clogher; is best known as the author of "The Hermit," though his odes "The Night-Piece on Death" and the "Hymn to Contentment" are of more poetic worth; he was the friend of Swift and Pope (1679-1718).

PAROS, one of the Cyclades, lying between Naxos and Siphanto, exports wine, figs, and wool; in a quarry near the summit of Mount St. Elias the famous Parian marble is still cut; the capital is Paros.

PARR, CATHERINE, sixth wife of Henry VIII., daughter of Sir Thomas Parr of Kendal, was a woman of learning and great discretion, acquired considerable power over the king, persuaded him to consent to the succession of his daughters, and, surviving him, married her former suitor, Sir Thomas Seymour, and died from the effects of childbirth the year after (1512-1548).

PARR, SAMUEL, a famous classical scholar, born in Harrow; became headmaster of first Colchester and then Norwich Grammar School and a prebend of St. Paul's; he had an extraordinary memory and was a great talker; he was a good Latinist, but nothing he has left justifies the high repute in which he was held by his contemporaries (1747-1825).

PARR, THOMAS, called **OLD PARR**, a man notable for his long life, being said to have lived 152 years and 9 months, from 1488 to 1640; he was a farmer at a town near Shrewsbury.

PARRAMATTA, next to Sydney, from which it is 14 m. W., the oldest town in New South Wales; manufactures colonial tweeds and Parramatta cloths, and is in the centre of orange groves and fruit gardens.

PARRHASIUS, a gifted painter of ancient Greece of the 5th century B.C., born in Ephesus; came to Athens and became the rival of Zeuxis; he was the contemporary of Socrates and a man of an arrogant temper; his works were characterised by the pains bestowed on them.

PARRY, SIR HUBERT HASTINGS, British composer. He was a professor at Oxford and Director of the Royal College of Music, and composed a number of works, chiefly cantatas and odes; he also wrote several books on music (1848-1918).

PARRY, SIR WILLIAM EDWARD, celebrated Arctic explorer, born in Bath; visited the Arctic Seas under Ross in 1818, conducted a second expedition himself in 1819-1820, a third in 1821-1823, a fourth in 1824-1826 with unequal success, and a fifth in 1827 in quest of the North Pole via Spitzbergen, in which he was baffled by an adverse current; received sundry honours for his achievements; died governor of Greenwich Hospital, and left several accounts of his voyages (1790-1855).

PARSEC, an astronomical unit of distance; the distance of a star of parallax one second, i.e. 34 light-years or 19 million million miles.

PARSES (i.e. inhabitants of Pars, a province of Persia), a name given to the disciples of Zoroaster

or their descendants in Persia and India, and sometimes called Guebres; in India they number some 90,000, are to be found chiefly in the Bombay Presidency, form a wealthy community, and are engaged mostly in commerce; in religion they incline to deism, and pay homage to the sun as the symbol of the deity; they neither bury their dead nor burn them, but expose them apart in the open air in "towers of silence," where they are left till the flesh is eaten away and only the bones remain, to be removed afterwards for consignment to a subterranean cavern.

PARSIFAL, or **PARZIVAL**, the hero of the legend of the Holy Grail (q.v.), and identified with Galahad (q.v.) in the Arthurian legend.

PARSON ADAMS, a simple-minded 18th-century clergyman in Fielding's "Joseph Andrews."

PARSONS, SIR CHARLES, British engineer, inventor of the steam turbine engine; chairman of engineering works at Newcastle; president of the British Association at Bournemouth in 1919; awarded the Order of Merit, 1927 (1854-).

PARSONS, ROBERT, English Jesuit, born in Somersetshire, educated at Oxford and a Fellow of Balliol College; he became a convert to Roman Catholicism and entered the Society of Jesus in 1575; conceived the idea of reclaiming England from her Protestant apostasy, and embarked on the enterprise in 1580, but found it too hot for him, and had to escape to the Continent; after this he busied himself partly in intrigues to force England into submission and partly in organising seminaries abroad for English Roman Catholics, becoming head of one at Rome, where he died; he appears to have been a Jesuit to the backbone, and to have served the cause of Jesuitry with his whole soul (1546-1610).

PARTHENOGENESIS, name given to asexual reproduction, that is, to reproduction of plants or animals by means of unimpregnated germs or ova.

PARTHENON, a celebrated temple of the Doric order at Athens, dedicated to Athena, constructed under the leadership of the architect Ictinus, and regarded as the finest specimen of Greek architecture that exists; it is 228 ft. in length and 65 ft. in height. Parthenon means the chamber of the maiden goddess, that is, Athena.

PARTHENOPE, in the Greek mythology one of the three Sirens (q.v.), who threw herself into the sea because her love for Ulysses was not returned, and was drowned; her body was washed ashore at Naples, which was called Parthenope after her name.

PARTHIA, an ancient country corresponding to Northern Persia; was inhabited by a people of Scythian origin, who adopted the Aryan speech and manners, and subsequently yielded much to Greek influence; after being tributary successively to Assyria, Media, Persia, Alexander the Great, and Syria, they set up an independent kingdom in 250 B.C. In two great contests with Rome they made the empire respect their prowess; between 53 and 36 B.C. they defeated Crassus in Mesopotamia, conquered Syria and Palestine, and inflicted disaster on Mark Antony in Armenia; the renewal of hostilities by Trajan in A.D. 115 brought more varied fortunes, but they extorted a tribute of 50,000,000 denarii from the Emperor Marcus in 218. Ctesiphon was their capital; the Euphrates lay between them and Rome; they were overthrown by Artabazir of Persia in 224. The Parthians were famous horse-archers, and in retreat shot their arrows backwards often with deadly effect on a pursuing enemy.

PARTICK, a western suburb of Glasgow, has numerous villas, and its working population is very largely engaged in shipbuilding.

PARTINGTON, MRS., an imaginary lady, the creation of the American humorist Shillaber, distinguished for her misuse of learned words; also another celebrity, cited by Sydney Smith in a speech, who attempted to sweep back the Atlantic with her mop, the type of those who think to stave back the inevitable.

PASCAL, BLAISE, illustrious French thinker and writer, born in Clermont, in Auvergne; was distinguished at once as a mathematician, a physicist, and a philosopher; at 16 wrote a treatise on conic

sections, which astonished Descartes; at 18 invented a calculating machine; he afterwards made experiments in pneumatics and hydrostatics, by which his name became associated with those of Torricelli and Boyle; an accident which befell him turned his thoughts to religious subjects, and in 1654 he retired to the convent of Port Royal (q.v.), where he spent as an ascetic the rest of his days, and wrote his celebrated "Provincial Letters" in defence of the Jansenists against the Jesuits, and his no less famous "Pensées," which were published after his death: "his great weapon in polemics," says Prof. Saintsbury, "is polite irony, which he first brought to perfection, and in the use of which he has hardly been equalled, and has certainly not been surpassed since" (1623-1662).

PAS-DE-CALAIS, the French name for the Strait of Dover; also the name of the adjacent department of France.

PASHA, a Turkish title, originally bestowed on princes of the blood, but extended to governors of provinces and prominent officers in the army and navy.

PASIPHAE, the wife of Minos (q.v.) and mother of the Minotaur (q.v.).

PASKEVITCH, IVAN FEODOBOVITCH, a Russian general, born in Poltava; took part in repelling the French in 1812, defeated the Persians in 1826-1827 and the Turks in 1828-1829; suppressed a Polish insurrection in 1831 and a Magyar revolution in 1849; was wounded at Silistria in 1854 and resigned (1782-1856).

PASQUINO, a cobbler or tailor who lived in Rome at the end of the 15th century, notable for his witty and sarcastic sayings, near whose shop after his death a fragment of a statue was dug up and named after him, on which, as representing him, the Roman populace claim to this day, it would seem, the privilege of placarding flies against particularly the ecclesiastical authorities of the place, hence Pasquinade.

PASSAU, a Bavarian fortified town on the Austrian frontier, situated at the confluence of the Inn and the Danube, 105 m. E. of Munich by rail; is a picturesque place, strategically important, with manufactures of leather, porcelain, and parquet, and trade in salt and corn.

PASSFIELD, 1ST BARON (Sidney Webb), British politician. Born in London, he married Beatrice Potter in 1892, and after a civil service career he became known together with his wife as a writer on economics and particularly as an authority on trade unionism. In 1922 he became Labour M.P. for Seaham, resigning his seat in 1929 to take a peerage and become Dominions Secretary (1859-).

PASSING-BELL, a bell tolled at the moment of the death of a person to invite his neighbours to pray for the safe passing of his soul.

PASSION PLAY, a dramatic representation of the several stages in the passion of Christ, a popular performance among the peasantry of Germany in the Middle Ages, of which that still held at Oberammergau, in Bavaria, is a survival.

PASSION SUNDAY, the fifth Sunday in Lent, which is succeeded by what is called the Passion Week.

PASSION WEEK is properly the week preceding Holy Week, but in common English usage the name is given to Holy Week itself, i.e. to the week immediately preceding Easter, commemorating Christ's passion.

PASSIONISTS, an order of priests, called of the Holy Cross, founded in 1694 by Paul Francisco, of the Cross in Bardina, whose mission it is to preach the Passion of Christ and bear witness to its spirit and import, and who have established themselves in Europe and America; they are noted for their

the chief festival of the Jews in commemoration of the passing of the destroying angel over the houses of the Israelites on the night when he slew the first-born of the Egyptians; it was celebrated in April, lasted eight days, only unleavened bread was used in its observance, and a lamb roasted whole was eaten with bitter herbs, the partakers standing and road-ready as on their departure from the land of bondage. According to some authorities the custom is of greater antiquity

and commemorates the offering of firstlings of the flock (see Exodus xiii).

PASSOW, FRANZ, German philologist, born in Mecklenburg, professor at Breslau; his chief work "Hand-Wörterbuch der Griechischen Sprache"; an authority in subsequent Greek lexicography (1786-1853).

PASSPORTS, identity papers which have to be shown on crossing a national frontier. In Great Britain a fee of 7s. 6d. is charged for a passport, which is issued by the Foreign Office through the Passport Office. For a few countries, and their nationals visiting Britain, a visa is also required, for which extra is charged.

PASTA, JUDITH, a famous Italian operatic singer, born near Milan, of Jewish birth; her celebrity lasted from 1822 to 1835, after which she retired into private life; she had a voice of great compass (1798-1865).

PASTEUR, LOUIS, an eminent French chemist, born in Dôle, in dep. of Jura, celebrated for his studies and discoveries in fermentation, and also for his researches in hydrophobia and his suggestion of inoculation as a cure; the Pasteur Institute in Paris was the scene of his researches from 1886 (1822-1895).

PASTON LETTERS, a series of letters and papers, over a thousand in number, belonging to a Norfolk family of the name, and published by Sir John Fenn over a century ago; they date from the reign of Henry V. to the close of the reign of Henry VII., and are of importance in connection with the political and social history of the period.

PASTORAL STAFF, a bishop's staff with a crooked head, symbolical of his authority and function as a shepherd in spiritual matters of the souls in his diocese.

PATAGONIA is the territory at the extreme S. of South America, lying between the Rio Colorado and the Strait of Magellan. Chilian Patagonia is a narrow strip W. of the Andes, with a broken coast-line, many rocky islands and peninsulas. Its climate is temperate but very rainy, and much of it is covered with dense forests which yield valuable timber; coal is found at Punta Arenas on the Strait. The population consists chiefly of migratory Araucanian Indians and the Chilian settlers at Punta Arenas. Eastern or Argentine Patagonia is an extensive stretch of undulating plateaux intersected by ravines, swept by cold W. winds, and rainless for eight months of the year. The base of the Andes is fertile and forest-clad, the river valleys can be cultivated, but most of the plains are covered with coarse grass or sparse scrub, and there are some utterly desolate regions. Lagoons abound, and there are many rivers running eastward from the Andes. Herds of horses and cattle are bred on the pampas. The Indians of this region are among the tallest races of the world.

PATANJALI is the name of two ancient Indian authors, of whom one is the author of the "Yoga," a theistic system of philosophy, and the other of a criticism on the Sanskrit grammarian Pāṇini.

PATCHOULI, a perfume with a strong odour, derived from the dried roots of an Indian plant introduced into the country in 1844.

PATENTS, rights granted to an individual or company with protection against imitation or reproduction. The right was first granted to printing in 1591 and was extended to inventions in 1628.

PATER, WALTER HORATIO, an English prose-writer and critic, specially studious of word, phrase, and style, born in London; studied at Oxford, and became a Fellow of Brasenose College; lived chiefly in London; wrote studies in the "History of the Renaissance," "Marcus the Epicurean," "Imaginary Portraits," "Appreciations," together with an essay on "Style"; literary criticism was his forte (1839-1894).

PATERCULUS, GAUL VELLEIUS, a Latin historian of the 1st century, author of an epitome, especially of Roman history, rather disfigured by undue flattery of Tiberius, his patron, as well as of Caesar and Augustus.

PATERSON, ROBERT, the original of Scott's "Old Mortality," a stone-mason, born near Hawick; devoted 40 years of his life to restoring and erecting

monumental stones to the memory of the Scottish Covenanters (1712-1801).

PATERSON, WILLIAM, a famous financier, born in Thirlwald parish, Dumfriesshire; originated the Bank of England, projected the ill-fated Darien scheme, and lost all in the venture, though he recovered compensation afterwards, an indemnity for his losses of £18,000; he was a long-headed Scot, skilful in finance and in matters of trade (1658-1719).

PATHOS, the name given to an expression of deep feeling, and calculated to excite similar feelings in others.

PATLOCK, ROBERT, English novelist, author of "Peter Wilkins," an exquisite production, of which the heroine was the flying girl Youwarkee (1697-1767).

PATMORE, COVENTRY, English poet, born in Essex, best known as the author of "The Angel in the House," a poem in praise of domestic bliss, succeeded by others, superior in some respects, of which "The Unknown Kross," is by many much admired; he was a Roman Catholic by religious profession (1823-1896).

PATMOS, a barren rocky island in the Ægean Sea, S. of Samos, 28 m. in circuit, where St. John suffered exile, and where it is said he wrote the Apocalypse.

PATNA, the seventh city of India, in Bengal, at the junction of the Son, the Gandak, and the Ganges; is admirably situated for commerce; has excellent railway communication, and trades largely in cotton, oil-seeds, and salt. It is a poor city with narrow streets, and except for the Government buildings, Patna College, a Roman Catholic cathedral, and a mosque, has scarcely any good buildings. At Dinapur, its military station, 6 m. to the W., mutiny broke out in 1857. It is famous for its rice, but this is largely a re-export.

PATOIS, a name the French give to a corrupt dialect of a language spoken in a remote province of a country.

PATON, SIR JOSEPH NOEL, poet and painter, born in Dumfries; became a pattern designer, but afterwards studied in Edinburgh and London, and devoted himself to art; his early subjects were mythical and legendary, later they were chiefly religious; he was appointed Queen's Limner for Scotland in 1865, and knighted in 1867; his "Quarrel" and "Reconciliation of Oberon and Titania" are in the National Gallery, Edinburgh; the illustrations of the "Dowie Dens o' Yarrow," and the series of religious allegories, "Pursuit of Pleasure," "Lux in Tenebris," "Faith and Reason," &c., are familiar through engravings; "Poems by a Painter" appeared in 1861 (1821-1902).

PATRAS, on the NW. corner of the Morean Peninsula, on the shores of the Gulf of Patras; has a fine harbour; is the chief western port of Greece, shipping currants, olive-oil, and wine, and importing textiles, machinery, and coal; it is a handsome city, rebuilt and fortified last century.

PATRIARCH, in Church history is the name given originally to the bishops of Rome, Antioch, and Alexandria, and later to those also of Constantinople and Jerusalem, who held a higher rank than other bishops, and exercised a certain authority over the bishops in their districts. The title is in vogue in the Greek, Syrian, Armenian, and other Churches. It was actually first given to the chief of a race or clan, the members of which were called after him.

PATRICIANS AND PLEBEIANS, the two classes into which, from the earliest times, the population of the Roman State was divided, the former of which possessed rights and privileges not conceded to the latter, and stood to them as patrons to clients, like the baron of the Middle Ages to the vassals. This inequality gave rise to repeated and often protracted struggles in the commonalty, during which the latter gradually encroached on the rights of the former till the barrier in civic status, and even in social to some extent, was as good as abolished, and members of the plebeian class were eligible to the highest offices and dignities of the State.

PATRICK, ORDER OF ST. See **ST. PATRICK, ORDER OF**.

PATRICK, ST., the apostle and patron saint of Ireland; his birthplace uncertain; flourished in

the 5th century; his mission, which extended over great part of Ireland, and over thirty or forty years of time, was eminently successful, and at the end of it he was buried in Downpatrick, henceforth a spot regarded as a sacred one. Various miracles are ascribed to him, and among the number the extirpation from the soil of all venomous reptiles (cirr. 373-463).

PATRICK, SIMON, English prelate; distinguished himself, when he was rector of St. Paul's, by his self-denying devotion during the Plague of London; became bishop in succession of Chichester and Ely, and was the author of a number of expostory works (1626-1707).

PATRISTIC LITERATURE, the name given to the writings of the early Fathers of the Christian Church.

PATROCLUS, a friend of Achilles, who accompanied him to the Trojan War, and whose death by the hand of Hector roused Achilles out of his sullenness, and provoked him to avenge the deed in the death of Hector.

PATTESON, JOHN COLERIDGE, bishop of Melanesia, grand-nephew of Coleridge; a devoted bishop, in material things no less than spiritual, among the Melanesian Islanders; was murdered, presumably through mistake, by the natives of one of the Santa Cruz groups (1827-1871).

PATTE, ADELINA, prima donna, born in Madrid, of Italian extraction; made her first appearance at New York in 1859, and in London at Covent Garden, as Amina in "La Sonnambula," in 1861, and appeared in all European capitals, with several tours in America; was married three times, her last husband being Baron Cederström, and lived at Craig-y-nos Castle, near Swansea, Wales (1843-1920).

PATTISON, MARK, a distinguished English scholar, born in Hornby, Yorkshire; studied at Oxford, and was for a time carried away with the Tractarian Movement, but when his interest in it died out he gave himself to literature and philosophy; wrote in the famous "Essays and Reviews" a paper on "The Tendency of Religious Thought in England"; became rector of Lincoln College, Oxford; wrote his chief literary work, a "Life of Isaac Casaubon," a mere fragment of what it lay in him to do, and left an autobiography (1813-1884).

PATTISON'S PROCESS, the name of a process for desilvering lead, dependent on the fact that lead which has least silver in it solidifies first on liquefaction.

PAU, chief town of the French province of Basses-Pyrénées, on the Gave de Pau, 60 m. E. of Bayonne; is situated amid magnificent mountain scenery, and is a favourite winter resort for the English; linen and chocolate are manufactured; it was the capital of Navarre, and has a historic castle; it stands on the edge of a high plateau, and commands a majestic view of the Pyrénées on the S.

PAU, PAUL MARIE CÉSAR GERALD, French general, fought in the Franco-Prussian war, in which he lost an arm; early in the Great War he directed operations in Alsace (1848-).

PAULLAC, a port for Bordeaux, on the left bank of the Gironde.

PAUL, the name of five Popes; Paul I., Pope from 757 to 797; Paul II., Pope from 1464 to 1471; Paul III., Pope from 1534 to 1549, was zealous against the Protestant cause, excommunicated Henry VIII. in 1538, sanctioned the Jesuit order in 1540, convened and convoked the Council of Trent in 1545; Paul IV., Pope from 1555 to 1559, originally an ascetic, was zealous for the best interests of the Church and public morality, established the Inquisition at Rome, and issued the first Index Expurgatorius; Paul V., Pope from 1605 to 1621, his pontificate distinguished by protracted strife with the Venetian republic, arising out of the claim of the clergy for immunity from the civil tribunals, which was brought to an end through the intervention of Henry IV. of France in 1607; he was zealous for orthodoxy, like his predecessors. **PAUL, ST.**, originally called Saul, the great Apostle of the Gentiles, born in Tarsus, in Cilicia, by birth a Jew and a Roman citizen; trained to severity by Gamaliel at Jerusalem in the Jewish faith, and

for a time the bitter persecutor of the Christians, till, on his way to Damascus, in the prosecution of his hostile purposes, the overpowering conviction flashed upon him that he was fighting against the cause that, as a Jew, he should have embraced, and which he was at once smitten with zeal to further, as the one cause on which hinged the salvation, not of the Jews only, but of the whole world. He did more for the extension and the exposition of the Christian faith at its first promulgation than any of the Apostles, and perhaps all of them together, and it is questionable if but for him it would have become, as it has become, the professed religion of the most civilised section of the world. After his conversion on the road to Damascus he made three missionary journeys to Asia Minor and Greece. Returning to Jerusalem, he was arrested, appealed as a Roman citizen to Caesar, and was sent to Rome, where he waited trial two years, during which time he wrote some of his Epistles. There is some evidence in these that he was released after a first trial, re-arrested, and condemned to death at a second, tradition declaring that he was executed at Three Fountains outside the city.

PAUL I. Czar of Russia, son of the Empress Catharine II., and her successor in 1796; was a despotic and arbitrary ruler; fought with the allies against France, but entered into an alliance with Napoleon in 1799; was murdered by certain of his nobles as he was being forced to abdicate (1754-1801).

PAUL AND VIRGINIA, a celebrated novel by Saint-Pierre, written on the eve of the French Revolution; it records the fate of a child of nature corrupted by the false, artificial sentimentality that prevailed at the time among the upper classes of France.

PAUL SAMOSATA, so called as born in Samosata, on the Euphrates, a heresiarch who denied the doctrine of three persons in one God, was bishop of Antioch, under the sway of Zoroaster, but deposed on her defeat by Aurelian in 274.

PAULDING, JAMES KIRKE, American writer, born in New York State; author of "History of John Bull and Brother Jonathan," the novel "The Dutchman's Fireside," and a Life of Washington (1779-1860).

PAULL, REINHOLD, German historian of England, born in Berlin; studied much in England, and became professor of History at Göttingen; wrote "Life of King Alfred," "History of England from the Accession of Henry II. to the Death of Henry VII.," "Pictures of Old England," and "Simon de Montfort" (1823-1882).

PAULICIAN, a heretical sect founded by Constantine of Mananalis about A.D. 660 in Armenia, and persisting in spite of severe persecution, were transferred to Thrace in 970, where remnants were found as late as the 13th century; they held that an evil spirit was the creator and god of this world, and that God was the ruler of the next; they refused to ascribe divinity to Christ, to worship Mary, to reverence the cross, or observe the sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist; their name was derived from the special regard in which they held the writings of St. Paul, from which they professed to derive their tenets; they were charged with Manichæism, but indignantly repudiated the imputation.

PAULINUS, the first archbishop of York, sent in company with Augustin from Rome by Gregory to Britain in 601; laboured partly in Kent and partly in Northumbria, and persuaded Edwin of Northumbria to embrace Christianity in 625; d. 644.

PAULUS, HEINRICH, one of the founders of German nationalism, born near Stuttgart; held in succession sundry professorships; denied the miraculous in the Scripture history, and invented ingenious rational explanations, now out of date (1761-1851).

PAUSANIAS, a famous Spartan general, the nephew of Leonidas, who, as commander-in-chief of the Greeks, overthrew the Persian army under Mardonius at Plataea in 479, but who, elated by this and other successes, aimed at the sovereignty of Greece by alliance with Xerxes, and being discovered took refuge in a temple at Athens, where he was blockaded and starved to death in 471 B.C., his mother throwing the first stone of the pile that was cast up to bar his exit.

PAUSANIAS, a Greek traveller and topographer, lived during the reigns of Antoninus Pius and Marcus Aurelius; wrote an "Itinerary of Greece" in 10 books, the fruit of his own peregrinations, full of descriptions of great value both to the historian and the antiquary.

PAVIA, on the Ticino, in Lombardy, is an imposing "city of a hundred towers," with little industry or commerce; in its unfinished cathedral St. Augustine was buried; San Michele, where the early kings of Italy were crowned, dates from the 7th century; the University was founded by Charlemagne, and has now attached to it colleges for poor students, a library, museum, botanic garden, and school of art; stormed by Napoleon in 1796, Pavia was in Austrian possession from 1814 till its inclusion in the kingdom of Italy, 1859.

PAWNEES, a once numerous and powerful North American Indian tribe which inhabited Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas.

PAXTON, SIR JOSEPH, architect of the Crystal Palace, born in Bedfordshire, was originally a gardener in the service of the Duke of Devonshire, and promoted to the charge of the duke's gardens at Chatsworth, where he displayed the architectural ability in building large glass conservatories which developed itself in the construction of the Great Exhibition of 1851, for which he received the honour of knighthood (1801-1865).

PAYN, JAMES, English novelist, born in Cheltenham; edited *Chambers's Journal* and *Cornhill Magazine*; his novels were numerous and of average quality, "Lost Sir Masingberd" and "By Proxy" among the most successful (1830-1898).

PAYNE, JOHN HOWARD, actor and playwright, born in New York; resided in London from 1818 to 1832; most of his days a stranger in a strange land, he immortalised himself as the author of "Home, Sweet Home," a song which was included in his play "Clari, the Maid of Milan" (1823); his remains were disinterred and buried at home 30 years after his death at Tunia (1791-1852).

PEABODY, GEORGE, philanthropist, born in Danvers, now Peabody, in Massachusetts, U.S.; made a large fortune as a dry-goods merchant in Baltimore and as a stockbroker as well in London; gave away for benevolent purposes in his lifetime a million and a half of money, and left to his relatives one million more; died in London; his body was laid beside his mother's at South Danvers, U.S. (1795-1869).

PEACE PACT. See **KELLOGG PACT**.

PEACOCK, THOMAS LOVE, English novelist, born in Weymouth; was pretty much a self-taught scholar, and no mean one, as his literary activity over half a century abundantly showed; held a post in the India House, his predecessor being James Mill and his successor John Stuart Mill; was an intimate friend of Shelley, and the father-in-law of George Meredith; he made his first literary appearance as a poet in two small volumes of poems, and his first novel was "Headlong Hall" as his latest was "Gryll Grange," all of them written in a vein of conventional satire, and more conspicuous for wit than humour; Thackeray owed not a little to him, little as the generality did, he being "too learned for a shallow age" (1785-1866).

PEARSON, JOHN, English prelate, born in Norfolk; held a succession of preferments in the Church, and in the end the bishopric of Chester; author of a very learned work, "Exposition of the Creed," of which Bentley said, "its very dross is gold" (1613-1686).

PEARSON, KARL, British scientist, professor at London University, famous for his work on heredity from the statistical point of view; wrote on evolution and eugenics (1857-).

PEARY, ROBERT EDWIN, American rear-admiral and explorer. He made his first Arctic voyage in 1891, and followed it with others in 1893, 1895, and 1898. In 1902 he reached nearer the Pole than any one had before, and after another expedition in 1906 succeeded in 1909 in reaching the North Pole, the first man to achieve the feat. He wrote several books on exploration (1854-1920).

PEASANT WAR, or *Bauernkrieg*, revolt of the peasantry in the S. and W. of Germany against the oppression and cruelty of the nobles and clergy

which broke out at different times from 1500 to 1525, and which, resulting in their defeat, rendered their lot harder than before. The cause of the Reformation, held answerable for the movement, suffered damage as well, but indeed the excesses of the insurgents were calculated to provoke the retribution that was meted out to them.

PECHILLI GULF OF, a great land-locked bay opening in the NW. of the Yellow Sea, receives the waters of the Hoang-ho, and on opposite tongues of land, at the mouth of it stand Port Arthur and Weihai-Wai.

PECKHAM, a pronounced hypocrite in Dickens' "Martin Chuzzlewit," who lies and talks cant whether he is drunk or sober.

PECOCK, REGINALD, bishop in succession of St. Asaph and Chichester, born in Wales; the author of, among other works, the "Repressor of Over Much Blaming of the Clergy" and the "Book of Faith"; he wrote on behalf of the Church against Lollards, but he offended Churchmen as well as the latter—Churchmen because he agreed with the Lollards in regard to the Bible as the rule of faith, and the Lollards because he appealed to reason as the interpreter of the Bible; he displeased the clergy also by his adoption in theological debate of the mother-tongue, but figures since in literature as the first English theologian; he was accused of treating authority with disrespect, as well as setting up reason above revelation, obliged to recant in a most humiliating manner, deprived of his bishopric, and condemned to solitary confinement, and denied the use of books and writing materials (1390-1460).

PECULIAR PEOPLE, a religious sect laying stress on faith-healing, founded in London in 1838 by John Banyars and J. W. Bridges.

PEDRO I., emperor of Brazil, second son of John VI. of Portugal; reigned from 1822 to 1831, when he abdicated in favour of his son (1798-1834).

PEDRO II., emperor of Brazil, son of preceding, ascended the throne in 1831; reigned peacefully till 1889, when a sudden revolution obliged him to resign and retire to Europe and take up his abode in France, where he indulged his taste for science and learning (1825-1891).

PEEBLES SHIRE, a lowland Scottish county bordered by Lanark, Midlothian, Selkirk, and Dumfries; comprises hilly pastoral land watered by the upper Tweed; Windiestraw, Hartfell, and Broadlaw are the highest of its grassy hills; among the lesser rivers are the Leithen and Quair; some crops are grown, but most of the land is devoted to sheep grazing; a little coal is found in the N.; the only towns are Innerleithen and Peebles, the county town, engaged in tweed manufacture. The county is known also by the name of Tweeddale; its representation in Parliament is united with that of Selkirk.

PEEL, a fishing town and holiday resort on the W. coast of the Isle of Man, 12 m. NW. of Douglas; it is noted for its castle.

PEEL, SIR ROBERT, English statesman, born near Bury, Lancashire, the son of a wealthy cotton-spinner, to whose large fortune and baronetcy he succeeded; graduated at Oxford in 1808, and next year entered Parliament as Tory member for Cashel; he afterwards sat for his own university, and after 1832 for Tamworth; he was appointed Under-Secretary for the Colonies in 1811, and from 1812 till 1818 was Secretary for Ireland; in 1822 he became Home Secretary, and established the Metropolitan Police Force, the members of which body were then called Peeliors or Bobbies; he seceded from the Government when Canning became Premier in 1827; the question at issue was Catholic Emancipation, and it was characteristic of Peel that in the Government which succeeded Canning's he had the courage, having changed his opinions, to introduce the measure which removed the disabilities; opposed to Reform, he became leader of the Conservative opposition in the Parliament of 1833; called to the Premiership in 1834 he could not maintain his administration, and it was not till 1841 that the victory of protection over the free-trade agitation gave him a stable majority in the Commons; his first measure was a modification of the corn laws on protectionist principles, 1842

then followed the 7d. income-tax and general tariff revision; in 1845 the agitation for free-trade in corn was brought to a crisis by the Irish potato famine; Peel yielded, and next year carried the final repeal of the corn laws; his "conversion" split the Tory party and he retired from office, becoming a supporter of the Whig ministry in its economic and ecclesiastical policy; he was a master of finance, an easy speaker, slow to form but conscientious to act upon his convictions, a man of the highest character; his death was the result of a fall from horseback (1788-1850).

PEEL TOWERS, the name given to fortresses of the moss-troopers on the Scottish border.

PEELE, GEORGE, dramatist, of the Elizabethan period, born in London; author of "Arraignment of Paris" and "David and Bathsheba," full of passages of poetic beauty; has been charged with having led the life of a debauchee and to have died of a disease brought on by his profligacy, but it is now believed that he has been maligned (1558-1597).

PEEPING TOM OF COVENTRY. See **GODIVA**.

PEERS, THE TWELVE, the famous warriors or paladins at the court of Charlemagne, so called for their equality in prowess and honour.

PEGASUS, the winged horse, begotten of Poseidon, who sprang from the body of Medusa when Perseus struck off her head, and who with a stroke of his hoof broke open the spring of Hippocrene on Mount Helicon, and mounted on whom Bellerophon slew the Chimera, and by means of which he hoped, if he had not been thrown, to ascend to heaven, as Pegasus did alone, becoming thereafter a constellation in the sky; this is the winged horse upon whose back poets, to the like disappointment, hope to scale the empyrean, who have not, like Bellerophon, first distinguished themselves by slaying Chimeras.

PEGU, a town of Lower Burma, in the province and on the river of the same name, 46 m. N.E. of Rangoon, is a very ancient city; the province is a rice-growing country, with great teak forests on the mountain slopes.

PEI-HO, a river of North China, 350 m. long; formed by the junction of four other rivers, on the chief of which stands Peking; has a short navigable course south-eastward to the Gulf of Pechili, where it is defended by the forts of Taku.

PEIRCE, BENJAMIN, American mathematician and astronomer, born in Massachusetts, U.S.; wrote on the discovery of Neptune and Saturn's rings, as well as a number of mathematical text-books (1800-1880).

PEISHWAH, the name of the overlord or chief minister of Marhatta chiefs in their wars with the Mohammedans, who had his headquarters at Poona, the last to hold office putting himself under British protection and surrendering his territory; nominated as his successor Nana Sahib, who became the chief instigator of the Mutiny of 1857, on account, it is believed, of the refusal of the British Government to continue to him the pension of his predecessor, who had adopted him.

PEKIN, the capital of China, on a sandy plain in the basin of the Pei-ho, is divided into two portions, each separately walled, the northern or Manchu city and the southern or Chinese. The former contains the Purple Forbidden city, in which were the Imperial palaces; surrounding it is the August city, in which are a colossal copper Buddha and the Temple of Great Happiness. Outside this are the government offices, foreign legations, the temple of Confucius, a great Buddhist monastery, a Roman Catholic cathedral, and Christian mission stations. The Chinese city has many temples, mission stations, schools, and hospitals, but its houses are poor and streets unpaved. Peking has railway communication with Hankow, and is connected with other cities and with Russia by telegraph. Its trade and industry are inconsiderable. It is one of the oldest cities in the world. It was Kubla Khan's capital, and was the metropolis of the empire from 1421 to 1912, and afterwards of the republic.

PELAGIUS, a celebrated heresiarch of the 5th century, born in Britain or Brittany; denied original sin and the orthodox doctrine of divine grace as the originating and sustaining power in redemption,

a heresy for which he suffered banishment from Rome in 418 at the hands of the Church. A modification of this theory went under the name of Semi-Pelagianism, which ascribes only the first step in conversion to free-will, and the subsequent sanctification of the soul to God's grace.

PELASGI, a people who in prehistoric times occupied Greece, the Archipelago, the shores of Asia Minor, and great part of Italy, and who were subdued, and more or less reduced to servitude, by the Hellenes, and supplanted by them. They appear to have been an agricultural people, settled and not roving about, and to have had strongholds enclosed in cyclopean walls, that in walls consisting of huge boulders unconnected with cement.

PELEUS, the son of Æacus, the husband of Thetis, the father of Achilles, and one of the Argonauts, after whom Achilles is named Pelides, i.e. Peleus' son.

PELEW ISLANDS, twenty-six in number, of coral formation, and surrounded by reefs; are in the extreme W. of the Caroline Archipelago in the North Pacific, and SE. of the Philippines. They belong to Spain; are small but fertile, and have a healthy climate. The natives are Malays, and though gentle lead a savage life.

PELLAS, king of Iolchus, and son of Poseidon, was cut to pieces by his own daughters, and thrown by them into a boiling cauldron in the faith of the promise of Medea that he might thereby be restored to them young again. It was he who, to get rid of Jason, sent the latter in quest of the Golden Fleece in the hope that he might perish in the attempt.

PELIJAN, a bird, the effigy of which was used in the Middle Ages to symbolise charity; generally represented as wounding its breast to feed its young with its own blood, and taken to be the image of the Christ who shed His blood for His people.

PELIDES, a patronymic of Achilles, as the son of Peleus (q.v.).

PELION, a range, or the highest of a range, of mountains in the E. of Thessaly, upon which, according to Greek fable, the Titans hoisted up Mount Ossa in order to scale heaven and dethrone Zeus, a strenuous enterprise which did not succeed.

PELUSIER, AIMABLE JEAN JACQUES, a French marshal, born near Rouen; was made Duc de Malakoff for storming the Malakoff tower, which led to the fall of Sebastopol in 1855; rose from the ranks to be Governor-General of Algeria, the office he held when he died (1794-1864).

PELLA, the capital of Macedonia and the birthplace of Alexander the Great, stood on a hill amid the marches NW. of Thessalonica.

PELLEGRINI, CARLO, a caricaturist, born in Capua; came to London; was distinguished for the inimitable drollery of his cartoons which appeared in *Vanity Fair* under the signature of "Ape" (1839-1889).

PELLICO, SILVIO, Italian poet and patriot, born in Piedmont; suffered a fifteen years' imprisonment in the Spielberg at Brunn for his patriotism; he was liberated in 1830; he wrote an account of his life in prison, which commanded attention all over Europe, both for the subject-matter of it and the fascination of the style (1788-1854).

PELLISSON, PAUL, a man of letters and a wit of the age of Louis XIV.; spent some five years in the Bastille, but after his release was appointed historiographer-royal; in his captivity he made a companion of a spider, who was accustomed to eat out of his hand (1624-1693).

PELOPIDAS, a Theban general, and leader of the "sacred band"; the friend of Epaminondas; contributed to the expulsion (379 B.C.) of the Spartans from the citadel of Thebes, of which they had taken possession in 380, after which he was elected to the chief magistracy; gained a victory over Alexander of Phene, the tyrant of Thebæ, but lost his life in 362 while too eagerly pursuing the foe.

PELOPONNESIAN WAR, a war of thirty years' duration (431-404 B.C.) between Athens and Sparta, which ended in the supremacy of the latter, till overthrown at Leuctra by the Thebans under Epaminondas in 371 B.C. This war is the subject of the history of Thucydides.

PELOPONNESUS (lit. the Isle of Pelops), the ancient

name of the Morea of Greece, the chief cities of which were Corinth, Argos, and Sparta; it was connected with the rest of Greece by the Isthmus of Corinth.

PELOPS, in the Greek mythology the grandson of Zeus and son of Tantalus, who was slain by his father and served up by him at a banquet he gave the gods to test their omniscience; Demeter in a fit of abstraction partook of a shoulder of the dish, whereupon the gods ordered the body to be thrown into a boiling cauldron, from which Pelops was drawn out alive, with the shoulder replaced by one of ivory.

PENBROKESHIRE, a maritime county, the farthest W. in Wales; is washed by St. George's Channel except on the E., where it borders on Cardigan and Carmarthen. It is a county of low hills, with much indented coast-line. Milford Haven, in the S., is one of the best harbours in the world. The climate is humid; two-thirds of the soil is under pasture; coal, iron, lead, and slate are found. St. David's is a cathedral city; the county town is Pembroke on Milford Haven, and near it is the fortified dockyard and arsenal of Pembroke Dock.

PENMICAN, a food for long voyages, particularly in Arctic expeditions, consisting of lean meat or beef without fat, dried, pounded, and pressed into cakes, as originally prepared by the Indians of North America. The use of it is now suppressed.

PENANCE, in the Roman Catholic Church an expression of penitence as well as the sacrament of absolution; also the suffering to which a penitent voluntarily subjects himself, according to the schoolmen, as an expression of his penitence, and in punishment of his sin; the three steps of penitence were contrition, confession, and satisfaction.

PENANG, or PRINCE OF WALES ISLAND, a small fertile island near the northern opening of the Straits of Malacca, off the Malay coast, and 860 m. NW. of Singapore; is one of the British Straits Settlements, of value strategically; it is hilly, and covered with vegetation; the population are half Chinese, a fourth of them Malays; rice, spices, and tobacco are exported. The capital is Georgetown, on the island. Province Wellesley, on the mainland, belongs to the same settlement; it exports tapioca and sugar. The Dindings, 80 m. S., are another dependency.

PENATES, the name given by the Romans to their household deities, individually and unitedly, in honour of whom a fire, in charge of the vestal virgins, was kept permanently burning.

PENDA, a Merican king of the 7th century, who headed a reactionary movement of heathenism against the domination of Christianity in England, and for a time seemed to carry all before him, but Christianity, under the preaching of the monks, had gained too deep a hold, particularly in Northumbria, and he was overpowered in 655 in one final struggle and slain.

PENDENNIS, the name of a novel by Thackeray, from the name of the hero, and published in 1840-1850 in succession to "Vanity Fair."

PENDLETON, a NW. suburb of Manchester, in the direction of Bolton, with extensive manufactures and collieries.

PENDRAGON, a title bestowed on kings by the ancient Britons, and especially on the chiefs among them chosen by election, so called from their wearing a dragon on their shields or as a crest in sign of sovereignty.

PENELOPE, the wife of Ulysses, celebrated for her conjugal fidelity during his twenty years' absence, in the later half of which an army of suitors pleaded for her hand, urging that her husband would never return; but she put them all off by a promise of marriage as soon as she finished a web she was weaving, which she wove by day and undid at night, till their importunities took a violent form, when her husband arrived and delivered her.

PENINSULAR WAR, a war carried on in Spain and Portugal during the years 1808 and 1814, between the French on the one hand and the Spanish, Portuguese, and British, chiefly under Wellington, on the other; it was ended by the victory of the latter over the former at Toulouse just after Napoleon's abdication.

PENITENTIAL PSALMS, or PSALMS OF CONFESSIO, is a name given from very early times to Psalms vi., xxxii., xxxviii., li., cli., cxxx., which are especially expressive of sorrow for sin. The name belonged originally to the fifty-first Psalm, which was recited at the close of daily morning service in the primitive Church.

PENITENTS, ORDER OF, a religious order established in 1272 for the reception to the Church of reformed courtesans.

PENNY, WILLIAM, founder of Pennsylvania, the son of an admiral, born in London; was converted to Quakerism while a student at Oxford, and for a fanatical attack on certain fellow-students expelled from the University; his father sent him to travel in France, and later placed him in charge of his Irish estates; his religious views occasioned several disputes with his father, and ultimately brought him into conflict with the Government; he spent several periods of imprisonment writing books in defence of religious liberty, among them "The Great Cause of Liberty of Conscience" (1671); then travelled in Holland and Germany propagating his views; his father's death brought him a fortune and a claim upon the Crown which he commuted for a grant of land in North America, where he founded (1682) the colony of Pennsylvania—the prefix Penn, by command of Charles II., in honour of the admiral; here he established a refuge for all persecuted religionists, and, laying out Philadelphia as the capital, governed his colony wisely and generously for two years; he returned to England, where his friendship with James II. brought many advantages to the Quakers, but laid him under harassing and undeserved prosecutions for treason in the succeeding reign; a second visit to his colony (1699–1701) gave it much useful legislation; on his return his agent practically ruined him, and he was a prisoner in the Fleet in 1708; the closing years of his life were clouded by mental decay (1644–1718).

PENNANT, THOMAS, traveller and naturalist, born near Holywell, Flintshire; studied at Oxford, but took no degree; in 1746 he made a tour of Cornwall; among his subsequent journeys, of which he published accounts, were tours in Ireland (1754), the Continent (1764), Scotland (1769 and 1772), and Wales; he wrote several works on zoological subjects, and published an amusing "Literary Life of the late Thomas Pennant, Esq., by Himself," 1793 (1726–1798).

PENNSYLVANIA, most populous but one of the American States, lies N. of Mason and Dixon's Line, separated by New Jersey, on the E. by the Delaware River, with Ohio on the W., New York on the N., and Lake Erie at the NW. corner. The country is hilly, being traversed by the Blue Mountains and the Alleghany ranges, with many fertile valleys between the chains, extensive forests, and much picturesque scenery. The Cumberland Valley in the W. is one of the best farming lands in New England. The Alleghany River in the W. and the two branches of the Susquehanna in the centre water the State. Pennsylvania is the greatest mining State in the Union; its iron-mines and petroleum-wells supply half the iron and most of the oil used in the country; its bituminous coalbeds in the W. are extremely rich, and the anthracite deposits of the E. are unrivalled; in manufactures, too, it ranks second among the States; these are very varied, the most valuable being iron, steel, and shipbuilding. Founded by Swedes, it passed to English settlers in 1664; the first charter was granted to William Penn in 1681. In the Revolution it took a prominent part, and was among the first States of the Union. Education is well advanced; there are several State colleges. The mining population includes many Irish, Hungarian, and Italian immigrants, among whom riots are frequent. Of the agriculturists many are of Dutch descent, and many of them speak a Low German *patois* known as Pennsylvania Dutch. Harrisburg is the capital; the metropolis is Philadelphia, the second largest city in the country; while Pittsburg, Alleghany, Scranton, and Reading are among the many large towns.

PENNY, originally a silver coin, weighed in the 7th

century $\frac{1}{16}$ th of a Saxon pound, but decreased in weight till in Elizabeth's time it was $\frac{1}{2}$ of an ounce troy. It was at first indented with a cross so as to be broken for halfpennies and farthings, but silver coins of these denominations were coined by Edward I. Edward VI. stopped the farthings, and the halfpence were stopped in the Commonwealth. Copper coinage was established in 1672. The present coins were issued first in 1860. They are half the size of their predecessors, and intrinsically worth one-seventh of their nominal value.

PENNY WEDDING, a wedding at which the guests pay part of the charges of the festival.

PENRITH, a market town of Cumberland, and tourist centre for the English lakes; contains a very old church and school, and ruins of a picturesque castle. Brewing, ironfounding, and timber-sawing are its industries.

PENRYN, a Cornish market town at the head of Falmouth harbour; has manufactures of paper, woollen cloth, and gunpowder. It has considerable fishing industry, and ships the Penryn granite quarried near.

PENSEROSO, IL, a famous poem by Milton, written in 1638.

PENSIONARY, THE GRAND, a State functionary of Holland, whose office, abolished in 1795, it was to superintend State interests, register decrees, negotiate with other countries, and take charge of the revenues, &c.

PENSIONS, grants from the State to individuals, such as were often a scandal throughout history. Old Age Pensions were granted in 1909 to people over 70. Widows' Pensions came into operation in 1925, and during the Great War special pensions were started for discharged soldiers and sailors and the dependants of men serving.

PENSIONS, MINISTRY OF, a department of State established in 1916 to handle pensions to soldiers, sailors, and their families.

PENTACLE, or PENTAGRAM, a symbol presumed to possess a magical influence, particularly to charm away evil spirits, formed by placing the figure of an equilateral triangle athwart another; it figures on early Greek coins.

PENTAMERONE, a collection of tales in the Neapolitan dialect, supposed to be told during five days by ten old women to a pseudo-prince, and published at Naples 1637; is of great value to students of folklore.

PENTANE, a liquid member of the paraffin family of low boiling-point, found in petroleum.

PENTATEUCH, the name given by Origen to the first five books of the Bible, which the Jews call the Law or Five-fifths of the Law, the composition of which has of late years been subjected to keen critical investigation and the whole ascribed to documents of different dates and diverse authorship, to the rejection of the old traditional hypothesis that it was the work of Moses, first called in question by Spinoza, and shown to be untenable by Jean Astruc.

PENTECOST (i.e. fiftieth), a great feast of the Jews, so called as held on the fiftieth day after the second of the Passover. It is called also the Feast of Harvest, or Weeks of First-Fruits, the Passover feast being connected with the commencement and this with the conclusion of harvest. It is regarded by the Jews as commemorative of the giving of the law on Mount Sinai, and will never cease to be associated in the Christian memory with the first Whitsun, from which dates the first birth of the Christian consciousness in the Christian Church, the moment when the disciples of Christ first realised in common that their Master was not dead but alive, and nearer to them than He had been when present in the flesh.

PENTELICUS, a range of mountains in Attica between Athens and Marathon, famous for its quarries of fine white marble, from which the Parthenon (q.v.) was built.

PENTHESILEA, the daughter of Ares and the queen of the Amazons; on the death of Hector she came to the assistance of the Trojans, but was slain by Achilles, who mourned over her when dying on account of her beauty, her youth, and her courage.

FENTHEUS, a king of Thebes, opposed to the introduction of the Bacchus worship into his kingdom; was driven mad by the god, and torn in pieces by his mother and sisters, who, under the Bacchic frenzy, mistook him for a wild beast.

FENTHLEVER, DUC DE, the father-in-law of Philippe Egalité, and the protector of Florian (1725-1793).

FENTLAND FIRTH is the strait between the Orkneys and the Scottish mainland connecting the North Sea with the Atlantic, 12 m. long by 6 broad, and swept by a rapid current very dangerous to navigation; thousands of vessels traverse it annually.

FENTONVILLE, a populous district of London, in the parishes of St. James's, Clerkenwell, and Islington, where is the Fentonville Model Prison, built in 1840-1842 on the radiating principle to accommodate 620 prisoners.

FENUMBRA, the name given to the partial shadow on the rim of the total shadow of an eclipse, also to the margin of the light and shade of a picture.

FENZANCE, the largest town in Cornwall, most westerly borough in England, and terminus of the Great Western Railway, is beautifully situated on the rocky W. shore of Mount's Bay; its public buildings chiefly of granite. It has a fine harbour and docks, and is the centre of the mackerel and pilchard fishing industries. Its mild climate makes it a favourite winter place.

PEOPLE'S PALACE, Mile End Road, London, is an institution for the recreation and instruction of the East-end population, opened by Queen Victoria in May, 1887, and owing its origin to the impulse given by Sir W. Besant's "All Sorts and Conditions of Men." In it are a library, art galleries, concert and reading rooms, baths, gymnasium, &c., and East London College, a part of London University, the course including technical education in various branches.

PEPIN LE BREF (i.e. the Short), king of the Franks, the son of Charles Martel, at first shared with his brother Carloman the viceregency of the kingdom under Hilderik III.; in 747 Carloman retired to a monastery, and five years later Pepin deposed Hilderik and ascended the throne; his kingdom embraced the valleys of the Rhine, the Rhône, and the Seine; he united his interests with those of the Church, and in 756 entered Italy to rescue the Pope from the threatened domination of the Lombards; reduced Alstulf of Lombardy to vassalage, assumed the title of Patrician of Rome, and by bestowing on Pope Stephen III. the "Exarchate" of the Roman empire, laid the foundation of papal temporal sovereignty, five cities being placed under his jurisdiction; his subsequent exploits included the conquest of the Loire Valley and the expulsion of the Moors from France; his fame was overshadowed by that of his son Charlemagne (714-768).

PEPSIN, an essential constituent of the gastric juice extracted from the stomach of the calf, sheep, and pig, and used in medicine to supply any defect of it in the stomach of a patient. Its function is to render proteins soluble, and so digestible.

PEPYS, SAMUEL, author of a famous Diary, a scholarly man and respected as connected with different grades of society; held a clerkship in the Admiralty, and finally the secretaryship; kept a diary of events from 1660 to 1699, which remained in MS. till 1825, when it was published in part by Lord Braybrooke, and is of interest for the insight it gives into the manners of the time and the character of the author (1633-1703).

PERA, a suburb of Constantinople, on the N. side of the Golden Horn, and the foreign diplomatic quarter.

PEREIA, "the country beyond," designated that part of Palestine beyond or E. of the Jordan.

PERCEVAL, a hero of the legends of chivalry, one of the Knights of the Round Table, famed for his adventures in quest of the Holy Grail.

PERCEVAL, SPENCER, English statesman, born in London, son of the Earl of Egmont; bred to the bar; entered Parliament as a supporter of Pitt, and held a succession of posts under different administrations, attaining the Premiership, which he held from 1800 to 1812, on May 11 of which year he was shot dead by a madman of the name of Bellingham in the lobby of the House; he was

devoted to the throne, and a man of upright character but narrow sympathies (1762-1812).

PERCIVAL, JAMES GATES, American poet and geologist, born in Kensington, Connecticut; took his degree at Yale in 1815, and qualified as a medical practitioner; he was for a few months professor of Chemistry at West Point, but retired and gave himself to literature and geology; his scientific works are valuable: "Prometheus" and "Clio" appeared in 1822, "Dream of a Day" in 1843; he died at Hazel Green, Wisconsin (1795-1856).

PERCY, a noble English family of Norman origin, the founder of which accompanied the Conqueror, and was rewarded with grants of land for his services; a successor in the female line, Henry, the father of the famous Hotspur, was created Duke of Northumberland in 1377.

PERCY, THOMAS, English prelate and antiquary, born in Bridgenorth, Shropshire, the son of a grocer; devoted himself to the collection of old ballads, and published in 1765 "Reliques of Ancient English Poetry"; he published also ballads of his own, among them "The Hermit of Warkworth," and was the author of "O Nannie, wilt thou gang wi' me?" He associated with Johnson, Burke, and other notables of the period, and was a member of Dr. Johnson's Literary Club; became bishop of Dromore in 1782, where he was held in affectionate regard; was blind for some years before he died (1729-1811).

PERDICAS, a favourite general of Alexander the Great, who, when on his deathbed, took his signet ring off his finger and gave it to him; he became an object of distrust after Alexander's death, and was assassinated in Egypt.

PEREIRA, JONATHAN, pharmacologist, born in London; author of the "Elements of Materia Medica," a standard work; was examiner on the subject in London University (1804-1853).

PEREKOP, ISTHMUS OF, connects the Crimea with the E. of Russia; is pierced by a ship-canal.

PEREZ, ANTONIO, Spanish statesman and minister of Philippe II., born in Aragon, was the tool of the king in the murder of Escoveda, the confidant of John of Austria; was convicted of betraying State secrets and imprisoned, but escaped; being in possession of royal secrets, which he published, he was in danger of arrest by Philippe, but evaded capture and found refuge in France, where he died in poverty (1539-1611).

PERFECTIONISTS, an American sect or society founded by John Humphrey Noyes in 1848 at Oneida, New York State, on Communitistic principles, but owing no law save that of the Spirit, and subject to no criticism but the judgment they freely passed on one another, a system which they were obliged to modify in 1880 so far as to recognise the rights of matrimony and the family, and to adopt the principle of a joint-stock limited liability company.

PERGAMOS, the citadel of Troy, a name frequently given by the poets to the city itself.

PERGAMOS, an ancient city of Mysia, in Asia Minor; founded by a colony of Greek emigrants in 3rd century B.C., and eventually the centre of a province of the name, which was subject for a time to Macedonia, but threw off the yoke and became independent, till it became a Roman province by bequest on the part of Attalus III. in 133 B.C. The city possessed a library second only to that of Alexandria, contained one of the seven churches mentioned in the Revelation, and gave its name to parliament, alleged to have been invented there.

PERI, in the Eastern mythology a fairy being of surpassing beauty, begotten of fallen spirits, and excluded from Paradise, but represented as leading a life of pleasure and endowed with immortality; there were male Peris as well as female, and they were intermediate between angels and demons.

PERIANDER, the tyrant of Corinth from 625 to 585 B.C., was one of the seven sages of Greece, and a patron of literature and the arts; Arion and Anacharsis lived at his court.

PERICLES, the great Athenian statesman, born in Athens, of noble parentage; was a devoted disciple of Anaxagoras; entered public life 467 B.C. as a democrat, and soon became head of the democratic

party, to the increase of the power of the citizens and annihilation of the domination of the oligarchy centred in the Areopagus; hostile to territorial aggrandisement, he sought, as his chief ambition, the unification of Greece in one grand confederacy, but was defeated in this noble aim by the jealousy of Sparta; he put down all rivalry, however, in Athens itself, and established himself as absolute ruler with the consent of the citizens, reforming the laws, adorning the city, and encouraging literature and the arts; the resulting prosperity did but enhance the envy of the other States. Sparta in particular, and two years before he died the spirit of hostility took shape in the outbreak of the Peloponnesian War (q.v.); he had surrounded the city with walls, and his policy was to defend it from within them rather than face the enemy in the field, but it proved fatal, for it tended to damp rather than quicken the ardour of the citizens, and to add to this a plague broke out among them in 430 B.C., which cut down the most valiant of their number, and he himself lay down to die the year after; he was a high-souled, nobly-bred man, great in all he thought and did, and he gathered around him nearly all the noble-minded and noble-hearted men of his time to adorn his reign and make Athens the envy of the world; d. 429 B.C.

PÉRIER, CASIMIR, a French banker and politician, born in Grenoble; took part in the Revolution of 1830, became Minister of the Interior in 1831; suppressed the insurrections at Paris and Lyons; died of cholera (1777-1832).

PÉRIGÉE, the point in the orbit of the moon or a planet nearest the earth.

PÉRIGORD, an ancient territory of France, S. of Guienne, famous for its truffes, of which Périgueux (q.v.) was the capital; united to the Crown of France by Henry IV. in 1589. It is now part of the department of Dordogne and part of Lot-et-Garonne.

PÉRIGUEUX, chief town of the department of Dordogne, France, on the Isle, 95 m. by rail N.E. of Bordeaux; is a narrow irregular town with a cathedral after St. Mark's in Venice, museum of antiquities, and library; iron and woollens are the industries; truffes and truffe pies are exported.

PÉRIPHÉLION, the point on the orbit of a planet or comet nearest the sun.

PÉRIM, a small barren, crescent-shaped island in the Strait of Bab-el-Mandeb, at the mouth of the Red Sea, belonging to Britain, and used as a coaling-station.

PÉRIODIC TABLE, the arrangement of the chemical elements in order of atomic weight; Mendeleeff (q.v.) found that similar elements fell in columns or periods under one another; the table showed clearly where an element was missing and enabled him to predict the properties of the unknown elements; later work showed that some of the anomalies of the table disappeared if atomic numbers were substituted for atomic weights, as suggested by H. G. Moseley (q.v.).

PÉRIPATETIC PHILOSOPHY, the name given to the philosophy of Aristotle, from his habit of walking about with his disciples as he philosophised in the shady walks of the Lyceum.

PERKIN, SIR WILLIAM HENRY, British chemist, who first produced the aniline dyes and laid the foundations of the modern coal-tar dye industry (1838-1907).

PERKIN, WILLIAM HENRY, British chemist, son of Sir W. H. Perkin; professor at Oxford and technical adviser to the British Dyestuffs Corporation (1860-1929).

PERMALLOY, an alloy of about 80 per cent. nickel and 20 per cent. iron, with remarkable magnetic properties, used for telephone apparatus.

PERMIAN, the geological strata forming the top of the palaeozoic deposits, appearing in England in the narrow band of magnesian limestone which stretches from Sunderland to near Nottingham, and in the red sandstones of Cumberland, South Devon, and elsewhere; Permian times were conspicuous for great volcanic activity and mountain-building movements, as well as the development of reptilian forms of life.

PERMITT PROCEDURE, a process for the softening of hard water by means of scollite minerals.

PERNAMBUCO, a seaport in N. Brazil, consists of three portions connected by bridges: Recife, on a peninsula, the business quarter; San Antonio, the modern quarter, on an intermediate island; and Bon Vista, on the mainland; manufactures cotton and tobacco, and has shipbuilding yards; the trade chiefly with England, the United States, and France; it is the capital of a province of the name, producing sugar and cotton.

PERONELLA, in fairy legend a pretty country lass who exchanges places with an old widowed queen, and receives the homage due to royalty, but gladly takes back her rags and beauty.

PERRIGNAN, a town on the Têt, 7 m. from the sea; a fortress in the French department of Pyrénées-Orientales; has a cathedral of the 14th century and a bourse in Moorish-Gothic, and manufactures wine and brandy; belonged originally to Aragon; was taken by France in 1475, and retaken, after restoration to Spain, in 1642, since which time it has belonged to France.

PERRAULT, CHARLES, French man of letters, born in Paris; bred to the bar; distinguished as the author of inimitable fairy tales, which have immortalised his name, such as "Puss in Boots," "Cinderella," "Bluebeard," &c., as also "Parallèle des Anciens et des Modernes" in which his aim was to show—an ill-informed attempt—that the ancients were inferior in everything to the moderns (1628-1703).

PERSECUTIONS OF THE CHURCH, by which are meant those at the hands of Imperial Rome, are usually reckoned 10 in number, viz., those under Nero in 64, Domitian 95, Trajan 107, Hadrian 125, Marcus Aurelius 165, Severus 202, Maximinus 235, Decius 249, Valerianus 257, and Diocletian 303.

PERSEPHONE, in the Greek mythology the daughter of Zeus and Demeter, the Proserpine of the Romans. See **PROSERPINE**.

PERSEPOLIS, the ancient capital of Persia, represented now by its ruins, which stand 25 m. from the N.W. shores of Lake Urmia, on the banks of the Murghab River, though in its palmy days it was described as "the Glory of the East."

PERSEUS, in the Greek mythology the son of Zeus and Danaë, and the grandson of Acrisius, king of Argos, of whom it was predicted before his birth that he would kill his grandfather, who at his birth enclosed both his mother and him in a chest and cast it into the sea, which bore them to an island where they became slaves of the king, Polydectes, who sought to marry Danaë; falling in his suit, and to compel her to submission, he ordered Perseus off to fetch him the head of the Medusa; who, aided by Hermes and Athena, was successful in his mission, cut off the head of the Medusa with the help of a mirror and sickle, brought it away with him in a pouch, and after delivering and marrying Andromeda in his return journey, exposed the head before Polydectes and court at a banquet, which turned them all into stone, whereupon he gave the Gorgon's head to Athena to place on her shield, and set out for Argos; Acrisius, hearing of his approach, fled, but was afterwards killed accidentally by his grandson, who in throwing a discus had crushed his foot.

PERSHING, JOHN JOSEPH, American general. He joined an American cavalry regiment, saw service in the war with Spain in 1898, and was in charge of the Philippine expedition the following year; he was a military attaché in Japan, was in Mexico in 1916, and in 1917 commanded the American troops in France till the end of the Great War (1860-1918).

PERSIA, occupies the tableland 5000 ft. high between the Persian Gulf and Arabian Sea on the S., the Caspian Sea and Turkistan on the N., Armenia on the W., and Afghanistan and Baluchistan on the E., and is a country three times as large as France; lofty mountain ranges traverse it from NW. to SE. and gird its northern boundary; the highest peak is Mount Demavend, 18,500 ft., in the Elburz, overlooking the Caspian. Most of the rivers evaporate inland; only one is navigable, the Harun, in the SW.; Lake Urmiah, in the NW., is the largest, a very salt and shallow sheet of water. The eastern half of the country is largely desert, where the sand is swept about in clouds by the winds. With little

rain, the climate is intensely hot in summer and cold in winter. Forests clothe the outer slopes of the mountains, and scanty brushwood the inner plains. Wheat and barley are grown on higher levels, and cotton, sugar, and fruits on the lower, all with the help of irrigation. Agriculture is the chief industry; there are manufactures of carpets, shawls, and porcelain. The internal trade is chiefly carried on by caravans; foreign trade is not extensive, and is chiefly in Russian hands; the exports include opium, carpets, pearls, and turquoise. The capital is Teheran, a narrow crooked, squalid town, at the southern foot of the Elburz. Tabriz, in the N.W., is the emporium of trade. Isfahan, Meshed, Bartsurash, and Shiraz are the other important towns. The Government is despotic; the emperor is called the Shah. The people are courteous and refined in manner, witty, and fluent in speech; they are of Aryan stock and Mohammedan faith. The original empire of Persia was established by Cyrus 537 B.C. A century later decay set in. Revival under Parthian and Sassanian dynasties lasted from 138 B.C. till A.D. 639. Persia became then a province of the Arabs. From the 14th century it fell under Mongol sway, and again in the 16th century under Turkish. The present dynasty was founded in 1795.

PERSIAN GULF, a great inland sea lying between Arabia and Persia, and entered from the Indian Ocean through the Gulf of Oman; is 650 m. long and from 50 to 250 m. broad. The Arabian coast is low and sandy, the Persian high. The chief islands are in the W., where also is the Great Pearl Bank. The only river of importance received is the Shat-el-Arab, which brings down the waters of the Euphrates and the Tigris.

PERSIAN WARS, were conducted by Persia in the three expeditions against Greece, first in 490 B.C. under Darius, and defeated by the Athenians under Miltiades at Marathon; the second, 480 B.C., under Xerxes, opposed by Leonidas and his 300 Spartans at Thermopylae, and defeated by the Athenians under Themistocles at Salamis by sea; and the third, in 479 B.C., under Xerxes, defeated by the Greeks under the Spartan Pausanias at Plataea.

PERSIANS, a name given to sculptured draped male figures used as columns.

PERSIANS, THE, belonged to the Aryan race, hence Iran, the original name of their country; they were related rather to the Western than the Eastern world, and it is from them that continuous history takes its start; they first recognised an ethereal essence, which they called Light, as the principle of all good, and man as related to it in such a way that, by the worship of it, he became assimilated to it himself. Among them first the individual subject stood face to face with a universal object, and claimed a kinship with it as the light of life. The epoch thus created was the emancipation of the human being from dependent childhood to self-dependent manhood, and it constituted the first epoch in the self-conscious history, which is the history proper, of the human race. The idea the Persians formed of the principle of good came far short of the reality indeed, but they first saw that it was of purely illuminating quality and universal, and that the destiny of man was to relate himself to it, to know, worship, and obey it. With the ethereal principle of good they associated an equally ethereal principle of evil, and, as they identified the one with light, they identified the other with darkness. Man they regarded as related to both, and his destiny to adore the one and disown the other as master. As the light had no portion in the darkness, and the darkness no portion in the light, the religion arose which pervades that of the Bible, which requires the children of the former to separate from those of the latter.

PERSIFLAGE, a French term for a light, quizzing mockery, or scoffing, especially on serious subjects, out of a cool, callous contempt for them.

PERSIGNY, FIALIN, DUC DE, a French statesman, a supporter all along of Louis Napoleon, abetting him in all his efforts to attain the throne of France, from the affair of Strasbourg in 1836 to the coup d'état of December, 1851, and becoming in the end Minister of the Interior under him; had to leave

France at the overthrow of the Empire (1868-1872).

PERSIUS, the last king of Macedonia; was conquered by Paulus Aemilius, and died captive at Rome, 167 B.C.

PERSIUS, Roman satirist, born in Etruria, was a pupil and friend of Cornutus the Stoic; a man much esteemed, who died young, only 28; wrote six short satires in the purity of a white-souled manhood, of much native vigour, though not equal to those of Horace and Juvenal, but commanding the regard of all scholars down to the present time; they have often been translated (34-68).

PERTH, the county town of Perthshire, on the Tay, 22 m. W. of Dundee; is a beautifully situated town, with fine buildings, the only old one being the restored St. John's Church. Its industries are dyeing and ink-making. At Scoon, 2 m. distant, the kings of Scotland were crowned; and the murder of James I., the Gowrie conspiracy, and the battle of Tippermuir are but a few of its many historical associations. "The Five Articles of Perth," adopted by a General Assembly held there in 1618, did much to precipitate the conflict between the Royal power and the Scottish Church; they enjoined kneeling at the Lord's Supper, observance of Christmas, Good Friday, Easter, and Pentecost, confirmation, and the private administration of the sacraments.

PERTH, the capital of West Australia, on the Swan River; has many fine buildings, including Anglican and Roman Catholic cathedrals, library and art gallery.

PERTSHIRE, the most beautiful and varied county in Scotland, occupies the whole of the Tay Valley and part of the Forth, and is bounded by nine other counties. The N. and W. are mountainous, with many rivers and lakes, and much of the finest scenery in Scotland; the Trossachs and Loch Katrine are world-famed. In the E. is extensive woodland and the Carse of Gowrie, one of the most fertile of Scottish plains. Ben Lawers is the highest mountain. Loch Tay the largest lake. Much of the soil is good only for sheep farms, deer forests, and grouse moors; the county is visited annually by thousands of tourists and sportsmen.

PERTINAX, HELVIUS, Roman emperor in succession to Commodus; rose from the ranks by his military services to the imperial dignity, which he was pressed to accept against his will, and was assassinated by the Praetorian Guards less than three months after, in consequence of the reforms he projected in order to restore the ancient discipline of the army (126-193).

PERTURBATIONS, name given to irregularities or slight deviations in the movement of a heavenly body, due chiefly to the neighbourhood of another planet.

PERU, a country in the W. of South America, lies between Brazil and Bolivia and the Pacific, with Ecuador on the N. and Chile on the S.; it consists of a seaboard plain, hot and rainless, but intersected by rich river courses, in which sugar, cotton, and coffee are grown; the Andes chains, snow-tipped and presenting every kind of climate and variety of vegetation on their slopes and in their valleys, rich in minerals and yielding chiefly great quantities of silver; and the Montana, the eastward slopes of the Andes, clad with valuable forests where the cinchona is cultivated, and the upland basins of the Ucayali River and the Upper Amazon, very fertile, with great coffee and cacao plantations and abundant rain; the chief articles of export are silver, nitre, gum, sugar, and wool. Lima, the capital, is 8 m. inland from its port Callao; has an old cathedral, and is the chief centre of commerce; its principal merchants are Germans. The government is republican; the ruling classes are of Spanish descent, but half of the population are Inca Indians and a quarter are half-castes. From the 12th to the 16th centuries the Incas enjoyed a high state of civilisation and an extensive empire administered on socialistic principles; they attained great skill in the industries and arts. The Spanish conqueror Pizarro, landing in 1532, overthrew the empire and established the colony; after three centuries of oppression Peru threw off the Spanish yoke in 1821.

The history of the republic has been one of continual restlessness, and a war with Chile, 1879-1884, ended in complete disaster.

PERUGIA, Italian walled city on the right bank of the Tiber, 127 m. by rail N. of Rome, with a cathedral of the 15th century, some noteworthy churches, a Gothic municipal palace, picture gallery, university, and library; is rich in art treasures and antiquarian remains; it has silk and woollen industries; it was anciently called Perusia, and was one of the cities of ancient Etruria, and in its day has experienced very varied fortunes; it was the centre of the Umbrian school of painting.

PERUGINO, his proper name Pietro Vannucci, Italian painter, born near Perugia, whence his name; studied with Leonardo da Vinci at Florence, where he chiefly resided; was one of the teachers of Raphael, painted religious subjects, did frescoes for churches that have nearly all perished, a "Christ giving the Keys to Peter" being the best extant; Ruskin contrasts his work with Turner's; "in Turner's distinctive work," he says, "colour is scarcely acknowledged unless under influence of sunshine . . . wherever the sun is not, there is melancholy and evil," but "in Perugin's distinctive work"—to whom he therefore gives "the captain's place over all"—"there is simply no darkness, no wrong. Every colour is lovely and every space is light; the world, the universe, is divine; all sadness is a part of harmony, and all gloom a part of light"; there are five paintings by him in the National Gallery, London (1446-1524).

PESCHIERA, one of the fortresses of the Quadrilateral (q.v.), on an island in the Mincio, 14 m. W. of Verona.

PESHAWAR, a town on the Indian frontier, and centre of trade with Afghanistan, is 10 m. from the entrance of the Khyber Pass, on the Kabul River, and though ill-fortified is a bulwark of the empire, being provided with a large garrison of infantry and artillery.

PESHITO (i.e. simple), a version of the Bible in Syriac, executed not later than the middle of the 2nd century for Judaic Christians in the Syrian Church, the version of the Old Testament being executed direct from the Hebrew and that of the New being the first translation of the Greek of it into a foreign tongue, and both of value in questions affecting exegesis and the original text; the New Testament version contains all the books now included except the Apocalypse, Jude, 2 Peter, and 2 and 3 John.

PESSIMISM, a name given now to a habit of feeling, now to a system of opinion; as the former it denotes a tendency to dwell on the dark or gloomy side of things, culminating in a sense of their vanity and nothingness, while in the latter it is applied to all systems of opinion which lay the finger on some black spot in the structure of the life of the world or of the universe, which so long as it remains is thought to render it unworthy of existence.

PESTALOZZI, JOHANN HEINRICH, a celebrated educationist, born in Zurich; the founder of a natural system of education, beginning with childhood, who, however unsuccessful in the working of it himself from his want of administrative faculty, persuaded others by his writings to adopt it, especially in Germany, and to adopt it both enthusiastically and successfully; his method, which he derived from Rousseau, was based on the study of human nature as we find it born in the child, and it aimed at the harmonious development of all its innate capabilities, beginning with the most rudimentary (1746-1827).

PESTH, or **BUDAPEST**, on the left bank of the Danube, forming one municipality with Buda on the right, is the capital of Hungary, and 173 m. by rail E. of Vienna; Pesth is built on a plain, joined to Buda by three bridges, the last on the Danube, and is a thriving modern city, with picture galleries, parliament house, library, university, science schools, many baths, and public gardens; it makes machinery, agricultural implements, cutlery, flour, &c., and does a great trade in corn, wool, hides, wines, and bacon.

PETAINE, HENRI PHILIPPE, French general. Joining the army in 1878, he was in charge of the 4th Brigade at the start of the Great War; in September,

1915, he took charge of the 33rd Corps, and was prominent in the Champagne offensive; he took charge of the defence of Verdun in February, 1916, and in 1917 succeeded Nivelle in command of the armies of the North; in 1918, when Foch took command of all the Allied troops, Pétain was made commander-in-chief of the French armies (1858-).

PETALISM, banishment in Sparta similar to ostracism in Athens, procured by writing the name on an olive leaf.

PETARD, a cone-shaped explosive machine for bursting open gates, barriers, &c., made of iron, and filled with powder and ball, in use in the 16th century.

PETASUS, the winged-cap of the god Mercury.

PETCHORA, the largest river in Northern Russia, rises in the Ural Mountains and flows N. through Vologda and Archangel, then westward and N. again, entering the Arctic Ocean by a large, island-studded estuary, after a course of 1000 m. through sombre forests and wild scenery.

PETER, THE APOSTLE, originally called Simon, was a fisherman on the Sea of Galilee; one of the first called by Christ to become a disciple; the first to recognise, as the foundation-stone of the Church, the divinity in the humanity of His Master, and the first thereafter to recognise and proclaim that divinity as glorified in the Cross, to whom were committed the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and who accordingly was the first to open the door of it to the Gentile world. He was the principal figure in the history of the early Christian Church, but was soon eclipsed by the overpowering presence and zeal of Paul. Tradition, indeed, has something to tell of him, but from it little that is trustworthy can be gathered except that he finished his career by martyrdom in the city of Rome. This Apostle is represented in Christian art as an old man, bald-headed, with a flowing beard, dressed in a white mantle, and holding a scroll in his hand, his attributes being the keys, and a sword in symbol of his martyrdom.

PETER, THE FIRST EPISTLE OF, addressed especially to Jewish Christians in certain churches of Asia Minor, the members of which were suffering persecution at the hands of their adversaries as evil-doers; it was written to exhort them to rebut the charge by a life of simple well-doing, and to comfort them under it with the promise of the return of the Lord.

PETER, THE SECOND EPISTLE OF, addressed to all who anywhere bore the Christian name; it appears to have been written not long before the Apostle's death to counteract certain fatal forms of error, at once doctrinal and practical, that had already begun to creep into the Church, and against which we meet with the same warnings in the Epistle of Jude, the doctrinal error being the denial of Christ as Lord, and the practical the denial of Him as the way, the truth, and the life, to the peril of the forfeiture of eternal life.

PETER, THE WILD BOY, a savage creature of 13 years of age, found in 1725 in a forest of Hanover, who was accustomed to walk on all fours, and climb trees like a squirrel, living on wild plants, grass, and moss, and who could not be weaned from these habits, or taught to speak more than a syllable or two; he wore a brass collar with his name on it; at length refused all food, and died in 1786.

PETER MARTYR, (1) a Dominican notorious for his severity as a member of the Inquisition, murdered by a mob at Como in 1252; became the patron saint of the Inquisition. (2) A Protestant reformer, born at Florence, became a monk and abbot at Lucca, from which, on embracing the doctrines of the Reformation, he was forced to flee, first to Switzerland and then to England in the reign of Edward VI., but had to retreat from the latter on the accession of Mary to Strasburg, and at length to Zurich, where he died (1500-1562). (3) A historian, born at Arona, rose to become bishop of Jamaica, wrote on the discovery of America; d. 1525.

PETER PAN, the boy who would not grow up, a character in the play of the name by Sir James Barrie; a statue to his memory is a feature of Kensington Gardens, London.

PETER THE GREAT, emperor of Russia, son of the Czar Alexis, born in Moscow; succeeded his half-brother Feodor in 1682, but was forced for a time

to share the throne with his half-sister Sophia, acting as regent for her brother Ivan; conscious of his imperfect education, he chose a Genoese named Lefort as his preceptor, and after some years' careful training he deposed Sophia, and entered Moscow as sole ruler in 1689; with the help of Lefort and Patrick Gordon, a Scotman, he proceeded to raise and discipline an army on the European model, and determined also to construct a navy; to reach the sea he made war on the Turks, and possessed himself of the port of Azov, at the mouth of the Don; hither he invited skilled artificers from Austria, Venice, Prussia, and Holland, and a navy was built; from 1697 to 1698 he visited the countries on the Baltic and England, acquiring vast stores of information, working as a shipwright in the Dutch yards, and finally taking back with him an army of mechanics; on his return he vigorously reformed the Russian press, schools, and church, introduced European manners and literature, and encouraged foreign trade; desirous now of an opening on the Baltic, he began in 1700 a long contest with Sweden, marked first by many defeats, notably that of Narva, then the seizure of Ingria, and founding of the new capital, St. Petersburg, 1703, the victory of Pultowa, 1712, seizure of the Baltic provinces and part of Finland, 1713, and finally by the Peace of 1721, which ceded the conquered territories to Russia; in 1711 the Turks had recovered Azov; in 1722 war with Persia secured him three Caspian provinces; Peter pursued a vigorous and enlightened policy for the good of Russia, but his disposition was often cruel; his son Alexis was put to death for opposing his reforms, and on his own death he was succeeded by the Empress Catherine I., the daughter of a peasant, who had been his mistress, and whom he had married in 1712 (1672-1725).

PETER THE HERMIT, a monk, born in Amiens, of good family, who is credited with having by his preaching kindled the enthusiasm in Europe which led to the first Crusade; he joined it himself as the leader of an untrained rabble, but made a poor figure at the siege of Antioch, where he was with difficulty prevented from deserting the camp; he afterwards founded a monastery near Liège, where he died (1050-1115).

PETERBOROUGH, an English cathedral city, on the Nen, partly in Huntingdonshire and partly in Northamptonshire, on the edge of the Fen country, 76 m. N. of London; has an old town hall, manufactures of farm implements, trade in malt and coal, and is a great railway centre; the cathedral is one of the finest in Britain, of very varied architecture, and was restored in 1890.

PETERBOROUGH, CHARLES MORDAUNT, EARL OF, saw some active service as a volunteer in Charles II.'s navy, and on the accession of James II. threw himself into politics as an opponent of the king; William III. showed him great favour; he was of the Queen's Council of Regency when William was in Ireland, but imprudent intrigues brought him a short confinement in the Tower in 1697; the war of the Spanish Succession was the opportunity which brought him fame; appointed to the command of the British and Dutch forces, which fought for Charles of Austria, he reduced Barcelona, 1705, and Valencia, 1706; retook Barcelona from the French, and but for Charles's hindrance would have entered Madrid; differences with other generals led to his recall in 1707; the rest of his life was spent in retirement; he was the friend of Pope, and held by him in genuine esteem; he died in Lisbon (1658-1735).

PETERHEAD, a seaport on the E. coast of Aberdeenshire, 30 m. N.E. of Aberdeen; built irregularly of reddish granite; has a free library and museum, and is the seat of a convict prison; the chief industry is herring-fishing; there are three harbours, one of which is a great harbour of refuge.

PETERHOF, a town on the Gulf of Finland, 18 m. W. of Leningrad, with a palace of the Czar built in 1711 by Peter the Great.

PETERLOO, a name, suggested by Waterloo, given to an insurrectionary gathering in 1819 of workers in St. Peter's Field, Manchester, to demand Parliamentary reform, the assembly being dispersed by

the military to the sacrifice of 13 lives and the wounding of 600 people, a proceeding which excited widespread indignation and contributed to promote the cause which it was intended to defeat.

PETER'S, ST., church at Rome, is built, it is alleged, over the tomb of St. Peter, and on the site of the basilica erected by Constantine and Helena in 306. The original structure after falling into decay was begun to be rebuilt in 1450, and finally consecrated by Urban XIII. in 1626. It is the largest and grandest church in Christendom, covers an area of over 26,000 square yards, the interior of it in length being 200 yards, the transept 150 yards, the nave 150, and the dome 405. It contains thirty altars, and is adorned with numerous statues and monuments.

PETER'S PENNY, an annual tribute of a silver penny per household in England to support the chair of St. Peter at Rome, which continued more or less to be levied from the end of the 8th century till the days of Elizabeth, when it ceased. The payment was revived in 1848 in Britain, France, and Belgium in compensation to the Pope for loss of his territorial possessions, being paid by Catholics as a voluntary levy.

PETERWARDEIN, a strong Austrian fortress on the right bank of the Danube, near the Serbian frontier, 40 m. N.W. of Belgrade; stands among unhealthy marshes.

PETION DE VILLENEUVE, JÉRÔME, born in Chartres; figured in the French Revolution as a zealous republican, member of the Tiers État, one of the commission to reconduct the royal family from Varennes; was mayor of Paris in the year of the September massacres, 1792; was first President of the Convention, and, though his influence was declining, member of the first Committee of Defence, 1793; his attack on Robespierre proving unsuccessful, he committed suicide; his body was afterwards found on the Landes of Bordeaux half devoured by wolves; was surnamed the "Virtuous," as Robespierre was the "Incorruptible"; was of the Girondist party; had "unalterable beliefs, not hindmost of them," says Carlyle, "belief in himself" (1763-1794).

PETITE NATURE, a French term applied to pictures containing figures less than life-size, but with the effect of life-size.

PETITION OF RIGHT, a petition presented to Charles I. by the Commons in 1628, which became law by the king's acceptance of it. It sought for and obtained the abolition of certain grievances which the country unconstitutionally suffered from, such as taxation or levying of money without consent of Parliament, imprisonment without cause shown, billeting of troops and recourse to martial law in a time of peace. This petition Charles I. would at first fain have evaded, but the Commons would be satisfied with nothing less than its acceptance entire.

PETŐFI, SANDOR, celebrated Magyar poet and patriot, born in the county of Pesth, of poor parents; first announced himself as a poet in 1844; wrote a number of war-songs; fought in the cause of the revolution of 1848, and fell in the battle of Schässburg; his poetry inaugurated a new era in the literature of his country (1823-1849).

PETRA, a ruined city, once the capital of Edom, and afterwards of Arabia Petraea; was a place of some importance at one time as a commercial centre; is remarkable for its rock temples and tombs.

PETRARCH, FRANCESCO, the famous Italian lyric poet, born in Arezzo, in Tuscany, whither his father had gone when exiled with Dante from Florence; spent his youth in Avignon; intended for the profession of law; devoted his time to the study of Cicero and Virgil; met Laura in the church of St. Clare there in 1327, a lady of surpassing beauty; conceived a passion for her which she could not return, and wrote sonnets in praise of her, which immortalised both himself and her; after travel in France and Germany he retired in 1337 to the valley of Vaucluse, where he composed the most of his poems, and his reputation reached its height in 1341, when he was crowned laureate in the Capitol of Rome; he was in Italy when tidings reached him of the death of Laura in 1348, on the

anniversary of the day when he first met her, upon which he gave expression to his feelings over the event in a touching note of it in his *Vinell*; we find him again at Rome in 1350, and after moving from place to place settled in Arqua in 1370, where he died; his Latin works are numerous, and include an epic on the Second Punic war, *Eloques*, *Epistles* in verse, and *Letters* of value, giving the details of his life; his fame rests on his lyrics; by those alone he still lives, and that more from the finished art in which they are written than from any glow of feeling they kindle in the reader's heart (1304-1374).

PETRI, LAURENTIUS, a Swedish Reformer; was a disciple of Luther; became professor of Theology and first Protestant archbishop of Upsala, and superintended the translation of the Bible into Swedish (1499-1573).

PETRIE, GEORGE, Irish archaeologist, born in Dublin, of Scottish parentage; bred to art; executed Irish landscapes, but is best known for his "Essay on the Round Towers of Ireland," a work of no small interest (1789-1860).

PETRIE, SIR WILLIAM MATTHEW FLINDERS, Egyptologist, son of an Australian explorer; after explorations at Stonehenge, surveyed the pyramids and temples of Ghizeh in 1881-1882; excavated for the Egyptian Exploration Fund Naukratis, Amn, and Defenneh; achieved many other important works of the kind, and issued a popular work, "Ten Years' Digging in Egypt" (1853-).

PETROGRAD, the name given in Russia to St. Petersburg at the start of the Great War. It is now called Leningrad (q.v.).

PETROLEUM, the natural oil from which are obtained the supplies of petrol, paraffin oil, and oil fuel; it consists chiefly of the hydrocarbons known as paraffins, with smaller quantities of olefines, benzene, toluene, and, in some oil, acetylenes and naphthalenes; the crude oil is separated into fractions, the more volatile constituents being used for motor spirit (gasoline) and those of higher boiling-point as liquid fuel and for Diesel engines; other products of petroleum are rhigoline, used as an anæsthetic, and vaseline; over 70 per cent. of the world's supply comes from the U.S.A., whilst smaller quantities are produced in Mexico, Russia, Persia, Rumania, and the Dutch East Indies.

PETROLEUSE, was a name given to certain Parisian women of the Commune of 1871, who poured petroleum on the Hôtel de Ville and other buildings to burn them.

PETRONIUS, a Roman satirist and accomplished voluptuary at the court of Nero, and the director-in-chief of the imperial pleasures; accused of treason, and dreading death at the hands of the emperor his master, he opened his veins, and by bandaging them bled slowly to death, showing the while the same frivolity as throughout his life; he left behind him a work, extant now only in fragments, but enough to expose the abyss of profligacy in which the Roman world was then sunk at that crisis of its fate; d. 63.

PETTIE, JOHN, painter, born in Edinburgh; his works, chiefly historical, were numerous, and of a high character, the best-known being "The Drunken Court-Martial," "Jacobites," and "The Vigil" (1839-1893).

PETTY, SIR WILLIAM, political economist, born in Hampshire; was a man of versatile genius, varied attainments, and untiring energy; was skilled in medicine, in music, in mechanics, and in engineering, as well as economics, to which especially he contributed by his pen (1623-1687).

PETTY JURY, a jury of 12 elected to try a criminal case after a true bill against the accused has been found by a Grand Jury.

PETTY OFFICERS, officers in the navy, consisting of four grades, and corresponding in function and responsibility to non-commissioned officers in the army.

PETTY SESSIONS, name given to sessions of justices of the peace to try small cases without a jury.

PEUTINGER, CONRAD, an Augsburg antiquary, left at his death a 13th-century copy of a 3rd-century map of the Roman military roads, now in the

Imperial Library at Vienna, known as the "Tabula Peutingeriana" (1465-1547).

PEVENSEY, a village in Sussex close by the landing-place of William the Conqueror in 1066; it has the ruins of an old Norman Castle.

PFÄTERS, hot springs near a village of the same name in the Swiss canton of St. Gall; have been in use for 800 years.

PPAHLBAUTEN, lake dwellings of prehistoric date in Switzerland.

PPALZ, the German name for the Palatinate.

PFEIFFER, IDA, a celebrated traveller, born in Vienna; being separated from her husband, and having completed the education of her two sons and settled them in life, commenced her career of travel in 1842, in which year she visited Palestine, in 1845 visited Scandinavia, in 1846 essayed a voyage round the world by Cape Horn, in 1851 a second by the Cape of Good Hope, and in 1856 an expedition to Madagascar, returning at the end of each to Vienna and publishing accounts of them (1797-1858).

PFLIEDERER, OTTO, a philosophical theologian, born in Wurtemberg, professor at Jena, and afterwards at Berlin; wrote on religion, the philosophy of it and sundry developments of it, in an able manner, as well as lectured on it in Edinburgh in connection with the Gifford trust (1839-1908).

PFORZHEIM, manufacturing town in Baden, on the N. of the Black Forest; manufactures gold and silver ornaments, and has chemical and other factories.

PHÆDRUS, a Latin fabulist, of the age of Augustus, born in Macedonia, and settled in Rome; originally a slave, was manumitted by Augustus; his fables, 97 in number, were written in verse, and are mostly translations from Æsop, the best of them such as keep closely to the original.

PHÆTHON (i.e. the shining one, so called from his father), the son of Helios (q.v.); persuaded his father to allow him for one day to drive the chariot of the sun across the heavens, but was too weak to check the horses, so that they rushed off their wonted track and nearly set the world on fire, whereupon Zeus transfixed him with a thunderbolt, metamorphosed his sisters who had yoked the horses for him into poplars and their tears into amber.

PHAGOCYTES, the amœboid cells, present in the blood, which resist the attacks of microbes.

PHALANX, among the Greeks a body of heavy infantry armed with long spears and short swords, standing in line close behind one another, generally 8 men deep, the Macedonian formation being as many as 16; its movements were too heavy, and it was dashed in pieces before the legions of Rome to its extinction; it was superseded by the Roman legion.

PHALARIS, a tyrant of Agrigentum, in Sicily, in the 6th century, who is said, among other cruelties, to have roasted the victims of his tyranny in a brazen bull which bears his name; the "Letters of Phalaris," at one time ascribed to him, have been proved to be spurious.

PHALLUS, a symbol of the generative power of nature, being a representation of the male organ of generation, and associated with rites and ceremonies of nature-worship in the early stages of civilised life; phallic worship was supposed to have a magic influence in inducing fertility among the flocks and herds, as well as in the soil of the earth; it is still prevalent in India and Japan. See LINGA.

PHARAMOND, a knight of the Round Table, and the reputed first king of the Franks.

PHARAOH, a name given in the Old Testament to the kings of Egypt, identified with that of the sun-god Phra, and applied to the king as his representative on earth; some 10 of the name occur in the Bible, and it is a matter of difficulty often to distinguish one from another.

PHARISEES (i.e. Separatists), a sect of the Jews who adopted or received this name because of the attitude of isolation from the rest of the nation which they were compelled to assume at the time of their origin. This was some time between the years 165 and 105 B.C., on their discovery that the later Maccabean chiefs were aiming at more than

religious liberty, and in their own interests contemplating the erection of a worldly kingdom that would be the death of the theocratic, which it was the purpose of Providence they should establish; this was the separate ground which they at first assumed alone, but they in the end carried the great body of the nation along with them. They were scrupulously exact in their interpretation and observance of the Jewish law as the rule to regulate the life of the Jewish community in every department, and were the representatives of that legal tendency which gave character to the development of Judaism proper during the period which elapsed between the date of the Captivity and the advent of Christianity. The law they observed, however, was not the written law as it stood, but that law as expounded by the oral law of the Scribes, as the sole key to its interpretation, and they were thus at length the representatives of clericalism as well as legalism in the Jewish Church, and in doing so they took their ground upon a principle which is the distinctive article of orthodox Judaism in the matter to the present day. In the days of Christ they stood in marked opposition to the Sadducees (q.v.) both in their dogmatic views and their political principles. As against them, on the dogmatic side, they believed in a spiritual world and in an established moral order, and on the political their rule was to abstain from politics, except in so far as they might injuriously affect the life and interests of the nation; but at that time they had degenerated into mere formalists, whose religion was a conspicuous hypocrisy, and it was on this account and their pretensions to superior sanctity that they incurred the indignation and exposed themselves to the condemnation of Christ.

PEAROS, an island of ancient Egypt, near Alexandria, on which the first lighthouse was erected by Ptolemy Philadelphus in 48 B.C.

PEARSAIA, a district in the N. of Greece, the southern portion of the modern province of Larissa; was the scene of Caesar's victory over Pompey, 48 B.C.

PEARLPS, SAMUEL, an English actor, born in Devonport; made his debut as Shylock in London at the Haymarket in 1837, achieved his greatest successes in Sadler's Wells by his representation of Shakespeare's plays and the works of eminent dramatists of the 18th century; was distinguished in comedy as well as tragedy, in which last he primarily appeared and established his fame (1804-1878).

PHENOL, or carbolic acid, a crystalline substance which turns pink on exposure to air, obtained as one of the products in the distillation of coal tar; in solution and mixed with powders it is used as a disinfectant; from phenol picric acid, many drugs, and dyes are manufactured.

PHERECYDES, an ancient Greek philosopher, born in Syros in 6th century B.C.; distinguished as having had Pythagoras among his pupils, and believed to have been the author of many of the doctrines promulgated by his disciple and named Pythagorean.

PHIDIAS, the greatest sculptor of ancient Greece, born in Athens; flourished in the time of Pericles, and was appointed by him to direct the works of art projected to the beautifying of the city, and expressly commissioned to execute certain of these works himself; the chief work that he superintended was the erection of the Parthenon, much of which he himself adorned; and of the statues he executed the most famous were one of Athena of Ivory and gold for the Parthenon, and a colossal one of Zeus, his masterpiece, also of Ivory and gold, for Olympia; accused of having appropriated some of the gold intended for the statue of Athena, he was acquitted, but was afterwards charged with impiety for carrying his own likeness and that of Pericles on the shield of the goddess, and was thrown into prison, where he died, 432 B.C.

PHILADELPHIA, largest city in Pennsylvania, on the Delaware, 100 m. from the sea and 90 m. by rail S.W. of New York; is the third city in the Union in population, manufactures, and commerce, regularly built, with plain, substantial houses and more splendid public buildings, including the town hall, of white marble; a masonic temple and

Government offices of granite and the Mint are also fine buildings; there is a university, with colleges of science, medicine, art, and music, many churches, a Roman Catholic cathedral, and many hospitals and charitable institutions; the industries include locomotive building, saw-making, woollen and cotton goods, sugar and oil refining, and chemical works; it trades largely in coal. Founded by William Penn in 1682, it was the central point of the War of Independence; the first Congress met here, and the Declaration of Independence was signed (1776) in a building still standing; here too the Federal Union was signed (1787) and the constitution drawn up (1787), and from 1790 to 1800 it was the capital of the United States.

PHILÆ, an island of syenite stone in the Nile, near Assuan, in Nubia, 1200 ft. long and 50 ft. broad; is almost covered with ancient buildings of great beauty, among which is a temple of Isis, with a great gateway dating from 361 B.C., which was converted into a church in 577.

PHILATORY, a transparent reliquary to contain and exhibit the bones and relics of saints.

PHILEMON, EPISTLE TO, a short letter by Paul to a member of the Church at Colossæ on behalf of a slave, Onesimus, who had deserted his service, gone off with some of his property, and taken refuge in Rome, but had been converted to Christ, and whom he begs that they will not manumit, but simply return him as a brother for his sake.

PHILEMON AND BAUCIS, in the Greek mythology a pair of poor people who, in fond attachment to each other, lived in a small cottage in Phrygia by themselves and gave hospitality to gods in disguise when every other door was shut against them, and to whom, in the judgment that descended upon their inhospitable neighbours, the gods were propitious, and did honour by appointing them to priesthood, when they would rather have been servants, in a temple metamorphosed out of their cottage. Here they continued to minister to old age, and had but one prayer for themselves, that they might in the end die together; in due course, as they sat at the door of the temple one day, bent with years, they were changed, he into an oak and she into a linden. This is Ovid's version of the story, to which he adds as the moral of it, "Those who pliously honour the gods are themselves held in honour."

PHILIDOR, FRANÇOIS ANDRÉ, a celebrated composer and chess-player, born in Dreux; wrote a number of operas; in regard to chess his great maxim was "Pawns are the soul of chess"; died at the time of the Revolution to London, where he died (1726-1795).

PHILIP, an Indian chief whose father had been a staunch friend of the Pilgrim settlers, was himself friendly to the colonists, till in 1671 their encroachments provoked him to retaliation; after six years' fighting, in which many colonists perished and great massacres of Indians took place, he was defeated and slain, 1676.

PHILIP OF MACEDON, the father of Alexander the Great, usurped the kingdom from the infant king Amyntas, his nephew and ward, in 360 B.C.; having secured his throne, he entered on a series of aggressive wars, making expeditions into Thrace and Thessaly; the siege of Olynthus brought him into conflict with Athens, the two cities being allies, and occasioned some of the most brilliant orations of Demosthenes; the successive appeals for his aid against their enemies by the Thebans and the Argives led him into Greece and into the Peloponnese; in 339 B.C. a council of Greek cities appointed him commander-in-chief of their league forces in a projected war against the Locrians, but the Athenians and Thebans opposed his coming; the defeat of their armies at Chæronea, 338 B.C., placed all Greece at his feet; his next project was an expedition against Persia, but while preparations were on foot he was assassinated at Ege; a man of unbridled lust, he was an astute and unscrupulous politician, but of incomparable eloquence, energy, and military skill (362-336 B.C.).

PHILIP II., Philip-Augustus, king of France, shared the throne with his father, Louis VII., from 1179, and succeeded him as sole ruler in 1180 marrying

Isabella of Hainault, he united the Capet and Carolingian houses; his grand aim was to secure to himself some of the English possessions in France; his alliance with Richard of England in the third crusade ended in a quarrel; returning to France he broke his oath to Richard by bargaining with John for portions of the coveted territory; an exhausting war lasted till 1119; on Richard's death Philip supported Arthur against John in his claim to Anjou, Maine, and Touraine; after Arthur's murder, the capture of Château Gaillard in 1204 gave him possession of these three provinces with Normandy and part of Poitou; the victory of Bouvines, 1214, secured his throne, and the rest of his reign was spent in internal reforms and the beautifying of Paris (1165-1223).

PHILIP IV., the Fair, king of France, succeeded his father, Philip III., in 1285; by his marriage with Joanna of Navarre added Navarre, Champagne, and Brle to his realm; but the sturdy valour of the Flemish burghers at Courtrai on the "Day of Spurn" prevented the annexation of Flanders; his fame rests on his struggle and victory over the papal power; a tax on the clergy was condemned by Boniface VIII. in 1296; supported by his nobles and burghers Philip burnt the pope bull, imprisoned the legates, and his ambassador in Rome imprisoned the Pope himself; Boniface died soon after, and in 1305 Philip made Clement V. Pope; kept him at Avignon, and so commenced the seventy years' "captivity"; he forced Clement to decree the suppression of the Templars, and became his willing instrument in executing the decree; he died at Fontainebleau, having proved himself an avaricious and pitiless despot (1268-1314).

PHILIP VI., of Valois, king of France, succeeded Charles IV. in 1328; Edward III. of England contested his claim, contending that the Salic law, though it excluded females, did not exclude their male heirs; Edward was son of a daughter, Philip son of a brother; Philip IV. thus began the Hundred Years' War between France and England, 1337; the French fleet was defeated off Sluys in 1340, and the army at Crécy in 1346; a truce was made, when the war was followed by the Black Death; the worthless king afterwards purchased Majorca (1295-1350).

PHILIP II., king of Spain, only son of the Emperor Charles V.; married Mary Tudor in 1554, and spent over a year in England; in 1555 he succeeded his father in the sovereignty of Spain, Sicily, Milan, the Netherlands, Franche Comté, Mexico, and Peru; a league between Henry II. of France and the Pope was overthrown, and on the death of Mary he married the French princess Isabella, and retired to live in Spain, 1569. Wedding himself now to the cause of the Church, he encouraged the Inquisition in Spain, and introduced it to the Netherlands; the latter revolted, and the Seven United Provinces achieved their independence after a long struggle in 1579; his great effort to overthrow Protestant England ended in the disaster of the Armada, 1588; his last years were embittered by the failure of his intrigues against Navarre, raids of English seamen on his American provinces, and by loathsome disease; he was a bigot in religion, a hard, unloved, and unloving man, and a foolish king; he fatally injured Spain by crushing her chivalrous spirit, by persecuting the industrious Moors, and by destroying her commerce by heavy taxation (1527-1598).

PHILIP V., grandson of Louis XIV., first Bourbon king of Spain; inherited his throne by the testament of his uncle Charles II. in 1700; the rival claim of the Archduke Charles of Austria was supported by England, Austria, Holland, Prussia, Denmark, and Hanover; but the long War of the Spanish Succession terminated in the peace of Utrecht, and left Philip his kingdom; after an unsuccessful movement to recover Sicily and Sardinia for Spain he joined England and France against the Emperor, and gained the former island for his son Charles III.; he died an imbecile at Madrid (1683-1746).

PHILIP THE BOLD, Duke of Burgundy, was the 3rd son of John the Good, king of France; taken captive at Poitiers 1356; on his return to France

he received for his bravery the duchies of Touraine and Burgundy; on his brother's accession to the French throne as Charles V. he exchanged the former duchy for the hand of Margaret of Flanders, on the death of whose father he assumed the government of his territories; his wise administration encouraged arts, industries, and commerce, and won the respect and esteem of his subjects; he was afterwards Regent of France when Charles V. became imbecile (1342-1404).

PHILIP THE GOOD, grandson of the above, raised the duchy to its zenith of prosperity, influence, and fame; he was alternately in alliance with England, and at peace with his superior, France, ultimately assisting in driving England out of most of her Continental possessions (1396-1467).

PHILIPHAUGH, a battlefield on the Yarrow, 3 m. W. of Selkirk, was the scene of Leslie's victory over Montrose in 1645.

PHILIPPI, a Macedonian city, founded by Philip of Macedon, was the scene of a victory gained in 42 B.C. by Octavianus and Antony over Brutus and Cassius, and the seat of a church, the first founded by St. Paul in Europe.

PHILIPPIANS, EPISTLE TO THE, an Epistle of Paul written at Rome during his imprisonment there to a church at Philippi, in Macedonia, that had been planted by himself, and the members of which were among the first-fruits of his ministry in Europe. The occasion of writing it was the receipt of a gift from them, and to express the joy it gave him as a token of their affection. It is the least dogmatic of all his Epistles, and affords an example of the Apostle's statement of Christian truth to unbiased minds; one exhortation, however, shows that he is not blind to the rise of an evil which has been the bane of the Church of Christ since the beginning, the spirit of rivalry, and this is evident from the prominence he gives in chapter II. 5-8 to the self-sacrificing lowliness of Christ, and by the counsel he gives them in chapter IV. 8.

PHILIPPII, the name originally applied to Demosthenes' three great orations against Philip of Macedon, then to Cicero's speeches against Mark Antony; now denotes any violent invective written or spoken.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, a large and numerous group in the north of the Malay archipelago, between the China Sea and the Pacific, of which the largest, Luzon, and the next, Mindanao, are both much greater than Ireland; are mountainous and volcanic, subject to eruptions and continuous earthquakes. In the N. of the group cyclones too are common. The climate is moist and warm, but fairly healthy; the soil is very fertile. Rice, maize, sugar, cotton, coffee, and tobacco are cultivated; the forests yield dye-woods, hard timber, and medicinal herbs, and the mines coal and iron, copper, gold, and lead. The chief exports are sugar, hemp, and tobacco. The aboriginal Negritos are now few; half-castes are numerous; the population is chiefly Malayan, Roman Catholic at least nominally in religion, and speaking the Tagal or the Visayan language. Discovered by Magellan in 1621, who was killed on the island of Mactan, they were annexed by Spain in 1569, and held till 1898, when they fell to the Americans. The capital is Manila, on the W. coast of Luzon; Laoag, San Miguel, and Banang are among the largest towns.

PHILIPS, AMBROSE, minor poet, born in Leicester, of good family; friend of Addison and Steele, and a Whig in politics; held several lucrative posts, chiefly in Ireland; wrote pastorals in vigorous and elegant verse, and also some short sentimental verses for children, which earned for him from Henry Carey the nickname of "Nabby-Famby" (1675-1749).

PHILIPS, JOHN, littérateur, born in Oxfordshire, author of "The Splendid Shilling," an admirable burlesque in imitation of Milton, and a poem, "Cider," an imitation of Virgil (1676-1709).

PHILIPS, KATHERINE, poetess, born in London; was the daughter of a London merchant and the wife of a Welsh squire, a highly sentimental but worthy woman; the Society of Friendship, in which the members bore fancy names—hers, which also served her for a *nom de plume*, was Orinda—had

some fame in its day, and brought her, as the foundress, the honour of a dedication from Jeremy Taylor; her work was admired by Cowley and Keats; she was a staunch royalist (1631-1664).

PHILISTINE, the name given by the students in Germany to a non-university man of the middle-class, or a man without (university) culture, or of narrow views of things.

PHILISTINES, a people, for long of uncertain origin, but now generally believed to have been originally emigrants from Crete, who settled in the plain, some 40 m. long by 15 broad, extending along the coast of Palestine from Joppa on the N. to the desert on the S., and whose chief cities were Ashdod, Askelon, Ekron, Gaza, and Gath; they were a trading and agricultural people, were again and again a thorn in the side of the Israelites, but gradually tamed into submission, so as to be virtually extinct in the days of Christ; their chief god was Dagon (q.v.).

PHILIP, JOHN, painter, born in Aberdeen; his early pictures illustrate Scottish subjects, his latest and best illustrate life in Spain, whither he had gone in 1851 for his health (1817-1867).

PHILLIPS, STEPHEN, poet, born in Somerton, near Oxford; spent some years on the stage, then devoted himself to literature, producing the poetical dramas "Paolo and Francesca," "Herod," and "Ulysses" among others; also published "Marpessa" and other volumes of verse (1868-1915).

PHILLIPS, WENDELL, slavery abolitionist and emancipationist generally, born in Boston, U.S., and bred to the bar; was Garrison's aide-de-camp in the cause, and chief, after his death (1811-1884).

PHILO JUDEUS (i.e. Philo the Jew), philosopher of the 1st century, born in Alexandria; studied the Greek philosophy, and found in it, particularly in the teaching of Plato, the rationalist explanation of the religion of Moses, which he regarded as the revelation to which philosophy was but the key; he was a man of great learning and great influence among his people, and was in his old age one of an embassy sent by the Jews of Alexandria in A.D. 40 to Rome to protest against the imperial edict requiring the payment of divine honours to the emperor; he identified the Logos of the Platonists with the Word in the New Testament.

PHILOCTETES, a famous archer, who had been the friend and armour-bearer of Hercules, who instructed him in the use of the bow, and also bequeathed his bow with the poisoned arrows to him after his death; he accompanied the Greeks to the siege of Troy, but one of the arrows fell on his foot, causing a wound the stench of which was intolerable, so that he was left behind at Lemnos, where he remained in misery 10 years, till an oracle declared that Troy could not be taken without the arrows of Hercules; he was accordingly sent for, and being healed of his wound by Æsculapius, assisted at the capture of the city.

PHILOMELA, daughter of Pandion, king of Athens, and sister of Procne; she was the victim of an outrage committed by her brother-in-law Tereus, who cut out her tongue to prevent her exposing him, and kept her in close confinement; here she found means of communicating with her sister, when the two, to avenge the wrong, made away with Itys, Tereus' son, and served him up to his father at a banquet; the fury of Tereus on the discovery knew no bounds, but they escaped his vengeance, Philomela by being changed into a nightingale and Procne into a swallow.

PHILOCEMON, the head of the Achaean League, born in Megalopolis, and the last of the Greek heroes; fought hard to achieve the independence of Greece, but having to struggle against heavy odds, was overpowered; rose from a sick-bed to suppress a revolt, was taken prisoner, thrown into a dungeon, and forced to drink poison (252-182 B.C.).

PHILOSOPHE, name for a philosopher of the school of 18th-century enlightenment, represented by the Encyclopedists (q.v.) of France; the class have been characterised by the delight they took in outraging the religious sentiment.

PHILOSOPHER'S STONE was, with the Elixir of Life, the object of the search of the mediæval alchemists. Their theory regarded gold as the most

perfect metal, all others being removed from it by various stages of imperfection, and they sought an amalgam of pure sulphur and pure mercury, which, being more perfect still than gold, would transmute the baser metals into the nobler.

PHILOSOPHISM, **FRENCH**, a philosophy such as the philosophers of France gave instances of, founded on the notion and cultivated in the belief that scientific knowledge is the sovereign remedy for the ills of life, summed up in two articles—first, that "a lie cannot be believed"; and second, that "in spiritual supernatural matters no belief is possible." France's boast being that "she had destroyed religion by extinguishing the abomination" (*P'nyame*).

PHILOXENUS, a Greek poet who lived at the court of Dionysius the Elder, tyrant of Syracuse; condemned to prison for refusing to praise some verses of the tyrant, he was led forth to criticise others, but returned them as worse, begging the officers who handed them to him to lead him back; when the tyrant was told, he laughed and released him.

PHILPOTTS, HENRY, bishop of Exeter, born in Bridgwater, a keen Tory and uncompromising High-Churchman, the chief actor in the celebrated Gorham case (q.v.), and noted for his obstinate opposition to political reform as the opening of the floodgates of democracy, which he dreaded would subvert everything that was dear to him (1778-1869).

PHILTRE, the name given to certain concoctions of herbs, often deleterious and poisonous, supposed to secure for the person administering it the love of the person to whom it was administered; these love potions were popular in the declining days of Greece and Rome, throughout mediæval Europe, and continue to be compounded to this day in the superstitious East.

PHIZ, the pseudonym of Hablot K. Browne, the illustrator of the first edition of the "Pekwick Papers" of Dickens.

PHLEGETHON, in the Greek mythology a river in the lower world which flowed in torrents of fire, sulphur, and which scorched up everything near it.

PHLOIGISTON, a name given by the old chemists to an imaginary principle of fire, latent in bodies, which escaped during combustion. The theory was finally abandoned when it was found that elements gained in weight on burning.

PHOCAS, a common soldier who raised himself by the aid of a faction to the throne of the East, and for twenty years defied attempts to dethrone him, but being deserted by his party was taken, subjected to torture, and beheaded in 610. "His reign," says Gibbon, "afflicted Europe with ignominious peace, and Asia with desolating war."

PHOCION, a distinguished Athenian general and statesman, a disciple of Plato and Xenocrates; was wise in council as well as brave in war; he was opposed to the democracy of Athens, led on by Demosthenes in the frantic ambition of coping with Philip of Macedon and his son Alexander, and pleaded for a pacific arrangement with them; but having opposed war with Antipater, the successor of the latter, he was accused of treason, and condemned to drink hemlock; the Athenians afterwards repented of the crime, raised a bronze statue to his memory, and condemned his accuser to death.

PHOCIS, a province of ancient Greece, W. of Boeotia and N. of the Gulf of Corinth; was traversed by the mountain range of Parnassus, and contained the oracle of Apollo at Delphi; allied to Athens in the Peloponnesian War, the Phocians were crushed in the "Sacred War" after ten years' fighting by Philip of Macedon, 346 B.C.

PHOEBUS (i.e. Apollo, the radiant one), an epithet originally applied to Apollo for his beauty, and eventually to him as the sun-god.

PHENICIA, a country on the E. shore of the Levant, stretching inland to Mount Lebanon, at first extending only 20 m. N. of Palestine, but later embracing 200 m. of coast, with the towns of Tyre, Zarephath, Sidon, Gebel, and Arvad. The country comprised well-wooded hills and fertile plains, was rich in natural resources, richer still in a people of remarkable industry and enterprise. Of Semitic stock, they emerge from history with Sidon as ruling city about 1600 B.C., and reach their zenith

under Tyre 1200-750, thereafter declining, and ultimately merging in the Roman Empire. During their prosperity their manufactures, purple dye, glass ware, and metal implements were in demand everywhere; they were the traders of the world, their nautical skill and geographical position making their markets the centres of exchange between East and West; their ships sailed every sea, and carried the merchandise of every country, and their colonists settled all over the Mediterranean, Aegean, and Euxine, and even beyond the Pillars of Hercules, in Africa, in Britain, and the countries on the Baltic. Her greatest colony was Carthage, the founding of which (823 B.C.) sapped the strength of the mother-country, and which afterwards usurped her place, and contended with Rome for the mastery of the world. But Phoenicia's greatest gift to civilisation was the alphabet, which she herself may have developed from Egyptian hieroglyphics, and which, with its great merit of simplicity, has, slightly altered, at length superseded among civilised nations every other system.

PHOENIX, a bird which was fabled at the end of certain cycles of time to immolate itself in flames, and rise renewed in youth from the ashes. It has become the appropriate symbol of the death-birth that ever introduces a new era in the history of the world.

PHOENIX PARK, a magnificent public park of 2000 acres in Dublin; is much used for military reviews; it was rendered notorious in 1882 through the murder by the "Invincibles" of Lord Frederick Cavendish, who had just been appointed Irish Secretary, and his subordinate, Thomas Burke.

PHONOGRAPH, an instrument which was invented by Edison (q.v.) in 1877 for recording and reproducing articulate sounds of the voice in speech or song, and to which the name of phonogram was given.

PHOSGENE, or carbonyl chloride, a poisonous gas produced from chlorine and carbon monoxide; it is formed when chloroform is exposed to air and sunlight; to prevent this a small amount of alcohol is frequently added to chloroform; phosgene was used as an asphyxiating gas in the Great War.

PHOSPHORESCENCE, the phenomenon that certain substances after exposure to light continue to emit light when placed in the dark; luminous paint is composed of the sulphides of calcium and barium, which are phosphorescent substances.

PHOSPHORUS, an element first obtained from urine by Brand of Hamburg in 1669; exists in the allotropic forms: *white*, a waxy, poisonous substance which takes fire in the air and is luminous; and *red*, which is not luminous and does not take fire so easily; phosphorus is used for matches; in the case of safety matches red phosphorus enters into the composition of the preparation on the side of the box; phosphorus is obtained from the phosphates found as minerals and in the ash of burnt bone.

PHOTIUS, patriarch of Constantinople; was the great promoter of the schism on the question of the procession of the Holy Ghost, between the Eastern and the Western divisions of the Church, denying as he did, and erasing from the creed, the *Misgue* article (q.v.); d. 891.

PHOTOELECTRIC EFFECT, the phenomenon that certain metals emit electrons when illuminated by ultra-violet light.

PHOTOGRAPHURE, a process of reproducing pictures from the negative of a photograph on a gelatine surface with the assistance of certain chemical preparations.

PHOTOMETRE, an instrument for comparing the luminosities of two sources of light.

PHOTOSPHERE, name given to the luminous atmosphere enveloping the sun.

PHOTOSYNTHESIS, the building up of carbohydrates from carbon dioxide in plants in the presence of sunlight; the chlorophyll in the green leaves is the active agent in the process.

PHOTOTYPE, a block with impressions produced by photography from which engravings, &c., can be printed.

PHRENOLOGY, claims to be a science in which the relation of the functions of mind to the material of the brain substance is observed. It asserts

that just as speech, taste, touch, &c., have their centres in certain convolutions of the brain, so have benevolence, firmness, conscientiousness, &c., and that by studying the configuration of the brain, as indicated by that of the skull, a man's character may be approximately discovered. As a science it is usually discredited, and held to be unsupported by physiology, anatomy, and pathology. It is held as strongly militating against its claims that it takes no account of the convolutions of the brain that lie on the base of the skull. Its originators were Combe, Spurzheim, and Andrew and George Combe.

PHYRGIA, a country originally extending over the western shores of Asia Minor, but afterwards confined to the western uplands, where are the sources of the Hermus, Meander, and Sangarius; was made up of barren hills, where sheep famous for their wool grazed, and fertile valleys, where the vine was cultivated; marble was quarried in the hills, and gold was found; several great trade roads from Ephesus crossed the country, among whose towns the names of Colossae and Laodicea are familiar; the Phrygians were an Armenian people, with a mystic orlagic religion, and were successively conquered by Assyrians, Lydians, and Persians, falling under Rome in 43 B.C.

PHYRGIAN CAP, a cap worn by the Phrygians, and worn in modern times as the symbol of freedom.

PHYRYNE, a Greek courtesan, celebrated for her beauty; was the model to Praxiteles of his statue of Venus, and was painted by Apelles as Aphrodite Anadromene; accused of profaning the Eleusinian Mysteries, she was brought before the judges, to whom she exposed her person, and was acquitted of the charge, to preserve to the artists the image of divine beauty thus recognised in her.

PTAH, a god of ancient Egypt, worshipped at Memphis; identified with Osiris and Socaris, and placed by the Egyptians at the head of the dynasty of the kings of Memphis.

PTHALIC ACID, a dibasic aromatic acid obtained from naphthalene and used in the dye industry for the production of artificial indigo.

PHYLACTERIES, strips of vellum inscribed with certain texts of Scripture, enclosed in small cases of calf-skin, and attached to the forehead or the left arm; originally connected with acts of worship, they were eventually turned to superstitious uses, and employed sometimes as charms and sometimes by way of ostentatious display.

PHYLOGENY, the branch of biology dealing with the study of the development of a group of organisms; embryology throws much light upon this subject.

PHYSIOCRATIC SCHOOL, a school of economists founded by Quesney, who regarded the cultivation of the land as the chief sources of natural well-being, and argued for legislation in behalf of it.

PIACENZA, an old Italian city on the Po, 43 m. by rail S.E. of Milan; has a cathedral, and among other churches the San Sisto, which contains the Sistine Madonna of Raphael, a theological seminary, and large library; it manufactures silks, cottons, and hats, and is a fortress of great strategical importance.

PIA-MATER, a membrane which invests the brain and the spinal cord; it is of a delicate vascular tissue.

PIARISTS, a purely religious order devoted to the education of the poor, founded in 1599 by a Spanish priest, and confirmed in 1617 by Paul V., and again in 1621 by Gregory XV.

PIAZZI, GIUSEPPE, Italian astronomer; discovered in 1801 a planet between Mars and Jupiter, which he named Ceres, the first of the planetoids to be recognised, as well as afterwards catalogued the stars (1748-1828).

PIBROCE, the class of bagpipe music descriptive or commemorative of a battle, or other notable event.

PICADOR, a man mounted on horseback armed with a spear to incite the bull in a bull-fight.

PICARDY, a province in the N. of France, the capital of which was Amiens; it now forms the department of Somme, and part of Aisne and Pas-de-Calais.

PICASSO, PABLO, Spanish artist and the founder of Cubism. Born in Malaga, he studied painting in Paris at the end of last century, being an orthodox

painter in his early days. Striving for novelty of effect, he produced work in which straight lines replaced curves and art was geometricalised, a step which was followed by a confused shuffling of the geometrical shapes into which he had cut up nature (1881-).

PICCOLOMINI, the name of an illustrious family of science in Italy, of which *Annas Silvius* (Pope Pius II.) was a member; also *Octavio I.*, Duke of Amalfi, who distinguished himself, with Wallenstein, in the Thirty Years' War at Lützen in 1632, at Nördlingen in 1634, and at Thionville in 1639; was one of the most celebrated soldiers who had command of the Imperial troops (1599-1658).

PICOTHEU, CHARLES, French general, born in Arbois, in Jura; served with distinguished success in the army of the Republic on the Rhine and in the Netherlands, but sold himself to the Bourbons, and being convicted of treason, was deported to Cayenne, but escaped to England, where in course of time he joined the conspiracy of Georges Cadoudal against the First Consul, and, being betrayed, was imprisoned in the Temple, where one morning after he was found strangled (1761-1804).

PICKERING, EDWARD CHARLES, American astronomer, professor at Harvard; famous for his work on astrophysics, especially in connection with the analysis of star spectra (1849-1919).

PICKETING, the practice of placing men outside a factory where a strike is on in order to prevent workers going on duty. Declared illegal in 1875, the 1906 Trades Disputes Act sanctioned it for purposes of "peaceful persuasion."

PICKWICK, SAMUEL, the hero of Dickens' "Pickwick Papers," a character distinguished for his general goodness and his honest simplicity.

PICO, one of the Azores, consisting of a single volcanic mountain, still in action; it produces excellent wine.

PICO DELLA MIRANDA, DOLA, a notable Italian champion of the scholastic dogma, who challenged all the learned of Europe to enter the lists with him and controvert any one of 600 theses which he undertook to defend, a challenge which no one, under ban of the Pope, dared accept; he was the last of the schoolmen, as well as a humanist in the bud, and was in his lifetime, with an astonishing forecast of destiny, named the Phoenix (q.v.) (1463-1494).

PICQUART, GENERAL GEORGES, French military officer; was distinguished as a student at the military schools; served in Algiers; became a captain in 1880; was appointed to the War Office in 1885; served with distinction in Tonquin; became professor at the Military School; rejoined the War Office in 1893, and was made head of the Intelligence Department in 1896; moved by certain discoveries affecting Esterhazy, began to inquire into the Dreyfus case (q.v.), which led to his removal out of the way to Tunis; returned and exposed the proceedings against Dreyfus, with the result that a revision was demanded (1854-1914).

PICRIC ACID, or trinitrophenol, a yellow crystalline substance obtained from phenol; the basis of many high explosives, e.g. lyddite; it has also some application in the dye industry.

PICTON, SIR THOMAS, British general, born in Pembroke; served in the West Indies, and became governor of Trinidad, also in the Walcheren Expedition, and became governor of Flushing, and in the Peninsula and at Waterloo, where he fell as he was leading his men to the charge (1758-1815).

PICTS, a race of people now believed to be of Celtic origin, that from 296 to 844 inhabited the N.E. of Caledonia from the Forth to the Pentland Firth and were divided into northern and southern by the Grampians, while the W. of the country, or Argyll, was occupied by the Dalriada, or Scots from Ireland, who eventually gained the ascendancy over them, to their amalgamation into one nation. The derivation of their name, although popularly assigned to the Roman *pictus*, painted (man), is more generally accepted as being from the Celtic *pecht*, fighter.

PICT'S HOUSES, the name popularly given to earth-houses (q.v.) in several parts of Scotland.

PICTURE-WRITING, the earliest known method of

communication among mankind, and the source of ideographs and other symbols from which an alphabet was derived; ancient forms of picture-writing have been found in Japan, Easter Island in the Pacific, and Central America, as also in Brittany, Sweden, and other parts of Europe; that method in use among certain North American Indian tribes is an interesting modern survival.

PIED PIPER OF HAMELIN, the hero of an old German legend, had come to a German town and offered to clear it of the rats which infested it for a sum of money, but after executing his task was unrewarded, upon which he blew a blast on his magic pipe, the sound of which drew the children of the town into a cave, which he locked when they entered, thus shutting them up for ever.

PIEDMONT, a district of Italy, formerly a principality, ruled by the house of Savoy, surrounded by the Alps, the Apennines, and the river Po; occupies the W. end of the great fertile valley of the Po, a hilly region rich in vines and mulberries, and a mountainous tract, with forests and grazing land intersected by lovely valleys, which send streams down into the Po; the people are industrious; textile manufactures are extensive, and agriculture is skilful; Turin, the largest town, was the capital of Italy, 1859-1865; in the glens of the Cottian Alps the Vaudois or Waldenses, after much persecution, still dwell.

PIERCE, FRANKLIN, the fourteenth President of the United States, born in New Hampshire, was the life-long friend of Nathaniel Hawthorne; bred to the bar; served in the Mexican War, and was elected President in 1852; his period of office was one of trouble; he supported the States' rights doctrine, and served with the South in the Civil War (1804-1869).

PIERIA, a district in Macedonia E. of Olympus, inhabited by Thracians, and famous as the seat of the worship of the Muses and as their birthplace, giving rise to the phrase *Pierian Spring*, as the source of poetic inspiration.

PIERIDES, the name given to the Muses, from their spring or fountain in Pieria (q.v.).

PIERS FLOWMAN, VISION OF, a celebrated satirical poem of the 14th century ascribed to Robert Langland.

PIETA (i.e. pietry), the name given to a picture, the subject of which is the dead Christ in the embrace of His sorrowing mother, accompanied by sorrowing women and angels; that sculptured by Michael Angelo, in St. Peter's at Rome, representing the Virgin at the foot of the cross, with the dead Christ in her lap.

PIETERMARITZBURG, capital of Natal and seat of the provincial government, 73 mi. by rail N. of Durban; well situated on the Umgeni River, with fine streets and a fine climate.

PIETISTS, the name given to a religious party that arose in Germany at the end of the 17th century, but without forming a separate sect; they laid more stress on religious feeling than dogmatic belief, and at length, as all who ground religion on mere feeling are apt to do, distinguished themselves more by a weak sentimentality than by a sturdy living faith.

PIETRA DURA, a name given to the purest kind of Florentine mosaic work, consisting of hard stones characterised by brilliancy of colour.

PIGEON (or **PIDGIN**) **ENGLISH**, a jargon used in commercial dealings with the Chinese, being a mixture of English, Portuguese, and Chinese.

PIGWIGGIN, an elf in love with Queen Mab, who fights the jealous Oberon in furious combat.

PILATE, PONTIUS, Roman procurator of Judaea and Samaria in the days of Christ, from A.D. 26 to 36; persuaded of the innocence of Christ when arraigned before his tribunal, would fain have saved Him, but yielded to the clamour of His enemies, who crucified Him; he protested before they led Him away by washing his hands in their presence to signify that he was guiltless of His blood.

PILATUS, MOUNT, an isolated mountain, height 6996 ft., at the W. end of Lake Lucerne, opposite the Rigi; is ascended by a mountain railway, and has hotels on two peaks. A lake below the summit

is said to be the last receptacle of the body of Pontius Pilate, hence the adoption of the name.

PILCOMAYO, a tributary of the Rio Paraguay, in South America, which it joins after a course of 1700 miles from its source in the Bolivian Andes.

PILGRIMAGE OF GRACE, a rising in the northern counties of England in 1536 against the policy of Cromwell, Henry VIII's Chancellor, in regard to the temporalities of the Church, which, though concessions were made to it that led to its dispersion, broke out afresh with renewed violence, and had to be ruthlessly suppressed. It was led chiefly by Robert Aske.

PILGRIM FATHERS, the name given to the Puritans, some 100 in all, who sailed from Plymouth in the *Mayflower* in 1620 and settled in Massachusetts to escape religious persecution.

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS, *THE*, John Bunyan's descriptive allegory of the progress of a Christian through life, written in Bedford gaol and published in 1678.

PILLAR-SAINTS, a class of recluses, called Stylites, who, in early Christian times, retired from the world to the Syrian Desert, and, perched on pillars, used to spend days and nights in fasting and praying, in the frantic belief that by mortification of their bodies they would ensure the salvation of their souls; their founder was Simon, surnamed Stylites; the practice, which was never allowed in the West, continued down to the 12th century.

PILLARS OF HERCULES. See **HERCULES, PILLARS OF**.

PILLORY, an obsolete instrument of punishment for centuries in use all over Europe, consisted of a platform, an upright pole, and at a convenient height cross-boards with holes, in which the culprit's neck and wrists were placed and fastened; so fixed, he was exposed in some public place to the insults and noxious missiles of the mob. Formerly in England the penalty of forgery, perjury, &c., it became after the Commonwealth a favourite punishment for seditious libellers. It was last inflicted in London in 1830, and was abolished by law in 1837.

PILLOTY, KARL VON, a modern German painter of the Munich school, and professor of Painting at the Munich Academy; did portraits, but his masterpieces are on historical subjects, such as "Nero Among the Ruins of Rome," "Galileo in Prison," "The Death of Caesar," &c.; he was no less eminent as a teacher of art than as an artist (1826-1886).

PILSEN, a town in Czechoslovakia, 67 m. SW. of Prague; has numerous industries, and rich coal and iron mines, and produces an excellent beer, which it exports in large quantities. It was an important place during the Thirty Years' War.

PILSUDSKI, JOSEPH, Polish general and politician. Born in Vilna, he took early to the military life, organised an army in Poland early this century, and in the Great War led one in support of the Central Powers. When Poland became an independent country in 1918 he was a prominent politician, and led an unsuccessful attack on Russia in 1920, after which he resigned all his posts; in 1926 he took up politics again and became virtual dictator of Poland (1868-).

PILTDOWN MAN, or *Eoanthropus Dawsoni*, remains of which were found in 1912 at Piltown in Sussex by Charles Dawson, is generally considered as a species of sub-man who lived in the Second or Third Interglacial Period (i.e. some 300,000 years ago). The remains included the walls of the skull, a tooth, and part of the lower jaw; it is definitely earlier than the remains of paleolithic age.

PINDAR, the greatest lyric poet of Greece, and for virgin purity of imagination ranked by Ruskin with Homer, Virgil, Dante, and Scott; born near Thebes, in Boeotia, of a noble and also musical family, and began his musical education by practice on the flute, while he was assisted in his art by the example of his countrywoman Corinna, who competed with and defeated him more than once at the public festivals; he was a welcome visitor at the courts of all the Greek princes of the period, and not the less honoured that he condescended to no flattery and attuned his lyre to no sentiment but what would find an echo in every noble heart; he excelled in every department of lyric poetry,

hymns to the gods, the praises of heroes, poems of victory, choral songs, festival songs, and dirges, but of these only a few remain, his *Epinikia*, a collection of triumphal odes in celebration of the successes achieved at the great national games of Greece; he was not only esteemed the greatest of lyric poets by his countrymen, but is without a rival still; when Alexander destroyed Thebes he spared the house of Pindar (522-442 B.C.).

PINDAR, PETER. See **WALCOT, JOHN**.

PINDARESS, or **PINDARIS**, a set of freebooters who at the beginning of the last century ravaged Central India and were the terror of the districts, but who under the governor-generalship of Hastings were driven to bay and crushed in 1817.

PINDUS, MOUNT, is the range of mountains rising between Thessaly and Epirus, which forms the watershed of the country.

PINEAL GLAND, a small cone-shaped body of yellowish matter in the brain, the size of a pea, and situated in the front of the cerebellum, notable as considered by Descartes to be the seat of the soul, but is now surmised to be a rudimentary remnant of some organ, of vision it would seem, now extinct.

PINEDO, MARCHESE DE, Italian aviator. In 1925 he flew an aeroplane from Rome to Melbourne and back via Tokyo, and in 1927 from Europe to Brazil; he was made chief of the Italian aeronautical general staff in 1928.

PINEL, PHILIPPE, a French physician, distinguished for the reformation he effected, against no small opposition, in the treatment of the insane, leading to the abandonment everywhere of the cruel, inhuman methods till then in vogue (1745-1826).

PINERO, SIR ARTHUR WING, dramatist, born in London; bred to law, took to the stage and the writing of plays, of which the best-known are "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray," "His House in Order," and "Trelawney of the Wells" (1855-).

PINEROLO, a town 23 m. SW. of Turin, now a fortress in an important military position, in which the "Man with the Iron Mask" was imprisoned.

PINKERTON, JOHN, a Scottish antiquary and historian, born in Edinburgh; was an original in his way, went to London, and attracted the notice of Horace Walpole and Gibbon; died in Paris, poor and neglected (1758-1826).

PINKIE, a Scottish battlefield, near Musselburgh, Midlothian, where the Protector Somerset, in his expedition to secure the hand of Mary Stuart for Edward VI., defeated and slaughtered a Scottish army, 1547.

PINKING, or knocking, a detonation taking place in a petrol engine if the explosive mixture is compressed too much before ignition; a small amount of tetra-ethyl lead in the spirit is found to prevent it; other fuels, such as alcohol and benzol do not produce knocking.

PINTO, MENDEZ, a Portuguese traveller; wrote in his "Peregrinacion" an account of his marvellous adventures in Arabia, Persia, China, and Japan, extending over a period of 21 years (1527-1548), of which, amid much exaggeration, the general veracity is admitted (1510-1583).

PINTURICCHIO, Italian painter whose real name was Bernardo di Betto, born in Perugia; was assistant to Perugino (q.v.) when at work in the Sixtine Chapel, Rome, did frescoes and panel paintings, one of the "Christ bearing the Cross" (1454-1513).

PINZON, the name of two brothers, companions of Christopher Columbus, one of whom, Vincente Yanez, discovered Brazil in 1500.

PIOZZI, HESTER, a female friend of Johnson under the name of Mrs. Thrale, after her first husband, a brewer in Southwark, whose home for her sake was the rendezvous of all the literary celebrities of the period; married afterwards, to Johnson's disgust, Piozzi, an Italian music-master, lived with him at Florence, and returned at his death to Clifton, where she died; left "Anecdotes of Johnson" and "Letters"; was authoress of "The Three Warnings" (1741-1821).

PIPE OF PEACE, or Calumet, a pipe offered by an American Indian to one with whom he wishes to be on good terms.

PIREUS, the port of Athens 5 m. SW. of the city, planned by Themistocles, built in the time of

Pericles, and afterwards connected with the city for safety by strong walls; it was destroyed by the Spartans at the end of the Peloponnesian War, but restored, to fall afterwards into neglect and ruins.

PIRANO, a seaport on the Adriatic, 12 m. SW. of Trieste; has salt-works in the neighbourhood, and manufactures glass and soap.

PIRITHOUS, king of the Lapiths and friend of Theseus, on the occasion of whose marriage an intoxicated Centaur ran off with his bride Hippodamia, which gave rise to the famous fight between the Centaurs and the Lapiths, in which Theseus assisted, and the former were defeated; on the death of Hippodamia, Pirithous ran off with Persephone and Theseus with Helen, for which both had to answer in the lower world before Pluto; Hercules delivered the latter, but Pluto would not release the former.

PIRKE ABOTH (i.e. sayings of the Fathers), the name given to a collection of aphorisms in the manner of Jesus the Son of Sirach by 60 doctors learned in the Jewish law, representatives of their teaching, and giving the gist of it; they inculcate the importance of familiarity with the words of the Law.

PIRNA, a town in Saxony, on the Elbe, 11 m. SE. of Dresden; has sandstone quarries in the neighbourhood.

PISA, on the Arno, 49 m. by rail W. of Florence, is one of the oldest cities in Italy; formerly a port, the river has built up the land at its mouth so that the sea is now 4 m. off, and the ancient trade of Pisa has been transferred to Leghorn. There are a magnificent cathedral, rich in art treasures, a peculiar campanile of white marble which deviates 14 ft. from the perpendicular, known as the Leaning Tower of Pisa, several old and beautiful churches, a university, school of art, and library. Silks and ribbons are woven, and coral ornaments cut. In the 11th century Pisa was at the zenith of its prosperity as a republic, with a great mercantile fleet, and commercial relations with all the world. Its Ghibelline sympathies involved it in terrible struggles, in which it gradually sank till its fortunes were merged in those of Tuscany about 1550. The council of Pisa, 1409, held to determine the long-standing rival claims of Gregory XII. and Benedict XII. to the Papal chair, ended by adding a third claimant, Alexander V. Pisa was one of the twelve cities of ancient Etruria.

PISANO, NICOLA, Italian sculptor and architect of Pisa; his most famous works are the pulpit in the Baptistery at Pisa, and that for the Duomo at Siena, the last being the fountain in the piazza of Perugia (1206-1278).

PISCES, the twelfth sign of the zodiac, which the sun enters on February 20.

PISGAH, a mountain range E. of the Lower Jordan, one of the summits of which is Mount Nebo, from which Moses beheld the Promised Land, and where he died and was buried.

PISHIN, a district of South Afghanistan, N. of Quetta, occupied by the British since 1878 as strategically of importance.

PISIDIA, a division of ancient Asia Minor, N. of Pamphilia, and traversed by the Taurus chain.

PISISTRATUS, tyrant of Athens, was a friend and relative of Solon; an able but an ambitious man; being in great favour with the citizens, presented himself one day in the Akropolis, and displaying some wounds he had received in their defence, persuaded them to give him a bodyguard of 50 men, which grew into a larger force, by means of which in 560 B.C. he took possession of the citadel and seized the sovereign power, from which he was shortly after driven forth; after six years he was brought back, but compelled to retire a second time; after 10 years he returned and made good his ascendancy, reigning thereafter peacefully for 14 years, and leaving his power in the hands of his sons Hippias and Hipparchus; he was a good and wise ruler, and encouraged the liberal arts, and it is to him we owe the first written collection or complete edition of the poems of Homer (600-527 B.C.).

PISARRO, CAMILLE, French artist. Born in the West Indies, he went to Paris when 25 and studied under Corot; much of his early work was destroyed

in the 1870 siege of Paris, after which he moved to London (1880-1903).

PISTOLA, a town of N. Italy, at the foot of the Apennines, 21 m. NW. of Florence, with palaces and churches rich in works of art; manufactures iron and steel wares.

PISTOL, ANCIENT, a swaggering bully and follower of Falstaff in the "Merry Wives of Windsor" and "Henry IV. and V."

PISTOLE, an obsolete gold coin of Europe, originally of Spain, worth about 16s. 2d.

PIT'AKA (lit. a basket), the name given to the sacred books of the Buddhists, and constituting collectively the Buddhist code. See **TRIPITAKA**.

PITAVAL, FRANÇOIS GAYOT DE, a French advocate, compiler of a famous collection of *causes célèbres* (1673-1743).

PITCAIRN ISLAND, a small volcanic island 2½ m. long and 1 broad, in the Pacific, 5000 m. E. of Brisbane, where, in 1700, nine men of H.M.S. *Bounty* who had mutinied landed with six Tahitians and a dozen Tahitian women; from these have sprung an interesting community of islanders, virtuous, upright, and contented, of Christian faith, who sent a colony to Norfolk Island.

PITCAIRNE, AROHBALD, Scottish physician and satirist, born in Edinburgh; studied theology and law, and afterwards, at Paris, medicine; he practised in Edinburgh, and became professor at Leyden; returning, he acquired great fame in his native city; in medicine he published a treatise on Harvey's discovery of the circulation of the blood; being an Episcopalian and Jacobite, he wrote several satires on all things Presbyterian, e.g. "Babel, or the Assembly, a Poem," 1699 (1662-1713).

PITHOM, town of Ramesses, one of the treasuries built for Pharaoh by the children of Israel in Lower Egypt, now, as discovered by M. Naville in 1883, reduced to a small village between Ismailia and Tel-el-Kobir.

PITMAN, SIR ISAAC, inventor of the shorthand system which bears his name, born in Trowbridge, Wiltshire; his first publication was "Stenographic Sound-Hand" in 1837, and in 1842 he started the *Phonetic Journal*, and lectured extensively as well as published in connection with his system (1813-1897).

PITRIS (i.e. Fathers), in the Hindu mythology an order of divine beings, and equal to the greatest of the gods, who, by their sacrifice, delivered the world from chaos, gave birth to the sun and kindled the stars, and in whose company the dead, who have like them lived self-sacrificingly, enter when they lay aside mortality. See Rev. vii. 14.

PITSCOTTIE, ROBERT LINDSAY OF, proprietor in the 16th century of the Piffshire estate the name of which he bore; was the author of "The Chronicles of Scotland," to which Sir Walter Scott owed so much; his work is quaint, graphic, and, on the whole, trustworthy.

PITT, WILLIAM. See **CHATHAM, EARL OF**.

PITT, WILLIAM, English statesman, second son of Lord Chatham, born near Bromley, Kent, grew up a delicate child in a highly-charged political atmosphere, and studied with such diligence under the direction of his father and a tutor that he entered Cambridge at 14; called to the bar in 1780, he speedily threw himself into politics, and contested Cambridge University in the election of 1781; though defeated, he took his seat for the pocket borough of Appleby, joined the Shelburne Tories in opposition to North's ministry, and was soon a leader in the House at the age of 21; he supported, but refused to join, the Rockingham Ministry of 1782, contracted his long friendship with Dundas, afterwards Viscount Melville, and became an advocate of parliamentary reform; his first office was Chancellor of the Exchequer under Lord Shelburne; his reputation steadily rose, but on Shelburne's resignation he refused the Premiership, and went into opposition against the Portland, Fox, and North coalition; that minority being defeated (1783) on their Indian policy by the direct and unconstitutional interference of the King, he courageously formed a government with a majority of 100 against him at the age of 24; refusing to yield to adverse votes, he gradually won over the

House and the country, and the dissolution of 1784 gave a majority of 120 in his favour, and put him in office, one of England's strongest ministers; during his long administration, broken only for one month in 20 years, he greatly raised the importance of the Commons, stamped out direct corruption in the House, and abolished many sinecures; he revised taxation, improved the collection of revenue and the issue of loans, and set the finances in a flourishing condition; he reorganised the government of India, and aimed strenuously to keep England at peace; but his abandonment of parliamentary reform and the abolition of the slave-trade suggest that he loved power rather than principles; his Poor-Law schemes and Sinking Fund were unsound; he failed to appreciate the problems presented by the growth of the factory system, or to manage Ireland with any success; on the outbreak of the French Revolution he failed to understand its significance, did not anticipate a long war, and made bad preparations and had schemes; his vacillation in Irish policy induced the rebellion of 1798; by corrupt measures he carried the legislative union of 1801, but the King refused to allow the Catholic emancipation he promised as a condition; Viscount Melville was driven from the Admiralty on a charge of malversation, his own health broke down, and the victory of Trafalgar scarcely served to brighten his closing days; given to deep drinking, and culpably careless of his private moneys, he yet lived a pure, simple, amiable life; with an overcharged dignity, he was yet an attractive man and a warm friend; England has had few statesmen equal to him in the handling of financial and commercial problems, and few orators more fluent and persuasive than the great peace minister (1769-1806).

PITT DIAMOND, a diamond brought from Golconda by the grandfather of the elder Pitt, who sold it to the king of France; it figured at length in the hit of the State sword of Napoleon, and was carried off by the Prussians at Waterloo.

PITTACUS, one of the seven sages of Greece, born in Mitylene, in Lesbos, in the 7th century B.C.; celebrated as a warrior, a statesman, a philosopher, and a poet; expelled the tyrants from Mitylene, and held the supreme power for 10 years after by popular vote, but resigned on the establishment of social order; two proverbs are connected with his name: "It is difficult to be good," "Know the fit time."

PITTSBURGH, second city of Pennsylvania, is 350 mi. by rail W. of Philadelphia, where the junction of the Alleghany and the Monongahela Rivers forms the Ohio; the city extends for 10 miles along the rivers' banks, and climbs up the surrounding hills; there are handsome public buildings and churches, efficient schools, a Roman Catholic college, and a Carnegie library; domestic lighting and heating and much manufacture are done by natural gas, which issues at high pressure from shallow borings in isolated districts 20 in. from the city; standing in the centre of an extraordinary coal-field—the edges of the horizontal seams protrude on the hillsides—it is the largest coal-market in the States; manufactures include all iron goods, steel and copper, glassware, and earthenware; its position at the eastern limit of the Mississippi basin, its facilities of transport by river and rail—six trunk railroads meet here—give it enormous trade advantages; its transcontinental business is second in volume only to Chicago; in early times the British colonists had many struggles with the French for this vantage point; a fort built by the British Government in 1759, and called after the elder Pitt, was the nucleus of the city.

PITYRIASIS, a skin eruption attended with bran-like desquamation.

PIUS, the name of eleven Popes, of whom eight call for particular mention: P. II, Pope from 1458 to 1464, was of the family of the Piccolomini, and is known to history as *Eneas Sylvius*, under which name he did good diplomatic work in Britain and Germany; as Pope he succeeded Callistus III.; he was a wily potentate, and is distinguished for organising a crusade against the Turks as well as his scholarship; the works which survive him are

of a historical character, and his letters are of great value. P. IV., from 1559 to 1568, was of humble birth; during his popehood the deliberations of the Council of Trent were brought to a close, and the Tridentine Creed was named after him. P. V., Pope 1566 to 1572, also of humble birth, was severe in his civil and ecclesiastical capacity, both in his internal administration and foreign relationships, and thought to browbeat the world back into the bosom of Mother Church; issued a bull releasing Queen Elizabeth's subjects from their allegiance; but the great event of his reign, and to which he contributed, was the naval victory over the Turks at Lepanto in 1571. P. VI., Pope from 1775 to 1799; the commencement of his popehood was signalled by beneficent measures for the benefit of the Roman city, but he was soon in trouble in consequence of encroachments on Church privileges in Austria and the confiscation of all Church property in France, which ended, on his resisting to still further outrages, in his capture by the French under Bonaparte and his expatriation from Rome. P. VII., Pope from 1800 to 1823, concluded a concordat with France, crowned Napoleon emperor at Paris, who thereafter annexed the papal territories to the French empire, which were in part restored to Rome only after Napoleon's fall. P. IX., or Pío Nono, from 1846 to 1878, was a "reforming" Pope, and by his concessions awoke in 1848 a spirit of revolution, under the force of which he was compelled to flee from Rome, to return again under the protection of French bayonets against his own subjects, to devote himself to purely ecclesiastical affairs; in 1854 he promulgated the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception, and in 1859 the Infallibility of the Pope; upon the outbreak of the Franco-German War in 1871 the French troops were withdrawn and Victor Emmanuel's troops entered the city; Pius retired into the Vatican, where he lived in seclusion till his death. P. X., from 1903 to 1914. P. XI., born near Milan, became Pope in 1922, and in 1929 signed the Lateran Treaty (q.v.), under which the temporal power of the Papacy was restored, sovereignty over the Vatican City being recognised (1864-).

PIX, the name of a little chest in which the consecrated host is kept in the Roman Catholic Church. See **PYX**.

PIXIES, Devonshire Robin Goodfellows, said to be the spirits of infants who died unbaptised.

PIZARRO, FRANCISCO, the conqueror of Peru, born in Truxillo, in Spain, the son of a soldier of distinction; received no education, but was of an adventurous spirit, and entered the army; embarked with other adventurers to America, and, having distinguished himself in Panama, set out by way of the Pacific on a voyage of discovery with another soldier named Almagro; landed on the island of Gallo, on the coast of Peru, and afterwards returned with his companion to Spain for authority to conquer the country; when in 1529 he obtained the royal sanction he set sail from Spain with three ships in 1531, and on his arrival at Peru found a civil war raging between the two sons of the emperor, who had just died; Pizarro saw his opportunity; approached Atahualpa, the victorious one, now the reigning Inca, with overtures of peace, and was admitted into the interior of the country; invited him to a banquet, had him imprisoned, and commenced a wholesale butchery of his subjects, upon which he forced Atahualpa to disclose his treasures, and then put him periodically to death; his power, by virtue of the mere terror he inspired, was now established, and he might have continued to maintain it, but a contest having arisen between him and his old comrade Almagro, whom after defeating he put to death, the sons and friends of the latter rose against him, seized him in his palace at Lima, and assassinated him (1478-1541).

PLAGUE, THE, a very malignant kind of highly contagious fever, marked by swellings of the lymphatic glands. From the development of purple patches due to subcutaneous hemorrhages the European epidemic of 1348-1350 was called the Black Death. A quarter of the European population perished on that occasion. Other visitations

devastated London in 1665, Northern Europe 1707-1714, Marseilles and Provence 1780-1782, and South-East Russia 1878-1879. The home of the Plague was formerly Lower Egypt, Turkey, and the shores of the Levant. From these it has been absent since 1844. Its home since then has been in India, where it assumed epidemic form 1836-1838 and 1898-1899.

PLAIN, THE, the name given to the Girondists or Moderate party in the French National Convention, in contrast with the Mountain (q.v.) or Jacobin party.

PLANCHÉ, JAMES ROBINSON, antiquary and dramatist, born in London, of French descent; author of a number of burlesques; an authority on heraldry and costumes; he produced over 200 pieces for the stage, and held office as Somerset Herald in the Herald's Court (1796-1880).

PLANCK, MAX, German physicist, professor at Berlin; carried out many researches in connection with specific heats and radiation; his greatest work was the enunciation of the Quantum Theory.

PLANETOIDES. See **ASTEROIDS**.

PLANETS, bodies resembling the earth and of different sizes, which revolve in elliptical orbits round the sun, and at different distances, the chief of them eight in number, two of them, viz., Mercury and Venus, revolving in orbits *interior* to that of the earth, and five of them, viz., Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune, *exterior*, the whole with the asteroids (q.v.) and comets constituting the solar system.

PLANKTON, name given to microscopic organisms inhabiting the seas, e.g. radiolarians, foraminifera, diatoms; the ooze found at the bottom of the oceans consists largely of the remains of these animals and plants, e.g. globigerina ooze.

PLANTAGENETS, the name attached to a dynasty of kings of England, who reigned from the extinction of the Norman line to the accession of the Tudor, that is, from the beginning of Henry II.'s reign in 1154 to the end of Richard III.'s on Bosworth Field in 1485. The name was adopted by Geoffrey of Anjou, the husband of Matilda, the daughter of Henry I., whose badge was a sprig of broom (which the name denotes), and which he wore in his bonnet as descended from the Earl of Anjou, who was by way of penance scourged with twigs of it at Jerusalem.

PLANTIN, CHRISTOPHE, a printer of Antwerp, born near Tours, in France; celebrated for the beauty and accuracy of the work that issued from his press, the most notable being the "Antwerp Polyglot"; he had printing establishments in Leyden and Paris, as well as Antwerp, all these conducted by sons-in-law (1514-1589).

PLASSEY, a great battlefield in Bengal, now swept away by changes in the course of the river, scarcely 100 m. N. of Calcutta; was the scene of Clive's victory in 1757 with 800 Europeans and 2200 unreliable native troops over Suraj-ud-Dowlah, the ruler of Bengal, which laid that province at the feet of Britain and led to the foundation of the British Empire in India.

PLASTER OF PARIS, anhydrous sulphate of lime, which sets to a hard paste when mixed with water.

PLATÆA, a city of ancient Greece, in western Boeotia, neighbour and ally of Athens, suffered greatly in the Persian and Peloponnesian Wars. It was destroyed by the Persians 480 B.C., by the Peloponnesian forces 429 B.C., and again by the Thebans 387 B.C. Philip of Macedon restored the exiles to their homes in 338 B.C.

PLATINUM, a heavy metal found in Russia, used for jewellery and for certain pieces of apparatus for chemical purposes; it is used as a catalyst for some reactions, e.g. the production of sulphuric acid by the contact process.

PLATO, the great philosopher, born in Athens, of noble birth, the year Pericles died, and the second of the Peloponnesian War; at 20 became a disciple of Socrates, and passed eight years in his society; at 30, after the death of Socrates, quitted Athens, and took up his abode at Megara; from Megara he travelled to Cyrene, Egypt, Magna Græcia, and Sicily, prolonging his stay in Magna Græcia, and studying under Pythagoras, whose philosophy was

then at its prime and was exercising a profound influence over him; after ten years' wandering in this way, at the age of 40 he returned to Athens, and founded his Academy, a gymnasium outside the city, with a garden, which belonged to his father, and where he gathered around him a body of disciples and had Aristotle for one of his pupils, lecturing there with undiminished mental power till he reached the advanced age of 80; of his philosophy one can give no account here, or indeed anywhere, it was so unsectarian; he was by pre-eminence the world-thinker, and though he was never married and left no son, he has all the thinking men and schools of philosophy in the world as his offspring; enough to say that his philosophy took up in its embrace both the ideal and the real, at once the sensible and the supersensible world (427-347 B.C.).

PLATOFF, MATVEI IVANOVICH, COUNT, hetman of Cossacks, and Russian commander in the Napoleonic wars; took part in the campaigns of 1805-1807, and scourged the French during their retreat from Moscow in 1812, and again after their defeat at Leipzig, 1813; he commanded at the victory of Altenburg, 1813, and for his services obtained the title of count (1781-1818).

PLATONIC LOVE, love between persons of different sexes, in which as being love of soul for soul and sexual passion intermingles; is so named probably to the doctrine of Plato, that a man finds his highest happiness when he falls in with another who is his soul's counterpart or complement.

PLATONIC YEAR, a period of 26,000 years, denoting the time of a complete revolution of the equinox.

PLATT-DEUTSCH, or low German, a dialect spoken by the peasantry in North Germany from the Rhine to Pomerania, and derived from Old Saxon.

PLATTE, the largest affluent of the Missouri, which joins it at Plattsmouth after an easterly course of 900 m.

PLATTEN-SEE. See **BALATON, LAKE**.

PLATYPUS, DUOK-BILLED. See **ORNITHORHYNCHUS**.

PLEHN, a town in Saxony, on the Elster, 78 m. S. of Leipzig, with extensive textile and other manufactures.

PLAUTUS, TITUS MACCIVS, a Latin comic poet, born in Umbria; came when young to Rome, as is evident from his mastery of the Latin language and his knowledge of Greek; began to write plays for the stage at 30, shortly before the outbreak of the second Punic War, and continued to do so for 40 years; he wrote about 130 comedies, but only 20 have survived, the plots mostly borrowed from Greek models; they were much esteemed by his contemporaries, and have supplied material for dramatic treatment in modern times (254-184 B.C.).

PLAYFAIR, JOHN, Scottish mathematician, born in Benzie; bred for the Church, became professor first of Mathematics and then of Natural Philosophy at Edinburgh University; wrote on geometry and geology, in the latter supported the Huttonian theory of the earth (1748-1819).

PLEIADES (i.e. the sailing stars), in the Greek mythology seven sisters, daughters of Atlas, transformed into stars, six of them visible and one invisible, and forming the group on the shoulders of Taurus in the zodiac; In the last week of May they rise and set with the sun till August, after which they follow the sun and are seen more or less at night till their conjunction with it again in May.

PLEIADES, THE, the name given to the promoters of a movement in the middle of the 16th century that aimed at the reform of the French language and literature on classical models; it was led by a group of seven men, Ronard, Du Bellay, Belleau, Baif, Jaurat, Jodelle, and Pontus de Tyard. The name "Pleiad" was originally applied to seven contemporary poets in ancient Greece, and afterwards to seven learned men in the time of Charlemagne.

PLEISTOCENE, or glacial deposits, are the most recent of the geological strata except for alluvium, etc., laid down in historic times; the deposits are chiefly clay or sand containing stones of various ages, and were laid down where the glaciers had dropped the material they had worn away.

PLENIIST, name given to one who holds the doctrine that all space is filled with matter.

PLESIOSAURUS, an extinct marine animal with a small head and a long neck, abundant in mesozoic times.

PLEURA, the serous membrane that lines the interior of the thorax and invests the lungs.

PLEURA-PNEUMONIA, an inflammation of the lungs and pleura, pleurisy being the inflammation of the pleura alone.

PLEVNA, a fortified town in Bulgaria, in which Osman Pasha entrenched himself in 1877, and where he was compelled to capitulate and surrender to the Russians with his force of 42,000 men.

PLIMSOIL, SAMUEL, the sailor's friend," born in Bristol; after experience in a Sheffield brewery entered business in London as a coal-dealer; interesting himself in the condition of the sailor's life in the mercantile marine, he directed public attention to many scandalous abuses practised by unscrupulous owners, the overloading, undermanning, and insufficient equipment of ships and the sending out of unworthy vessels to founder for the sake of insurance money; entering Parliament for Derby in 1868, he secured the passing of the Merchant Shipping Act in 1876 levelled against these abuses; his name has been given to the circle with horizontal line through the centre, now placed by the Board of Trade on the side of every vessel to indicate to what depth she may be loaded in salt water (1824-1898).

PLINLIHMON (i.e. five rivers), a mountain 2460 ft. high, with three summits, on the confines of Montgomery and Cardigan, so called as the source of five different streams.

PLINY, THE ELDER, naturalist, born in Como, educated at Rome, and served in the army; was for a space procurator in Spain, and spent much of his time afterwards studying at Rome; being near the Bay of Naples during an eruption of Vesuvius, he landed to witness the phenomenon, but was suffocated by the fumes; his "Natural History" is a repository of the studies of the ancients that department, being a record, more or less faithful, from extensive reading, of the observation of others rather than his own (23-79).

PLINY, THE YOUNGER, nephew of the preceding, the friend of Trajan; filled various offices in the State; his fame rests on his "Letters," of special interest to us for the account they give of the treatment of the early Christians and their manner of worship, as also of the misjudgment of their religion on the part of the Roman world at the time, it being in their eyes, according to him, "a perverse and extravagant superstition" (61-115).

PLIOCENE, name given by geologists to the deposits above the Eocene and below the Pleistocene; in England extensive areas of these rocks are found in East Anglia and are known as crag, forming the coastline from Cromer to Felixstowe; the fauna of this period included many living species of mammal and it is probable that the first man appeared at the end of Pliocene times.

PLININUS, an Alexandrian philosopher of the Neo-Platonic school, born in Lycopolis, in Egypt; he taught philosophy at Rome, a system in opposition to the reigning scepticism of the time, which based itself on the intuitions of the soul elevated into a state of mystical union with God, who in His single unity sums up all and whence all emanates, all being regarded as an emanation from Him (207-270).

PLUMPTRE, EDWARD HAYES, distinguished English divine and scholar, born in London; was Dean of Wells; as a divine he wrote commentaries on books of both the Old and New Testaments, and as a scholar executed able translations in verse of Sophocles, Eschylus, and the "Commedia" of Dante, the last perhaps his greatest and most enduring work (1821-1891).

PLUNKET, LORD, Chancellor of Ireland, born in Ireland, bred to the bar; entered the Irish House of Commons; opposed the Union with Great Britain; after the Union practised at the bar, and held legal appointments; was made a peer, and materially aided the Duke of Wellington, in the House of Lords in carrying the Catholic Emancipation Bill of 1829 (1764-1854).

PLUTARCH, celebrated Greek biographer and moralist, born in Chaeronea, in Boeotia; studied at

Athens; paid frequent visits to Rome, and formed friendships with some of its distinguished citizens; spent his later years at his native place, and held a priesthood; his fame rests on his "Parallel Lives" of 46 distinguished Greeks and Romans, a series of portraits true to the life, and one of the most valuable works we possess on the illustrious men of antiquity (circ. 50-120).

PLUTO, god of the nether world, son of Kronos and Rhea, brother of Zeus and Poseidon, and husband of Persephone; on the dechronement of Kronos the universe was divided among themselves by the three brothers, Zeus assuming the dominion of the upper world and Poseidon that of the ocean, leaving the nether kingdom to Pluto, a domain over which he ruled with a greater and more undisputed authority than the other two over heaven, earth, and sea.

PLUTONIC ROCKS, name given to those igneous rocks which consolidated at a great depth and have been exposed as the result of the denudation of the overlying deposits or of earth movements, e.g. granites, gabbros and diorites.

PLUTUS, the god of riches, son of Jason and Demeter. Zeus is said to have put out his eyes that he might bestow his gifts without respect to merit, that is, on the evil and the good impartially.

PLYMOUTH, the largest town in Devonshire, stands on the N. shore of Plymouth Sound, 250 m. W. of London by rail; adjacent to it are the towns of Stonehouse and Devonport. Among the chief buildings are a Gothic town hall, a 15th-century church, and a Roman Catholic cathedral. The chief industry is chemical manufactures. There is a large coasting and general trade, and important fisheries. Many sea-going steamship companies make it a place of call. The Sound is an important naval station, and historically famous as the sailing port of the fleet that vanquished the Armada, and of the *Mayflower* with the Pilgrim Fathers.

PLYMOUTH BRETHREN, an antipapal body of Christians, one of the earliest communities of which was formed in Plymouth about 1830; they accept, along with pre-Millennarian views, generally the Calvinistic view of the Christian religion, and exclude all unconverted men from their communion, while all included in the body are of equal standing and enjoy equal privileges as members of Christ's church. They are known also by the name of Darbyites (*q.v.*) from the name of one of their founders, a barrister, John Nelson Darby, an able man, and with all his exclusiveness a sincere disciple of Christ (1800-1882).

PNEUMONIA, name given to acute inflammation of the lungs.

PO, the largest river in Italy, rises 6000 ft. above sea-level in the Cottian Alps, and after 20 m. of rocky defiles emerges on the great Lombardy plain, which it crosses from W. to E., receiving the Ticino, Adda, Mincio, and Trebbia tributaries, and enters the Adriatic by a rapidly growing delta. Its total course is 360 m.; the width and volume of its stream make it difficult to cross and so constitute it a protection to all Italy. The chief towns on its banks are Turin, Piacenza, and Cremona.

POCAHONTAS, the daughter of an Indian chief in Virginia, who favoured the English settlers there, saving the life of Captain Smith the coloniser; she afterwards married John Rolfe, one of the settlers, came to England, and was presented at Court; several Virginian families trace their descent to her; d. at Gravesend, 1617.

POCKET BOROUGH, a borough in which the influence of some magnate of the place determines the voting at an election time, a thing of the past.

POCOCK, EDWARD, English, Arabic and Hebrew scholar, born in Oxford; he occupied both the chairs of Arabic and Hebrew there, and left works in evidence of his scholarship and learning in both languages, quite remarkable for the time when he lived (1604-1691).

POCOCKE, RICHARD, English prelate, born in Southampton; travelled extensively, particularly in the East; wrote a description of the countries of the East and of others, among them "Tours in Scotland" and a "Tour in Ireland," all deemed of value (1704-1765).

PODESTA, the name given to the chief magistrate of an Italian town, with military as well as municipal authority; he was salaried, and annually elected to the office by the council, and had to give an account of his administration at the end of his term.

PODIEBRAD, GEORGE, king of Bohemia; rose, though a Hussite, and in spite of the Pope, from the ranks of the nobles to that elevation; forced his enemies to come to terms with him, and held his ground against them till the day of his death (1420-1471).

POR-EDGAR ALLAN, an American poet, born in Boston, Massachusetts; a youth of wonderful genius, but of reckless habits, who came to an unhappy and untimely end; left behind him tales and poems, which, though they were not appreciated when he lived, have received the recognition they deserve since his death; his poetical masterpiece, "The Raven," is well known, as are his "Tales of Mystery and Imagination"; died at Baltimore of inflammation of the brain, after a debauch (1809-1849).

POERIO, CARLO, Italian patriot; was conspicuous in the revolutionary movement of 1848; was arrested and banished, but escaped to England, where he was received with sympathy by Gladstone among others; he rose into power on the establishment of the kingdom of Italy (1803-1867).

POET LAUREATE, the English court poet, an office which dates from the reign of Edward IV., the duty of the holder of it being originally to write an ode on the birthday of the monarch.

POETICAL JUSTICE, ideal justice as administered in their writings by the poets.

POETRY, the gift of penetrating into the inner soul or secret of a thing, and bodying it forth rhythmically so as to captivate the imagination and the heart.

POET'S CORNER, a corner in the SW. transept of Westminster Abbey, so called as containing the tombs of Chaucer, Spenser, and other eminent English poets.

POGGENDORF, JOHANN CHRISTIAN, a German physicist and chemist, born in Hamburg; professor of Physics at Berlin; was the editor for more than half a century of the famous *Annalen der Physik und Chemie*, and the author of numerous papers (1796-1877).

POGGIO BRACCIOLINI, GIAN, an Italian scholar, born in Florence, was a distinguished humanist, and devoted to the revival of classical learning, collecting MSS. of the classics wherever he could find them that might otherwise have been lost, including Quintilian's "Institutions," great part of Lucretius, and several orations of Cicero, &c.; wrote a "History of Florence," where he died; he was the author of a collection of stories and of jests in Latin at the expense of the monks (1380-1459).

POINCARÉ, JULES HENRI, French physicist; carried out investigations and wrote many books on optics, electricity, and celestial mechanics, as well as on mathematical subjects; professor at Paris (1854-1912).

POINCARÉ, RAYMOND NICOLAS LANDRY, French politician. Called to the bar, he took up politics first as a deputy and later as senator, becoming Minister of Finance in 1893 and vice-president of the Chamber in 1895. He became Prime Minister in 1912, and in 1913 President of the Republic, in which capacity he visited England and Russia. Frequently with the armies in the Great War, he held office till 1920, when he re-entered the political field as an ardent Nationalist and anti-German, becoming Prime Minister in 1922, and being largely responsible for the occupation of the Ruhr. Defeated in 1924, he was again at the helm in 1926 (1860-).

POINT DE GALLE, a town on a promontory in the SW. of Ceylon, with a good harbour; it is a port of call for some lines of steamers in the Eastern waters.

POISON GAS, various chemicals used in warfare either to kill or incapacitate troops. First used in the Great War by Germany in April, 1915, it was later adopted by the Allies.

POISSON, SIMÉON DENIS, a celebrated French mathematician, born in Pithiviers; for his eminence

in mathematical ability and physical research was appointed professor at Paris University (1781-1842).

POITIERS, the capital of the dep. of Vienne, 61 m. SW. of Tours; has a number of interesting buildings, a university and large library; in its neighbourhood Clovis defeated Alaric II. In 507, Charles Martel the Moors in 732, and the Black Prince the troops of King John in 1356.

POITOU, formerly a province in France, lying S. of the Loire, between the Vienne River and the sea; passed to England when its countess, Eleanor, married Henry I., 1152; was taken by Philip Augustus 1206, ceded to England again 1360, and retaken by Charles V. 1369.

POLA, an old naval station and dockyard, 73 m. S. of Trieste, in the Adriatic; the harbour is both spacious and deep; was originally a Roman colony, and a flourishing seat of commerce.

POLAND, as one of the results of the Great War, regained its independence and is now a republic of 300,000 sq. m. situated between the Baltic, Lithuania, Russia, the Ukraine, Czechoslovakia, and Germany; the capital is Warsaw, where the republic was proclaimed in November, 1918. The country is fertile; great crops of cereals are raised; there are forests of pine and oak, and extensive pasture lands; vast salt-mines are wrought at Cracow; silver, iron, copper, and lead in other parts. Poland took rank among European powers in the 10th century under Miecyslaw, its first Christian king. During the 12th and 13th centuries it sank to the rank of a duchy. In 1241 the Mongols devastated the country, and thereafter colonies of Germans and Jewish refugees settled among the Slav population. The first Diet met in 1331, and Casimir the Great, 1333-1370, raised the country to a high level of prosperity, fostering the commerce of Danzig and Cracow. The dynasty of the Jagellons united Lithuania to Poland, ended two centuries' contest with the Teutonic knights, and yielded to the nobles such privileges as turned the kingdom into an oligarchy and elective monarchy. At the time of the Reformation Poland was the leading power in Eastern Europe. The new doctrines gained ground there in spite of severe persecution. Warsaw became the capital in 1599. The power and arrogance of the nobles grew; the necessity for unanimity in the votes of the Diet gave them a weapon to stop all progress and all correction of their own malpractices. Sigismund III. made unsuccessful attempts to seize the crowns of Russia and Sweden. In the middle of the 17th century a terrible struggle against Russia, Sweden, Brandenburg, and the Cossacks ended in the complete defeat of Poland, and wars with the Turks, dissensions among her own nobles, quarrels at the election of every king, the continuance of serfdom, and the persecution of the adherents of the Greek Church and the Protestants, rendered her condition more and more deplorable. Austria, Russia, and Prussia began to interfere in her affairs. She was unfortunate in her choice of kings, and in the second half of the 18th century she was without natural boundaries, and Frederick the Great started the idea of partition. The first seizure of territory by the three interfering powers took place in 1772. A movement for reform reorganised the Diet, improved the condition of the serfs, established religious toleration, and promulgated a new constitution in 1791; but a party of unpatriotic nobles resented it, and laid the country open to a second seizure of territory by Prussia and Russia in 1793. The Poles now made a desperate stand under Kosciuszko, but their three powerful neighbours were too strong, and the final partition of Poland between them took place in 1795. The Congress of Vienna rearranged the division in 1816, and reconstituted the Russian portion as a kingdom, with the Czar as king; but discontent broke into rebellion, and led to the final repression of independence in 1832, which lasted until 1918.

POLARISCOPE, an instrument for investigating the effect of an optically active substance upon a beam of polarised light.

FOLDERS, low marshy lands in Holland and Belgium, drained and reclaimed from sea or river; they

form an important part of the former, and are conspicuous from the verdure they display; they include nearly 150 acres of good land, the largest being that of Haarlem Meer, which is 70 square miles in extent and was drained by steam.

POLE, the name given to the extremities of the imaginary axis of the earth, round which it revolves.

POLE, REGINALD, cardinal, archbishop of Canterbury, born in Stourton Castle, Staffordshire, of royal blood; studied at Oxford; took holy orders, and was appointed to various benefices by Henry VIII., who held him in high favour; but he opposed the project of divorcing Catherine, and was driven from the royal presence and deprived of his power; elected to the cardinalate by the Pope, he tried to return after Henry's death, but was not received back till Mary's accession, when he came as Papal legate, and was appointed Archbishop of Canterbury after the death of Crammer, whom he refused to supersede so long as the latter lived; he was not obsequious enough to the Pope, and his legation was cancelled; the Queen's illness accelerated his own end, and he died the day after her; he has been charged with abetting the Marian persecution, but it is highly questionable how far he was answerable for it (1500-1558).

POLE-STAR, or **POLARIS**, a star in the northern hemisphere, in Ursa Minor, the nearest conspicuous one to the N. pole of the heavens, from which it is at present 1° distant; a straight line joining the two "pointers" in Ursa Major passes nearly through it.

POLICE, the civil body existing to guard life and property. Until 1829 their duties in London were carried out by watchmen, but in that year Sir Robert Peel founded the Metropolitan Police, a system soon copied in the provinces. In London there are now some 20,000 members of the force, which has its headquarters at Scotland Yard.

POLIGNAC, PRINCE DE, French statesman, born in Versailles, of an old noble family, prime minister of Charles X., to whose fall he contributed by his arbitrary measures; in attempting flight at the Revolution was captured and sentenced to death, which was converted into banishment; he was allowed to return at length (1780-1847).

POLITIAN, ANGELO, or **Poliziano**, eminent Italian scholar, born in Tuscany, his family name being Ambrogini; was patronised by Lorenzo de' Medici; professor of Greek and Latin at the university of Florence, his fame in this capacity drew to his class students from all parts of Europe; he did much to forward the Renaissance movement, and was distinguished as a poet no less than as a scholar; he became a priest towards the close of his life (1454-1494).

POLIZIANO. See **POLITIAN**.

POLK, JAMES KNOX, eleventh President of the United States, of Irish descent; admitted to the bar in 1820, entered Congress in 1825, and became President in 1844, his term of office being signalled by the annexation of Texas and California (1795-1849).

POLLIO, GAIUS ASINIUS, orator, historian, and poet, born in Rome; sided with Cæsar against Pompey, and after the death of the former, with Antony; was a patron of letters and the friend of Virgil and Horace, both of whom dedicated poems to him; he was the first to establish a public library in Rome (76 B.C. to A.D. 4).

POLLOCK, SIR EDWARD, an eminent English judge, born in London, contemporary of Brougham, a Tory in politics, represented Huntington, was twice made Attorney-General, became Chief Baron of the Exchequer in 1844, and made a baronet on his retirement from the bench (1788-1870).

POLLOCK, SIR ERNEST MURRAY (Lord Hanworth), British lawyer and politician. He entered the House of Commons in 1910, became Solicitor-General in 1919, Attorney-General in 1922, and Master of the Rolls in 1923 (1861-).

POLLOCK, SIR FREDERICK, British lawyer. Called to the bar in 1871, he became a professor at London University, and later at the Inns of Court. He was made an Admiralty judge in 1914, and has written extensively on law (1845-).

POLLOCK, SIR GEORGE, field-marshal, born in

Westminster, brother of Sir Edward Pollock (q.v.); distinguished himself in Nepal and the Afghan War; in the latter forced the Khyber Pass, defeated Akbar Khan, and relieved Sir Robert Sale, who was shut up in Jellalabad (1786-1872).

POLLOCK, ROBERT, Scottish poet, born in Renfrewshire; bred for the Secession Church, wrote one poem, "The Course of Time," in 10 books, on the spiritual life and human destiny, which was published when he was dying of consumption, a complaint accelerated. It is believed, by his studious habits (1799-1827).

POLLUX, the twin brother of Castor (q.v.).

POLO, a game similar to hockey, played on horseback with mallets. Originally played in Persia thousands of years ago, it spread to India, China, and Japan, and was first played in London in 1874.

POLO, MARCO, a celebrated traveller, born in Venice, of a noble family; in 1271 accompanied his father and uncle while a mere youth to the court of the Great Khan, the Tartar emperor of China, by whom he was received with favour and employed on several embassies; unwilling to part with him the emperor allowed him with his father and uncle to escort a young princess who was going to be married to a Persian prince, on the promise that they would return, but the prince having died before their arrival, and deeming themselves absolved from their promise by his death, they went back to Venice, where they arrived in 1295, laden with rich presents; having fallen into the hands of the Genoese in a hostile expedition, Marco was put in prison, where he wrote the story of his adventures, originally in French it would seem, which proved to be the first account that opened up to wondering Europe the magnificence of the Eastern world (1254-1323).

POLONIUM, or radium F, a radioactive element discovered in pitchblende by M. and Mme. Curie.

POLYANDRY, the name given to a custom met with among certain primitive races, under which a woman is united to several husbands.

POLYBIUS, a Greek historian, born in Megalopolis, in Arcadia; sent to Rome as a hostage, he formed an intimate friendship with Scipio Æmilianus, who aided him in his historical researches, and whom he accompanied to Africa on the expedition which issued in the destruction of Carthage, after which he returned to Greece and began his literary labours, the fruit of which was a history of Greece and Rome from 220 to 146 B.C. in 40 books, of which 5 have come down to us complete, a work characterised by accurate statement of facts and sound judgment of their import, written with a purpose to instruct in practical wisdom; he has been called "the first pragmatical historian" (204-122 B.C.).

POLYCARP, bishop of Smyrna, one of the early Fathers of the Church, a disciple of the Apostles and in particular of St. John; was for nearly 70 years bishop, and suffered martyrdom for refusing to renounce Christ, "after having served Him," as he said, "for 86 years"; of his writings the only one extant is an "Epistle to the Philippians," the genuineness of which, at one time questioned, is now established, and which is of value chiefly in questions affecting the canon of Scripture and the origin of the Church (about 70-155).

POLYCRATES, the tyrant of Samos, and friend of Anacreon and art and literature generally; formed an alliance with Amasis, king of Egypt, who, struck with his prosperity, ascribed it to the envy of the gods, insinuating that they intended his ruin thereby, and advised him, in order to avert his impending doom, to throw the most valuable of his possessions into the sea, upon which he threw a signet ring of great price and beauty, to find it again in the mouth of a fish a fisherman had sold him; still, though upon this Amasis broke alliance with him, his prosperity clung to him, till one day he was allured by a Persian satrap, his enemy, away from Samos, and by him crucified to death, 522 B.C.

POLYGNOTUS, an early Greek painter, born in Thasos, and settled in Athens 463 B.C.; is considered the founder of historical painting, and is praised especially by Aristotle, who pays a high tribute to him; was the first to attempt portrait-painting and exhibit character by his art.

POLTHEYMONIA, one of the nine Muses (g.e.); she is represented as in a pensive mood, with her forefinger on her mouth; she was the inventress of the lyre and the mother of Orpheus.

POLYNESIA is the collective name of all the islands of the Pacific of coral or volcanic origin. These South Sea Islands are scattered, isolated, or more usually in groups over a stretch of ocean 7000 m. from N. to S. and 6000 from E. to W.; with the exception of the two chief members of the New Zealand archipelago, they are mostly small, and exhibit wonderful uniformity of climate; the temperature is moderate, and where there are any hills to intercept the moisture-laden trade-winds the rainfall is high; they are extremely rich in flora; characteristic of their vegetation are palms, bread-fruit trees, and edible roots like yams and sweet potatoes, forests of tree-ferns, myrtles, and ebony, with endless varieties of beautiful flowering plants; their fauna is wonderfully poor, varieties of rats and bats, a few snakes, frogs, spiders, and centipedes, with the crocodile, being the chief indigenous animals; the three divisions of Polynesia are: Micronesia, comprising five small archipelagos in the N.W., N. of the equator, of which the chief are the Mariana and Caroline groups; Melanesia, comprising eleven archipelagos in the S. of the equator, of which the largest are the Solomon, Bismarck, Fiji, New Caledonia, and New Hebrides groups; and Eastern Polynesia, E. of these on both sides of the equator, including New Zealand, Hawaii, and Samoa, ten other archipelagos, and numerous sporadic islands; the first of these divisions is occupied by a mixed population embracing many distinct elements, the second by the black, low-type Melanesians, the third by the light brown, tall Polynesian; traces of extinct civilisation are found in Easter Island and the Carolines; most of the islands are now in the possession of European powers, and are more or less Christianised; New Zealand is one of the most enterprising and flourishing Dominions of Great Britain; everywhere the native races are dying out before the immigration of Europeans.

POLYPHEMUS, in Homeric legend a son of Neptune, the most celebrated of the Cyclops, a huge monster with one eye, who dwelt in Sicily in a cave near Aetna, and whose eye, after making him drunk, Ulysses burnt out, lest he should circumvent him and devour him, as he had done with some of the Wanderer's companions.

POLYTECHNIC SCHOOL, an institution for teaching the practical arts and the related sciences, especially such as depend on mathematics.

POLYTHEISM, a belief in a plurality of gods each with a sphere of his own, and each in general a personification of some elemental power concerned in the government of the world.

POMBAL, MARQUIS DE, a great Portuguese statesman, born in Coimbra; was Prime Minister of Joseph I.; partial to the philosophic opinions of the 18th century, he set himself to fortify the royal power, to check that of the aristocracy, and to enlighten the people; he was the pronounced enemy of the Jesuits, reformed the University of Coimbra, purified the administration, encouraged commerce and industry, whereby he earned for himself at the hands of the people the name of the Great Marquis; on the accession of Maria, Joseph's daughter and successor, he was, under Jesuit influence, dispossessed of power, and died in poverty (1699-1782).

POMERANIA, a Prussian province lying between the Baltic and Brandenburg, with West Prussia on the E. and Mecklenburg on the W.; is a flat and in some parts sandy country, with no hills, many lakes, and a large lagoon, the Stettiner Haff, into which the chief river, the Oder, falls; the islands of Wallin, Usedom, and Rügen belong to the province; the main industry is agriculture, principal products rye and potatoes; poultry-rearing and fishing are extensively carried on; there are shipbuilding, machine-works, sugar and chemical factories; Stettin, the capital, and Stralsund are important trading centres; a university is at Greifswald; the Slavic population embraced Christianity in the 12th century; shortly afterwards

the duke joined the German Empire; after the Thirty Years' War much of the province fell to Sweden, and the whole was not finally ceded to Prussia till 1815.

POMONA, or Mainland, the largest island in the Orkneys, has a low, treeless surface, many lakes and extensive pasture-land; agriculture has of late improved, and, with stock-raising and fishing, is the chief industry; the only towns are Kirkwall and Stromness.

POMONA, in the Roman mythology is the goddess of fruits, who presided over their ripening and gathering, and was generally represented bearing fruits in her lap or in a basket.

POMPADOUR, MARQUISE DE, a famous mistress of Louis XV., born in Paris; celebrated for her beauty and wit; throwing herself, though a married woman, in the king's way, she took his fancy, and was installed at Versailles; for 20 years exercised an influence both over him and the affairs of the kingdom, to the corruption and ruin of both, and the exasperation of the nation; she was preceded as mistress of Louis by La Châtelaine, and succeeded by Du Barri (1721-1764).

POMPEII, an ancient Italian seaport on the Bay of Naples, fell into the possession of Rome about 80 B.C., and was converted into a watering-place and "the pleasure haunt of paganism"; the Romans erected many handsome public buildings, and their villas and theatres and baths were models of classic architecture and the scenes of unbounded luxury; the streets were narrow, provided with side-walks, the walls often decorated with painting or scribbled over by idlers; the number of shops witnessed to the fashion and gaiety of the town, the remains of painted notices to its municipal life; a terrible earthquake ruined it and drove out the inhabitants in A.D. 63; they returned and rebuilt it, however, in a tawdry and decadent style, and luxury and pleasure reigned as before, till in A.D. 79 an eruption of Vesuvius buried it in lava and ashes, leaving only the roofs of houses exposed; the ruins were forgotten till excavations were commenced in 1748; since 1860 the city has been disinterred under the auspices of the Italian Government, and is now a favourite resort of tourists and archaeologists; many temples, houses, and other buildings have been brought to light, with a portion of the city walls.

POMPEY, GNAEUS, surnamed the Great, Roman general and statesman; entered into public life after the death of Marius; associated himself with Sulla; distinguished himself in Africa and in the Mithridatic War; was raised to the consulate with Crassus in 71 B.C.; cleared the Mediterranean Sea of pirates in 67-66; formed against the Senate, along with Crassus and Crassus, the first triumvirate, and in 64 entered into rivalry with Caesar; after a desperate struggle he was defeated at Pharsalia, and, escaping to Egypt, was assassinated there by orders of Ptolemy XII. (106-48 B.C.).

POMPEY'S PILLAR, a block of red granite near Alexandria, forming a pillar 98 ft. 3 in. high; erected by the Roman prefect Pompey in honour of the Emperor Diocletian, who conquered Alexandria in 296.

PONCE DE LEON, Spanish navigator; conquered Porto Rico in 1510, and discovered Florida in 1513 (circa 1480-1521). Also the name of a Spanish poet; was a professor of Theology at Salamanca; was translator of the Song of Solomon, and wrote a commentary on it in Latin (1529-1591).

PONCHO, a kind of cloak or shawl, of woollen or alpaca cloth, oblong in shape, with a slit in the centre, through which the wearer passes his head, allowing the folds to cover his shoulders and arms to the elbows, and to fall down before and behind; worn by the native men in Chili and Argentina. Ponchos of waterproof are used by the United States cavalry.

PONDICHERRY, a small French colony on the E. coast of India, 53 m. S. of Madras; was first occupied in 1674. It was captured by the Dutch in 1698, and by the English successively in 1761, 1778, and 1793, but on each occasion restored. The capital, Pondicherry, is the chief town of the French possessions in India; has handsome tree-lined streets,

government buildings, college, lighthouse, cotton mills, and dyeworks. The harbour is an open roadstead; trade is small, the chief export oil seeds.

PONDOS, a branch of Zulul-Kaffirs, 200,000 in number, occupying territory called Pondo Land, annexed to Cape Province, in South Africa.

PONIAŹOWSKI, PRINCE JOSEPH, Polish general, born in Warsaw; commanded the Polish contingent that accompanied Napoleon in his expedition into Russia in 1812; was created Marshal of France on the field of Leipzig; covered the retreat of the French army, and was drowned crossing the Elster; his chivalrous bravery earned him the honourable appellation of the Polish Bayard; he was buried at Crecow, and his remains placed beside those of Sobieski and Kosciuszko (1762-1813).

PONS ASINORUM (i.e. Bridge of Asses), the fifth proposition in the 1st book of Euclid, so called for the difficulty many a tyro has in mastering it.

PONSONBY, SIR FREDERICK CAVENTISH, military officer; served in the Peninsular War; distinguished himself at Waterloo; lay wounded all night after the engagement; was conveyed next day in a cart to the village with seven wounds in his body; was a great favourite with the army (1783-1837).

PONTEFRACŹ, an ancient market-town of Yorkshire, 13 m. S.E. of Leeds; has a castle in which Richard II. died, and which suffered four sieges in the Civil War, a market hall, grammar school, and large market-gardens, where liquorice for the manufacture of Pomfret cakes is grown.

PONTIAC, an Indian chief of the Ottawa tribe who fought on the French side against the British in Canada, materially contributing to the defeat of General Braddock in 1755 (1712-1769).

PONTIFEX MAXIMUS, the chief of the college of priests in ancient Rome, the officiating priests being called *Flamines*.

PONTIFICAL, a service-book of the Romish Church, containing prayers and rites for a performance of public worship by the Pope or bishop; also in the plural the name of the full dress of an officiating priest.

PONTINE MARSHES, a district in the S. of the Campagna of Rome, one of the three malarial districts of Italy, and the most unhealthy of the three; is grazing ground for herds of cattle, horses, and buffaloes. Many unsuccessful attempts have been made to drain these marshes.

PONTOPPIDAN, ERIK, Danish author, born in Aarhus; a professor of theology and afterwards a bishop, he was responsible for the Lutheran catechism used in Norway; his works include learned writings on Danish and Norse history and antiquities (1698-1764).

PONTUS, the classical name of a country on the S.E. shores of the Black Sea, stretching from the river Halys to the borders of Armenia; is represented by the modern Turkish provinces of Trebizond and Sivas. Originally a Persian province, it became independent shortly after 400 B.C., and remained so till part was annexed to Bithynia in 65 B.C., and the rest constituted a Roman province in A.D. 63.

POOLE, a seaport of Dorsetshire, 5 m. W. of Bournemouth; has a trade in potters' and pipe-clay, with considerable shipping.

POOLE, MATTHEW, English controversialist and commentator, born in York, educated at Cambridge; became rector of St. Michael le Querne in London, but was expelled from his living by the Act of Uniformity, 1662; retiring to Holland, he died at Amsterdam; besides polemics against Rome he compiled a "Synopsis Criticorum Biblicorum," containing the opinions of 160 Biblical critics (1624-1679).

POONA, 119 m. by rail S.E. of Bombay, is the chief military station in the Deccan, and in the hot season the centre of government in the Bombay Presidency; with narrow streets and poor houses, it is surrounded by gardens; here are the Deccan College, College of Science, and other schools; the English quarters are in the cantonments; silk, cotton, and jewellery are manufactured; it was the capital of the Marhattas, and was annexed by Britain in 1818.

POOR LAW, until the reforms of 1930, was worked in

this country under a system dating back to 1601, when overseers were established for each parish. In 1834 the system was overhauled and Boards of Guardians (q.v.) set up, whose work in 1930 was taken over by the county councils and certain boroughs.

POOR RICHARD, the name assumed by Benjamin Franklin (q.v.) in his almanacs from 1732-1757, which contain many maxims and precepts, some of which are attributed to "Poor Richard."

POPE (i.e. Papa), a title originally given to all bishops of the Church, and eventually appropriated by Leo the Great, the bishop of Rome, as the supreme pontiff in 449, a claim which in 1054 created the Great Schism, and which asserted itself territorially as well as spiritually, till at length the Pope was compelled to resign all territorial power, though it was restored in 1929 in a modified form by the Lateran Treaty (q.v.).

POPE, ALEXANDER, eminent English poet, born in London, of Roman Catholic parents; was a sickly child, and marred by deformity, and imperfectly educated; began to write verse at 12; his "Pastorals" appeared in 1709, "Essay on Criticism" in 1711, and "Rape of the Lock" in 1712, in the production of which he was brought into relationship with the leading literary men of the time, and in particular Swift, between whom and him a lifelong friendship was formed; in 1715-1720 appeared his translation of the "Iliad," and in 1723-1725 that of the "Odyssey," for which two works, it is believed, he received some £9000; afterwards, in 1728, appeared the "Dunciad," a scathing satire of all the small fry of poets and critics that had annoyed him, and in 1732 appeared the first part of the famous "Essay on Man"; he was a vain man, far from amiable, and sometimes vindictive to a degree, though he was capable of warm attachments, and many of his faults were due to a not unnatural sensitiveness as a deformed man; but as a poet he is entitled to the homage which Professor Saintsbury pays when he characterises him as "one of the greatest masters of poetic form that the world has ever seen" (1688-1744).

POPE JOAN. See JOAN, POPE.

POPIISH PLOT, an imaginary plot devised in 1678 by Titus Oates (q.v.) on the part of the Roman Catholics in Charles II.'s reign; in the alleged connection a number of innocent people lost their lives.

POPOCATÉPETL (i.e. mountain of smoke), a volcano still active in South America, 45 m. S.E. of the city of Mexico; it has an altitude of 17,860 ft.

PORCEI, THE, the name given to the school of Zeno (q.v.), so called from the Arcade in Athens in which he taught his philosophy, a "many-coloured portico," as decorated with the paintings of Polygnotus (q.v.).

PORCUPINE, PETER, a pseudonym assumed by William Cobbett (q.v.) when publishing *The Rushlight* (1800).

PORPHYRIUS, a Neo-Platonic philosopher of Alexandria, born in Tyre; resorted to Rome and became a disciple of Plotinus (q.v.), whose works he edited; he wrote a work against Christianity, known only from the replies (233-305).

PORSENA, LARS, a king of Etruria, famous in the early history of Rome, who took up arms to restore Tarquin, the last king, in 509 B.C., but was reconciled to the Roman people from the brave feats he saw, certain of them accomplished, as well as the formidable power of endurance they displayed.

PORSON, RICHARD, eminent Greek scholar, born in Norfolk; was a prodigy of learning and critical acumen; edited the plays of Æschylus and four of Euripides, but achieved little in certification to posterity of his ability and attainments; was a man of slovenly and intemperate habits, and died of apoplexy (1759-1808).

PORT ARTHUR, a naval station on the peninsula extending S. into the Gulf of Pechili; conceded to Russia on a lease of 99 years. Fought for in the Russo-Japanese War of 1904, it was captured by Japan and ceded to her at the end of the war, China renewing the lease for a further 99 years in 1911.

PORT DARWIN, the capital town of North Australia, possessing one of the finest harbours in Australia; is

on the N. coast opposite Bathurst Island; near to it stands Palmerston, terminus of the overland telegraph, the cable to Java, and a railway to the gold mines 150 m. inland.

PORT ELIZABETH, town in Province of Cape of Good Hope, South Africa; stands on Alagoa Bay, 85 m. SW. of Grahamstown; does big shipping trade, the principal exports being wools, hides, and ostrich feathers.

PORT GLASGOW, a Renfrewshire seaport on the S. shore of the Firth of Clyde, 3 m. E. of Greenock and 20 W. of Glasgow; was founded by the magistrates of Glasgow in 1668 as a port for that city before the deepening of the river was projected. In the beginning of the 18th century it was the chief port on the Clyde, but has since been surpassed by Greenock and Glasgow itself. There are shipbuilding, iron and brass-founding industries, and extensive timber ponds.

PORT LOUIS, capital of Mauritius, on the NW. coast; is the chief port of the colony, with an excellent harbour, and contains the British government buildings, a Protestant and a Roman Catholic cathedral, barracks, and military storehouses. It is a naval coaling-station.

PORT ROYAL, a convent founded in 1204, 8 m. SW. of Versailles, which in the 17th century became the headquarters of Jansenism (q.v.), and the abode of Antoine Lemaitre, Antoine Arnauld, and others, known as the "Solitaires of Port Royal." They were distinguished for their austerity, their piety, and their learning, in evidence of which last they established a school of instruction, in connection with which they prepared a series of widely famous educational works. Afterwards inhabited by nuns, the convent was demolished in 1710.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, on the W. coast of Hayti, on Port-au-Prince Bay, is the capital; exports coffee, cocoa, logwood, hides, and mahogany.

PORTOULLIS, a strong grating resembling a harrow hanging over the gateway of a fortress, let down in a groove of the wall in the case of a surprise.

FORTE, SUBLIME, or simply the Forte, is a name given to the Turkish Government.

FORTEOUS MOB, the name given to a mob that collected in the city of Edinburgh on the night of September 7, 1736, broke open the Tolbooth jail, and dragged to execution in the Grassmarket one Captain Porteous, captain of the City Guard, who on the occasion of a certain riot had ordered his men to fire on the crowd, to the death of some and the wounding of others, and had been tried and sentenced to death, but, to the indignation of the citizens, had been respited. The act was one for which the authorities in the city were held responsible by the Government, and the city had to pay to Porteous' widow £1500.

PORTER, JANE, English novelist, born in Durham; her most famous novels were "Thaddeus of Warsaw" (1803) and "The Scottish Chiefs" (1810), both highly popular in their day, the latter particularly; it induced Scott to go on with Waverley; died at Bristol (1776-1850).

PORTER, NOAH, American philosophical writer, born in Farmington, Connecticut, educated at Yale; was a Congregationalist minister 1836-1846, then professor of Moral Philosophy at Yale, and afterwards president of the college; among his works are "The Human Intellect" and "Books and Reading" (1811-1892).

PORTERUS, BEILEY, English churchman, born in York, of American parentage; graduated and became Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge, and took orders in 1757; from the rectory of Hunton, Kent, he was promoted to that of Lambeth in 1767; thence to the bishopric of Chester in 1776, and to that of London, 1787; a poor scholar, he yet wrote some popular books, especially a "Summary of Christian Evidences," and "Lectures on St. Matthew's Gospel"; he was known as a Sabbatarian and an advocate of the abolition of slavery (1731-1808).

PORTIA, the rich heiress in "The Merchant of Venice," whose destiny in marriage depended, as ordained by her father, on the discretion of the wooer to choose the one of the three caskets that contained her portrait.

PORTLAND, (1) the largest city and principal seaport of Maine, stands on a peninsula in Casco Bay, 106 m. NE. of Boston by rail. It has extensive wharves, dry-docks, and grain-elevators, engineer shops, shoe-factories, and sugar-refineries. Settled as an English colony in 1632, it was ravaged by fire in 1866. Longfellow was born here. (2) largest city in Oregon, on the Willamette River, nearly 800 m. N. of San Francisco; is a handsome city, with numerous churches and schools; there are iron-foundries, mechanics' shops, canneries, and flour-mills; railway communication connects it with St. Paul and Council Bluffs, and, the river being navigable for deep-sea steamers, it is a thriving port of entry.

PORTLAND, ISLE OF, a rocky peninsula in the SW. of Dorsetshire, connected by Chesil Bank and the Mainland; is famous as the source of great quantities of fine building limestone; here is also a convict-prison opened 1848, accommodating 1500 prisoners.

PORTLAND VASE, an ancient cinerary urn of dark blue glass ornamented with Greco-Egyptian figures carved in a layer of white enamel, found near Rome about 1640, and in the possession of the Portland family in 1787; it is now in the British Museum. In 1845 the vase was broken by a lunatic, but it was skillfully restored. In 1929 it was put up for sale by auction, but not finding a high enough bidder it was returned to the Museum. It is ten inches high and seven inches round.

PORTO RICO, a West Indian island, half the size of Wales, 75 m. E. of Hayti, is well watered and very fertile. Ranges of hills run from E. to W., and are covered with valuable timber. Sugar, coffee, and rice are the principal crops; tobacco and tropical fruits are grown; cattle and horses are reared. Textile goods, hardware, and provisions are imported; the exports are sugar, coffee, tobacco, and cattle. The capital is St. John's, Mayaguez and Ponce the other towns. The island was discovered by Columbus, who called it Hispaniola, in 1493. Colonised by Spain in 1510, it attempted unsuccessfully to gain independence in 1820-1823. The abolition of slavery in 1873, and the growth of population, marked the remainder of its history as a Spanish colony. It was seized by the United States in the war of 1898.

PORTOBELLO, a Midlothian watering-place on the Firth of Forth, 3 m. E. of Edinburgh, with which it is now incorporated for municipal purposes; has a fine esplanade and promenade pier, and manufactures of pottery, bricks, and bottles.

PORTSMOUTH, the most important British naval station, a seaport and market town, is situated on Portsea Island, on the coast of Hants, 15 m. SE. of Southampton. It is an unimposing town, but strongly fortified. St. Thomas' and Garrison Chapel are old churches with historical associations. The naval dockyards contain 12 docks lined with masonry, vast store-houses, wood-mills, anchor-forges, and building-ships. Some of the docks are roofed over, as also is a large building-ship on which four vessels may be constructed at once. The harbour can receive the largest war-vessels, and in Spithead roadstead 1000 ships can anchor at once. The trade of Portsmouth is dependent on the dockyards. It owes its defences to Edward IV., Elizabeth, and William III. It was the scene of Buckingham's assassination and of the loss of the *Royal George*. Three novelists were born here—Dickens, Meredith, and Besant.

PORTSMOUTH, (1) largest city of New Hampshire, and only seaport in the State, on the Piscataqua River, 3 m. from the ocean; is by rail 57 m. NE. of Boston, a handsome old town and favourite watering-place; near it is a U.S. navy-yard. (2) On the Ohio River, in Ohio; is the centre of an extensive iron industry. (3) Seaport and naval station on the Elizabeth River, Virginia.

PORTUGAL, a country as large as Ireland, bounded on the S. and W. by the Atlantic, on the N. and E. by Spain, from which at different places it is separated by the rivers Minho, Douro, Tagus, and Guadiana; consists of the Atlantic slopes of the great peninsular tableland, and has a moist, warm atmosphere, heavy rains, and frequent fogs. The above rivers and the Mondego traverse it; their

valleys are fertile, the mountain slopes covered with forests. In the N. the oak abounds, in the centre the chestnut, in the S. cork-trees and palms. Agriculture, carried on with primitive implements, is the chief industry. Indian corn, wheat, and in the S. rice, are extensively grown; the vine yields the most valuable crops, but in the N. it is giving place to tobacco. There are a few textile factories. The largest export is wine; the others, cork, copper ore, and onions, which are sent to Great Britain, Brazil, and France. The principal imports, iron, textiles, and grain. The capital is Lisbon, on the Tagus, one of the finest towns in the world. Oporto, the chief manufacturing centre, and second city for commerce, is at the mouth of the Douro. Braga was once the capital. Coimbra, on the Mondego, is the rainiest place in Europe. There are good roads between the chief towns, 1200 m. of railway and 8000 m. of telegraph. The people are a mixed race, showing traces of Arab, Berber, and negro blood, with a predominance of northern strains. They are courteous and gentle; the peasantry hard-working and thrifty. Roman Catholic is the national faith, but they are tolerant of other religions. The language is closely akin to Spanish. Education is backward. The Government has been a republic since 1910, there being a President and two Chambers. The Azores and Madeira are part of the country; there are colonies in Africa and Asia, in which slavery was abolished only in 1878. The 14th and 15th centuries saw the zenith of Portugal's fortunes. At that time, in strict alliance with England, she raised herself by her enterprise to the foremost maritime and commercial power of Europe; her navigators founded Brazil and colonised India. Diaz in 1487 discovered and Vasco da Gama in 1497 doubled the Cape of Good Hope. In 1520 Magellan sailed round the world; but in the 16th century the extensive emigration, the expulsion of the Jews, the introduction of the Inquisition, and the spread of Jesuit oppression led to a steady downfall. For a time she was annexed to Spain. Regaining her independence she threw herself under the protection of England, her traditional friend, during the Napoleonic struggle.

POSEIDON, in the Greek mythology the god of the sea, a son of Kronos and Rhea, and brother of Zeus, Pluto, Hera, Hestia, and Demeter; had his home in the sea depths, on the surface of which he appeared with a long beard, seated in a chariot drawn by brazen-hoofed horses with golden manes, and wielding a trident, which was the symbol of his power, exercised in production of earthquake and storms. See **NEPTUNE** and **PLUTO**.

POSEN, a province of Poland, on the Russian frontier, bordered by Lithuania, Germany, and Czechoslovakia; belongs to the great North German plain; has several lakes, and is traversed by the navigable Warthe, Netze, and Vistula. The prevailing industry is agriculture; the crops are grain, potatoes, and hops; there are some manufactures of machinery and cloth. Half the population are Poles; except the Jews, most of the people are Catholics. The capital is Posen, on the Warthe, by rail 185 m. E. of Berlin. It is a pleasant town, with a cathedral, museum, and library, manufactures of manure and agricultural implements, breweries and distilleries. It is now a fortress of the first rank. Gnesen and Bromberg are the other chief towns.

POSIDONIUS, an eminent Stoic philosopher, born in Syria; established himself in Rhodes, where he rose to eminence; was visited by Cicero and Pompey, both of whom became his pupils; maintained that pain was no evil; "In vain, O Pain," he exclaimed one day under the pang of it. "In vain thou subtest me to torture; it is not in thee to extort from me the reproach that thou art an evil" (135-61 n.c.).

POSITIVE RAYS, or Canal rays, the positively charged particles emitted in the vacuum tube; they were first studied by Sir J. J. Thomson and later by Aston by means of the mass spectrograph.

POSITIVISM, the philosophy so called of Auguste Comte (q.v.), the aim of which is to propound a new arrangement of the sciences and a new theory of the evolution of science; the sciences he classes

under the categories of abstract and concrete, and his law of evolution is that every department of knowledge passes in the history of it through three successive stages, and only in the last is it entitled to the name of science—the Theological stage, in which everything is referred to the intervention of the gods; the Metaphysical, in which everything is referred to an abstract idea; and the Positive, which, discarding at once theology and philosophy, contents itself with the study of phenomena and their sequence, and regards that as science proper. Thus is positivism essentially definable, in Dr. Stirling's words, as "a method which replaces all outlying agencies, whether Theological deities or Metaphysical entities, by Positive laws; which laws, and in their phenomenal relativity, as alone what can be known, ought alone to constitute what is sought to be known." See Dr. Stirling's "Schwegler."

POSSE COMITATUS, a Latin expression, signifies the whole coercive power of a county called out in the case of a riot, and embraces all males over 15 except peers, ecclesiastics, and infirm persons. These may be summoned by the sheriff to assist in maintaining the public peace, enforcing a writ, or capturing a felon; but usually the constabulary is sufficient for these duties.

POST-IMPRESSIONISM. See **FUTURISM**.

POST OFFICE, the authority entrusted with the conveyance of mails, came into existence in the 16th century, and the first Postmaster-General was appointed in 1619. Penny post in London was established in 1681, and throughout the country in 1839, through the exertions of Rowland Hill. The present London General Post Office was opened in Newgate Street in 1910, and two years later the telephone system of the country was taken over for these duties.

POST RESTANTE, department of a post-office where letters lie till they are called for.

POTASH, a strong alkali, the oxide or hydroxide of the metal potassium; *acid potash* is the carbonate; the compounds of potash are used for many purposes, and in general resemble those of soda, the most common being the carbonate, nitrate (saltpetre), permanganate, and cream of tartar.

POTASSIUM, an alkali metal similar to sodium in its properties, but rather more violent; it attacks water, liberating hydrogen with such a great evolution of energy that the gas ignites spontaneously, the flame having a characteristic violet colour.

POTEMKIN, GREGORY ALEXANDROVICH, PRINCE, Russian officer, born in Smolensk, of Polish descent; a handsome man with a powerful physique, who attracted the attention of Catharine II., became one of her chief favourites, and directed the foreign policy of Russia under her for 13 years; is understood to have been an able man, but unscrupulous (1739-1771).

POTOMAC RIVER, rising in the Alleghany Mountains, flows 400 m. eastward between Maryland and the Virginias into Chesapeake Bay; the Shenandoah is the chief tributary. The river is navigable as far up as Cumberland, and is tidal up to Washington, which is on its banks.

POTOSI, an important mining and commercial town of Bolivia, situated 13,000 ft. above sea-level on the slopes of the Cerro de Potosi; is one of the loftiest inhabited towns on the globe, but a dilapidated place. There is a cathedral, next to that of Lima the finest in South America, a mint, and extensive reservoirs; the streets are steep and without vehicles; the climate is cold, and the surrounding hillsides barren; the industry is silver mining, but the mines are becoming exhausted and flooded.

POTSDAM, 18 m. S.W. of Berlin, stands on an island at the confluence of the Nuthe and Havel, and is the capital of the Prussian province of Brandenburg; a handsome town, with broad streets, many parks and squares, numberless statues and fine public buildings; it was a favourite residence of Prussian royalty, and has several formerly royal palaces; was the birthplace of Alexander von Humboldt; has sugar and chemical works, and a large violet-growing industry.

POTT, AUGUST FRIEDRICH, eminent philologist, born in Hanover; wrote on the Indo-Germanic

languages, a work which ranks next in importance to Bopp's "Comparative Grammar"; he was the author of a number of philological papers which appeared in the learned journals of the day (1802-1887).

POTTER, JOHN, archbishop of Canterbury, born in Yorkshire, son of a draper, a distinguished scholar; author of "Archæologia Græca," a work on the antiquities of Greece, and for long the authority on that subject (1674-1747).

POTTER, PAUL, a great Dutch animal-painter, lived chiefly at Amsterdam and The Hague; his most celebrated picture, *Life-size*, is the "Young Bull," now at The Hague (1625-1654).

POTTERIES, THE, a district in North Staffordshire, 9 m. long by 8 broad, the centre of the earthenware manufacture of England; it includes Hanley, Burslem, Stoke-upon-Trent, &c.

POT-WALLOPERS (i.e. Pot-boilers), a popular name given prior to the Reform Bill of 1832 to a class of electors in a borough who claimed the right to vote on the ground of boiling a pot within its limits for six months.

POULSEN, VALDEMAR, Danish inventor, made many discoveries in connection with telephony and invented a system of wireless telegraphy; invented the Poulsen arc for the production of electromagnetic oscillations of high frequency (1860-).

POUNDS, JOHN, the pioneer of ragged schools, born in Portsmouth; was a shoemaker and a cripple; devoted himself to the care and education of poor and destitute children (1766-1839).

POURPARLER, a diplomatic conference towards the framing of a treaty.

POUSSIN, NICOLAS, one of the most illustrious of French painters, born near Andelys, in Normandy; studied first in Paris and then at Rome, where he first attained celebrity, whence he was in 1640 invited to Paris by Louis XIII., who appointed him painter-in-ordinary, with a studio in the Tuilleries, but he returned three years after to Rome, where he died; is known by numerous groups of works among which may be mentioned the "Shepherds of Arcadia," "The Deluge," "Moses drawn out of the Water," "The Flight into Egypt," &c., all of which display simplicity of taste, nobility of character, and artistic talent of a high order (1593-1665).

POWELL, BADEN, physicist, rationalist in theology, born in London; was Savilian professor of Geometry at Oxford, wrote a number of treatises on physical subjects, and carried out researches on optics and radiation; he contributed to the famous *Essays and Reviews* an essay on the evidences of Christianity which gave no small offence to orthodox people (1766-1860).

POWELL, JOHN WESLEY, American geologist and ethnologist, born in New York State; served in the Civil War, explored the cañon of Colorado, and became Director of the U.S. Geological Survey; wrote on geological and ethnological subjects (1834-1902).

POWERS, HIRAM, American sculptor, born in Vermont; began his career by modelling busts at Washington, in 1837 emigrated to Italy, and resided the rest of his life at Florence, where he produced his "Eve," his "Greek Slave," and other works (1805-1873).

POYNINGS' LAW, an Act of Parliament held at Drogheda in 1494, in the reign of Henry VII., declaring that all statutes hitherto passed in England should be also in force in Ireland, so called from Sir Edward Poynings, the lieutenant of Ireland at the time.

POYNTER, SIR EDWARD JOHN, artist, born in Paris; was educated in England, studied in Rome and Paris, and settled in London in 1860; held appointments at University College and at Kensington, but resigned them in 1881 to prosecute his art; was elected President of the Royal Academy in 1895; is the author of "Lectures on Art," and the designer of some mosaics in the Houses of Parliament; his paintings, such as "Atlanta's Race," are mostly of classical subjects (1836-1919).

POZZO DI BORGO, COUNT, the lifelong enemy of Napoleon, born in Ajaccio, Corsica; was a partisan of Paoli; obliged to flee from Corsica, took refuge

in London, in Vienna, and then in Russia, and plotted everywhere to compass the ruin of his arch-enemy; seduced, out of simple hatred of him, Bernadotte from the service of Napoleon, and egged on the allies against France; represented Russia at the Congress of Vienna, and died in Paris (1764-1842).

POZZUOLI, an Italian city on the Bay of Naples, is noted for its classical remains; the cathedral was once the temple of Augustus; there are ruins of other temples, a forum, and the ancient harbour of Puteoli, where St. Paul landed; the town has been submerged and partially raised again by volcanic action; Mount Solifatare, behind, supplies medicinal gases and springs; near it are the Italian works of Armstrong of Elswick.

PRÆD, WINTEROP MACKWORTH, witty, facile versifier and politician, born in London; practised in verse-making from a boy, notably at Eton; bred for the bar, entered Parliament as a Tory in 1880, and rose into office; wrote several verse-tales, some pieces of promise, such as "Arminius" and "My Pretty Josephine," a grotesque production called "The Red Fisherman," and exquisite *vers de société* (1802-1839).

PRÆTOR, a Roman magistrate at first, virtually a third consul, with administrative functions, chiefly judicial; originally the city, and ultimately in the provinces as well, so that the number of them increased at one time to as many as 16.

PRÆTORIAN GUARD, a select body of soldiers distributed in cohorts, as many as ten of a thousand each, to guard the person and maintain the power of the emperors; they at length acquired such influence in the State as to elect and depose at will the emperors themselves, disposing at times of the imperial purple to the highest bidder, till they were in the end outnumbered and dispersed by Constantine in 312.

PRAGMATIC SANCTION, a term applied to "an ordinance of a very irrevocable nature which a sovereign makes in affairs belonging wholly to himself, or what he reckons within his own right," but applied more particularly to the decree promulgated by Charles VI., emperor of Germany, whereby he vested the right of succession to the throne of Austria in his daughter, Maria Theresa, wife of Francis of Lorraine, a succession which was guaranteed by France and most of the European Powers.

PRAGUE, capital of Czechoslovakia, on the Moldau, 217 m. by rail NW. of Vienna, is a picturesque city with over 70 towers, a great royal palace, cathedral, an old town hall, a picture-gallery, observatory, botanical garden, museums; University and a magnificent library; the centre of an important transit trade, Prague is the chief commercial city of Czechoslovakia; it manufactures of machinery, chemicals, leather, and textile goods; four-fifths of the population are Czechs; founded in the 12th century, it has suffered in many wars; was captured by the Hussites 1424, fell frequently during the Thirty Years' War, capitulated to Frederick the Great 1757, and in 1848 was bombarded for two days by the Austrian Government in quelling the democratic demonstrations of the Slavonic Congress of that year.

PRAIRIE, name given by the French to an extensive tract of flat or rolling land covered with tall, waving grass, mostly destitute of trees, and forming the great central plain of North America, which extends as far N. as Canada.

PRAIRIE DOG, an animal of the marmot family found on the prairies of Canada and western America; reddish-brown in colour and about twelve inches in length, it is a gregarious and burrowing creature.

PRAKRIT, name given to a group of Hindu languages based on Sanskrit.

PRATIQUE, licence given to a ship to enter port on assurance from the captain to convince the authorities that she is free from contagious diseases.

PRAXITELES, great Greek sculptor, born in Athens; executed statues in both bronze and marble, and was unrivalled in the exhibition of the softer beauties of the human form, especially the female figure, his most celebrated being the marble one of Aphrodite at Cnidus; he executed statues of Eros, Apollo, and Hermes as well, but they have all perished.

PRAYER BOOK, the authorised book of worship for the Church of England, the first version of which appeared in 1549, several subsequent versions being issued till 1662, when it took its present form. In 1907 an inquiry was started into the revision of the Prayer Book, and the result was laid before Parliament in 1927 and rejected by the House of Commons, a decision that was reaffirmed in 1928, after which most of the bishops sanctioned the use of portions of the new book, notably those allowing greater use of Reservation.

PRAYING-WHEELS, cylinders with printed prayers on them, driven by hand, water, or wind-power, in use among the Buddhists of Tibet.

PRE-ADAMITES, a race presumed to have existed on the earth prior to Adam; traditional first fathers of the Jews.

PRECESSION OF THE EQUINOXES, name given to the gradual shifting of the equinoctial points along the ecliptic from east to west, due to a change in the inclination of the earth's axis. See **EQUINOXES**.

PRÉCIEUSES RIDICULES, a play by Molière, published in 1653, directed against the affectations of certain literary coteries of the day.

PREDESTINATION, the eternal decree which in particular foreordains certain of the human family to life everlasting and others to death everlasting, or the theological dogma which teaches these. See **ELECTION, THE DOCTRINE OF**.

PREDICABLES, the five classes of terms which can be predicated of a subject, viz., *genus*, containing species; *species*, contained in a genus; *differentia*, distinguishing one species from another; *propriety*, quality possessed by every member of a species; and *accident*, attribute belonging to certain individuals of a species and not others.

PREGEL, a navigable river in E. Prussia, 120 m. long and 730 ft. broad, which falls into the Frische Haff below Königsberg.

PREJEVASKI, NICHOLAS, Russian explorer, born in Smolensk; joined the army, served against the Poles in 1861, and was appointed to Siberia in 1867; his first explorations were in the country S. of the Amur; in 1871-1873 he travelled through Southern Mongolia from Peking to the upper Yangtse-kiang region; thereafter his energies were devoted to Tibet; he made repeated unsuccessful attempts to reach Lhasa, exploring by the way the desert of Gobi and the upper Hoang-ho, and died finally at Karamol, in West Turkestan; he discovered the wild camel and wild horse, and brought back valuable zoological and botanical collections (1839-1888).

PRE-RAPHAELITISM, a movement, headed by Rossetti, Holman Hunt, and Millais, of revolt against the style of art in vogue, traceable all the way back to Raphael, and of a bold return to the study of nature itself, agreeably to the advice of Ruskin, that "they should go to Nature in all singleness of heart, and walk with her laboriously and trustingly, having no other thought than how best to penetrate her meaning, rejecting nothing, selecting nothing, and scorning nothing"; the principle of the movement, as having regard not merely to what the outer eye sees in an object, but to what the inner eye sees of objective truth and reality in it.

PRESBURG, the ancient capital of Hungary, close to the Austrian frontier, on the Danube, by rail 40 m. E. of Vienna; is a pleasant town, with a cathedral, a town-house, and a Franciscan church, all of the 13th century, the old Parliament House, and a ruined royal castle; manufactures beer, dynamite, and starch, and trades largely in live stock and corn.

PRESBYOPIA, diminution of sight due to age, occurring usually about forty-five, when near objects are less distinctly seen than distant, an affliction due to the flattening of the lens.

PRESBYTERIANISM, that form of Church government which, discarding prelacy, regards all ministers in conclave as on the same level in rank and function, and which is the prevailing form of Church government in Scotland; inherited from Geneva, and prevailing extensively in the United States of America. The government is administered by a gradation of courts, called "Kirk-Sessions," of

office-bearers in connection with a particular congregation; "Presbyteries," in connection with a small district; "Synods," in connection with a larger; and finally a General Assembly or a Synod of the whole Church, which, besides managing the affairs of the collective body, forms a court of final appeal in disputed matters or cases.

PRESCOTT, WILLIAM HICKLING, American historian, born in Salem, Massachusetts; son of a lawyer; graduated at Harvard in 1814, and applied himself to study law; afterwards travelled in Europe, married, and turned to literature as a profession; growing blind, the result of an accident at college, he employed assistants, and with great courage in 1826 began to study Spanish history. "Ferdinand and Isabella," appearing in 1838, established his reputation in both worlds; "The Conquest of Mexico" was published in 1843, and "The Conquest of Peru" in 1847; he was elected corresponding member of the French Institute; his style is vivid, direct, and never dull; though not philosophical, his histories are masterpieces of narrative and incident; he died of apoplexy at Boston before completing the "History of Philip II." (1796-1859).

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, is popularly elected for four years, or rather by delegates so elected to each State, and sometimes re-elected for another four; is commander-in-chief of the army and navy; sees to the administration of the laws, signs bills before they pass into law, makes treaties, grants reprieves and pardons, and receives an annual salary of 50,000 dollars.

PRESS-GANG, a party armed with powers to impress men into the naval service in times of emergency, a practice which often gave rise to serious disturbances.

PRESSENSE, EDMOND DE, eminent French Protestant theologian, born in Paris; studied under Vinet and Neander at Berlin; became Protestant minister in Paris; was elected a deputy in the National Assembly in 1871, and a senator in 1883; wrote a "Life of Christ," and on numerous subjects of theological and ecclesiastical interest (1824-1891).

PRESTER JOHN. See **JOHN, PRESTER**.

PRESTON, Lancashire manufacturing town on the Ribble, 31 m. NW. of Manchester; is a well laid out brick town, with three parks, a magnificent town hall, a market, public baths, free library, museum, and picture-gallery; St. Walburg's Roman Catholic church has the highest post-Reformation steeple in England, 306 ft. The deepening of the river and construction of docks have added to the shipping trade. The chief industry is cotton, but there are also shipbuilding yards, engineer shops, and foundries. One of Cromwell's victories was won here; it was the birthplace of Richard Arkwright, and the scene of the beginning of the English total abstinence movement in 1832.

PRETENDERS, THE, the names given to the son and the grandson of James II. (Prince Charles) as claiming a right to the throne of England, and called respectively the Elder and the Younger Pretender; the elder, who made one or two attempts to secure his claim, surrendered it to his son, who in 1745 was defeated at Culloden.

PRETORIA, a city in the Transvaal and the administrative capital of South Africa, 1000 m. from Cape Town and 45 from Johannesburg, on the Apesles river. Besides the imposing government buildings erected in 1912, it has several public offices, a governor-general's house, law courts, library, museum, an Anglican cathedral, Transvaal University College, and several parks and gardens. During the Boer War it was captured by Roberts in June, 1900.

PRÉVOST D'EXILES, ANTOINE FRANÇOIS, or **ABBÉ PRÉVOST**, a French romancer, born in Heslin, Artois; was educated by the Jesuits, and became a Benedictine monk, but proving refractory fled to Holland and England; wrote several novels, but his fame rests on a romantic love story entitled "Manon Lescaut," a work of genius, charming at once in matter and style (1697-1763).

PRÉVOST-PARADOL, LUCIEN ANATOLE, French litterateur and publicist, born in Paris; distinguished himself as journalist and essayist; was an enemy of the Empire, but accepted a post under Ollivier as envoy to the United States in 1870, and committed suicide at Washington soon after landing; it was on the eve of the Franco-German War, and he had been the subject of virulent attacks from the republican press of the day (1820-1870).

PRIAM, the old king of Troy during the Trojan War; was the son of Lamedon, who with the help of Apollo and Poseidon built the city; had a large family by his wife Hecuba, Hector, Paris, and Cassandra the most noted of them; was too old to take part in the war; is said to have fallen by the hand of Pyrrhus on the capture of Troy by the Greeks.

PRIAPUS, an ancient deity, the personification of the generating or fructifying power, and worshipped as the protector of flocks of sheep and goats, of bees, of the vine and other garden products; a worship known as the Priapus worship prevailed extensively all over the East.

PRICE, RICHARD, English moralist, born in Glamorganshire; wrote on politics and economics as well as ethics, in which last he followed Audworth (q.v.), and insisted on the unimpeachable quality of moral distinctions, and the unimpeachable authority of the moral sentiments (1723-1791).

PRICHARD, JAMES COWLES, ethnologist and philologist, born in Hereford; bred to medicine, and practised in Bristol; wrote "Researches into the Physical History of Mankind," "The Eastern Origin of the Celtic Nations," "Analysis of Egyptian Mythology," and the "Natural History of Man"; maintained the original unity of the race, and that the original pair were negroes; philology was in his hands the handmaid of ethnology, and he made himself master of the primitive languages (1786-1848).

PRIDEAUX, HUMPHREY, English prelate and scholar; remembered chiefly as the author of a learned work entitled *The Connection of the History of the Old and New Testaments*; wrote a "Life of Mahomet," popular in its day and for some after (1648-1734).

PRIDE'S PURGE, the name given to a violent exclusion, in 1648, at the hands of a body of troops commanded by Colonel Pride, of about a hundred members of the House of Commons disposed to deal leniently with the King, after which some eighty, known as the Rump, were left to deal with his Majesty and bring him to justice.

PRIESSNITZ, VINCENTZ, founder of the water-cure, in connection with which he had a large establishment at Grafenberg, in Austrian Silesia; was a mere empiric, having been bred to farming (1799-1851).

PRIEST, properly a man in touch with the religious life of the people, and for the most part consecrated to mediate between them and the Deity; the prophet, on the other hand, being one more in touch with the Deity, being at times so close to Him as to require a priest to mediate between him and the laity.

PRIESTLEY, JOSEPH, a Socinian divine, born near Leeds, and for some years classical tutor at the Warrington Academy; wrote in defence of Socinianism, and in defence of Christianity; gave himself to physical research, particularly pneumatic chemistry; is claimed as the discoverer of oxygen; sympathized with the French Revolution; was mobbed, and had to flee to America, where he died, believing in immortality despite his materialistic philosophy (1733-1804).

PRIM, JUAN, MARQUIS DE LOS CASTILLEJOS, a Spanish general; distinguished as a statesman; rose to be Minister of War, but aspiring to dictatorship, was shot by an assassin; he was the leader of the movement that overthrew Isabella in 1808 and installed Amadeo in her stead (1814-1870).

PRIME MINISTER, an office originating in England in the time of George I., who, knowing no English, entrusted the reins of government largely to Sir Robert Walpole. No such office as Prime Minister legally existed till 1905, but the term was applied to the chief minister of the King, who was usually First Lord of the Treasury. Of recent years Prime

Ministers have been members of the House of Commons; they have a salary of £5,000, and residences at 10 Downing Street, London, and at "The Chequers," in Buckinghamshire. They preside over meetings of the Cabinet, for whose composition they are responsible.

PRIMROSE, the name of a family in Goldsmith's "Vicar of Wakefield."

PRIMROSE LEAGUE, a politico-Conservative organization founded in 1883 in memory of Lord Beaconsfield, and so called because the primrose was popularly reported to be his favourite flower. It includes a large membership, comprising women as well as men; is divided into district habitations; confers honours and badges in the style of Freemasonry, and has extensive political influence under a grand-master.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, an island province of Canada, in the S. of Gulf of St. Lawrence, occupies a great bay formed by New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Cape Breton, and is somewhat larger than Northumberland. The coast-line is exceedingly broken, the surface low and undulating, and very fertile. The chief industry is agriculture, oats and potatoes are the best crops; decayed shells found in beds on the shore are an excellent manure; sheep and horses are raised with great success. The climate is healthy, milder and clearer than on the mainland, but with a tedious winter. Coal exists, but is not wrought. The fisheries are the best on the Gulf, but are not developed. Manufactures are inconsiderable. Discovered by the Cabots, it was settled by the French in 1715, and ceded to Great Britain in 1763. Constituted a province in 1768, the name was changed from St. John to Prince Edward in 1790. Since 1875 the local government have bought out most of the great proprietors, and resold the land to occupying owners. Education is free. There are normal schools and two colleges. Half the people are Roman Catholics. A railway traverses the island, and there is daily steam communication with the mainland. The capital is Charlottetown; Summerside, Georgetown, and St. John are the other towns.

PRINCE OF PEACE, a title given by Charles IV. of Spain to his Prime Minister, Don Manuel Godoy (q.v.).

PRINCETON, a town of New Jersey, 50 m. SW. of New York; was the scene of a battle in the War of Independence, and the meeting-place of the Continental Congress of 1783; now noted as the seat of the College of New Jersey, founded at Newark, 1746, and removed to Princeton in 1756; Jonathan Edwards and Dr. James M'Cosh as presidents, James Madison and others as alumni, have given it lustre. The Theological Seminary, the oldest and largest Presbyterian one in the States, was founded in 1812, and a School of Science in 1871. The college is rich in museums, observatories, laboratories and libraries, and possesses considerable funds.

PRINCIPIA, published by Sir Isaac Newton in 1687, summed up his theories of gravitation and dynamics and gave a mathematical form to the laws found empirically by Kepler; Newton's book laid the foundations of modern mechanics and mathematical astronomy.

FRINGLE, THOMAS, minor poet, born in Roxburghshire; edited the *Monthly Magazine*; emigrated to South Africa; held a small government appointment; was bullied out of it; returned home, and became Secretary to the Anti-Slavery Society (1789-1834).

PRIOR, MATTHEW, English poet and diplomatist, born near Wimborne, East Dorset; studied at Cambridge; became Fellow of Trinity College; was ambassador to France; involved himself in an intrigue, was imprisoned, and on his release lived in retirement; he is remembered most as a poet; wrote in 1687 a parody of Dryden's "Hind and Panther," entitled "The Story of the Country Mouse and the City Mouse," and afterwards, "Solomon on the Vanity of the World," "Alma; or, The Progress of the Mind," after Butler, as well as tales, lyrics, and epigrams (1664-1721).

PRISCIAN, Latin grammarian of the 6th century, born in Caesarea; was author of "Grammatical

Commentaries" in 18 books, a standard work during the Middle Ages and the basis of subsequent similar works.

PRISCILLIAN, a Spaniard of noble birth, who introduced a Gnostic and Manichean heresy into Spain, and founded a sect called after him, and was put to death by the Emperor Maximian in 385; his followers were an idly speculative sect, who practised a rigidly ascetic style of life, and after being much calumniated did not survive him over 60 years.

PRISONER OF CHILLON, the name given to François de Bonivard (c. 1491), who was for six years kept prisoner in the castle of Chillon, on the Lake of Geneva, and is the subject of a well-known poem by Byron.

PRIVATEER, a private vessel licensed by Government under a letter of marque to seize and plunder the ships of an enemy, otherwise an act of the kind was treated as piracy.

PRIVY COUNCIL, is theoretically a council associated with the sovereign to advise him in matters of government. As at present constituted it includes the members of the royal family, the Cabinet, the two archbishops and the bishop of London, the principal English and Scottish judges, some of the chief ambassadors and governors of colonies, the Commander-in-Chief, the First Lord of the Admiralty, &c. No members attend except those summoned, usually the Cabinet, the officers of the Household, and the Primate. The functions of the Privy Council may be grouped as: (1) executive, in which its duties are discharged by the Cabinet, which is technically a committee of the Privy Council; (2) administrative—the Board of Trade, the Board of Agriculture, and the Education Department having originated as committees; and the Council retains such branches as the supervision of medical, pharmaceutical, and veterinary practice, the granting of municipal charters, &c.; (3) judicial—the Judicial Committee is a court of law, whose principal function is the hearing of appeals from ecclesiastical courts and from Indian, Dominion, and colonial courts.

PRIVY SEAL, the seal of the sovereign appended to grants that do not require to pass the great seal.

PROBATE AND DIVORCE COURT, the court of law dealing with dissolution of marriage, founded in 1857.

PROBUS, MARCUS AURELIUS, Roman emperor from 276 to 282, born in Pannonia; having distinguished himself in the field as a soldier, was elected by the army and the citizens to succeed Tacitus; defended the empire successfully against all encroachments, and afterwards devoted himself to home administration, but, requiring the service of the soldiers in public works, which they considered degrading, was seized by a body of them and put to death.

PROCLUS, a Neo-Platonic philosopher, born in Constantinople; appears to have held a Trinitarian view of the universe, and to have regarded the All abstractly viewed as contained in the Divine, ever emerging from it and returning into it, a doctrine implied in John i. 1, but far short of the corresponding trinity in the ripe philosophy of Hegel (412-485).

PROONE, the sister of Philomela and wife of Tereus, changed into a swallow by the gods. See **TEREUS**.

PROCONSUL, name given to the governor of a Roman province who was absolute ruler of it, disposed of the army, dispensed justice, controlled administration, and was represented by legates.

PROCOF, the name of two Hussite leaders of the Taborites, who, after leading successful forays on all hands from their headquarters in Bohemia, fell in battle with their rivals the Calixtines at Lippan in 1434.

PROCOPIUS, a Greek historian, born in Caesarea, the secretary of Belisarius, and author of a History of the Wars of Justinian, which is still the chief authority for the events of his reign; d. 565.

PROCRUSTES, a brigand of ancient Attica, who when any one fell into his hands placed him on a bed, stretching him out if he was too short for it and amputating him if he was too long, till he died; he was one day overpowered by Theseus, who tortured him to death as he had done his own

victims; his practice has given name to any attempt to enforce conformity by violent measures.

PROCTOR, BRYAN WALTER, English lyricist, known by his pseudonym of Barry Cornwall, born in London; was bred to the bar, and was for 30 years a Commissioner of Lunacy, and is chiefly memorable as the friend of all the eminent literary men of two generations, such as Wordsworth, Lamb, and Scott on the one hand and Carlyle, Thackeray, and Tennyson on the other; he was no great poet, but a facile and successful song writer (1797-1874); his daughter, Adelaide Anne Procter, achieved no little success as a poetess, her "Legends and Lyrics" appearing in 1858, with an introduction by Charles Dickens (1825-1864).

PROCTOR, RICHARD ANTONY, astronomer and lecturer on Astronomy; determined the rotation of the planet Mars, and propounded the theory of the solar corona (1837-1888).

PROCURATOR-FISCAL, is a Scottish law officer appointed by the sheriff, and irremovable on efficient and good behaviour, whose duties are to initiate the prosecution of crimes and inquire into deaths under suspicious circumstances.

PRODUCER GAS, an inflammable mixture of carbon monoxide and hydrogen, obtained by passing air over red-hot coke; used as a fuel for certain industrial purposes.

PROHIBITION, the system under which the sale or consumption of intoxicants is forbidden in a country. In 1919 the American constitution was altered by the 18th amendment so as to bring prohibition into force, the biggest experiment of the kind ever tried.

PROLETARIAT, the name given to the lowest and poorest class in the State, and still retaining the original Roman meaning, as denoting, from *proles*, offspring, one who enriches the State not by his prosperity, but by his progeny.

PROMETHEUS (i.e. Forethought), a Titan, the son of Iapetus and Clymene, and the brother of Epimetheus (q.v.), who, when the gods just installed on Olympus, met with men at Mekone to arrange with them as to their dues in sacrifice, came boldly forth as the representative and protector of the human race and slew a bullock in sacrifice, putting the flesh of it in one pile and the entrails with the bones in another, veiled temptingly with fat, and invited Zeus to make his choice, whereupon, knowing well what he was about, Zeus chose the latter, but in revenge took away with him the fire which had been bestowed by the gods upon mortals. It was a strife of wit versus wit, and Prometheus, as the defender of the rights of man, was not to be outwitted even by the gods, so he reached up a hollow fennel stalk to the sun and brought the fire back again, whereupon the strife was transformed into one of force versus force, and Zeus caught the audacious Titan and chained him to a rock on Mount Caucasus, where an eagle gnawed all day at his liver which grew again by night, though, in inflicting this punishment, Zeus was soon visited with a relenting heart, for it was by express commission from him that Hercules, as a son of his, scaled the rock and slew the eagle. The myth is one of the deepest significance, reflecting an old belief, and one which has on it the seal of Christ, as sanctioned of Heaven, that the world was made for man and not man for the world, only there is included within it an expression of the jealousy with which Heaven watches the use mankind makes of the gifts that, out of her own special store, she bestows. Prometheus is properly the incarnation of the divine fire latent from the beginning in the soul of man.

PROOF SPIRIT, defined by Act of Parliament as alcohol of such strength as to have a density twelve-thirtieths that of water at 51° F.; it contains about 60 per cent. by volume of alcohol; all spirituous liquids are taxed by the amount of proof spirit in them; the term originated in the old test of applying a light to gunpowder, soaked in the spirit; if it caught fire the spirit was termed "over proof."

PROPAGANDA, a congregation, as it is called, at Rome, originated by Gregory XIII., and organised in 1622 by Gregory XV., the object of which is to propagate the faith of the Church among heathen

nations and in countries where there is no established hierarchy, connected with which there is a college at Rome called the Congregatio de Propaganda Fide, where pupils are instructed for different fields of missionary enterprise.

PROPERTIUS, SEKTUS, a Latin elegiac poet, born in Umbria; went to Rome and became a protégé of Maecenas; devoted himself to the cultivation of the poetic art; came under the spell of a gifted lady, to whom, under the name of Cynthia, he dedicated the first products of his muse, and whom he has immortalized in his poems; in his elegies he follows Greek models; his poetry, and the poetic quality it displays, have been much admired by Goethe (51-14 B.C.).

PROPHECY, properly not a forecasting of particular events and the succession of them, but so far as it refers to the future at all is an insight into the course of things in the time to come from insight into the course of them in days gone by or now, and that is believed to be the character of Hebrew prophecy, founded on faith in the immutability of the divine order of things.

PROPHETS. See **PROPHET**, **HEBREW PROPHECY**. **PROSELYTES**, converts from heathenism to Judaism, of which there were two classes: Proselytes of the Temple, those who accepted the ceremonial law and were admitted into the inner court of the Temple; and Proselytes of the Gate, who accepted only the moral law, and were admitted only into the outer court. They were a numerous class after the Dispersion, and were reckoned at hundreds of thousands.

PROSERPINA, the daughter of Zeus and Demeter, who was carried off while gathering flowers by Pluto (q.v.), became Queen of Hades, and is represented as sitting on an ebony throne beside him wearing a crown. According to later tradition Pluto had to allow her to revisit the upper world for two-thirds of the year to compromise matters with her mother, her arrival being coincident with the beginning of spring and her return to Hades coincident with the beginning of winter. She became by Pluto the mother of the Furies.

PROSPERO, one of the chief characters in Shakespeare's "Tempest," an exiled king of Milan, who, during his exile, practices magic, and breaks his wand when he has accomplished his purpose.

PROTAGORAS, one of the earliest of the Greek Sophists, born in Abdera, who flourished in 440 B.C., and taught at Athens, from which city he was banished as a blasphemer, as having called in question the existence of the gods; he taught that man was the measure of all things, of those that exist, that they are; and of those things that do not exist, that they are not; and that there is nothing absolute, that all is an affair of subjective conception.

PROTECTION, name given to the encouragement of certain home products of a country by imposing duties on foreign products of the class, opposed to free-trade.

PROTEINS, complex nitrogenous compounds, essential components of all animal and vegetable organisms, e.g. gluten of flour and albumin of egg; plants are able to build up proteins from nitrogen compounds in the soil, but animals must obtain their proteins directly or indirectly from vegetable food; most plants are dependent upon the nitrates, &c., in the soil, which often have to be increased artificially by means of the application of sodium nitrate, ammonium salts, &c., but plants of the order Leguminosae (e.g. peas, beans, clover, lentils) contain bacteria which can manufacture proteins from the nitrogen of the air.

PROTESTANTISM, the name given to a movement headed by Luther in the 16th century, in protestation of the supremacy in spiritual things claimed by the Church of Rome, and made on the ground of the authority of conscience enlightened by the Word of God, conceived of as the ultimate revelation of God to man. In essence it is individual, while Catholicism is corporate.

PROTESTANTS, a name given to the adherents of Luther, who, at the second Diet of Spire in 1529, protested against the revocation of certain privileges granted at the first Diet in 1526.

PROTEUS, in the Greek mythology a divinity of the sea endowed with the gift of prophecy, but from whom it was difficult to extort the secrets of fate, as he immediately changed his shape when any one attempted to force him, for it was only in his proper form he could enunciate these secrets.

PROTOOL, a pact of compulsory arbitration and disarmament submitted to the League of Nations in 1924, but never generally ratified.

PROTOGENES, a Greek painter of the time of Alexander the Great, born in Caria; lived chiefly at Rhodes; was discovered by Apelles, who brought him into note; his masterpiece is a picture of Ialyssus, the tutelary hero of Rhodes, on which he spent seven years, and which he painted four times over.

PROTON, the elementary mass, with a charge of positive electricity, which forms the nucleus of the hydrogen atom.

PROTOPLASM, a name given to living matter forming the physical bases of all forms of animal and vegetable life.

PROUDHON, PIERRE JOSEPH, French Socialist, born in Besancon, the son of a cooper; worked in a printing establishment, spent his spare hours in study, especially of the social problem, and in 1839 published a work entitled "What is Property?" in which he boldly enunciated the startling proposition, "Property is theft"; for the publication of this thesis he was at first unmolested, and only with its application was he called to account, being at last, in 1849, committed to prison, where, however, he kept himself busy with his pen; from time to time he omitted socialist publications till his release in 1852, after which he was in 1858 compelled to flee the country, to return again under an act of amnesty in 1860 and die; he was not only the assailant of property, but of government itself, and preached anarchy as the goal of all social progress (1809-1865).

PROUST, MARCEL, French novelist, author of a series of novels called "la Recherche du Temps Perdu," the first of which was published in 1914 (1872-1922).

PROUT, FATHER. See **MAHONY, FRANCIS**.

PROUT, SAMUEL, English water-colour artist, born in Plymouth; had from a child an irrepressible penchant for drawing, which, though discouraged at first by his father, was fostered by his schoolmaster; was patronised by Britton the antiquary, and employed by him to assist him in collecting materials for his "Beauties of England and Wales," but it was not till his visit to Rouen in 1818 that he was first fascinated with the subject that henceforth occupied him; from this time excursions were continually made to the Continent, and every corner of France, Germany, the Netherlands, and Italy was ransacked for its fragments of carved stone; the old architecture that then fascinated him henceforth became a conspicuous feature in all his after-works (1783-1852).

PROUT, WILLIAM, British scientist; the first to prepare urea and to determine its empirical formula; he published an hypothesis that all elements are composed of hydrogen and that their atomic weights are whole numbers; the theory was rejected at the time, but it was a curiously accurate forecast of the modern ideas of the atom, and his statement about the atomic weights is verified by the work of Aston on isotopes (1785-1850).

PROVENÇAL LANGUAGE, one of the Romance dialects of France, spoken in the South of France, and different from that spoken in the N. as in closer connection with the original Latin than that of the N. which was modified by Teutonic influence.

PROVENÇAL, a maritime province in the South of France, originally called Provincia by the Romans, which included the departments of Bouches-du-Rhône, Hautes-Alpes, Var, and part of Vaucluse.

PROVERBS, BOOK OF, a book of the Hebrew Scriptures, full of the teachings of wisdom bearing on the conduct of life, and though ascribed to Solomon, obviously not all of his composition, or even collection, and probably ascribed to him because of his fondness for wisdom in that form, and from his having procured the first collection. The principles inculcated are purely ethical, resting, however, on

a religious basis, and concern the individual not as a member of any particular community, but as a member of the human race; the lessons of life and death are the same as in the covenant with Moses, and the condition in both cases is the observance or non-observance of God's commandments. There is no change in the principle, but in the expansion of it, and that amounts to the foundation of a kingdom of God which shall include all nations. In them the bonds of Jewish exclusiveness are burst and a catholic religion virtually established.

PROVIDENCE, a seaport and semi-capital of Rhode Island, U.S., on a river of the name, 44 m. SW. of Boston; it is a centre of a large manufacturing district, and has a large trade in woollens, jewellery, and hardware; has a number of public buildings, and institutions, churches, schools, libraries, and hospitals, as well as beautiful villas and gardens.

PRUDENTIUS, MARCUS AURELIUS CLEMENS, Christian poet of the 4th century, born in Spain; after spending the greater part of his life in secular affairs, gave himself up to religious meditation, and wrote hymns, lyrics, and polemics in verse.

PRUSSIA, the leading State of Germany, of which it occupies about two-thirds of the total territory, and contributes three-fifths of the population; it stretches from Holland and Belgium in the W. to Poland in the E., has Jutland and the sea on the N., and Lorraine, Bavaria, Hesse-Darmstadt, Saxony, Czechoslovakia, and Austria on the S.; the SW. portion is hilly and the soil often poor, but containing valuable mineral deposits; the N. and E. belong to the great European plain, devoted to agriculture and grazing; Hesse-Cassel is extremely fertile, and Nassau produces excellent wine; in the E. and in Hanover are extensive forests; Silesia, Westphalia, and Rhenish Prussia contain important coal-fields, and are consequently important industrial provinces; half the zinc of the world is mined in Prussia; lead, iron, copper, antimony, &c., are also wrought; the Harz Mountains are noted for their mines of salt, amber, and precious stones are found on the Baltic shores; textiles, metal wares, and beer are the main industries; Berlin and K^{ön}igsberg are the two chief manufacturing centres on the Continent; the great navigable rivers, Niemen, Vistula, Oder, Elbe, Weser, Rhine, and their tributaries and canals, excellent railways, and her central European position all favour Prussia's commerce, while her coastline, harbours, and mercantile fleet put her in communication with the markets of the world; the prevailing religion is Protestant; education is compulsory and good; there are several universities, and many libraries and educational institutions; the king of Prussia was emperor of Germany. The basis of the Prussian people was laid by German colonists placed amid the pagan Slavs whom they had conquered by the Teutonic knights of the 13th century; in 1611 their descendants chose a Hohenzollern prince; a century later the Hohenzollerns of Brandenburg succeeded; despite the Thirty Years' War Prussia became a European State, and was recognised as a kingdom in 1709; Frederick the Great (1740-1786) enlarged its bounds and developed its resources; the successive partitions of Poland added to her territory; humiliated by the peace of Tilsit, 1807, and ruined by the French occupation, she recovered after Waterloo; William I. and Bismarck still further increased her territory and prestige; by the Austrian War of 1866 and the French War of 1870-1871 her position as premier State in the Confederation was assured. The revolution of 1918 brought to an end both the kingdom of Prussia and the German Empire.

PRUSSIC ACID, or hydrocyanic acid, an excessively poisonous, volatile, inflammable liquid, found in leaves of certain plants and in the stones of plums, peaches, &c.

PRYDE, JAMES, Scottish artist. He studied in Paris, and first came to the fore as a poster designer; in the 'nineties he produced with his sister Mabel (Mrs. W. Nicholson) a series of posters by "Beggar-staff Brothers." Apart from posters his output was small but good (1886-).

PRYNN, WILLIAM, a Puritan censor *morum*, born in Swanswick, near Bath, bred to the bar; wrote a

book or pamphlet called "Histrio-Mastix, or the Player's Scourge," against the stage, for which and a reflection in it against the virtue of the queen he was brought before the Star Chamber in 1634, sentenced to the pillory, and had his ears cropped off; and for an offence against Laud, whether by order of the Star Chamber or not is uncertain, was in 1637 sentenced anew, and "lost his ears a second and final time, having had them 'sewed on again' before"; after this the zeal of Prynne appears to have waned, for he was as a recalcitrant imprisoned by Cromwell after whose death he espoused the Royalist cause, and was appointed Keeper of the Records of the Tower (1600-1669).

PRYTANUM, name given to the public hall in Greek cities, and the headquarters of the executive.

PSALMANAZAR, GEORGE, an impostor, born in the South of France, who, being brought to London, imposed on Compton, bishop of London, by fabricating a history of Formosa, of which he professed to be a native, but was convicted of the error of his ways by Law's "Serious Call," and led afterwards what seemed a sober life, and one to commend the regard of Johnson (1679-1763).

PSALMS, THE BOOK OF, the name given in the Septuagint to a collection of sacred songs in the Hebrew Bible, which are all of a lyrical character and appear to have been at first collected for liturgical purposes. Their range is co-extensive with nearly all divine truth, and there are tones in them in accord with the experience and feelings of devout men in all ages. "The Psalter alone," says Ruskin, "which practically was the service-book of the Church for many ages, contains, merely in the first half of it, the sum of personal and social wisdom, . . . while the 48th, 72nd, and 75th have in them the law and the prophecy of all righteous government, and every real triumph of natural science is anticipated in the 104th. The collection bears the name of David, but it is clear the great body of them are of later date as well as of divers authorship, although it is often difficult to determine by whom some of them were written, and when. The determination of this, however, is of the less consequence, as the question is more a speculative one than a spiritual one, and whatever may be the result of inquiry in this matter the spiritual value of the Psalms, which is their real value, is nowise affected thereby. They express the real experiences of living men, who lay under an inner necessity to utter such a song, relieving themselves by the effort and ministering a means of relief to others in a like situation of soul.

PSYCHE (i.e. the soul), in the later Greek mythology the youngest of three daughters of a king, and of such beauty as to eclipse the attractions and awake the jealousy of Venus, the goddess of beauty, who in consequence sent Cupid, her son, to inspire her with love for a hideous monster, and so compass her ruin. Cupid, fascinated with her himself, spirited her away to a palace furnished with every delight, but instead of delivering her over to the monster, visited her himself at night as her husband, and left her before daybreak in the morning, because she must on no account know who he was. Here her sisters came to see her, and in their jealousy persuaded her to assure herself that it was not a monster that she slept with, so that she lit a lamp the next night to discover, when a drop of oil from it fell on his shoulder as he lay asleep beside her, upon which he at a bound started up and vanished out of sight. She thereupon gave way to a long wail of lamentation and set off a wandering over the wide world in search of her lost love, till she came to the palace of Venus, her arch-enemy, who seized on her person and made her her slave, subjecting her to a series of services, all of which she accomplished to the letter, so that Venus was obliged to relent and consent that, in the presence of all the gods of Olympus, Cupid and she should be united in immortal wedlock. "It is the story of the trials of the soul to achieve immortality.

PSYCHICAL RESEARCH, SOCIETY FOR, a society founded in 1882 to inquire into the phenomena of spiritualism and kindred subjects of a recondite kind, the subject of telepathy having engaged a good deal of attention for a number of years.

PSYCHO-ANALYSIS, a method of treating mental and nervous cases, by investigating the past history of the patient and bringing to light "complexes" and "repressions" which have been affecting the mind subconsciously; the method was introduced by Freud, an Austrian psychologist, and has been used in cases where persons had an apparently irrational fear, e.g. of dark, closed spaces, &c.; in many cases this fear is found to be due to some long forgotten incident, and the explanation serves as a cure.

PTERODACTYL, extinct flying reptiles, remains of which have been found in Jurassic and Cretaceous strata; they had many birdlike characteristics, but are not the ancestors of birds.

PTOLEMAIC SYSTEM, the highly complex system of astronomy ascribed to Claudius Ptolemy, which assumed that the earth was the centre of a sphere which carried the heavenly bodies along in its daily revolution, accounted for the revolutions of the sun and moon by supposing they moved in eccentric circles round the earth, and regarded the planets as moving in epicycles round a point which itself revolved in an eccentric circle round the earth like the sun and moon.

PTOLEMAIS, the name of certain cities of antiquity, the most celebrated being Acre, in Syria (q.v.).

PTOLEMY, the name of the Macedonian kings of Egypt, of which there were 14 in succession, of whom Ptolemy I., Soter, was a favourite general of Alexander the Great, and the ruler of Egypt from 323 to 285 B.C.; Ptolemy II., Philadelphus, who ruled from 285 to 247, a patron of letters and an able administrator; Ptolemy III., Euergetes, who ruled from 247 to 222; Ptolemy IV., Philopator, who ruled from 222 to 205; Ptolemy V., Epiphanes, who ruled from 205 to 181; Ptolemy VI., Philometor, who ruled from 181 to 146; Ptolemy VII., Euergetes II., who ruled from 146 to 117; Ptolemy VIII., Soter, who ruled from 117 to 107, was driven from Alexandria, returning to it in 88, and reigning till 81; Ptolemy IX., Alexander I., who ruled from 107 to 88; Ptolemy X., Alexander II., who ruled from 81 to 80; Ptolemy XI., Auletes, who ruled from 80 to 51; Ptolemy XII., who ruled from 51 to 47; Ptolemy XIII., the Infant King, who ruled from 47 to 43; Ptolemy XIV., Cesarion, the son of Julius Caesar and Cleopatra, who ruled from 43 to 30.

PTOLEMY (CLAUDIUS PTOLEMAEUS), ancient astronomer and geographer, born in Egypt; lived in Alexandria in the 2nd century; was the author of the system of astronomy called after him; left behind him two writings bearing one on astronomy and one on geography, along with other works of importance.

PUBLICANS, or PUBLICANI, a name given by the Romans to persons who farmed the public revenues; especially a class of the Jewish people, often mentioned in the New Testament, and specially odious to the rest of the community as the farmers of the taxes imposed upon them, mostly at the instance of their foreign oppressors the Romans, and in the collection of which they had recourse to the most unjust exactions. They were in their regard not merely the tools of a foreign oppression, but traitors to their country and apostates from the faith of their fathers, and were to be classed with heathens, sinners, and harlots.

PUCINI, GIACOMO, Italian composer. Working at Milan Conservatoire, his first opera, "Le Villi," was produced at the Opera House there in 1854. "La Bohème," "La Tosca," and "Madame Butterfly" are his masterpieces (1858-).

PUCINOTTI, FRANCESCO, eminent Italian pathologist, born in Urbino, and author of the "Storia della Medicina" (History of Medicine), the fruit of the labour of twenty years (1794-1872).

PUCELLE LA (i.e. the Maid), Joan of Arc, the maid *par excellence*.

PUCK, a tricky, mischievous fairy. Identified with Robin Goodfellow, and sometimes confounded with a house spirit, propitiated by kind words and the liberty of the cream-bowl.

PUEBLA, on an elevated plateau 7000 ft. above the sea, 68 m. due SE. of Mexico, is the chief city of the republic, and a beautiful town, with Doric cathedral, theological, medical, and other schools, a museum,

and two libraries; cotton goods, iron, paper, and glass are manufactured; it is a commercial city, and carries on a brisk trade. Is the name also of a Colorado town on the Arkansas River; it is in a rich mineral district, and is engaged in the manufacture of steel and iron wares.

PUEBLOS, primitive tribes of North American Indians living in Mexico and Arizona, so called because they are gathered together in *pueblos*, or villages, in communal houses of stone and mud; the several clans are distinguished by their totems, and generally are remarkable for their peculiar decorative pottery and fabrics, which show some resemblance to early Atee designs; the Zuni and Hopi Indians belong to the group.

PUERTO DE SANTA MARIA, a seaport in Spain, on the Bay of Cadiz, 9 m. SW. of Xeres, and the chief place of export of Xeres port or sherry wines.

PUERTO PLATA, the chief port of the Dominican Republic, on the N. of Hayti; exports tobacco, sugar, coffee, &c.

PUERTO PRINCEPE, a town on the E. of Cuba; manufactures cigars, and exports sugar, hides, and molasses; originally on the shore, but removed inland.

PUFF-ADDER, a deadly venomous African viper which frequents sandy places; it derives its name from its habit of inflating the body when disturbed.

PUFFENDORF, SAMUEL, BARON VON, eminent German jurist, born in Chemnitz, Saxony; wrote several works on jurisprudence, one of which, under the ban of Austria, was burned there by the hangman, but his "De Jure Naturæ et Gentium" is the one on which his fame rests; was successively in the service of Charles XI. of Sweden and the Elector of Brandenburg (1632-1694).

PUGIN, AUGUSTUS WELBY, architect, born in London, of French parentage; made a special study of Gothic architecture; assisted in decorating the new Houses of Parliament, but becoming a Roman Catholic he gave himself to designing a good number of Roman Catholic churches, including cathedrals; he wrote several works on architecture, and was the chief promoter of the "Medieval Court" in the Crystal Palace; he was afflicted in the prime of life with insanity, and died at Ramsgate (1812-1852).

PULCI, LUIGI, Italian poet, born in Florence; the personal friend of Lorenzo de' Medici, and the author of a burlesque poem of which Roland is the hero, entitled in Tuscan "Il Morgante Maggiore" ("Morgante the Great"); he wrote also several humorous sonnets; two brothers of his had similar gifts (1432-1484).

PULQUE, a favourite beverage of the Mexicans and in Central America, made from the fermented juice of the agave.

PULTENEY, WILLIAM, Earl of Bath, English statesman; in 1705 entered Parliament, zealous in the Whig interest; was for years the friend and colleague of Walpole, but afterwards, from a slight, became his bitterest enemy and most formidable opponent; he contributed a good deal to Walpole's fall, but, unable to take his place, contented himself with a peerage, his popularity being gone (1684-1764).

PULTOWA, a town in Southern Russia, 90 m. by rail SW. of Kharkoff, on an affluent of the Dnieper; manufactures leather and tobacco; here Peter the Great won his victory over Charles XII. of Sweden in 1709.

PULTUSK, a Polish town, 33 m. N. of Warsaw; here Charles XII. gained a victory over the Saxons in 1703, and the French over the Russians in 1806.

PULU, a kind of silk obtained from the fibres of a fern-tree of Hawaii.

PUNCH, the name of the chief character in a well-known puppet show of Italian origin, and appropriated as the title of the leading English comic journal, which is accompanied with illustrations conceived in a humorous vein and conducted in satire, from a liberal Englishman's standpoint, of the follies and weaknesses of the leaders of public opinion and fashion in modern social life. It was started in 1841 under the editorship of Henry Mayhew and Mark Lemon, and the witty literary men of the time as well as the cleverest artists have contributed to its pages, among the former being

Thackeray, Douglas Jerrold, and Tom Hood, and among the latter Doyle, Leech, Tenniel, Du Maurier, and Linley Sambourne.

PUNDIT, a Brahmin learned in Sanskrit and in the language, literature, and laws of the Hindus.

PUNIO FAITH, a plighted promise that one can put no trust in, such as the Romans alleged they systematically experienced at the hands of the Fenici or Carthaginians.

PUNIO WARS, the name given to the wars between Rome and Carthage for the empire of the world, of date, the first from 264 to 241, the second from 218 to 201, and the third from 149 to 146 B.C., due all to transgressions on the one side or the other of boundaries fixed by treaty, which it was impossible for either in their passion of empire to respect. It was a struggle which, though it ended in the overthrow of Carthage, proved at one time the most critical in the history of Rome.

PUNJAB ("five rivers") a province in the extreme NW. of India, watered by the Indus and its four tributaries, Jhelum, Chenab, Ravee, and Sutlej; its frontiers touch Afghanistan and Kashmir. Mountain ranges traverse the N. W. and N. E.; little rain falls; the plains are dry and hot in summer. There is little timber, cow-dung is common fuel; the soil is barren, but under irrigation there are fertile stretches: wheat, indigo, sugar, cotton, tobacco, opium, and tea are largely grown; cotton, silk, lace, iron, and leather are manufactured; indigo, grain, cotton, and manufactured products are exported in exchange for raw material, dyes, horses, and timber. The population is mixed, Sikhs, Jats, and Rajputs predominate; more than a half are Mohammedan, and more than a third Hindu. Lahore is the capital, but Delhi and Amritsar are larger towns. Several railways run through the province. The natives remained loyal throughout the Mutiny of 1857-1858, Sikhs and Pathans joining the British troops before Delhi.

PURANAS, a body of religious works which rank second to the Vedas, and form the basis of the popular belief of the Hindus. There are 18 principal Puranas and 18 secondary Puranas, of various dates, but believed to be of remote antiquity, though modern critical research proves that in their present form they are not of very ancient origin.

PURBECK, ISLE OF, the peninsula in South Dorsetshire lying between the river Frome, Poole Harbour, and the English Channel; formerly a royal deer-forest; has a precipitous coast, and inland consists of chalk downs; nearly 100 quarries are wrought of "Purbeck marble."

PURCELL, HENRY, eminent English musician, born in Westminster; was successively organist at Westminster Abbey and to the Chapel Royal; excelled in all forms of musical composition; was the author of anthems, cantatas, glees, &c., which attained great popularity; he set the songs of Shakespeare's "Tempest" to music (1658-1695).

PURCHAS, SAMUEL, collector of works of travel and continuator of the work of Hakluyt, in two curious works entitled "Purchase his Pilgrimage," and "Hakluyt's his Posthumous or Purchas his Pilgrimage"; was rector of St. Martin's, Ludgate, and chaplain to Archbishop Abbot (1576-1626).

PURGATORIO, region in Dante's "Commedia" intermediate between the Inferno, region of lost souls, and the Paradiso, region of saved souls, and full of all manner of obstructions which the penitent, who would pass from the one to the other, must struggle with in soul-wrestle till he overcome.

PURGATORY, in the creed of the Church of Rome a place in which the souls of the dead, saved from hell by the death of Christ, are chastened and purified from venial sins, a result which is, in great part, ascribed to the prayers of the faithful and the sacrifice of the Mass. The creed of the Church in this matter was first formulated by Gregory the Great, and was based by him, as it has been vindicated since, on passages of Scripture as well as the writings of the Fathers.

PURIM, THE FEAST OF, or **LOTH**, an annual festival of the Jews in commemoration of the preservation, as recorded in "Esther," of their race from the threatened wholesale massacre of it in Persia at

the instance of Haman, and so called because it was by casting "lots" that the day was fixed for the execution of the purpose. It lasts two days, being observed on the 14th and 15th of the month Adar.

PURITAN CITY, name given to Boston, U.S., from its founders and inhabitants, who were originally of Puritan stock.

PURITANS, a name given to a body of clergymen of the Church of England who refused to assent to the Act of Uniformity passed in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, because it required them to conform to Popish doctrine and ritual; and afterwards applied to the whole body of Nonconformists in England in the 16th and 17th centuries, who insisted on rigid adherence to the simplicity prescribed in these matters by the sacred Scriptures. In the days of Cromwell they were, "with musket on shoulder," the uncompromising foes of all forms, particularly in the worship of God, that affected to be alive after the soul had gone out of them.

PURSUIVANT, one of the junior officers in the Herald's College—four in England, named respectively Rouge Croix, Blue Mantle, Rouge Dragon, and Portcullis, and three in Scotland, named respectively Butte, Carrick, and Unicorn.

PUSEY, EDWARD BOUVERIE, English theologian, born in Berkshire, of Flemish descent; studied at Christ Church, Oxford, and became a Fellow of Oriel, where he was brought into relationship with Newman, Keble, and Whately; spent some time in Germany studying Rationalism, and, after his return, was in 1828 appointed Regius Professor of Hebrew at Oxford; in 1833 he joined the Tractarian Movement, to which he contributed by his learning, and which, from his standing in the University, as well as from the part he played in it, was at length called by his name; he was not so conspicuous as other members of the movement, but he gained some notoriety by a sermon he preached on the Eucharist, which led to his suspension for three years, and, notwithstanding his life of seclusion, he took an active part in all questions affecting the interests he held to be at stake; he was the author of several learned works, among them the "Minor Prophets, a Commentary," and "Daniel the Prophet" (1800-1882).

PUSHKIN, ALEXANDER SERGIEVITCH, a distinguished Russian poet and dramatist, born in Moscow; his chief works are "Ruslan and Lyudmila" (a heroic poem), "Eugene Onegin" (a romance), and "Boris Godunov" (a drama); was mortally wounded in a duel (1798-1837).

PUSHTOO, or **PUSHTO**, the language of the Afghans, said to be derived from the Zend, with admixtures from the neighbouring tribes.

PUTEAUX, a suburb of Paris, on the left bank of the Seine, a favourite residence of the Parisians, who have villas here.

PUTNEY, a London suburb on the Surrey side, 6 m. from Waterloo, has a bridge across the Thames 300 yards long; the parish church tower dates from the 15th century. The river here affords favourite rowing water, the starting-place of the inter-universities boat-race; Putney Heath was a favourite duelling resort; Gibbon was a native; Pitt and Leigh Hunt died here.

PUY, LE, a picturesque town, 70 m. SW. of Lyons, a bishop's seat, with a 10th-century cathedral; is the centre of a great lace manufacture.

PUY-DE-DÔME, a department in Central France, in the upper valley of the Allier, on the slopes of the Auvergne Mountains. The soil is poor, but agriculture and cattle-breeding are the chief industries; in the mountains coal and lead are found, and there are many mineral springs; there are paper and oil manufactures. The principal town is Clermont-Ferrand, where Peter the Hermit preached the first crusade.

PYGMALION, king of Cyprus, is said to have fallen in love with an ivory statue of a maiden he had himself made, and to have prayed Aphrodite to breathe life into it. The request being granted, he married the maiden and became by her the father of Paphos.

PYGMIES, a fabulous people, their height 1½ inches, mentioned by Homer as dwelling on the shores of the ocean and attacked by cranes in spring time,

the theme of numerous stories. It is also the name of a dwarf tribe in Central Africa discovered by Stanley and described also by other explorers.

PYLADES. See **ORESTES**.

PYLE, HOWARD, American artist and author, born in Wilmington, Delaware; a contributor to the *Century* and other magazines, author and illustrator of "The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood," "Jack Ballister's Fortunes," and "Otto of the Silver Hand" (1883-1911).

PYM, JOHN, Puritan statesman, born in Somersetshire, educated at Oxford; bred to law, entered Parliament in 1621, opposed the arbitrary measures of the king, took a prominent part in the impeachment of Buckingham; at the opening of the Long Parliament procured the impeachment of the Earl of Strafford, and conducted the proceedings against him; he was one of the five members illegally arrested by Charles I., and was brought back again in triumph to Westminster; was appointed Lieutenant of the Ordnance, and a month after died (1584-1643).

PYRAMID OF CHOLULA, an imposing structure believed to have been erected by Montezuma, emperor of Mexico; stands to the west of Puebla, with a base twice the size of that of Cheops' Pyramid at Ghizeh; was used as a mausoleum.

PYRAMIDS, ancient structures of stone or sometimes brick, resting generally on square bases and tapering upwards with triangular sides, found in different parts of the world, but chiefly in Egypt, where they exist to the number of 70 or 80, and of which the most celebrated are those of Ghizeh, 10 m. W. of Cairo, three in number, viz., the Great Pyramid of Cheops, 449 ft. high, and the sides at base 746 ft. long, that named Chefnen, nearly the same size, and that of Mykerinos, not half the height of the other two, but excelling them in beauty of execution. The original object of these structures has been matter of debate, but there seems to be now no doubt that they are sepulchral monuments of kings of Egypt from the first to the twelfth dynasty. From certain marks in the King's Chamber of the Great Pyramid a school of Bible students claims to be able to read the history of the world, alleging that the Great War, the capture of Jerusalem, and the period of tribulation are all marked thereon.

PYRAMUS AND THISBE, two lovers who lived in adjoining houses in Babylon, and who used to converse with each other through a hole in the wall, because their parents would not allow them open intimacy, but who arranged to meet one evening at the tomb of Nisus. The maiden appearing at the spot and being confronted by a lioness who had just killed an ox, took to flight and left her garment behind her, which the lioness had soiled with blood. Pyramus, arriving after this, saw only the bloody garment on the spot and immediately killed himself, concluding she had been murdered, while she on return finding him lying in his blood, threw herself upon his dead body and was found a corpse at his side in the morning.

PYRENEES, a broad chain of lofty mountains running from the Bay of Biscay, 276 m. eastwards, to the Mediterranean, form the boundary between France and Spain. They are highest in the centre, Mount Malsdetta reaching 11,163 ft. The snow-line is about 8000 or 9000 ft., and there are glaciers on the French side. Valleys run up either side, ending in precipitous "pot-holes," with great regularity. The passes are very dangerous from wind and snow storms. The streams to the N. feed the Adour and Garonne; those to the S., the Ebro and Douro. Vegetation in the W. is European, in the E. sub-tropical. Minerals are few, though both iron and coal are worked. The basis of the system is granite with limestone strata superimposed.

PYRIDINE, an organic liquid with an unpleasant smell, found in coal tar.

PYROGRAPHY, the decoration of wood by means of burning or charring, the most popular form being known as "poker work"; it can be performed also by the use of the blowpipe; an art known to the

PYROMANCY, the practice of divination by fire, as resorted to by the Romans and other ancient peoples; a form of this was the plunging of moiten lead or wax into water, future events being forecast from the shapes thus assumed.

PYROMETRY, the science concerned with the measurement of high temperatures.

PYRRHA, in Greek mythology the wife of Deucalion; (q.v.).

PYRRHIC DANCE, the chief war dance of the Greeks of quick, light movement, to the music of flutes; was of Cretan or Spartan origin. It was subsequently danced for display by the Athenian youths and by women to entertain company, and in the Roman empire was a favourite item in the public games.

PYRRHIC VICTORY, a ruinous victory. See **PYRRHUS**.

PYRRHO, the father of the Greek scepticism, born in Elis, a contemporary of Aristotle; his doctrine was that, as we cannot know things as they are, only as they seem to be, we must be content to suspend our judgment on such matters and maintain a perfect imperturbability of soul if we would live to any good.

PYRRHONISM, philosophic scepticism. See **PYRRHO**.

PYRRHUS, king of Epirus, and kinsman of Alexander the Great; essayed to emulate the Macedonian by conquering the western world, and in 280 B.C. invaded Italy with a huge army, directed to assist the Italian Greeks against Rome; in the decisive battles of that year and the next, he won "Pyrrhic victories" over the Romans, losing so many men that he could not pursue his advantage; 278 to 276 he spent helping the Greek colonies in Sicily against Carthage; his success was not uniform, and a Carthaginian fleet inflicted a serious defeat on his fleet returning to Italy; in 274 he was thoroughly vanquished by the Romans, and retired to Epirus; subsequent wars against Sparta and Arros were marked by disaster; in the latter he was killed by a tile thrown by a woman (318-272 B.C.).

PYRRHUS, called also Neoptolemus, son of Achilles; was one of the heroes concealed in the wooden horse by means of which Troy was entered, slew Priam by the altar of Zeus, and sacrificed Polyxena to the manes of his father. Andromache, the widow of Hector, fell to him on the division of the captives after the fall of Troy, and became his wife.

PYTCHLEY, a village in Northamptonshire, 3 m. SW. of Kettering; famous as a hunting centre since the 18th century, though the kennels have been removed to Brix. orth.

PYTHAGORAS, a celebrated Greek philosopher and founder of a school named after him Pythagoreans, born in Samos; he seems to have flourished between 540 and 500 B.C.; after travels in many lands settled at Crotona in Magna Græcia, where he founded a fraternity, the members of which bound themselves in closest ties of friendship to purity of life and to active co-operation in disseminating and encouraging a kindred spirit in the community around them, the final aim of it being the establishment of a model social organization. He left no writings behind him, and we know of his philosophy chiefly from that of his disciples.

PYTHAGOREANS, the school of philosophy founded by Pythagoras, "the fundamental thought of which," according to Schwegler, "was that of proportion and harmony, and this idea is to be seen as well the principle of practical life, as the supreme law of the universe." It was a kind of "arithmetical mysticism, and the leading thought was that law, order, and agreement obtain in the affairs of Nature, and that these relations are capable of being expressed in number and in measure." The whole tendency of the Pythagoreans, in a practical aspect, was ascetic, and aimed only at a rigid castigation of the moral principle in order thereby to ensure the emancipation of the soul from its mortal prison-house and its transmigration into a nobler form. It is with the doctrine of the transmigration of souls that the Pythagorean philosophy is specially associated.

PYTHEAS, a celebrated Greek navigator of Massilia, in Gaul, probably lived in the time of Alexander the Great; in his first voyage visited Britain and Thule, and in his second coasted along the western shore of Europe from Cadiz to the Elbe.

PYTHIAN GAMES, celebrated from very early times till the 4th century A.D. every four years, near Delphi, in honour of Apollo, who was said to have instituted them to commemorate his victory over the Python; originally were contests in singing only, but after the middle of the 6th century B.C. they included instrumental music, contests in poetry and art, athletic exercises, and horse-racing.

PYTHON, in the Greek mythology a serpent or dragon produced from the mud left on the earth after the deluge of Deucalion, a brood of sheer chaos and the dark, who lived in a cave of Parnassus, and was slain by Apollo, who founded the Pythian Games in commemoration of his victory, and was in consequence called Pythius.

PYTHON, a non-venomous, constricting serpent of the Boa (*q.v.*) family; found in tropical countries, mostly in Indo-China, Malay, and Africa, specimens in the last-named continent not attaining the size and length of Indian species, which often exceed 20 ft.; their food is small mammals and birds, but the bigger serpents will attack and consume larger animals.

PYTHONESS, the priestess of Apollo at Delphi (*q.v.*), so called from the Python (*q.v.*), the dragon slain by the god.

PYX, the name of a cup-shaped, gold-lined vessel, with lid, used in the Roman Catholic churches for containing the eucharistic elements after their consecration either for adoration in the churches or for conveying to sick-rooms. Pyx means "box." Hence Trial of the Pyx is the annual test of the British coinage, for which purpose one coin in every 15 lbs. of gold and one in every 60 lbs. of silver coined are set aside in a pyx or box.

Q-BOATS

Q-BOATS, special ships used by the British navy during the Great War to cope with submarines. Disguised as cargo vessels with crews in appropriate disguise, they carried concealed guns which came into action after a submarine rose to the surface to capture them. Rear-Admiral Gordon Campbell, V.O., was one of the chief pioneers of the system.

QUADRAGESIMA (i.e. fortieth), a name given to Lent because it lasts forty days, and assigned also to the first Sunday in Lent, the three Sundays which precede it being called respectively Septuagesima, Sexagesima, and Quinquagesima.

QUADRANT, an instrument for taking altitudes, consisting of the graduated arc of a circle of ninety degrees.

QUADRATIC EQUATION, an equation involving the square of the unknown quantity.

QUADRIGA, a two-wheeled chariot drawn by four horses abreast, used in the ancient chariot races.

QUADRILATERAL, THE, the name given to a combination of four fortresses, or the space enclosed by them, in North Italy, at Mantua, Legnago, Verona, and Peschiera.

QUADROON, the name given to a person quarter-blooded, in particular the offspring of a mulatto and a white person.

QUADRUPE ALLIANCE, an alliance formed in 1719 between England, France, Austria, and Holland to secure the thrones of France and England to the reigning families, and to defeat the schemes of Alberoni to the aggrandisement of Spain.

QUESTORS, the name given in Roman history to the officers entrusted with the care of the public treasury, originally two in number, one of them to see to the corn supply in Rome, but eventually, as the empire extended, increased, till in Caesar's time they amounted to forty. Under the republic they were the public prosecutors in cases of murder; in time their judicial functions passed, until they became in effect secretaries to the emperors and consuls.

QUAGGA, an animal which was part ass and part zebra, the striped markings of the latter being more prominent in the head, neck, and forepart of the body; at one time abundant in Cape Province, the Orange Free State and other parts of South Africa, it is now believed to be extinct.

QUAIGH, a name formerly given to a wooden drinking-cup in Scotland.

QUAIN, JONES, anatomist, born in Mallow, Ireland; was professor of Anatomy and Physiology in London University; was author of "Elements of Anatomy," of which the first edition was published in 1828 (1796-1865).

QUAIN, RICHARD, anatomist, born in Fermoy, Ireland, brother of preceding, and professor in London University; author of a number of medical works; bequeathed a large legacy to the university for "education in modern languages" (1800-1887).

QUAIN, SIR RICHARD, physician, born in Mallow, cousin of preceding; edited "Dictionary of Medicine," and was President of the British Medical Council in 1891 (1816-1898).

QUAIR, or QUHAIR, an old Scottish name for a book, derived from the French *cahier* (a little book) and allied to "quire"; hence "the King's Quair," written by James I.

QUAKERS, the Society of Friends (q.v.), so called first by Justice Bennet of Derby, because Fox bade him quake before the Lord.

QUANTUM THEORY, the theory put forward by Planck (q.v.) that energy is transferred from one body to another not continuously but in small units or quanta of definite amount; this theory has cleared up many problems of physics and has provided a new basis for the study of dynamics; it has been applied to the study of specific heat, radiation, &c., and by N. Bohr in his theory of the atom.

QUARANTINE, the prescribed time, generally 40 days (hence the name), of non-intercourse with the shore for a ship suspected of infection.

QUATREMÈRE

QUARLES, FRANCIS, religious poet, born in Essex, of good family; a member of Christ's College, Cambridge, and Lincoln's Inn; held diverse offices at the Court, in the City, and the Church; was a bigoted Royalist and Churchman, a voluminous author, both in prose and verse, but is now remembered for his "Divine Emblems," and perhaps his "Enchiridion" (1602-1644).

QUARTER DAYS, in England and Ireland Lady Day, March 25; Midsummer Day, June 24; Michaelmas Day, September 29; and Christmas Day, December 25; while in Scotland the legal terms are Whitsunday, May 15, and Martinmas, November 11, though the Whitsunday term is now changed to May 28.

QUARTER-DECK, the part of a ship abaft the mainmast, or between the main and mizen, where there is a poop.

QUARTER-SESSIONS, a court held every quarter by justices of the peace in the several divisions of a county to try offences against the peace.

QUARTER-STAFF, strong wooden staff 6½ ft. long, shod with iron, grasped in the middle; formerly used in England for attack and defence.

QUARTERLY REVIEW, a review started by John Murray, the celebrated London publisher, in February, 1809, in rivalry with the *Edinburgh*, which had been seven years in possession of the field, and was exerting, as he judged, an evil influence on public opinion; in this enterprise he was seconded by Southey and Scott, the more cordially that the *Edinburgh* had given offence to the latter by its criticism of "Marmion." It was founded in the Tory interest for the defence of Church and State, and it had Gifford for its first editor, while the contributors included, besides Southey and Scott, all the ablest literary celebrities on the Tory side, of which the most zealous and frequent was John Wilson Croker.

QUARTERMASTER, in the army an officer whose duty it is to look after the quarters, clothing, rations, stores, ammunition, &c., of the regiment, and in the navy a petty officer who has to see to the stowage, steering, soundings &c., of the ship.

QUARTETTE, a musical piece in four parts, or for four voices or instruments.

QUARTO, a book having the sheet folded into four leaves.

QUARTZ, a crystalline form of silica abundant as a mineral in igneous rocks, especially those classed as "acid," e.g. granites; it is used in the manufacture of chemical apparatus, as owing to its small expansion it can resist great heat and can be cooled suddenly without damage.

QUARTZITE, a rock almost entirely composed of quartz as the result of the metamorphosis of sandstone.

QUASIMODO, the hunchback of Notre Dame in Victor Hugo's romance "Notre Dame de Paris," so called as having been found, an abandoned child, on Quasimodo Sunday.

QUASIMODO SUNDAY, the first Sunday after Easter.

QUASS, a beer made in Russia from rye and oats grain, employed as vinegar when sour.

QUATRE-BRAS (i.e. four arms), a village 10 m. S.E. of Waterloo, where the roads from Brussels to Charleroi and from Nivelles to Namur intersect; was the scene of an obstinate conflict between the English under Wellington and the French under Ney, two days before the battle of Waterloo.

QUATREFÈRES DE BÉRAU, JEAN LOUIS ARMAND DE, French naturalist and anthropologist, born in Berthezene (Gard); studied medicine at Strasbourg; was professor at the Natural History Museum in Paris; devoted himself chiefly to anthropology and the study of annelids (1810-1892).

QUATREMÈRE, ÉTIENNE MAEO, French Orientalist, born in Paris, was professor at the College of France; was distinguished for his knowledge of Arabic and Persian, as well as for his works on Egypt; was of

vast learning, but defective in critical ability (1782-1857).

QUATREMÈRE DE QUINCY, a learned French archaeologist and writer on art, born in Paris; was involved in the troubles of the Revolution; narrowly, as a constitutionalist, escaped the guillotine, and was deported to Cayenne in 1797, but after his return took no part in political affairs; wrote a "Dictionary of Antiquities" (1755-1849).

QUATRO CENTO (i.e. four hundred), a term employed by the Italians to signify one thousand four hundred, that is, the 15th century, and applied by them to the literature and art of the period.

QUÉBEC, formerly called Lower Canada, one of the Canadian provinces occupying that part of the valley of the St. Lawrence, and a narrow stretch of fertile, well-cultivated land on the S. of the river, which is bounded on the S. by the States of New York and Maine, and on the E. by New Brunswick. It is twice the size of Great Britain, and consists of extensive tracts of cultivated land and forests interspersed with lakes and rivers, affluents of the St. Lawrence; the soil, which is fertile, yields good crops of cereals, hay, and fruit, and excellent pasturage, and there is abundance of mineral wealth; it was colonised by the French in 1608, was taken by the English in 1759-1760, and the great majority of the population is of French extraction.

QUÉBEC, the capital of the above province, and once of all Canada, a city of historical interest, is situated on the steep promontory, 333 ft. in height, of the NW. bank of the St. Lawrence, at the mouth of the St. Charles River, 300 m. from the sea, and 180 m. below Montreal; it is divided into Upper and Lower, the latter the business quarter and the former the west-end, as it were; there are numerous public buildings, including the governor's residence, an Anglican cathedral, and a university; it is a commercial centre, has a large trade in timber, besides several manufacturing industries; the aspect of the town is Norman-French, and there is much about it and the people to remind one of Normandy.

QUEDLINBURG, an old town of Prussian Saxony, on the river Bode, at the foot of the Harz Mountains, 32 m. SW. of Magdeburg, founded by Henry the Fowler, and the place where his remains lie; was long a favourite residence of the emperors of the Saxon line; it has large nurseries, an extensive trade in flower seeds, and sundry manufactures.

QUEEN ANNE'S BOUNTY, a fund established in 1704 for the augmentation of the incomes of the poorer clergy; it was the revenue from a tax on the Church, prior to the Reformation, which after that was appropriated by the Crown.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS, a small group of islands on the W. coast of North America, N. of Vancouver Island, 80 m. off the coast of British Columbia, a half-submerged mountain range, densely wooded, with peaks that rise sheer up 2000 ft.

QUEENSBOROUGH, a town on the Isle of Sheppey, 3 m. S. of Sheerness.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE, colleges established in Ireland in 1845 to afford a university education to members of all religious denominations and opened at Belfast, Cork, and Galway in 1849. There is also a Queen's College in Melbourne.

QUEEN'S COUNTY, one of the inland counties of Leinster, in Ireland, N. of King's County, mostly flat; agriculture and dairy-farming are carried on, with a little woollen and cotton-weaving; population mostly Roman Catholics.

QUEEN'S METAL, an alloy of nine parts tin and one each of antimony, lead, and bismuth, is intermediate in hardness between pewter and britannia metal.

QUEENSLAND, a province occupying the NE. of Australia, 1300 m. from N. to S. and 800 m. from E. to W., two-thirds of it within the tropics, and occupying an area three times as large as that of France. Mountains stretch away N. parallel to the coast, and much of the centre is tableland; one-half of it is covered with forests, and it is fairly well watered, the rivers being numerous, the chief being the Fitzroy and Burdekin. The principal towns are Brisbane, the capital, Gympie, Maryborough, Rockhampton, and Townsville. The pastoral industry is very large, and there is considerable mining for gold. The mineral resources are great, with a coal-

field of great promise. Maize and sugar are the principal products of the soil, and wool, gold, and sugar are the principal exports; the State is capable of immense developments. Until 1859 the territory was administered by New South Wales, but in that year it became an independent colony, with a government of its own under a Governor appointed by the Crown; the Parliament consists of two Houses, a Legislative Council of 41 members, nominated by the Governor, and the Legislative Assembly of 72 members, elected for three years by manhood suffrage.

QUEENSTOWN, (1) a seaport, formerly called the Cove of Cork, on the S. shore of Great Island, and 14 m. SE. of Cork; a port of call for Atlantic liners, specially important for the receipt and landing of the mails. (2) Town in Province of the Cape of Good Hope, South Africa.

QUELPAERT, an island 52 m. S. of the Korea, 40 m. long by 17 broad, surrounded with small islets, in situation to the Korea as Sicily to Italy.

QUERCITRON, a yellow dye obtained from the bark of a North American oak.

QUERETARO, a high-lying Mexican town in a province of the same name, 150 m. NW. of Mexico; has large cotton-spinning mills; here the Emperor Maximilian was shot by order of court-martial in 1867.

QUERN, a handmill of stone for grinding corn, of primitive contrivance, and still used in remote parts of Ireland and Scotland.

QUESNAY, FRANÇOIS, a great French economist, born in Mézès (Seine-et-Oise), bred to the medical profession, and eminent as a medical practitioner, was consulting physician to Louis XV., but distinguished for his articles in the "Encyclopédie" on political economy, and as the founder of the Physiocratic School (q.v.), the school which attaches special importance in State economy to agriculture (1694-1774).

QUESNEL, PASQUIER, a French Jansenist theologian, born in Paris; was the author of a great many works, but the most celebrated is his "Reflexions Morales"; was educated at the Sorbonne, and became head of the congregation of the Oratory in Paris, but was obliged to seek refuge in Holland with Arnauld on embracing Jansenism; his views exposed him to severe persecution at the hands of the Jesuits, and his "Reflexions" were condemned in 101 propositions by the celebrated bull *Unigenitus* (1713); spent his last years at Amsterdam, and died there (1634-1719).

QUÉTELET, ADOLPHE, Belgian astronomer and statistician, born in Ghent; wrote on meteorology and anthropology (1796-1874).

QUETTA, a strongly fortified town in the N. of Beluchistan, commanding the Bolan Pass, and occupied by a British garrison. It is also a health resort from the temperate climate it enjoys.

QUEVEDO Y VILLEGAS, FRANCISCO GOMEZ DE, a Spanish poet, born in Madrid, of an old illustrious family; left an orphan at an early age, and educated at Alcalá, the university of which he left with a great name for scholarship; served as diplomatist and administrator in Sicily under the Duke of Ossuna, the viceroy, and returned to the Court of Philip IV. in Spain at his death; struggled hard to purify the corrupt system of appointments to office in the State then prevailing, but was seized and thrown into confinement, from which, after four years, he was released, broken in health; he wrote much in verse, but only for his own solace and in communication with his friends, and still more in prose on a variety of themes, he being a writer of the most versatile ability, of great range and attainment (1580-1645).

QUEZAL, a bird of the trogon family, of strikingly beautiful plumage, whose feathers were chosen for the adornment of native chiefs in Guatemala and Peru; the bird is the badge of the former country.

QUIBERON, a small fishing village on a peninsula of the name, stretching southward from Morbihan, France, near which Hawke defeated a French fleet in 1759, and where a body of French emigrants attempted to land in 1795 in order to raise an insurrection, but were defeated by General Hooke.

QUICHUAS, a civilised people who flourished at one

time in Ecuador, Peru, and Bolivia, and spoke a highly cultivated language called Quichua after them.
QUICK, ROBERT HERBERT, English educationist; wrote "Essays on Educational Reformers"; was in holy orders (1852-1891).

QUICKSAND, a sandbank so saturated with water that it gives way under pressure; found near the mouths of rivers.

QUIETISM, the name given to a mystical religious turn of mind which seeks to attain spiritual illumination and perfection by maintaining a purely passive and susceptible attitude to Divine communication and revelation, abstaining from all consciousness of self and all sense of external things, and independently of the observance of the practical virtues. The high-priest of Quietism was the Spanish priest Molinos (q.v.), and his chief disciple in France was Madame de Guyon, who infected the mind of the saintly Fénelon. The appearance of it in France, and especially Fénelon's partiality to it, awoke the hostility of Bossuet, who routed the Church against it, as calculated to have an injurious effect on the interests of practical morality: indeed, the hostility became so pronounced that Fénelon was forced to retract, to the gradual dying out of the fanaticism.

QUILIMANE, a seaport of East Africa, on the Mozambique Channel, in a district subject to Portugal; stands 15 m. from the mouth of a river of the name.

QUILLER-DOUCH, SIR ARTHUR, British author. As a novelist he has written several works under the pen name "Q.", such as "Dead Man's Rock," "Splendid Spur," and "Troy Town." He has been a lecturer both at Oxford and Cambridge, and many of his lectures and essays on literature have appeared in book form (1863-).

QUILON, a trading town on the W. coast of Travancore, 85 m. N. of Cochin.

QUIMPER, a French town 63 m. S.E. of Brest, with a much admired cathedral; has sundry manufactures, and a fishing industry.

QUIN, JAMES, a celebrated actor, born in London; was famous for his representation of Falstaff, and was the first actor of the day till the appearance of Garrick in 1741 (1693-1766).

QUINAULT, PHILIPPE, French dramatist, born in Paris; his first performances procured for him the censure of Boileau, but his operas, including "Armide," for which Lully composed the music, earned for him a good standing among lyric and dramatic writers (1695-1698).

QUINCY, DE. See DE QUINCEY.

QUINCY, a city in Illinois, U.S., on the Mississippi, 160 m. above St. Louis; a handsome city, with a large trade and extensive factories; is a great railway centre.

QUINCY, JOSIAH, American statesman, born in Boston; was bred to the bar, and entered Congress in 1804, where he distinguished himself by his oratory as leader of the Federal party, as the sworn foe of slave-holding, and as an opponent of the admission of the Western States into the Union; in 1812 he retired from Congress, gave himself for a time to purely local affairs in Massachusetts, and at length to literary labours, without ceasing to interest himself in the anti-slavery movement (1772-1864).

QUINET, EDGAR, a French man of letters, born in Bourges, in the department of Ain; was educated at Bourges and Lyons, went to Paris in 1820, and in 1823 produced a satire called "Les Tablettes du Juit-Errant," at which time he came under the influence of Herder (q.v.), and executed in French a translation of his "Philosophy of Humanity," prefaced with an introduction which procured him the friendship of Michelet, a friendship which lasted with life; appointed to a post in Greece, he collected materials for a work on Modern Greece, and this, the first fruit of his own view of things as a speculative Radical, he published in 1830; he now entered the service of the *Revue des Deux Mondes*, and in the pages of it his prose poem "Ahasvérus" appeared, which was afterwards published in a book form and soon found a place in the "Index Expurgatorius" of the Church; this was followed by other dramatic poems, "Napoleon" in 1835 and "Prometheus" in 1838; from 1838 to 1842 he occupied the chair of Foreign Literature in Lyons, and passed from it to that of the Literature of Southern Europe in the College of France; here, along with Michelet,

he commenced a vehement crusade against the clerical party, which was brought to a head by his attack on the Jesuits, and which led to his suspension from the duties of the chair in 1846; he distrusted Louis Napoleon, and was exiled in 1852, taking up his abode at Brussels, to return to Paris again only after the Emperor's fall; through all these troubles he was busy with his pen, in 1838 published his "Examen de la Vie de Jésus," his "Du Génie des Religions," "La Révolution Religieuse au XIX^e Siècle," and other works; he was a disciple of Herder to the last, he believed in humanity, and religion as the soul of it (1805-1875).

QUININE, an alkaloid used in medicine in the form of the sulphate; obtained from the bark of the cinchona tree.

QUINISEXT, an ecclesiastical council held at Constantinople in 692, composed chiefly of Eastern bishops, and not reckoned among the councils of the Western Church.

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY, the Sunday before the beginning of Lent.

QUINSY, inflammation of the tonsils of the throat.

QUINTAIN, an old English sport of tilting at a mark with lances or poles which was popular to the close of the 18th century.

QUINTANA, MANUEL JOSÉ, a Spanish lyric and dramatic poet, born in Madrid; was for a time the champion of liberal ideas in politics, which he ceased to advocate before he died; is celebrated as the author of a classic work, "Lives of Celebrated Spaniards" (1772-1857).

QUINTETTE, a musical composition in obligato parts for five voices or five instruments.

QUINTILLIAN, MARCUS FABIUS, celebrated Latin rhetorician, born in Spain; went to Rome in the train of Calba, and began to practise at the bar, but achieved his fame more as teacher in rhetoric than as a practitioner at the bar, a function he discharged with brilliant success for 20 years under the patronage and favour of the Emperor Vespasian in particular, being invested by him in consequence with the insignia and title of consul; with posterity his fame rests on his "Institutes," a great work, being a complete system of rhetoric in 12 books; he commenced it in the reign of Domitian after his retirement from his duties as a public instructor, and it occupied him two years; it is a wise book, ably written, and fraught with manifold instruction to all whose chosen profession it is to persuade men (c. 40-100).

QUIPU, or **QUIPO**, knotted cords of different colours used by the ancient Mexicans and Peruvians for conveying orders or recording events.

QUIRINAL, one of the seven hills on which Rome was built, N. of the Tiberine, and one of the oldest quarters of the city.

QUIRITES, the name the citizens of Rome assumed in their civic capacity.

QUITO, the capital of Ecuador, situated at an elevation of nearly 9000 ft. above the sea-level, and cut up with ravines; stands in a region of perpetual spring and amid picturesque surroundings, the air clear and the sky a dark deep blue. The chief buildings are of stone, but all the ordinary dwellings are of sun-dried brick and without chimneys. It is in the heart of a volcanic region, and is subject to frequent earthquakes, in one of which, in 1797, 40,000 of the inhabitants perished. The population consists chiefly of Indians.

QUITO, CORDILLERA OF, a chain of mountains, the chief of them volcanic, in Ecuador, containing the loftiest peaks of the Andes, and including among them Antisana, Cotopaxi, and Chimborazo.

QUIT-RENT, a rent the payment of which frees the tenant of a holding from other services such as were obligatory under feudal tenure.

QUOITS, a game of considerable antiquity, having originated in the Roman sport of discus-throwing; in the modern game the quoit is an iron ring, several pounds in weight, and of a flat shape, which is thrown to a mark.

QUORRA, the name given to the middle and lower course of the Niger.

QUORUM, the number of the members of a governing body required by law to give legality to any transaction in the name of it.

QUR'AN. See KORAN.

RAAB

RAAB, a town in Hungary, 67 m. NW. of Buda-Pesth, manufactures machinery and cutlery.

RAASAY, one of the Inner Hebrides, belonging to Inverness-shire, lies between Skye and Ross-shire; bare on the W., picturesque on the E.; has interesting ruins of Brochel Castle.

RABANT DE ST. ÉTIENNE, a moderate French Revolutionary; member of the Constituent Assembly; one of the Girondists; opposed the extreme party, and when proscribed, concealed himself between two walls he had built in his brother's house; was discovered, and doomed to the guillotine, as were also those who protected him (1743-1793).

RABAT, known also as New Salée, a declining port in Morocco, finely situated on elevated ground overlooking the mouth of the Bu-Kagrag River, 115 m. SE. of Fez; is surrounded by walls, and has a commanding citadel, a noted tower, interesting ruins, &c.; manufactures carpets, mats, and pottery, and exports olive-oil, grain, and wool.

RABBI (*lit.* my master), an appellation of honour applied to a teacher of the Law among the Jews, in frequent use among them in the days of Christ, who was frequently saluted by this title.

RABBISM, the name applied in modern times to the principles and methods of the Jewish Rabbis, particularly in the interpretation of the Jewish Scriptures.

RABELAIS, FRANÇOIS, great French humorist, born in Chinon, the son of a poor apothecary; was sent to a convent at nine; became a Franciscan monk; read and studied a great deal, but, sick of convent life, ran away at forty years of age; went to Montpellier and studied medicine, and for a time practiced it, particularly at Lyons; here he commenced the series of writings that have immortalized his name, his "Gargantua" and "Pantagruel," which he finished as cure of Meudon, forming a succession of satires in a vein of riotous mirth on monks, priests, pedants, and all the incarnate solacisms of the time, yet with all their licentiousness revealing a heart in love with mankind, and a passionate desire for the establishment of truth and justice among men (1483-1553).

RACES OF MANKIND. These have been divided into the Caucasian or Indo-European, the Mongolian or Yellow, the Negro or Black, and the Australoids.

RACHEL, ELISA, a great French tragedienne, born in Switzerland, of Jewish parents; made her début in Paris in 1838, and soon became famous as the interpreter of the principal characters in the masterpieces of Racine and Corneille, her crowning triumph being the representation, in 1843, of Phèdre in the tragedy of Racine; she made a great impression wherever she appeared and realized a large fortune (1821-1858).

RACHMANINOFF, SERGEI VASSILIEVITCH, Russian pianist and composer. Born in Novgorod, he was educated at Moscow and St. Petersburg, and later appeared in the principal cities of Europe and America both as pianist and conductor; his most popular composition is his "Prelude" (1874-).

RACINE, a flourishing city of Wisconsin, U.S.A., capital of Racine County, at the entrance of Root River into Lake Michigan, 62 m. N. of Chicago; has an Episcopal university; trades in lumber, flax, and the products of various factories.

RACINE, JEAN, great French tragic poet, born in La Ferté Milon, in the dep. of Aisne; was educated at Beauvais and the Port Royal; in 1663 settled in Paris, gained the favour of Louis XIV. and the friendship of Boileau, La Fontaine, and Molière, though he quarrelled with the latter, and finally lost favour with the king, which he never recovered, and which hastened his death; he raised the French language to the highest pitch of perfection in his tragedies, of which the chief are "L'Andromaque" (1667), "Britannicus" (1669), "Mithridate" (1673), "Iphigénie" (1674), "Phèdre" (1677),

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"Æther" (1688), and "Athalie" (1691), as well as an exquisite comedy entitled "Les Plaideurs" (1699); when Voltaire was asked to write a commentary on Racine, his answer was, "One had only to write at the foot of each page, *beau, pathétique, harmonieux, admirable, sublime*" (1639-1697).

RACK, an instrument of torture; consisted of an oblong wooden frame, fitted with cords and levers, by means of which the victim's limbs were racked to the point of dislocation; dates back to Egyptian, Greek, and Roman times, and was used against the early Christians; much resorted to by the Spanish Inquisition, and also at times by the Tudor monarchs of England, though subsequently prohibited by law in England.

RADCLIFFE, a prosperous town of Lancashire, on the Irwell, 7 m. NW. of Manchester; manufactures cotton, calico, and paper; has bleaching and dye works, and good coal-mines.

RADCLIFFE, MRS. ANN, nee WARD, English novelist, born in London; wrote a series of popular works which abound in weird tales and scenes of old castles and gloomy forests, of which the best known is the "Mysteries of Udolpho" (1764-1823).

RADCLIFFE, JOHN, physician, born in Wakefield, studied at Oxford; commenced practice in London; by his art and professional skill rose to eminence; attended King William and Queen Mary; summoned to attend Queen Anne but did not, pleading illness, and on the queen's death was obliged to disappear from London; left £40,000 to found a public library in the University of Oxford (1650-1714).

RADETZKY, JOHANN, COUNT VON, Austrian field-marshal, born in Bohemia; entered the Austrian army in 1784; distinguished himself in the war with Turkey in 1788-1789, and in all the wars of Austria with France; checked the Revolution in Lombardy in 1848; defeated and almost annihilated the Piedmontese army under Charles Albert in 1840, and compelled Venice to capitulate in the same year, after which he was appointed Governor of Lombardy (1766-1858).

RADFORD, ROBERT, British bass singer. Born in Nottingham, he studied at the Royal Academy of Music and made his opera debut in 1906; the same year he appeared in the Handel Festival, and later was heard throughout the country (1874-).

RADIATION, the transmission of heat across space without warming the intermediate medium; radiant heat obeys the same laws as light with respect to reflection and refraction, and only differs from light in its longer wave-length; the term radiation is often used to denote all those wave motions emitted by a hot body, i.e. visible rays, infra-red (or heat rays), and ultra-violet (*q.v.*).

RADICALS, a class of English politicians who, at the end of the 18th century and the beginning of the 19th, aimed at the political emancipation of the mass of the people by giving them a share in the election of parliamentary representatives. Their Radicalism went no farther than that, and on principle could not go farther. The name was derived from a speech of Charles James Fox in 1797, in which he advocated "radical reform."

RADIOACTIVITY. During researches following the discovery of X-rays by Röntgen in 1895, A. H. Becquerel, a French scientist, found that uranium salts gave off rays which affected a photographic plate and could be detected by a phosphorescent screen or an electroscope; further work showed that this property was shared by thorium, actinium, and two new elements named radium and polonium, discovered by M. and Mme. Curie; the radiations were found to be of three distinct types, alpha or positive particles, beta or negative particles (electrons), and gamma rays, which are X-rays of small wave-length; the investigations carried on by Rutherford, Soddy, and others from 1902 onwards, showed that the radioactive substances form a series, and that each element after expelling

an alpha or beta particle becomes a new element; uranium changes in a number of steps to ionium and radium breaks up in successive stages to give polonium and finally lead; actinium and its products appear to be a branch of the uranium series, whilst thorium is entirely separate, although it leads to the same end-product, lead; the study of radioactivity led to the modern theory of the atom; variation of the pressure, temperature, &c., has been found to have no effect on radioactive substances.

RADIOLARIANS, primitive microscopic organisms whose remains form the ooze on the beds of the ocean. See **PLANKTON**.

RADIOLOGY, the application of X-rays in medicine and surgery.

RADIOMICROMETER, a delicate instrument for detecting and measuring radiation devised by C. V. Boys on the principle of the thermopile.

RADISSON, PIERRE ESPRIT, French-Canadian explorer, born in St. Malo, France; captured as a youth by Iroquois Indians and enrolled in their band; escaped, and in 1658 joined his brother-in-law, Groselliers, in an expedition beyond the Great Lakes, discovering the Upper Mississippi and being the first white men to penetrate the great North-West; was a pioneer in the fur trade, assisting to found the Hudson's Bay Company (c. 1636-1710).

RADIUM, a rare radioactive element, chemically resembling barium, which is found in minute quantities in uranium minerals; it is one of the products of uranium, being formed by the disintegration of ionium; radium breaks down, giving an alpha particle and a new gaseous element named niton or radon, resembling the inert gases, argon, &c., and being known as the emanation; the emanation, as a result of further disintegration, gives rise to the active deposit, consisting of a number of new elements of short life; the result of the disintegration of the active deposit is polonium, and finally lead; one gram of radium would lose half its mass in a period of 1600 years; radium has been used extensively for medical purposes, especially in the treatment of cancer; it was discovered by the Curies (q.v.), who, after laborious toil, extracted a minute quantity from two tons of pitchblende.

RADNORSHIRE, the least populous of the Welsh counties; lies on the English border between Montgomery (N.) and Brecknock (S.); has a wild and dreary surface, mountainous and woody. Radnor Forest covers an elevated, heathy tract in the E.; is watered by the Wye and the Teme. The soil does not favour agriculture, and stock-raising is the chief industry. Contains some excellent spas, that at Llandrinod the most popular. County town, New Radnor.

RADOWITZ, JOSEPH VON, Prussian statesman; entered the army as an artillery officer, rose to be chief of the artillery staff; by marriage became connected with the aristocracy; at length head of the Anti-Revolutionary party in the State, and the political adviser of William IV., in which capacity he endeavoured to effect a reform of the German Diet, and to give a political constitution to Germany (1797-1853).

RAE, JOHN, Arctic voyager, born in Orkney, studied medicine in Edinburgh; first visited the Arctic regions as a surgeon; was engaged in three expeditions to these regions, of which he published reports; discovered relics of Franklin in 1853 (1813-1893).

RAEBURN, SIR HENRY, portrait-painter, born in Stockbridge, Edinburgh; apprenticed to a goldsmith in the city, and gave early promise of his abilities as an artist; went to Italy as the result of an introduction to Reynolds, and after two years' absence settled in Edinburgh, and became famous as one of the greatest painters of the day; the portraits he painted included likenesses of all the distinguished Scotsmen of the period, at the head of them Sir Walter Scott; was knighted by George IV. a short time before his death (1756-1823).

RAFF, JOACHIM, musical composer of the Wagner School, born in Lachen, in Switzerland; began life as a schoolmaster; was attracted to music; studied at Weimar; lived near Liszt, and became Director of the Conservatorium at Frankfurt-on-Main; his

works include symphonies, overtures, with pieces for the violin and the piano (1822-1882).

RAFFLES, SIR THOMAS STAMFORD, English administrator, born in Jamaica; entered the East India Company's service, and rose in it; became Governor of Java, and wrote a history of it; held afterwards an important post in Sumatra, and formed a settlement at Singapore; returned to England with a rich collection of natural objects and documents, but lost most of them by the ship taking fire (1781-1826).

RAFIN, KARL CHRISTIAN, Danish archaeologist born in Fünen; devoted his life to the study of northern antiquities; edited numerous Norse MSS.; executed translations of Norse literature; wrote original treatises in the same interest, and by his researches established the fact of the discovery of America by the Norsemen in the 10th century (1796-1864).

RAGGED SCHOOLS, a name given to the charity schools which provided education and, in most cases, food, clothing, and lodging for destitute children; they received no Government support. The movement had its beginning in the magnanimous efforts of John Pounds (d. 1839), a shoemaker of Portsmouth; but the zeal and eloquence of Dr. Guthrie (q.v.) of Edinburgh greatly furthered the development and spread of these schools throughout the kingdom.

RAGLAN, FITZROY SOMERSET, LORD, youngest son of the Duke of Beaufort; entered the army at sixteen; served with distinction all through the Peninsular War; became aide-de-camp to the Duke of Wellington and his military secretary; lost his right arm at Waterloo; did diplomatic service at Paris in 1815, and held afterwards a succession of important military posts; was appointed commander-in-chief of the British forces in the Crimea, and was present at all the engagements, till attacked by cholera, aggravated by a repulse and unjust reflections on his conduct of the war, his health was affected and he died in camp (1789-1842).

RAGMAN, ROLL, the name given to a record of the acts of fealty and homage done by the Scottish nobility and gentry in 1296 to Edward I. of England, and of value for the list it supplies of the nobles, gentry, burgesses, and clergy of the country at that period. The original written rolls of parchment have perished, but an abridged form is extant, and preserved in the Tower of London. The name is derived from that of Ragimunde, a papal legate who had been earlier commissioned to make a return of the Scottish clergy and their emoluments.

RAGNARÖK, in the Norse mythology the twilight of the gods, when it was predicted "the Divine powers and the chaotic brute ones, after long contest and partial victory by the former, should meet at last in universal, world-embracing wrestle and duel, strength against strength, mutually extinctive"; in this catastrophe Vidar and another are to be spared to found a new heaven and a new earth, the sovereign of which shall be Justice.

RAGUSA, a decayed city on the Dalmatian coast, fronting the Adriatic; has interesting remains of its ancient greatness, and still contains several fine monastic and other buildings.

RAHEL, wife of Varnhagen von Ense, born in Berlin, of Jewish parentage; was a woman of "rare gifts, worth, and true genius, and equal to the highest thoughts of her century"; and lived in intimate relation with all the intellectual lights of Germany at the time; worshipped at the shrine of Goethe, and was the foster-mother of German genius generally in her day; she did nothing of a literary kind herself; all that remains of her gifts in that line are her Letters, published by her husband on her death, which letters, however, are intensively subjective, and reveal the state rather of her feelings than the thoughts of her mind (1771-1838).

RAIKES, ROBERT, the founder of Sunday Schools, born in Gloucester; by profession a printer; lived to see his pet institution established far and wide over England; left a fortune for benevolent objects (1735-1811).

RAILWAY KING, name given by Sydney Smith to George Hudson (q.v.), the great railway speculator,

who is said to have one day in the course of his speculations in scrip realised as much as £100,000.

RAILWAYS. The railway companies of Great Britain are now amalgamated into four groups. (1) The London, Midland and Scottish (L.M.S. & Co.), consisting of the London and North-Western, the Midland, the Lancashire and Yorkshire, the North Staffordshire, the Furness, the Glasgow and South-Western, the Caledonian, the Highland, and the Maryport and Carlisle, and other smaller companies. (2) The London and North Eastern (L.N.E.R.), consisting of the North Eastern, the Great Northern, the Great Central, the Great Eastern, the Hull and Barnsley, the North British, and other companies of the Eastern coast. (3) The Great Western (G.W.R.), consisting of the Great Western, the Cambrian, the Taff Vale, and other lines in South Wales, and a few other local companies. (4) The Southern (S.R.), which is a combination of the London and South Western, the London, Brighton and South Coast, the South Eastern and Chatham, and the Isle of Wight companies.

RAJAH, a title which originally belonged to princes of the Hindu race who exercised sovereign rights over some tract of territory; now applied loosely to native princes or nobles with or without territorial lordship.

RAJMAHAL, an interesting old Indian town, crowns an elevated site on the Ganges, 170 m. N.W. of Calcutta; has ruins of several palaces.

RAJON, PAUL ADOLPHE, French etcher, born in Dijon; made his mark in 1866 with his "Rembrandt at Work"; carried off medals at the Salon; visited England in 1872, and executed notable etchings of portraits of J. S. Mill, Darwin, Tennyson, &c. (1844-1888).

RAJPUT, a name given to a Hindu of royal descent or of the high military caste; that is, of the Kshatriyas, supposed to be sprung direct from Brahma. See **CASTE**.

RAJPUTANA, an extensive tract of country in the N.W. of India, S. of the Punjab, embracing some twenty native States and the British district Ajmere-Merwara. The soil is arid, the climate is the S., while the Thar or Great Indian Desert occupies the N. and W. Jodhpur is the largest of the native territories, and the Rajputa, a proud and warlike people, are the dominant race in many of the States, known for their loyalty to the British throne.

RAKOZY MARCH, the national anthem of the Hungarians, composed about the end of the 17th century by an unknown composer, and said to have been the favourite march of Francis Rakoczy II. of Transylvania.

RAKSHASAS, in the Hindu mythology a species of evil spirits, akin to ogres.

RALEIGH, SIR WALTER, courtier, soldier, and man of letters, born in Hayes Barton, in E. Devon, of ancient family; entered as student at Oxford, but at 17 joined a small volunteer force in aid of the Protestants in France; in 1580 distinguished himself in suppressing a rebellion in Ireland; was in 1582 introduced at Court, fascinated the heart of the Queen by his handsome presence and his gallant bearing, and received favours at her hand; joined his half-brother, Sir Humphrey Gilbert, in an expedition to North America, founded a colony, which he called Virginia in honour of the Queen, and brought home with him the potato and the tobacco plants, till then unknown in this country; rendered distinguished services in the destruction of the Armada; visited and explored Guiana, and brought back tidings of its wealth in gold and precious things; fell into disfavour with the Queen, but regained her esteem; under King James he became suspected of disloyalty, and was committed to the Tower, where he remained 12 years, and wrote his "History of the World"; on his release, but without a pardon, he set out to the Orinoco in quest of gold-mines there, but returned unsuccessful and was sentenced to die; he met his fate with calm courage, and was beheaded in the Old Palace Yard; of the executioner's axe he smilingly remarked, "A sharp medicine, but an infallible cure" (1552-1618).

RAISTON, WILLIAM SHEDDEN, a noted Russian scholar and translator, born in London; studied at

Cambridge, and in 1862 was called to the bar, but never practised; assistant in the British Museum library till 1875; visited Russia; his works embrace "Songs of the Russian People," "Russian Folk-Tales," &c. (1828-1889).

RAMA, in the Hindu mythology an avatar of Vishnu, being the seventh, in the character of a hero, a destroyer of monsters and a bringer of joy, as the name signifies, the narrative of whose exploits is given in the "Rāmāyana" (q.v.).

RAMADAN, the ninth month of the Mohammedan year, a kind of Lent, held sacred as a month of fasting by all Moslems, being the month in the life of Mohammed when, as he spent it alone in meditation and prayer, his eyes were opened to see, through the shows of things, into the one eternal Reality, the greatness and absolute sovereignty of Allah, and when the Koran was communicated to him.

RAMĀYANA, one of the two great epic poems, and the best, of the Hindus (the other being the Mahābhārata, q.v.), celebrating the life and exploits of Rāma, "a work of art in which an elevated religious and moral spirit is allied with much poetic fiction. . . written in accents of an ardent charity, of a compassion, a tenderness, and a humility at once sweet and plaintive, which ever and anon suggest Christian influences"; its precepts inculcate the delights of home life and the joys of brotherly love and unselfishness.

RAMBLER, a periodical containing essays by Johnson in the *Spectator* vein, issued in 1760-1762, but written in the stiff and cumbrous style which has been rather unjustly identified with Johnson's manner of writing generally.

RAMBOUILLET, MARQUISE DE, a lady of wealth and a lover of literature and art, born in Rome, who settled in Paris, and conceiving the idea of forming a society of her own, gathered together into her salon a select circle of intellectual people, which, degenerating into pedantry, became an object of general ridicule and was dissolved at her death (1582-1665).

RAMEAU, JEAN PHILIPPE, French composer, born in Dijon; wrote on harmony, and, settling in Paris, composed operas, his first "Hippolyte et Aricie," and his best "Caster et Pollux" (1683-1764).

RAMESES, the name of several ancient kings of Egypt, of which the most famous are R. II. (1300-1250 B.C.), who erected a number of monuments in token of his greatness, and at whose court Moses was brought up; and R. III. (1180-1150 B.C.), the first king of the twentieth dynasty, under whose successors the power of Egypt fell into decay.

RAMILLIES, Belgian village in Brabant, 14 m. N. of Namur; scene of Marlborough's victory over the French under Villeroi in 1706.

RAM MOHUN ROY, a Brahman, founder of the Brahmo-Soma, born in Burdwan, Lower Bengal; by study of the theology of the West was led to embrace deism, and tried to persuade his countrymen to accept the same faith, by proofs which he advanced to show that it was the doctrine of their own sacred books, in particular the Upanishads; with this view he translated and published a number of texts from them in vindication of his contention, as well as expounded his own conviction in original treatises; in doing so he naturally became an object of attack, and was put on his defence, which he conducted in a succession of writings that remain models of controversial literature; died in Bristol (1772-1833).

RAMSAY, ALLAN, Scottish poet, born in Crawford, Lanarkshire; bred a wig-maker; took to book-selling, and published his own poems, "The Gentle Shepherd," a pastoral, among the number, a piece which describes and depicts manners very charmingly, and, with other of his writings, led to a revival of Scottish vernacular poetry (1686-1758).

RAMSAY, ALLAN, portrait-painter, son of preceding; studied three years in Italy, settled in London, and was named first painter to George III. (1718-1784).

RAMSAY, EDWARD BANNERMAN, dean of Edinburgh, born in Aberdeen, graduated at Cambridge; held several curacies; became incumbent of St. John's Episcopal Church, Edinburgh, in 1880, and dean of the diocese in 1840; declined a bishopric

twice over; is widely known as the author of "Reminiscences of Scottish Life and Character": was a most genial, lovable man, a great lover of his country, and much esteemed in his day by all the citizens of Edinburgh (1798-1872).

RAMSAY, SIR WILLIAM, British chemist, professor of Chemistry at Bristol and afterwards at University College, London; he discovered helium and, with Rayleigh, argon in the atmosphere, as well as the other inert gases neon, krypton, and xenon; he carried out many researches in organic and physical chemistry (1852-1916).

RAMSEYTON, a busy manufacturing town in Lancashire, on the Irwell, 4 m. N. of Bury, engaged in cotton-weaving, calico-printing, rope-making, &c.

RAMSDEN, JESSE, mathematical instrument-maker and inventor, born in Yorkshire; made notable improvements in the sextant and micrometer, and in the theodolite for the Ordnance Survey of Great Britain (1785-1800).

RAMSEY, a beautifully situated, healthy watering-place, 14 m. N.E. of Douglas, in the Isle of Man.

RAMSGATE, a popular watering-place in Thanet, Kent, fronting the Downs, 72 m. E. by S. of London; has a famous harbour of refuge; to the W. lies Pegwell Bay with Ebbesfleet.

RAMUS, PETER, or **PIERRE DE LA RAMÉE**, a French philosopher and humanist, son of poor parents; became a servant in the College of Navarre; devoted his leisure to study, and became a great scholar; attacked scholasticism in a work against Aristotle as the main pillar of the system, and was interdicted from teaching philosophy, but the judgment was reversed by Henry II., and he was made a royal professor; he turned Protestant in the end, and was massacred on the eve of St. Bartholomew (1515-1572).

RANALOW, FREDERICK BARING, British baritone singer. Born in Dublin; he studied at the Royal Academy of Music; he appeared in opera and at the chief musical festivals; he toured Australia with Melba; Captain Macnath in "The Beggar's Opera" was one of his most successful rôles (1875-).

RAVALONA III., queen of Madagascar; was crowned in 1883, but her kingdom and capital were taken from her by the French in 1893 (1861-1917).

RANCHING, a term of Spanish derivation applied to the business of rearing cattle, as carried on in the southern and western States of America, and in the Canadian North-West; vast herds of cattle in a half-wild condition are raised on the wide stretches of prairie land, and are tended by "cowboys," whose free, adventurous life attracts men of all sorts and conditions.

RANDALL, JAMES RYDER, American journalist; author of "Maryland, my Maryland," "Stonewall Jackson," and other popular lyrics, which greatly heartened the Southern cause in the Civil War; born in Baltimore; engaged in teaching till he took to journalism (1889-1908).

RANDOLPH, JOHN, a noted eccentric American politician, born in Cawsons, Virginia; entered Congress in 1799, and held a commanding position there as leader of the Democratic party; was a witty, sarcastic speaker; sat in the Senate from 1825 to 1827, and in 1830 was Minister to Russia; liberated and provided for his slaves (1773-1833).

RANDOLPH, SIR THOMAS, English diplomatist, was sent on diplomatic missions by Queen Elizabeth, and was particularly mixed up in Scottish intrigues, eventually having to flee from Scotland for his life; left Memoirs (1623-1690).

RANDOLPH, THOMAS, English poet, wrote odes and sundry dramas, of which the "Muses' Looking-Glass" and "Amynas" are the best (1606-1688).

RANEE, name given to a Hindu princess or queen; a rajah's wife.

RANELAGH, a place of resort in grounds at Chelsea of people of fashion during the last half of the 18th century, with a promenade where music and dancing were the chief attractions. The gardens were closed in 1804. At the present time the name has been given to a polo club in the vicinity of Fulham.

RANGOON, capital and chief port of British Burma, situated 20 m. inland from the Gulf of Martaban,

on the Hlaing or Rangoon River, the eastmost of the delta streams of the Irrawaddy; British since 1852; a well-appointed city of modern appearance, strongly fortified; contains the famous Shway-Dagon pagoda erected in the 6th century A.C.; has extensive docks, and negotiates the vast bulk of Burmese exports and imports; the former include teak, gums, spices, and rice.

RANJIT SINGH, the maharajah of the Sikhs, after taking possession of Lahore, became undisputed master of the Punjab, and imposed on his subjects the monarchical form of government, which was shattered to fragments after his death; he was the possessor of the Koh-i-Nur diamond (1780-1839).

RANJITSINGHJI, the Maharajah of Nawanagar, born in Sarodar; studied at Cambridge; devoted himself to cricket, and became famous for his batting, playing for Sussex and England (1872-).

RANKE, LEOPOLD VON, German historian, born in Thuringia; began life as a teacher, and devoted his leisure hours to the study of history and the publication of historical works; was in 1825 appointed professor of History at Berlin; was commissioned by the Prussian government to explore the historical archives of Vienna, Rome, and Venice, the fruit of which was seen in his subsequent historical labours; German history, but those of Italy, France, and even England; of his numerous works, all founded on the impartial study of facts, it is enough to mention here his "History of the Popes in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries" and his "German History in the Times of the Reformation" (1795-1886).

RANKINE, W. J. MACQUORN, mathematician and physicist, born in Edinburgh; devoted himself to engineering, and held the chair of Engineering in Glasgow University; wrote extensively on mathematical and physical subjects, both theoretical and practical, including molecular physics (1820-1872).

RANNOCH, an elevated, dreary moorland in NW. of Perthshire, crossed by the West Highland Railway; Loch Rannoch, and Tummel lie to the E. and Loch Llynch to the W.

RANTERÄ, a name given to the Primitive Methodists who seceded from the Wesleyan body.

RANZ DES VACHES, a simple melody, played on the horn by the Swiss Alpine herdsmen as they drive their cattle to or from the pasture, which, when played in foreign lands, produces in a Swiss an almost irrepressible yearning for home.

RAPE OF THE LOCK, a dainty production by Pope, pronounced by Stopford Brooke to be "the most brilliant occasional poem in the language"; it is based on an incident ascribed to the Lord Petre of that day, who cut off a lock of hair from the head of Arabella Fermor and thus occasioned a feud between the two families.

RAPHAEL, one of the seven archangels and the guardian of mankind, conducted Tobias to the country of the Medes and aided him in capturing the miraculous fish, an effigy of which, as also a pilgrim's staff, is an attribute of the archangel.

RAPHAEL SANTI, celebrated painter, sculptor, and architect, born in Urbino, son of a painter; studied under Perugino for several years, visited Florence in 1604, and chiefly lived there till 1508, when he was called to Rome by Pope Julius II., where he spent the rest of his short life and founded a school, several of the members of which became eminent in art. He was one of the greatest of artists, and his works, which were numerous and varied, included frescoes, cartoons, madonnas, portraits, easel pictures, drawings, &c., besides sculpture and architectural designs, and all within the brief period of 37 years. He had nearly finished "The Transfiguration" when he died of fever caught in the excavations of Rome. He was what might be called a learned artist, and his works were the fruits of the study of the masters that preceded him, particularly Perugino and the Florentines, and only in the end might his work be called his own; it is for this reason that modern Pre-Raphaelitism is so called, as presumed to be observant of the simple dictum of Ruskin, "Look at Nature with your own eyes, and paint only what yourselves see" (1483-1520). See **PRE-RAPHAELITISM**.

RAPIN DE THOYRAS (Paul de Rapin), French historian, born in Castres; driven from France by the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes, settled in Holland, came over to England with and served under the Prince of Orange, withdrew to Holland and wrote a "History of England," deservedly much in repute for long (1661-1725).

RAPP, GEORGE, German fanatic, born in Württemberg, emigrated to America, and founded a fraternity called Harmonists, who practised communal principles, and who by tillage of land on the Ohio and otherwise amassed great wealth, to be kept in store for the service of Christ at His second coming (1757-1847).

RAPP, JEAN, COUNT, French general, born in Colmar; served under Napoleon with distinction all through his wars, held Danzig for a whole year against a powerful Russian army, was kept prisoner by the Russians after surrender, returned to France, and submitted to Louis XVIII. after Waterloo (1772-1821).

RAPPAHANNOCK, a navigable river of Virginia State, rises in the Alleghenies, and after a course of 250 m. to the SE. discharges into Chesapeake Bay.

RARATONGA, the largest island of the Cook or Hervey group in the Pacific; discovered in 1777 and under British control since 1888; inhabited mainly by Polynesians, once cannibals, now largely civilised; chief port Avatu.

RARE EARTHS, a group of rare chemical elements with similar properties, e.g. cerium, yttrium, thorium, zirconium, lanthanum, &c.

RASHI (in full Rabbi Solomon Izhaki), a Jewish scholar and exegete, born in Troyes; was an expert in all departments of Jewish lore as contained in both the Scriptures and the Talmud, and indulged much in the favourite Rabbinical allegorical style of interpretation (1040-1105).

RASK, RASMUS CHRISTIAN, Danish philologist, born near Odense; studied the primitive languages of the North, chiefly Icelandic, and then those of the East, and published the results of his researches; was professor of Oriental Languages and of Icelandic in the university of Copenhagen (1787-1832).

RASKOLNIKI (*lit.* a separatist), in Russia members of sects, of which there were many varieties, of dissenters from the Greek Church.

RASPAIL, FRANÇOIS VINCENT, French chemist, physiologist, and socialist; got into trouble both under Louis Philippe and Louis Napoleon for his political opinions (1794-1878).

RASPUTIN, GREGORY, Russian politician whose real name was Novik. Son of a Siberian fisherman, he had no education and became a "holy man" in Moscow, exercising particular power over women, notably the Czarina. For years he was the real power behind the Russian throne, until he was murdered in Petrograd by influential Russians who had discovered that he was intriguing with Germany (1873-1916).

RASSAM, HORMUZZ, Assyriologist, born in Mosul; assisted Layard in his explorations at Nineveh, and was subsequently, under support from Britain, engaged in further explorations both there and elsewhere; being sent on a mission to Assyria, was put in prison and only released after the defeat of Theodore (1826-1910).

RASSELAS, a quasi-novel written in 1759 by Johnson to pay the expenses of his mother's funeral, the subject of which is an imaginary prince of Abyssinia, its aim being a satire in sombre vein on human life.

RASTATT, or **RASTATT**, a town in Baden, on the Murr, 15 m. SW. of Karlsruhe; is fortified, and manufactures hardware, beer, and tobacco.

RATANA, a brandy flavoured with kernels of fruits.

RATHLIN, a picturesque, cliff-girt island (64 by 14 m.) off the N. coast of Antrim; fishing is the chief industry; has interesting historical associations with Robert the Bruce.

RATICH, WOLFGANG, German educationist, born in Wülster (Holstein); a forerunner of Comenius; his theory of education, which in his hands proved a failure, was based on Baconian principles; proceeded from things to names, and from the mother tongue to foreign ones (1571-1685).

RATIONAL HORIZON, a great circle parallel to the horizon, the centre of which is the centre of the earth.

RATIONALISATION, the process of forming industrial concerns into large groups to reduce overhead charges and so to lower the cost of production. The word came into general use soon after the Great War, when trusts were formed in British industry to meet the competition of larger foreign groups, notably in the United States and Germany.

RATISBON, or **REGENSBURG**, one of the oldest and most interesting of German towns in Bavaria, on the Danube, 32 m. NE. of Munich; has a quaint and medieval appearance, with Gothic buildings and winding streets; associated with many stirring historical events; till 1806 the seat of the Imperial Diet; has an active trade in salt and corn, and manufactures porcelain, brass, steel, and other wares.

RATTAZZI, URBANO, Italian statesman, born in Alessandria; was leader of the extreme party in the Sardinian Chamber in 1849, and was several times minister, but was unstable in his politics (1810-1873).

RAUCH, CHRISTIAN, eminent Prussian sculptor, born in Waldeck; patronised by royalty; studied at Rome under Thorwaldsen and Canova; resided chiefly in Berlin; executed statues of Blücher, Dürer, Goethe, Schiller, and others, as well as busts; his masterpiece is a colossal monument in Berlin of Frederick the Great (1777-1857).

RAUHES HAUS ("Rough House"), a remarkable institution for the reclamation and training of neglected children, founded (1831) and for many years managed by Johann Heinrich Wichern at Hoon, near Hamburg; it was affiliated to the German Home Mission.

RAUMER, FRIEDRICH LUDWIG GEORG VON, German historian; was professor of History at Berlin; wrote the "History of the Hohenstaufen and their Times," and a "History of Europe from the End of the 15th Century" (1781-1873).

RAVAILLAC, FRANÇOIS, the assassin of Henry IV., born in Angoulême; a Roman Catholic fanatic, who regarded the king as the arch-enemy of the Church, and stabbed him to the heart as he sat in his carriage; was instantly seized, subjected to torture, and had his body torn by horses limb from limb (1578-1610).

RAVANA, in the Hindu mythology the king of the demons, who carried off Sita, the wife of Rama, to Ceylon, which, with the help of the monkey-god, Hanuman, and a host of quadrumanous, Rama invaded and conquered, slaying his wife's ravisher, and bringing her off safe; the story forms the subject of the Hindu epic, "Rāmāyana."

RAVENNA, a venerable walled city of Italy; once a seaport, now 5 m. inland from the Adriatic, and 43 m. E. of Bologna; was capital of the Western Empire for some 350 years; a republic in the Middle Ages, and a papal possession till 1860; especially rich in monuments and buildings of early Christian art; has also picture gallery, museum, library, and leaning tower; manufactures silk, linen, paper, and glass.

RAVENNA, EXARCH OF, the viceroy of the Byzantine Empire in Italy, while the latter was a dependency of the former, who resided at Ravenna.

RAVENSCHROFT, THOMAS, musical composer, born in London; was a chorister in St. Paul's Cathedral; composed many part-songs, &c., but is chiefly remembered for his "Book of Psalms," which he edited and partly composed; some of the oldest and best known Psalms (e.g. Bangor, St. David's) are by him (1592-1640).

RAVENSWOOD, a Scottish Jacobite, the hero of Scott's "Bride of Lammermoor."

RAVIGNAN, GUSTAVE DELACROIX DE, a noted Jesuit preacher, born in Bayonne; won wide celebrity by his powerful preaching in Notre Dame, Paris; wrote books in defence of his order (1795-1858).

RAWAL PINDI, a trading and military town in the Punjab, 160 m. NW. of Lahore; has an arsenal, fort, &c., and is an important centre for the Afghanistan and Cashmere trades.

RAWLINSON, GEORGE, historian and classical scholar, born in Oxfordshire; entered the church, became a canon of Canterbury and rector of All Hallows, London; wrote a translation of Herodotus, "Manual of Ancient History," "History of Ancient Egypt," and other important works (1812-1902).

RAWLINSON, HENRY SEYMOUR, 1ST BARON, British general. Joining the army in 1884, he was A.D.C. to Roberts in India, saw service in Burma and in the Sudan, and was on the staff in the Boer War. At the start of the Great War he was director of recruiting, commanded the 7th Division at Ypres in October, 1914, and at Neuve Chapelle. He led the 4th Army on the Somme in July, 1916, became our representative at Versailles, and in 1920 was made commander-in-chief in India. He was raised to the peerage in 1919 (1864-1925).

RAWLINSON, SIR HENRY, Assyriologist, born in Oxfordshire, brother of George Rawlinson (q.v.); entered the Indian Army in 1827; held several diplomatic posts, particularly in Persia; gave himself to the study of cuneiform inscriptions, and became an authority in the rendering of them and matters relative (1810-1896).

RAY, JOHN, English naturalist, born in Essex; studied at Cambridge; travelled extensively collecting specimens in the departments of both botany and zoology, and classifying them, and wrote works on both as well as on theology (1627-1705).

RAYLEIGH, LORD (JOHN STRUTT) 3RD BARON, British physicist, professor at Cambridge and at the Royal Institution, and afterwards Chancellor of the University of Cambridge; with Ramsay he discovered argon in the atmosphere in 1894; he obtained many important results, both by mathematical analysis and experiment, in all branches of physics, especially sound and heat (1842-1919).

RAYLEIGH, LORD (ROBERT STRUTT), 4TH BARON, son of the preceding; professor of physics at the Imperial College of Science, South Kensington; he has carried on research upon radium, the earth's heat, and the aurora borealis amongst other subjects (1875-).

RAYMOND, name of a succession of Counts of Toulouse, in France, seven in number, of whom the fourth count, from 1088 to 1105, was a leader in the first crusade, and the sixth, who became Count in 1194, was stripped of his estate by Simon de Montfort.

RAYMOND, ERNEST, British novelist. He studied for the Church and became a schoolmaster before being ordained in 1914; in 1915 he became an army chaplain, and served in Gallipoli, Mesopotamia, and France during the Great War; he left the Church in 1923. His first novel was "Tell England," published in 1922, which was followed among others by "Daphne Bruno" (1888-).

RAYNAL, THE ABBÉ, French philosopher; wrote "Histoire des Indes" and edited "Philosophic History," distinguished for its "lubricity, un-verity, loose, loud, eleutheromania rant," saw it burnt by the common hangman, and his wish fulfilled as a "martyr" to liberty (1713-1790).

RAYNOUARD, FRANÇOIS MARIE, French littérateur and philologist, born in Provence; was of the Gloriotist party at the time of the Revolution, and imprisoned; wrote poems and tragedies, but eventually gave himself up to the study of the language and literature of Provence (1761-1836).

RE, ISLE OF, small island, 18 m. by 3, off the French coast, opposite La Rochelle; salt manufacturing chief industry; also oysters and wine are exported. Chief town, St. Martin.

REACTANCE, the resistance which an electrical circuit offers to an alternating current on account of its inductance and capacity, as distinguished from its ohmic resistance to a direct current.

READE, CHARLES, English novelist, born in Ipsden, in Oxfordshire; studied at Oxford; became a Fellow of Magdalen College, and was called to the bar in 1842; began his literary life by play-writing; studied the art of fiction for 15 years, and first made his mark as novelist in 1852, when he was nearly 40, by the publication of "Peg Woffington," which was followed in 1856 by "It Is Never Too Late to Mend," and in 1861 by "The Cloister and the Hearth," the last his best and the most popular; several of his

later novels are written with a purpose, such as "Hard Cash" and "Foul Play"; his most popular plays are "Masks and Faces" and "Drink" (1814-1884).

READING, chief town of Berkshire, on the Kennet, 36 m. N. of London; a town of considerable historic interest; was ravaged by the Danes; has imposing ruins of a 12th-century Benedictine Abbey, &c.; was besieged and taken by Essex in the Civil War (1648); birthplace of Archbishop Laud; has an important agricultural produce-market, and its manufactures include iron-ware, paper, sauce, and biscuits.

READING, a town of Berks Co., Pennsylvania, on the Schuylkill River, 58 m. N.W. of Philadelphia; has flourishing iron and steel works; population includes a large German settlement.

READING, 1ST MARQUESS OF (Sir Rufus Isaacs), British politician. After a successful career at the bar he took to politics, and having entered the House of Commons as a Liberal in 1904, became Attorney-General in 1910. From 1913 to 1921 he was Lord Chief Justice, and in 1916 and 1917 undertook special and important missions to the United States. In 1921 he was appointed Viceroy of India, a post he held for five years. He was raised to the peerage in 1914 (1860-).

REAL, an old Spanish silver coin still in use in Spain, Mexico, and some other of the old Spanish colonies, also is a money of account in Portugal; equals one-fourth of the *peseta*.

REAL, a legal term in English law applied to property of a permanent or immovable kind, e.g. land, to distinguish it from *personal* or movable property.

REAL PRESENCE, the assumed presence, really and substantially, in the bread and wine of the Eucharist of the body and blood, the soul and divinity, of Christ, a doctrine of the Roman and certain other Churches.

REALISM, as opposed to Nominalism, is the belief that general terms denote real things and are not mere names or answers to the mere conception of them; and, as opposed to Idealism, is in philosophy the belief that we have an immediate cognition of things external to us, and that they are as they seem. In art and literature it is the tendency to conceive and represent things as they are, however unsightly and immoral they may be, without any respect to the beautiful, the true, or the good. In Ruskin's teaching mere realism is not art; according to him art is concerned with the rendering and portrayal of ideals.

REALM, ESTATES OF THE, the Sovereign, the House of Lords, and the House of Commons in Great Britain.

REAL-SCHULE, a German school in which languages, sciences, and arts are taught to enable students to qualify for apprenticeship in some special business or craft.

REASON, GODDESS OF, a Mme. Monro, wife of a bookseller in Paris, who, on November 10, 1793, in the church of Notre Dame, represented what was called Reason, but was only scientific analysis, which the revolutionaries of France proposed, through her representing such, to install as an object of worship to the dethronement of the Church. *Finsée*; other women who at times posed as the "goddess" were Mlle. Candeille, of the Opéra, and Mlle. Aubray.

REAUMUR, RENÉ ANTOINE DE, French scientist, born in La Rochelle; made valuable researches and discoveries in the industrial arts as well as in natural history; is best known as the inventor of the thermometer that bears his name, which is graduated into 80 degrees from the temperature of melting ice to that of boiling water (1683-1757).

REBECCA THE JEWESS, a high-souled Hebrew maiden, who is the heroine in Sir Walter Scott's "Ivanhoe."

REBECCAITES, a band of Welsh rioters who in 1843, dressed as females, went about at nights and destroyed the toll-gates, which were outrageously numerous; they took their name from Gen. xxiv. 60.

RÉCAMIER, MADAME DE, Frenchwoman, born in Lyons; became at 15 the wife of a rich banker in Paris thence her own age; was celebrated for her

wit, her beauty, and her salon: was a friend of Madame de Staël and Chateaubriand, whom she soothed in his declining years (1777-1849).

RECANATI, a pretty Italian town, 15 m. S. of the Adriatic port Ancona, the birthplace of Leopardi; has a Gothic cathedral.

RECENSION, the name given to the critical revision of the text of an author, or the revised text itself.

RECHABITES, a tribe of Arab origin and Bedouin habits who attached themselves to the Israelites in the wilderness and embraced the Jewish faith, but retained their nomadic ways; they abstained from all strong drink, according to a vow they had made to their chief, which they could not be tempted to break, an example which Jeremiah in vain pleaded with the Jews to follow in connection with their vow to the Lord (see Jer. xxiv.).

RECIDIVISTS, a name applied to the class of habitual delinquents or criminals of France.

RECIPROCIITY, a term used in economics to describe commercial treaties entered into by two countries, by which it is agreed that, while a strictly protective tariff is maintained as regards other countries, certain articles shall be allowed to pass between the two contracting countries free of or with only light duties.

RECLUS, ELISÉE, a celebrated French geographer; from his extreme democratic opinions left France in 1851, lived much in exile, and spent much time in travel; wrote "Géographie Universelle," in 14 vols., his greatest work (1830-1905).

RECORD OFFICE, the building in Chancery Lane, London, where the public records of England, including the Domesday Book, are kept.

RECORDE, ROBERT, mathematician, born in Pembroke; a physician by profession, and by appointment to Edward VI. and Queen Mary; his works on arithmetic, algebra, &c., were written in the form of question and answer; died in the debtors' prison (1610-1658).

RECORDER, an English law official, the chief judicial officer of a city or borough; discharges the functions of judge at the Quarter-Sessions of his district; must be a barrister of at least five years' standing; is appointed by the Crown, but paid by the local authority; is debarred from sitting on the licensing bench, but is not withheld from practicing at the bar; the sheriff in Scotland is a similar official.

RECTIFICATION, the process of changing an alternating into a unidirectional current; in the case of a wireless set this is done by means of a valve.

RECTOR, a clergyman of the Church of England, who has a right to the great and small tithes of the living; where the tithes are inappropriate he is called a vicar.

REBOUNDS, a name given to persons who refused to attend the services of the Established Church, on whom legal penalties were first imposed in Elizabeth's reign, that bore heavily upon Catholics and Dissenters; the Toleration Act of William III. (1689) relieved the latter, but the Catholics were not entirely emancipated till 1829.

RED CROSS, the international emblem of the ambulance, the neutrality of which was first recognised in 1864 by the Geneva Convention (q.v.).

RED CROSS KNIGHT, St. George, the patron saint of England, and the type and the symbol of justice and purity at feud with injustice and impurity; the chief character in the first book of Spenser's "Faerie Queene."

RED CROSS SOCIETY, an internationally recognised society of volunteers to attend to the sick and wounded in time of war, so called from the members of it wearing the badge of St. George.

RED REPUBLICANS, a party in France who, at the time of the Revolution of 1848, aimed at a re-organisation of the State on a general partition of

an important western tributary of the Mississippi; flows E. and SE. through Texas, Arkansas, and Louisiana; has a course of 1600 m. till it joins the Mississippi; is navigable for 350 m.

RED RIVER OF THE NORTH, flows out of Kibow Lake, Minnesota; forms the boundary between North Dakota and Minnesota, and flowing through Manitoba, falls into Lake Winnipeg after a course of 665 m.; is a navigable river.

RED SEA, an arm of the Arabian Sea, and stretching in a NW. direction between the desolate, sandy and arid shores of Arabia and Africa; is connected with the Gulf of Aden in the SE. by the Strait of Bab-el-Mandeb, and in the NW. divides into the Gulfs of Suez and Akaba, between which lies the Sinai Peninsula; the Suez Canal (q.v.) joins it to the Mediterranean; is 1200 m. long, and averages 180 in breadth; has a mean depth of 375 fathoms (greatest 1200); receives no rivers, and owing to the great evaporation its water is very saline; long coral reefs skirt its shores, and of many islands Jebel Zogur, in the Farasan Archipelago, and Dahlak are the largest; the dangerous Dardalus Reef is marked by a lighthouse; as a seaway between Europe and the East its importance was greatly diminished by the discovery of the Cape route, but since the opening of the Suez Canal it has much more than regained its old position; owes its name probably to the deep red tint of the water often seen among the reefs, due to the presence of microscopic organisms.

REDAN, a rampart shaped like the letter V, with its apex toward the enemy.

REDDITCH, a flourishing town of Worcester, on the Warwick border, 13 m. SW. of Birmingham, busy with the manufacture of needles, pins, fish-hooks, &c.

REDEMPTIONISTS, better known as Trinitarians (q.v.), a name bestowed on an order of monks consecrated to the work of redeeming Christian captives from slavery.

REDESDALE, in Northumberland, the valley of the river Red, which rises in the Cheviots and flows SE. through pastoral and in part dreary moorland till it joins the North Tyne; at the S. end is the field of Otterburn (q.v.).

REDESWARE, RAID OF THE, a famous Border fight in July, 1575, at the Cheviot pass which enters Redesdale; through the timely arrival of the men of Jedburgh the Scots proved victorious; is the subject of a Border ballad.

REDGAUNTLET, an enthusiastic Jacobite character in Sir Walter Scott's novel of the name, distinguished by a "horse-shoe vein" on his brow, which would swell black when he was in anger.

REDGRAVE, RICHARD, painter, born in Pimlico, in London; studied at the Royal Academy, won his first success in "Gulliver on the Farmer's Table," became noted for his genre and landscape paintings, held Government appointments, and published among other works "Reminiscences" and "A Century of English Painters" (1804-1888).

REDING, ALOYS VON, a Swiss patriot, born in Schwyz; was the bold defender of Swiss independence against the French, in which he was in the end defeated (1755-1818).

REDMOND, JOHN, Irish politician. Of the older school of Irish Nationalists, he became leader of his party in 1906, a post he retained till his death. In the House of Commons he was one of the most prominent advocates of Home Rule, but in 1914 he declared in the House that the outbreak of the Great War that Britain could safely withdraw all troops from Ireland. To the end he remained intensely loyal and a foe of Sinn Féin and such manifestations of it as the 1916 rebellion (1851-1918).

REDOUBT KAIL, a Russian fort on the E. coast of the Black Sea, 10 m. N. of Poti, the chief place for shipping Circassian girls to Turkey; captured by the British in 1854.

REDRUTH, a town of Cornwall, on a hilly site nearly 10 m. SW. of Truro, in the midst of a tin and copper mining district.

RED-TAPE, name given to official formality, from the red-tape employed in tying official documents.

REES, ABRAHAM, compiler of "Rees's Cyclopaedia" (45 vols.), born in Montgomeryshire; became a tutor at Hoxton Academy; and subsequently ministered in the Unitarian Chapel at Old Jewry for some 40 years (1743-1825).

REEVE, NAME given to magistrates of various classes in early English times, the most important of whom was the shire-reeve or sheriff, who represented the king in his shire; others were borough-reeves, port-reeves, &c.

REEVE, CLARA, an English novelist, born, the daughter of a rector, in Ipswich; the best known of her novels is "The Champion of Virtue," after-

wards called "The Old English Baron," a work of the school of Mrs. Radcliffe and of Walpole (1729-1807).

REEVES, JOHN SIMS, distinguished singer, born in Shooter's Hill, Kent; made his first appearance at the age of 18 as a baritone at Newcastle, and then as a tenor, and was the foremost in England at the time; performed first in opera and then as a ballad singer at concerts, and took his farewell of the public on May 11, 1891, though he frequently appeared afterwards (1818-1900).

REFERENDUM, a practice which prevails in Switzerland of referring every new legislative measure to the electorate in the several electoral bodies for their approval before it can become law.

REFLEX ACTIONS, name given to the mechanical reactions which an animal or plant gives in answer to certain stimuli; they play an important part in the lives of all organisms, even in the higher animals and men.

REFORM BILLS, Parliamentary measures altering the laws relating to the franchise. The first was passed in 1832 after two rejections, and abolished certain "pocket boroughs" and gave the vote to town-dwellers who paid a rent of £10. The 1867 Reform Bill gave a household and lodger franchise in boroughs, and further extensions were made in 1884. The 1918 Act extended the franchise to women over 30 and abolished all property qualification as well as plural voting. A measure of 1928 established universal suffrage regardless of sex at the age of 21.

REFORMATION, the great religious movement of the 16th century in which a large section of the Church broke away from Rome. The revival of learning consequent upon the fall of Constantinople was in part responsible for the movement, which was also fostered by the growing nationalist spirit of Western Europe fretting under the domination of Rome. The first clash came when Luther defied Leo X. and stood out at the Diet of Worms for the right of individual liberty. In England the occasion of the Reformation was more political than theological. Henry VIII wanting a divorce from Catherine of Aragon and the Pope refusing to grant one. This led to Henry proclaiming himself Head of the Church in England, and the establishment of the Church of England in 1534. Socially the Reformation was of immediate importance by giving the Crown a new source of revenue, the incomes of the monasteries that were dissolved.

REFORMATION, MORNING STAR OF THE, the title given to John Wycliffe (q.v.).

REFORMATORIES, or Industrial Schools, schools for the education and reformation of convicted juvenile criminals (under 16). Under an order of court offenders may be placed in one of these institutions for from 2 to 5 years after serving a short period of imprisonment. They are supported by the State, the local authorities, and by private subscriptions and sums exacted from parents and guardians. Rules and regulations are supervised by the State. The first one was established in 1838.

REFORMED CHURCH, the Churches in Switzerland, Holland, Scotland, and elsewhere under Calvin or Zwingli, or both, separated from the Lutheran on matter of both doctrine and policy, and especially in regard to the doctrine of the presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

REFRACTION. Light travels in straight lines; but when a ray travelling through one medium passes obliquely into another of either greater or less density it is bent at the point of incidence. This bending or breaking is called refraction. The apparent bend in a stick set sloping in a sheet of water is due to this phenomenon, as are also many mirages and other optical illusions.

REGALIA, the symbols of royalty, and more particularly those used at a coronation. The English regalia include the crown, the sceptre with the cross, the verge or rod with the dove, St. Edward's staff (in reality dating from Charles II.'s coronation), the orbs of king and queen, the sword of mercy called Curtana, the two swords of spiritual and temporal justice, the ring of alliance with the nation, bracelets, spurs, vestments, &c. These are to be seen in the Tower of London, and are valued

at \$3,000,000. The regalia of Scotland consist of the crown, the sceptre, and sword of State, and are on exhibition in the Crown-room in Edinburgh Castle.

REGELATION. The melting-point of ice is reduced by pressure, and consequently two pieces of ice when pressed together melt slightly, but freeze again as soon as the pressure is released, forming one large

REGENERATION, the "new or second birth" required of Christ before any one can become a member of His kingdom, which, when achieved, is a resolute and irreversible No to the spirit of the world, and a no less resolute and irreversible Yes to the spirit of Christ, the No being as essential to it as the Yes. For as in the philosophy of Hegel, so in the religion of Christ, the negative principle is the creative or the determinative principle. Christianity begins in No, subsists in No, and survives in No to the spirit of the world; this it at first peremptorily spurns, and then disregards as of no account, what things were *gain* in it becoming *loss*.

REGENERATION, BAPTISMAL, the doctrine that the power of spiritual life, forfeited by the Fall, is restored to the soul in the sacrament of baptism duly administered.

REGENSBURG. See RATISBON.

REGGIO, an Italian seaport; capital of a province of the same name; occupies a charming site on the Strait of Messina; built on the ruins of ancient Rhegium; is the seat of an archbishop; manufactures silks, gloves, hose, &c.

REGICIDES, murderers of a king, but specially applied to the 67 members of the court who tried and condemned Charles I. of England, amongst whom were Cromwell, Bradshaw, Ireton, and others, of whom 10 living at the time of the Restoration were executed and 25 others imprisoned for life.

REGILLUS, LAKE, celebrated in ancient Roman history as the scene of a great Roman victory over the Latins in 496 B.C.; site probably near the modern town of Frascati.

REGINA, capital town of Saskatchewan, was founded as a North-West Mounted Police fort at Wascana Creek in 1882; is an important station on the Canadian Pacific Railway and a training depot for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (q.v.).

REGINA, ST., a virgin martyr of the 3rd century, usually depicted as undergoing the torments of martyrdom, or receiving spiritual consolation in prison by a beautiful vision of a dove on a luminous cross.

REGIOMONTANUS, name adopted by Johann Müller, a celebrated German astronomer and mathematician, born in Konigsberg, in Franconia; appointed professor of Astronomy in Vienna (1461); sojourned in Italy; settled in Nuremberg, where much of his best work was done; assisted Pope Sixtus IV. in reforming the Calendar; was made Bishop of Ratisbon; died at Rome; was regarded as the most learned astronomer of the time in Europe, and his works were of great value to Columbus and other early navigators (1436-1476).

REGISTRAR-GENERAL, an official appointed to superintend registration, especially of births, deaths, and marriages.

REGIUM DONUM, an annual grant formerly voted by Parliament to augment the stipends of the Presbyterian clergy in Ireland, discontinued from 1870.

REGNARD, JEAN FRANÇOIS, comic dramatist, born in Paris; inherited a fortune, which he increased by gambling; took to travelling, and was at 22 captured by an Algerine pirate, and when ransomed continued to travel; on his return to Paris wrote comedies, twenty-three in number, the best of them being "Le Joueur" and "Le Légataire," following closely in the steps of Molière; he was admired by Boileau (1656-1700).

REGNAULT, HENRI, French painter, born in Paris; son of following; a genius of great power and promise, of which several remarkable works by him are proof; volunteered in the Franco-German War, and fell at Buenvall (1842-1871).

REGNAULT, HENRI VICTOR, a noted French physicist, born in Aix-la-Chapelle; from being a Paris shopman he rose to a professorship in Lyons;

important discoveries in organic chemistry won him election to the Academy of Sciences in 1840; lectured in the Collège de France and the École Polytechnique; became director of the imperial porcelain manufactory of Sevres; did notable work in physics and chemistry, and was awarded medals by the Royal Society of London; famous for his research work in connection with specific heat and expansion of gases (1810-1878).

REGNIER, MATHURIN, French poet, born in Chartres; led when young a life of dissipation; ranks high as a poet, but is most distinguished in satire, which is marked with vigour (1573-1613).

REGULARS, in the Roman Church a member of any religious order who has taken the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

REGULUS, a Roman of the Romans; was twice Consul, in 207 and 256 B.C.; defeated the Carthaginians, both by sea and land, but was at last taken prisoner; being sent, after five years' captivity, on parole to Rome with proposals of peace, dissuaded the Senate from accepting the terms, and despite the entreaties of his wife and children and friends returned to Carthage according to his promise, where he was subjected to the most excruciating tortures.

REGULUS, ST., or ST. RULE, a monk of the East who, in the 4th century, it is said, came to Scotland with the bones of St. Andrew and deposited them at St. Andrew's.

REHMAN, ADA, actress, born in Limerick; made her debut at 16 in Albany, New York; came to London in 1884, and again in 1893; played Rosalind in "As You Like It," Lady Teazle in "The School for Scandal," and Maid Marian in the "Forsters," and numerous other parts (1860-1916).

REHOBOTH, the king of the Jews on whose accession at the death of Solomon, in 976 B.C., the ten tribes of Israel seceded from the kingdom of Judah.

REICH, THE, the old German Empire.

REICHENBACH, KARL, BARON VON, expert in the industrial arts, particularly in chemical manufacture; he was a zealous student of animal magnetism, and the discoverer of Od (1788-1869).

REICHENBERG, a town in Czechoslovakia, on the Nohse, 86 m. N.E. of Prague; chief seat of the cloth manufacture.

REICHENHALL, a popular German health resort, in South-East Bavaria, 10 m. S.W. of Salzburg; is charmingly situated amidst Alpine scenery, and has a number of mineral springs; is the centre of the great Bavarian salt-works.

REICHSRATH, the Parliament of the old Austrian Empire.

REICHSTADT, DUKE OF, the son and successor of Napoleon as Napoleon II; died at Vienna in 1832.

REICHSTAG, the German Legislature, representative of the German nation, elected by universal suffrage, male and female, under a system of proportional representation.

REID, SIR GEORGE, a distinguished portrait and landscape painter, born in Aberdeen. He was President of the Royal Academy in 1891 (1841-1913).

REID, SIR GEORGE HOUSTON, Premier of Australia, born in Johnstone, Renfrewshire; emigrated with his parents in 1862; adopted law as his profession; became Minister of Education in 1883; Premier of N.S.W. in 1894; was a great Free Trader, and visited England for the Jubilee in 1897; Prime Minister of the Australian Commonwealth, 1904; M.P. for St. George's, Hanover Square (1845-1918).

REID, CAPTAIN MAYNE, novelist, born in Co. Down; led a life of adventure in America, and served in the Mexican War, but settled afterwards in England to literary work, and wrote a succession of tales of adventure, including "The Scalp Hunters" and "The Headless Horseman" (1818-1883).

REID, THOMAS, Scottish philosopher, and chief of the Scottish school, born in Kincardineshire, and bred for the Scottish Church, in which he held office as a clergyman for a time; was roused to philosophical speculation by the appearance in 1730 of David Hume's "Treatise on Human Nature," and became professor of Philosophy in Aberdeen in 1752, and in Glasgow in 1763, where the year after he published his "Inquiry into the Human

Mind," which was followed in course of time by his "Philosophy of the Intellectual and Active Powers"; his philosophy was a protest against the scepticism of Hume, founded on the idealism of Berkeley, by appeal to the "common-sense" of mankind, which admits of nothing intermediate between the perceptions of the mind and the reality of things (1710-1796).

REID, SIR WILLIAM, soldier and scientist; served in the Royal Engineers with distinction under Wellington; became Governor successively of Bermuda, Barbadoes, and Malta, and was the author of a scientific work on "The Law of Storms" (1791-1858).

REIGATE, a flourishing market town in Surrey, 21 m. S. of London; is a busy railway centre; has interesting historic ruins, and an old church containing the grave of Lord Howard of Effingham.

REIGN OF TERROR, the name given to the bloody consummation of the French Revolution, including a period which lasted 420 days, from the fall of the Girondists on May 31, 1793, to the overthrow of Robespierre and his accomplices on July 27, 1794, the actors in which at length, seeing nothing but "Terror" ahead, had in their despair said to themselves, "Be it so. *Que la Terreur soit à l'ordre du jour* (having sown the wind, come, let us reap the whirlwind)." In this orgy of bloodshed as many as four thousand were guillotined, flogged, bayoneted, or otherwise done to death, of whom nine hundred were women.

REIMARUS, HERMANN SAMUEL, a philosopher, born in Hamburg; author of the "Wolfenbützel Fragments," published by Lessing in 1777, and written to disprove the arguments for the historical truth of the Bible, and in the interest of pure deism and natural religion (1694-1768).

REIS EFFENDI, one of the chief ministers of the old Turkish Empire who was Lord Chancellor and held the bureau of foreign affairs.

REITERS, the cavalry of the German Empire in the 14th and 16th centuries.

REITH, SIR JOHN, manager of the British Broadcasting Company. Born in Stonehaven, the son of a clergyman, he was educated at Gresham's School, Holt, and took an active part in the early days of broadcasting in 1922. He was knighted in 1927 (1889-).

RELATIVITY OF KNOWLEDGE, the doctrine that all knowledge is of things as they appear to us and not of things as they are in themselves, is subjective and not objective, is phenomenal and not noumenal.

RELATIVITY, THEORY OF, a mathematical theory put forward by Albert Einstein (*q.v.*), the full understanding of which is only possible to those who have had a thorough training in the higher mathematics. This Special Theory followed on the Michelson-Morley experiment which attempted unsuccessfully to detect a difference in the velocity of light in directions parallel and perpendicular to that of the earth's motion and so obtain a measure of the earth's absolute motion in space; Einstein's theory states that it is impossible to measure an absolute motion and, furthermore, the apparent velocity of light is the same for all observers, whatever their motion or the motion of the source of light, since the standards of time and length vary with the velocity in such a way that the velocity of light remains constant; the General Theory published in 1915 was put forward as an explanation of gravitational phenomena based on a non-Euclidean four-dimensional geometry; the idea of a force of gravitation was rejected, it being assumed that a body naturally moves along the shortest line in space and that space is distorted in the neighbourhood of matter, causing it to move in such a way that it appears to be attracted; the theory gives an entirely different explanation of gravitation from that of Newton; it was found that there were two tests which could be applied to the theory; the first was carried out at the Total Eclipse of 1919, when the ray of light from a distant star was found to be bent on passing the sun by the amount predicted by Einstein, and, secondly, the theory gave an explanation of certain irregularities in the motion of the planet Mercury, which could not be accounted for by the Newtonian mechanics; later papers of

Einstein dealt with magnetic and electrical phenomenon; although the theory is essentially mathematical a number of writers have produced books on the philosophical consequences of relativity.

RELIEF, prominence of a sculpture from a plain surface; works in relief are of three kinds: *alto-relievo*, high relief; *mezzo-relievo*, medium relief; *basso-relievo*, low relief.

RELIGIO MEDICI, a celebrated work by Sir Thomas Browne (q.v.), characterised as a "confession of intelligent, orthodox, and logical supernaturalism couched in some of the most exquisite English ever written."

RELIGION, a sense, affecting the whole character and life, of dependence on, reverence for, and responsibility to a Higher Power; or a mode of thinking, feeling, and acting which respects, trusts in, and strives after God, and determines a man's duty and destiny in this universe, or "the manner in which a man feels himself to be spiritually related to the unseen world."

RELICUARY, name given to a portable shrine or case for relics of saints or martyrs; it assumed many forms, and was often rich in material and of exquisite design.

REMARQUE, ERICH MARIA, German writer. A student when the Great War broke out, he enlisted at 18, served in the trenches, and took afterwards to teaching and later business. In 1929 he published "All Quiet on the Western Front," a vivid, realistic study of the horrors of modern war, and with it achieved instantaneous success throughout the world (1898-).

REMBRANDT, or Van Rejn. Harmensz, a celebrated Dutch historical and portrait painter as well as etcher, born in Leyden, where he began to practice as an etcher; removed in 1630 to Amsterdam, where he spent the rest of his life and acquired a large fortune, but lost it in 1656 after the death of his first wife, and sank into poverty and obscurity; he was a master of all that pertains to colouring and the distribution of light and shade; of his pictures "The Woman Taken in Adultery" is in the National Gallery, London, while a number of his etchings are preserved in the British Museum (1606-1669).

REMIUS, ST., bishop and confessor of the 6th century, represented as carrying or receiving a vessel of holy oil, or as anointing Clovis, who kneels before him.

REMINGTON, PHIL, inventor of the Remington breech-loading rifle, born in Litchfield, in New York State; 25 years manager of the mechanical department in his father's small-arms factory; Remington type-writer also the outcome of his inventive skill; retired in 1886 (1816-1889).

REMONSTRANCE, THE, the name given to a list of abuses of royal power laid to the charge of Charles I. and drawn up by the House of Commons in 1641; with the petition that accompanied it contributed to bring matters to a crisis.

REMONSTRANTS, a name given to the Dutch Arminians who presented to the States-General of Holland a protest against the Calvinist doctrine propounded by the Synod of Dort in 1610.

ROMULUS, the twin brother of Remulus (q.v.), who was slain by the latter because he showed his scorn of the city his brother was founding by leaping over the wall.

REMUSAT, ABEL, Orientalist, born in Paris; studied and qualified in medicine, but early devoted himself to the study of Chinese literature, and in 1814 became professor of Chinese in the College of France; wrote on the language, the topography, and history of China and founded the Asiatic Society of Paris (1788-1832).

REMUSAT, CHARLES, COMTE DE, French politician and man of letters, born in Paris; was a Liberal in politics; drew up a protest against the ordinances of Polignac, which precipitated the revolution of July; was Minister of the Interior under Thiers, was exiled after the *coup d'état*, and gave himself mainly to philosophical studies thereafter (1797-1875).

RENAISSANCE, the name given to the revolution in literature and art in Europe during the 15th and 16th centuries, caused by the revival of the study

of ancient models in the literature and art of Greece and Rome, especially the former, and to the awakening in the cultured classes of the free and broad humanity that inspired them, an epoch which marks the transition from the rigid formality of medieval to the enlightened freedom of modern times.

RENAULT, a busy manufacturing town in East Flanders, Belgium, 22 m. S.W. of Ghent; has large cotton and linen factories, breweries, and distilleries.

RENAN, ERNEST, Orientalist and Biblical scholar, born in Brittany, son of a sailor; destined for the Church, he entered the seminary of St. Sulpice, where his studies threw him out of the relation with the Church and obliged him to abandon all thoughts of the clerical profession; accomplished in Hebrew, he was appointed professor of that language in the College of France in 1861, though not installed till 1870, and made a member of the French Academy in 1878; having distinguished himself by his studies in the Semitic languages, and in succession of essays on various subjects of high literary merit, he in 1863 achieved a European reputation by the publication of his "Vie de Jésus," the first of a series bearing upon the origin of Christianity and the agencies that contributed to its rise and development; he wrote other works bearing more immediately on modern life and its destiny, but it is in connection with his views of Christ and Christianity that his name will be remembered; he entertained at last an overweening faith in science and scientific experts, and looked to the latter as the elect of the earth for the redemption of humanity (1822-1892).

RENSBURG, a fortified town in Schleswig-Holstein, on the North Sea and Baltic Canal, 19 m. W. of Kiel; manufactures cotton, chemicals, brandy, &c.

RENE I., titular king of Naples, born in Angers, son of Louis II., Duke of Anjou and Count of Provence; on the death of his father-in-law, Duke of Lorraine, he in 1431 claimed the dukedom; was defeated and imprisoned; bought his liberty and the dukedom in 1437, in which year he also made an ineffectual attempt to make good his claim to the throne of Naples and Sicily; settled down in Provence and devoted himself to literature and art and to developing the country (1409-1480).

RENFREW, a royal burgh and county-town of Renfrewshire, situated on the Clyde, 6 m. below Glasgow; dates back to the 12th century as a burgh; industries include thread, cotton cloths, shawl factories and shipbuilding.

RENFREWSHIRE, a south-western county of Scotland; faces the Firth of Clyde on the W., between Ayr on the S. and S.W. and the river Clyde on the N.; bordered on the E. by Lanark; hilly on the W. and S., flat on the E.; is watered by the Gryffe, the Black Cart, and the White Cart; dairy-farming is carried on in extensive scale, stimulated by the proximity of Glasgow; nearly two-thirds of the county is under cultivation; coal and iron are mined, and in various parts the manufacture of thread, cotton, chemicals, and shipbuilding, is actively engaged in.

RENNELL, JAMES, engraver, born near Chudleigh, Devonshire; passed from the navy to the military service of the East India Company; became surveyor-general of Bengal; retired in 1782; author of many works on the topography of India, hydrography, &c.; the "Geographical System of Herodotus Examined and Explained" is his most noted work (1742-1830).

RENNES, a prosperous town in Brittany, capital of the department of Ille-et-Vilaine, situated at the junction of the Ille and the Vilaine; consists of a high and low town, separated by the river Vilaine, mostly rebuilt since the disastrous fire in 1720; has handsome buildings, a cathedral, &c.; is the seat of an archbishop, a military centre, and manufactures sail-cloth, linen, shoes, and hats; the court-martial which condemned Captain Dreyfus on a second trial in 1899 was held here.

RENNIE, JOHN, civil engineer, born in East Linton, East Lothian; employed by the firm of Messrs. Boulton & Watt at Soho, Birmingham, and entrusted by them to direct in the construction of the Albion

Mills, London, he became at once famous for his engineering ability, and was in general request for other works, such as the construction of docks, canals, and bridges, distinguishing himself most in connection with the last-named, of which those of Waterloo, Southwark, and London over the Thames, are perhaps the finest (1781-1821).

RENNIN, an enzyme found in the stomach of a calf, which acts upon the protein in milk, forming cheese.

RENOIR, AUGUSTE, French painter. Born in Limoges, he began to earn a living painting on porcelain at 15, and saved enough to study in Paris, where he established a considerable reputation as a figure-painter (1841-1919).

RENT RESTRICTION, the policy adopted by the British Government during the Great War, and in the period immediately after, to prevent landlords charging excessive rents. Maximum rents were first fixed by the Rent Restriction Act of 1915, which was extended in a slightly modified form in 1919.

RENTE, name given to the French funds, or income derivable from them.

RENTON, a town in Dumbartonshire, on the Leven, 2 m. N. of Dumbarton; engaged in calico-printing, dyeing, &c.; has a monument in memory of Tobias Smollett, who was born in the neighbourhood.

RENEWICK, JAMES, Scottish martyr, born in Montrose, Dumfriesshire; educated at Edinburgh University, but was refused his degree for declining to take the oath of allegiance; completed his studies in Holland, and in 1683 was ordained at Groningen; came to Scotland; was outlawed in 1684 for his "Apologetic Declaration"; refused to recognise James II. as king; was captured after many escapes, and executed at Edinburgh, the last of the martyrs of the Covenant (1662-1688).

REPARATIONS, the amount of indemnity demanded of Germany by the Allies after the Great War. The Treaty of Versailles fixed the amount at \$5,000,000,000, and failure on the part of Germany to meet her obligations led to the French and Belgian occupation of the Ruhr valley in 1923 after abortive international conferences on the subject. Eventually the Dawes Plan (q.v.) for payment was agreed to in 1924, and in 1929 this was superseded by the Young Plan (q.v.).

REPEALER, an advocate of the repeal of the Union of Great Britain and Ireland.

REPLICA, is properly the copy of an original picture done by the hand of the same master.

REPOUSSE, a name applied to a style of raised ornamentation in metal obtained by beating out from behind a convex design, which is then chased in front; was known to the Greeks, and carried to a high pitch of perfection by Benvenuto Cellini in the 16th century; has been successfully revived, especially in France, in this century.

REPTON, a village of Derbyshire, 6½ m. SW. of Derby, dates back to the 7th century, and is associated with the establishment of Christianity in England; has a fine public school, founded in 1556.

REPUBLIC, the name given to a State in which the sovereign power is vested in one or more elected by the community, and held answerable to it, though in point of fact, both in Rome and the Republic of Venice, the community was not free to elect any one outside of a privileged order.

REPUBLICANS, THE, the name given in the United States to the party opposed to the Democrats (q.v.) and in favour of federalism.

REQUIEM, a mass set to music, sung for the repose of the soul of a dead person.

RESENDOS, the name given to the decorated portion of the wall or screen behind and rising above a church altar; as a rule it is richly ornamented with niches and figures, and stands out from the east wall of the church, but not infrequently it is joined to the wall; splendid examples exist at All Souls' College, Oxford, Durham Cathedral, and St. Albans.

RESERVATION, the practice of keeping the consecrated elements of bread and wine from Holy Communion in church, nominally for administering them to the sick, but in practice often for purposes of adoration contrary to the 39 Articles. It was largely the fear that the practice would be en-

couraged which led to the rejection by the House of Commons of the Revised Prayer Book in 1927.

RESINA, a town of South Italy, looks out upon the sea from the base of Vesuvius, 4 m. SE. of Naples, built on the site of ancient Herculaneum; manufactures wine and silk.

RESPONANCE, the phenomenon exhibited by vibrating systems, which are brought into oscillation by a periodic disturbance, the frequency of which is equal to that of the system: e.g. a tuned wireless circuit responds to waves of a definite length but to no others; air in a pipe can be set in violent vibration by a tuning fork of a certain frequency, thus augmenting the sound; troops break step when marching over an insecure bridge as the regular paces might give rise to oscillations in the bridge.

RESPONSES, the first of the three examinations for a degree at Oxford University, or the Little Go.

RESSALDAR, in India, a native cavalry officer in command of a Ressalah, or a squadron of native cavalry.

RESTORATION, THE, the name given in English history to the re-establishment of monarchy and the return of Charles II. to the throne, May 29, 1660, after the fall of the Commonwealth.

RESTORATIONISTS, name of a sect in America holding the belief that man will finally recover his original state of purity.

RESURRECTIONIST, one who stealthily exhumed bodies from the grave and sold them for anatomical purposes, a practice at its height from the middle of the 18th century to early in the 19th.

RETFORD, market town of Nottinghamshire, on the Idle, 24 m. E. by S. of Sheffield; has foundries, paper and flour mills and dye works.

RETINA, a retiform expansion of the sensory nerves of the eye, which receives the impression that gives rise to vision.

RETRIBUTIVE JUSTICE, justice which rewards good deeds, and inflicts punishment on offenders.

RETSCH, MORITZ, painter and engraver, born in Dresden, where he became a professor of Painting; is famous for his etchings illustrative of Goethe's "Faust," of certain of Shakespeare's plays, as well as of Pouque's "Tales," and for the "Chess-Players" and "Man versus Satan," the latter being considered his masterpiece (1779-1857).

RETZ, CARDINAL DE, born in Montmirail, of Italian descent, and much given to intrigue, obtained the cardinalship of the archbishopric of Paris, plotted against Mazarin, played an important part in the troubles of the Fronde, and was in 1652 thrown into prison, from which he escaped; he left "Memoirs" which are valuable as a record of the times, though the readers are puzzled to construe from them the character of the author (1614-1679).

RETZ, GILLES DE, marshal of France, born in Brittany; distinguished himself under Charles VII. against the English; convicted of sorcery, was condemned to be burned alive at Nantes in 1440 for his unnatural crimes and his cruelties (c. 1406-1440).

REUCHLIN, JOHANN, a learned German humanist, born in the Black Forest, devoted himself to the study of Greek and Hebrew, and did much to promote the study of both in Germany, and wrote "Rudiments of the Hebrew Language"; though he did not attach himself to the Reformers, he contributed by his works and labours to advance the cause of the Reformation; his special enemies were the Dominicans, but he was backed up against them by all the scholars of Germany (1455-1522).

REUNION (formerly *le de Bourbon*), a French island in the Indian Ocean, 350 m. E. of Madagascar, 38 m. by 28; a volcanic range intersects the island; the scenery is fine; streams plentiful, but small; one-third of the land is uncultivated, and grows fruits, sugar (chief export), coffee, spices, &c. St. Denis, on the N. coast, is the capital; has been a French possession since 1649.

REUSS, name of two German principalities stretching between Saxony on the S. and Prussia on the N.; they belong to the elder and younger branches of the Reuss family. The former is called *Reuss-Greiz*, the latter *Reuss-Schleiss-Gers*; both are hilly,

well wooded, and well watered; farming and textile manufacturing are carried on. Both are represented in the Reichstag, and the legislative powers are vested in popularly elected assemblies.

REUTER, FRITZ, a German humorist, born in Mecklenburg-Schwerin; when a student at Jena took part in a movement among the students in behalf of German unity; was arrested and condemned, after commutation of sentence of death, to thirty years' imprisonment, but was released, after seven of them, in broken health; and after eleven more took to writing a succession of humorous poems in Low German, which placed him in the front rank of the humorists of Germany (1810-1874).

REUTER, PAUL JULIUS, BARON, the organizer of the conveyance of news by telegraph, born in Cassel; commenced with Berlin for centre in 1851; transferred his headquarters to London, and now the "system," which is in the hands of a limited liability company, has connections with the remotest corners of the globe (1818-1899).

REUTLINGEN, a picturesque old town in Württemberg, on the Eohatz, 20 m. S. of Stuttgart; formerly one of the free imperial cities of the Swabian League; has a splendid Gothic church; manufactures cloth, cutlery, leather, woollen and cotton yarns, &c.

REVEL, or REVAL, or TALINN, capital of Esthonia, is a flourishing seaport on the S. side of the Gulf of Finland, 232 m. W. of Leningrad; has a castle, fortifications, cathedral, mediæval antiquities, &c.; chiefly engaged in commerce; exports largely oats and other cereals, spirits, flax, &c.

REVELATION, name properly applicable to the knowledge of God, or of divine things, imparted to the mind of man, by the operation of the Divine Spirit in the human soul, and as apprehended by it.

REVELATION, BOOK OF, or The Apocalypse, the book that winds up the accepted canon of Holy Scripture, of the fulfilment of the prophecies of which there are three systems of interpretation: the *preterist*, which regards them all as fulfilled; the *historical*, which regards them as all along fulfilling; and the *futurist*, which regards them as still all to be fulfilled. The first is the one which finds favour among modern critics, and which regards it as a forecast of the struggle then impending between the Church under the headship of Christ and the civil power under the emperor of Rome, though this view need not be accepted as excluding the second theory, which regards it as a forecast of the struggle of the Church with the world till the cup of the world's iniquity is full and the day of its doom is come. The book appears to have been written on the occurrence of some fierce persecution at the hands of the civil power, and its object to confirm and strengthen the Church in her faith and patience by a series of visions, culminating in one of the Lamb seated on the throne of the universe as a pledge that all His slain ones would one day share in His glory.

REVELS, MASTER OF THE, also called Lord of Miracles, in olden times an official attached to royal and noble households to superintend the amusements, especially at Christmas time; he was a permanent officer at the English court from Henry VIII.'s reign till George III.'s, but during the 18th century the office was a merely nominal one.

REVELSTOKE, BARON (John Baring), British banker, one time chairman of the Bank of England; he died in 1929 during a sitting of a committee of experts on reparations (1863-1929).

REVERBERATORY FURNACE, a furnace with a domed roof, from which the flames of the fire are reflected upon the vessel placed within; used extensively for smelting metals.

REVERE, PAUL, American patriot, born in Boston, U.S., bred a goldsmith; conspicuous for his zeal against the mother-country, and one of the first actors in the revolt (1735-1818).

REVEREND, a title of respect given to the clergy. Very Reverend to deans, Right Reverend to bishops, and Most Reverend to archbishops.

REVERERING LAYER, a cloud of smoke like haze surrounding the photosphere of the sun; the layer

is of lower temperature than the underlying layers and absorbs part of the radiation, giving rise to the dark lines in the solar spectrum.

REVIVAL OF LETTERS, revival in Europe in the 15th century of the study of classical, especially Greek, literature, chiefly by the arrival in Italy of certain learned Greeks, fugitives from Constantinople on its capture by the Turks in 1453, and promoted, by the invention of printing, to the gradual extinction of the dry, barren scholasticism previously in vogue. See **RENAISSANCE**.

REVIVALS, waves of religious enthusiasm worked up by powerful preachers. In the middle of the 18th century the Wesley brothers and Whitefield met with great success with their open-air preaching, and subsequent revivalists have largely followed their methods. Of these Sankey, Moody, Torrey and Alexander, and Aimee McPherson have been the most famous. Some recent revivals have been accompanied by great emotionalism, and in America have been tainted with commercialism.

REVOLUTION, a sudden change for most part in the constitution of a country in consequence of internal revolt, particularly when a monarchy is superseded by a republic, as in France in 1789, in 1848, and 1870, that in 1830 being merely from one branch of the Bourbon family to another, such as that also in England in 1688. The French Revolution of 1789 is the revolution by pre-eminence, and the years 1848-1849 were years of revolutions in Europe, as were 1917 and 1918.

REVUE, a form of musical entertainment in a series of unconnected scenes without pretence at a plot; topical events and personalities play a prominent part; revues were first popular during the Great War when a large section of the public had no mind for more serious or thought-provoking entertainment.

REVUE DES DEUX MONDES, a celebrated French review, devoted to literature, science, art, politics, &c., established in 1820, and conducted afterwards by Buloz.

REYBAUD, MARIE BOCH LOUIS, a versatile litterateur and politician, born in Marseilles; travelled in India, established himself as a Radical journalist in Paris in 1829 and edited important works of travel, wrote popular novels, published important studies in social science; elected a member of the Academy of Moral Sciences (1850); was an active politician, and investigated for government the agricultural colonies in Algeria; author of "Scenes in Modern Life," and "Industry in Europe" (1799-1879).

REYKJAVIK (i.e. rocky town), capital of Iceland, situated in a barren, desolate region on the SW. coast; has a cathedral, and is the see of a bishop.

REYNARD THE FOX, an epic of the Middle Ages, in which animals represent men, "full of broad rustic mirth, inexhaustible in comic devices, a world Saturnalia, where wolves disguised into monks and nigh starved by short commons, force pilgrimages to Rome for absolution, cooks pleading at the judgment-bar, make strange mummery." The principal characters are Isengrim the wolf and Reynard the fox, the former representing strength incarnated in the baron and the latter representing cunning incarnated in the Church, and the strife for ascendancy between the two, one in which, though frequently hard pressed, the latter gets the advantage in the end.

REYNOLDS, JOHN FULTON, an American general, born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania; graduated at 21 at West Point, entered the army, distinguished himself during the Civil War, especially at the second battle of Bull Run; was killed at the battle of Gettysburg (1820-1863).

REYNOLDS, SIR JOSEPH, the chief of English portrait-painters, born near Plymouth; went to London in 1740 to study art, and remained three years; visited Italy and the great centres of art there, when he lost his hearing, and settled in London in 1752, where he began to paint portraits, and had as the subjects of his art the most distinguished people; numbered among his friends all the literary notabilities of the day; he was the first President of the Royal Academy, and though it was no part of his duty, delivered a succession of discourses to the students on the principles and

practice of painting, 15 of which have been published and are still held in high esteem (1723-1792).

REHADOMANCY, a species of divination by means of a hazel rod to trace the presence of minerals or metals under ground.

REHADAMANTHUS, in the Greek mythology a son of Zeus and Europa, and a brother of Minos (q.v.); was distinguished among men for his strict justice, and was after his death appointed one of the judges of the dead in the nether world along with Aeacus and Minos.

REHAPODISTS, a class of minstrels who in early times wandered over the Greek cities reciting the poems of Homer, and through whom the latter became widely known and came to be translated with such completeness.

RHEA, in the Greek mythology a goddess, the daughter of Uranus and Gaea, the wife of Kronos, and mother of the chief Olympian deities, Zeus, Pluto, Poseidon, Hera, Demeter, and Hestia, and identified by the Greeks of Asia Minor with the great earth goddess Cybele, whose worship as such, like that of all the other earth deities, was accompanied with wild revelry.

RHEA SILVIA, a vestal virgin, the mother of Romulus and Remus, twins, whom she bore to Mars, the god of war, who had violated her.

RHEIMS, an important French city in the department of Marne, on the Vesle, 100 m. N.E. of Paris; as the former ecclesiastical metropolis of France it has historical associations of peculiar interest; the French monarchs were crowned in its cathedral (a Gothic structure of unique beauty) from 1179 to 1825; has a beautiful 12th-century Romanesque church, an archiepiscopal palace, a Roman triumphal arch, a Lycée, statues, &c.; situated in a rich wine district, it is one of the chief champagne entrepôts, and is also one of the main centres of French textiles, especially woollen goods; is strongly fortified. Entered by German troops in September, 1914, and sacked by them before being evacuated after nine days; the city was constantly bombarded for the next four years owing to the proximity of the enemy; this bombardment almost destroyed the cathedral, which was restored afterwards.

RHEINGAU, a fruitful wine district in the Rhine Valley, stretching along the bank of the river in Hesse-Nassau; has a sunny, sheltered situation, and its wines are famed for their quality.

RHENISH PRUSSIA, the most westerly and most densely populated of the Prussian provinces, lies within the valleys of the Rhine and the Lower Moselle, and borders on Belgium and the Netherlands; is mountainous and forest-clad, except in the fertile plains of the N. and in the rich river valleys, where vines, cereals, and vegetables are extensively cultivated; large quantities of coal, iron, zinc, and lead are mined; as an industrial and manufacturing province it ranks first in Germany; Coblenz (capital), Aix-la-Chapelle, Bonn, and Cologne are among its chief towns; was formed in 1815 out of several smaller duchies.

REHOBOTH, a variable resistance placed in an electrical circuit to regulate the current flowing through it.

REHUS, a monkey held sacred in several parts of India.

REHETORIC, the science or art of persuasive or effective speech, written as well as spoken, which, both in theory and practice, was cultivated to great perfection among the ancient Greeks and Romans, and to some extent in the Middle Ages and later, but is much less cultivated either as a science or an art to-day.

REHNE, one of the chief rivers of Europe; of several small Alpine head-streams, the Neerer and the Farther Rhine are the two principal, issuing from the eastern flanks of Mount St. Gothard; a junction is formed at Reichenau, whence the united stream—the Upper Rhine—flows N. to Lake Constance, and issuing from the NW. corner curves westward to Basel, forming the boundary between Switzerland and Germany. From Basel, as the Middle Rhine, it pursues a northerly course to Mainz, turns sharply to the W. as far as Rhenen, and again resumes its northward course. The Rhine-Highland between Bingen and Bonn is the most romantic and

picturesque part of its course. As the Lower Rhine it flows in a sluggish, winding stream through the Rhenish Lowlands, enters Holland near Cleves, at Nimeguen bends to the W., and flowing through Holland some 100 m. reaches the North Sea, splitting in its lowest part into several streams which form a rich delta, one-third of Holland. It is 800 m. in length; receives numerous affluents, e.g. Neckar, Main, Moselle, Lippe; is navigable for ships to Mannheim.

REHNE, OCCUPATION OF THE. Under the terms of the Treaty of Versailles the territory of the left of the Rhine was to be occupied by Allied troops for 15 years from 1919, prior to which evacuation would be gradual; British, American, French, and Belgian troops were all represented; America withdrew in 1920; Britain remained at Cologne till 1925, when headquarters was transferred to Wiesbaden; in 1929 all British troops were withdrawn, and by 1930 total evacuation was effected.

RHINOPLASTIC OPERATION, an operation of repairing destroyed portions of the nose by skin from adjoining parts.

RHODE ISLAND, the smallest but most densely populated of the United States, and one of the original 13; faces the Atlantic between Connecticut W. and Massachusetts (N. and E.); is split into two portions by Narragansett Bay (30 m. long); hilly in the N., but elsewhere level; enjoys a mild and equable climate, and is greatly resorted to by invalids from the S.; the soil is rather poor, and manufactures form the staple industry; coal, iron, and limestone are found. Providence, Pawtucket, and Newport are the chief towns.

RHODES, or **RHODOS**, an island in the Mediterranean, 12 m. distant from the SW. coast of Asia Minor, area 49 m. by 21 m.; mountainous and woody; has a fine climate and a fertile soil, which produces fruit in abundance, also some grain; it is ill-developed, and has a retrogressive population, most of whom are Greeks; sponges, chief export; figures considerably in ancient classic history; was occupied by the Knights Hospitallers of St. John for more than two centuries, and was taken from them by the Turks in 1523.

RHODES, CECIL JOHN, statesman, born in Hertfordshire, son of a vicar; went to South Africa; became director of the diamond mines at Kimberley, and amassed a large fortune; entered the Cape Parliament, and became Prime Minister in 1890; he was active and successful in extending the British territories in South Africa, aiming at destroying race prejudices, and at establishing among the different colonies a federated union. He resigned in 1896 after the Jameson Raid, but acting as a private individual he quelled a Matabele revolt and in the Boer War fought at Kimberley (1883-1902).

RHODESIA, a British colony in S. Africa divided into N. Rhodesia and S. Rhodesia, stretching from Lake Tanganyika and the Congo to the river Limpopo; it is named after Cecil Rhodes, founder of the British South Africa Company which at one time administered the country; it is traversed by the Zambesi, which divides it into Northern and Southern Rhodesia; the Northern is less developed, though the land is cultivated, crops raised, and cattle-breeding commenced, besides a new industry started in fibre; the Southern is divided into two provinces, Mashonaland (q.v.) and Matabeleland (q.v.); it is favourable to the breeding of stock, though the rinderpest raged in it disastrously for a time; the climate is suitable for the cultivation of cereals of all kinds, and vegetables, tobacco, india-rubber, and indigo are indigenous, and well repay cultivation; there are forests of timber and gold, silver, copper, coal, tin, &c., have been discovered.

RHOMBUS, a quadrilateral with all its sides equal; its diagonals bisect one another at right angles.

RHONDDA, 1ST VISCOUNT (D. A. Thomas), British industrialist and politician. Industrially he was one of the largest of Welsh coalowners; he entered the House of Commons as a Liberal in 1888, was President of the Local Government Board in 1916, and Food Controller in 1917; he was raised to the peerage in 1916 (1856-1918).

REHNE, one of the four great rivers of France, rises on Mount St. Gothard, in the Swiss Alps; passes

through the Lake of Geneva, and flowing in a south-westerly course to Lyons, is there joined by its chief affluent, the Saône, hence it flows due S.; at Arles it divides into two streams, which form a rich delta before entering the Gulf of Lyons, in the Mediterranean; length, 504 m.; navigable to Lyons, but the rapid current and shifting sandbanks greatly impede traffic.

RHÔNE, a department of France lying wholly within the western side of the Saône and Rhône basin, hilly and fruitful; wine is produced in large quantities; has an active industrial population; capital, Lyons.

RHUMB LINE, a circle on the earth's surface making a given angle with the meridian; applied to the course of a ship in navigation.

RYEL, a popular watering-place of Flintshire, North Wales, situated on the coast at the mouth of the Clwyd, 16 m. E. of Conway; has a fine promenade, pier, esplanade, gardens, &c.

RYMER, THOMAS THE, or True Thomas, Thomas of Ercildoune, or Earleton, a Herwickshire notability of the 13th century, famous for his rhyming prophecies, who was said, in return for his prophetic gift, to have sold himself to the fairies.

RYHS, SIR JOHN, Celtic scholar, born in Wales; professor of Celtic at Oxford; wrote on subjects related to that of his chair (1840-1915).

RISSONISM, the principles of secret associations among the lower Irish Catholics, organised in opposition to Orangemen, the name being derived from a green ribbon worn as a badge in a button-hole by the members; they were most active between 1835 and 1855.

RIBERA, JOSEPE DE, a Spanish painter known as El Spagnoletto, born near Valencia; indulged in a realism of a gruesome type; had *Salvato*; *Rosa* and *Giordano* for pupils (1588-1656).

RICARDO, DAVID, political economist, born in London, of Jewish parentage; realised a large fortune as a member of the Stock Exchange; wrote on political economy on abstract lines, and from a purely mercantile and materialistic standpoint (1772-1823).

RICASOLI, BARON, Italian statesman, born in Florence; devoted to the cultivation of the vine, the olive, and the mulberry; was drawn into political life in 1847 in the interest of Italian unity, succeeded Cavour as Prime Minister, but retired from political life in 1866; his "Letters and Papers" in 5 vols., were published posthumously (1809-1880).

RICCI, LORENZO, last general of the Jesuits, born in Florence; entered the order when 15; became general in 1736; on the suppression of the order retired to the castle of St. Angelo, where he died in 1775.

RICCI, MATTEO, founder of the Jesuit mission in China, born in Macerata, Italy; accommodated himself to the manners of the Chinese, and won their confidence (1552-1610).

RICCIO, DAVID. See **RIZZIO**.

RICE, JAMES, novelist, born in Northampton, educated at Cambridge; designed for the law, but took to literature; owned and edited *Once a Week*; best known as the successful collaborator of Walter Besant (q.v.) in such novels as "The Golden Butterfly" and "Ready-Money Mortiboy" (1843-1882).

RICHARD I. (surnamed Cœur de Lion), king of England from 1189 to 1199, second son and successor of Henry II.; his early years were spent in Poitou and Aquitaine, where he engaged in quarrels with his father; after his accession to the throne he flung himself with characteristic ardour into the Crusade movement; in 1190 joined his forces with Philip Augustus of France in the third crusade; upheld the claims of Tancred in Sicily; captured Cyprus, and won great renown in the Holy Land, particularly by his defeat of Saladin; was captured after shipwreck on the coast on his way home by the Archduke of Austria, and handed over to the Emperor Henry VI. (1193); was ransomed at a heavy price by his subjects, and landed in England in 1194; his later years were spent in his French possessions warring against Philip, and he died of an arrow wound at the siege of Chalus; not more than a year of his life was spent in England, and

his reign is barren of constitutional change (1157-1199).

RICHARD II., king of England from 1377 to 1399, son of the Black Prince, born in Bordeaux; succeeded his grandfather, Edward III.; during his minority till 1389 the kingdom was administered by a council; in 1381 the Peasants' Revolt broke out, headed by Wat Tyler, as a result of the discontent occasioned by the Statutes of Labour passed in the previous reign, and more immediately by the heavy taxation made necessary by the expense of the Hundred Years' War still going on with France; a corrupt Church called forth the energetic protests of Wycliffe, which started the Lollard (q.v.) movement; an invasion of Scotland (1385), resulting in the capture of Edinburgh, was headed by the young king; coming under French influence, and adopting despotic measures in the later years of his reign, Richard estranged all sections of his people; a rising headed by Henry of Lancaster forced his abdication, and by a decree of Parliament he was imprisoned for life in Pontefract Castle, where he died (probably murdered) soon after (1367-1400).

RICHARD III., king of England from 1483 to 1485, youngest brother of Edward IV., and last of the Plantagenets, Duke of Fotheringhay Castle; in 1461 was created Duke of Gloucester by his brother for assisting him to win the crown; faithfully supported Edward against Lancastrian attacks; married (1473) Anne, daughter of Warwick, the King-Maker; early in 1483 was appointed Protector of the kingdom and guardian of his young nephew, Edward V.; put to death nobles who stood in the way of his ambitious schemes for the throne; doubts were cast upon the legitimacy of the young king, and Richard's right to the throne was asserted; in July, 1483, he assumed the kingly office; almost certainly instigated the murder of Edward and his little brother in the Tower; ruled firmly and well, but without the confidence of the nation; in 1485 Henry, Earl of Richmond, head of the House of Lancaster, invaded England, and at the battle of Bosworth Richard was defeated and slain (1462-1485).

RICHARD OF CIRENCESTER, an English chronicler, born in Cirencester; flourished in the 14th century; was a monk in the Benedictine monastery of St. Peter, Westminster; wrote a History of England from 447 to 1066; for long the reputed author of a remarkable work on Roman Britain, now proved to be a forgery; d. 1401.

RICHARDS, ALFRED BATE, journalist and author; turned from law to literature; author of a number of popular dramas, volumes of poems, essays, &c.; was the first editor of the *Daily Telegraph*, and afterwards of the *Morning Advertiser*; took an active interest in the volunteer movement (1820-1870).

RICHARDS, THEODORE WILLIAM, American scientist; professor at Harvard; his greatest work was the careful revision of the atomic weights of the elements; he also carried out work upon other problems connected with the structure of the atom (1868-).

RICHARDSON, SIR BENJAMIN WARD, a distinguished physician and author, born in Somersby, Leicestershire; took the diploma of the Royal College of Physicians in 1850, and graduated in medicine at St. Andrews four years later; founded the *Journal of Public Health* in 1855 and the *Social Science Review* in 1862; won the Fothergillian gold medal and the Arley-Cooper prize of 300 guineas; made many valuable medical inventions, was an active lecturer on sanitary science, and introduced the lethal chamber for destroying dogs; was knighted in 1893 (1822-1896).

RICHARDSON, CHARLES, lexicographer; was trained for the bar, but took to literature and education; pensioned in 1852; his chief works are "Illustrations of English Philology" and the "New Dictionary of the English Language" (1837), according to Trench the best dictionary of his day (1775-1865).

RICHARDSON, SIR JOHN, naturalist and Arctic explorer, born in Dumfries; graduated at Edinburgh; for some time a navy surgeon; accompanied Franklin on the expeditions in 1819-1822 and

1825-1827, and later commanded one of the Franklin search expeditions (1848); held government appointments, and was knighted in 1846 (1787-1865).

RICHARDSON, OWEN WILLIAMS, British physicist, professor at Princeton, U.S.A., and King's College, London and Yarrow, professor of the Royal Society; carried out much research, and has written several books on the emission of electricity from hot bodies and the electron theory of matter; awarded the Nobel Prize for physics in 1929 (1874-).

RICHARDSON, SAMUEL, novelist, born in Derbyshire, the son of a joiner; was apprenticed to a printer in London, whose daughter he married; set up in the business for himself, and from his success in it became Master of the Stationers Company in 1754, and King's Printer in 1761; was 50 before he came out as a novelist; published his "Pamela" in 1740, his masterpiece "Clarissa," written in the form of letters, in 1748, and "Sir Charles Grandison" in 1753; they are all three novels of sentiment, are instinct with a spirit of moral purity, and are more praised than read (1689-1761).

RICHBOROUGH, a Roman village in Kent near Sandwich, converted in 1916 into a "mystery port," from which a train ferry ran to France.

RICHIEUX, ARMAND JEAN DUPLÉSSIS, CARDINAL DE, born in Paris, of a noble family; was minister of Louis XIII., and one of the greatest statesmen France ever had; from his installation as Prime Minister in 1624 he set himself to the achievement of a threefold purpose, and rested not till he accomplished it—the ruin of the Protestants as a political party, the curtailment of the power of the nobles, and the humiliation of the House of Austria in the councils of Europe; his administration was signalised by reforms in finance, in the army, and in legislation; as the historian Thierry has said of him, "He left nothing undone that could be done by statesmanship for the social amelioration of the country; he had a mind of the most comprehensive grasp, and a genius for the minutest details of administration"; he was a patron of letters, and the founder of the French Academy (1585-1642).

RICHMOND, (1) an interesting old borough in Yorkshire, on the Swale, 49 m. NW. of York; has a fine 11th-century castle, now partly utilised as barracks, remains of a Franciscan monastery, a racecourse, &c. (2) A town in Surrey, 9 m. W. of London; picturesquely situated on the summit and slope of Richmond Hill and the right bank of the Thames; has remains of the royal palace of Sheen, a magnificent deer park and a handsome river bridge; has many literary and historical associations. (3) Capital of Virginia, U.S.; has a hilly and picturesque site on the James River, 116 m. E. of Washington; possesses large docks, and is a busy port, a manufacturing town (tobacco, iron-works, flour and paper mills), and a railway centre; as the Confederate capital it was the scene of a memorable, year-long siege during the Civil War ultimately falling into the hands of Grant and Sheridan in 1865.

RICHMOND, LEGH, an evangelical clergyman of the Church of England, born in Liverpool, famed for a tract "The Dairyman's Daughter" (1772-1827).

RICHMOND, SIR WILLIAM BLAKE, British artist. Born in London, and studying at the Royal Academy, he achieved reputation as a painter of portraits and historical subjects, and did the mosaics inside St. Paul's dome. He was a Slade Professor at Oxford, an A.R.A. in 1888, and died in 1895, and two years later was knighted (1843-1891).

RICHTER, JOHANN PAUL FRIEDRICH, usually called Jean Paul simply, the greatest of German humorists, born in Wunsiedel, near Bamberg, in Bavaria, the son of a poor German pastor; had a scanty education, but his fine faculties and unwearyed diligence supplied every defect; was an insatiable and universal reader; meant for the Church, took to poetry and philosophy, became an author, putting forth the strangest books with the strangest titles; considered for a time to be a strange, crack-brained mixture of enthusiast and buffoon; was recognised at last as a man of infinite humour,

sensibility, force, and penetration; his writings procured him friends and fame, and at length a wife and a pension; settled down in Bamberg, where he lived thenceforth diligent and celebrated in many departments of literature, and where he died, loved as well as admired by all his countrymen, and more by those who had known him most intimately. His works are numerous, and the chief are novels, "Hesperus" and "Titan" being the longest and the best, the former of which first (in 1795) introduced him into decisive and universal estimation with his countrymen, and the latter of which he himself, as well as the most judicious of his critics, regarded as his masterpiece (1763-1825).

RICHTHOFEN, FERDINAND, BARON VON, traveller and geographer, born in Karlsruhe, Silesia; accompanied in 1861 the Prussian expedition to Eastern Asia, travelled in 1862-1868 in California, and in 1869-1872 in China; professor of Geography successively at Bonn, Leipzig, and Berlin; wrote a great work on China (1833-1905).

RICHTOFEN, BARON VON, German aviator, who became the most famous of German air fighters; between 1917 and 1918 he brought down over 80 Allied machines and was himself shot down behind the British lines in April, 1918 (1888-1918).

RICORD, PHILIPPE, a famous French physician, born in Bailleul, U.S.; came to Paris, was a specialist in a department of surgery, and surgeon-in-chief to the hospital for venereal diseases (1800-1889).

RIDLEY, NICOLAS, martyred Bishop, born in Northumberland, Fellow and ultimately Master of Pembroke College, Cambridge; on a three years' visit to the Continent fell in with certain of the Reformers and returned convinced of and confirmed in the Protestant faith; became king's chaplain, bishop of Rochester, and finally of London; favoured the cause of Lady Jane Grey against Mary, who committed him to the Tower, and being condemned as a heretic was at Oxford burnt at the stake with Latimer (1500-1555).

RIEHM, EDWARD, Protestant theologian, born in Diersburg, Baden, was professor at Halle; wrote many theological works, among them "Handwörterbuch des biblischen Alterthums" (1830-1888).

RIEL, LOUIS, Canadian rebel; headed the half-breeds in the North-West in the rising of 1869-1870, which was suppressed by Sir Garnet (afterwards Lord Dufferin); led a second rebellion in 1885, was captured and executed at Regina (1844-1885).

RIENZI, COLA DI, Roman tribune, born in Rome, of humble origin; gave himself to the study of the ancient history of the city, became inspired with a noble ambition to restore its ancient glory, and being endowed with an eloquent tongue, persuaded, with sanction of Pope Clement VI., who was then at Avignon, his fellow-citizens to rise against the tyranny to which they were subjected at the hands of the nobles, in which he at length was successful; but his own rule became intolerable, and he was assassinated an *emendat* seven years after the commencement of his political career; his life suggested the well-known romance of the name by Bulwer-Lytton (1313-1354).

RIESENGEBIRGE (i.e. Giant Mountains), a range dividing Czechoslovakia from Silesia; Schneekoppe (5260 ft.) is the highest peak; is a famous summer resort for Germans.

RIFACIMENTO, a literary work recast to adapt it to a change in the circumstances of the time.

RIFF, the name given to the N. coast-lands of Morocco from Tangiers to Algeria; is a mountainous and woody region, with a rugged foreshore, inhabited by lawless Berbers.

RIGA, seaport and capital of Latvia, on the Dvina, 7 m. from its entrance into the Gulf of Riga (a spacious inlet on the E. side of the Baltic); has some fine mediæval buildings; is the seat of an archbishop, and is a busy and growing commercial and manufacturing town, exporting grain, timber, flax, linseed, and wool. It was captured by the Germans from Russia in 1917 after a previous unsuccessful attempt, and it was also the scene of fighting against Russia after the Great War before its independence was established in 1921.

RIGDUM FUNKIDS, Scott's nickname for John Ballantyne (q.v.), borrowed from a character in Carey's burlesque, "Chronophotonthologos."

RIGHT ASCENSION, the name given in astronomy to what corresponds to longitude in geography; it is measured round the celestial equator from the "first point of Aries" in hours and minutes; the right ascension of a star is the sidereal time at which it crosses the meridian.

RIGHTS, DECLARATION OF, a declaration of the fundamental principles of the constitution drawn up by the Parliament of England and submitted to William and Mary on their being called to the throne, and afterwards enacted in Parliament when they became King and Queen. It secures their rights to the people as freeborn citizens and to the Commons as their representatives, while it binds the sovereign to respect these rights as sacred.

RIGLI, an isolated mountain, 5900 ft. high, in the Swiss canton of Schwyz, with a superb view from the summit, on which hotels have been built for the convenience of the many who visit it; is reached by two toothed railways with a gradient of 1 ft. in 4.

RIGVEDA, the first of the four sections into which the Vedas (q.v.) are divided, including the body of the hymns or verses of invocation and praises; believed to have issued from a narrow circle of priests, and subsequently to have been recast.

RIMINI, a walled city of N. Italy, of much historic interest both in ancient and medieval times, on the small river Marecchia, spanned by a fine Roman bridge close to its entrance into the Adriatic, 69 m. SE. of Bologna; has a 15th-century Renaissance cathedral, an ancient castle, and other medieval buildings, and a Roman triumphal arch; manufactures silks and sail-cloth.

RIMMON, name of a Syrian god who had a temple at Damascus called the house of Rimmon, a symbol of the sun, or of the fertilising power of nature.

RINALDO, one of Charlemagne's paladins, of a violent, headstrong, and unscrupulous character, who fell into disgrace, but after adventures in the Holy Land was reconciled to the Emperor; Angelica, an infidel princess, fell violently in love with him, but he turned a deaf ear to her addresses, while others would have given kingdoms for her hand.

RINDERPEST, or Cattle Plague, a fever of a malignant and contagious type; the occurrence of it in Britain is due to the importation of infected cattle from the Asiatic steppes.

RING AND THE BOOK, a poem by Browning of 20,000 lines, giving different versions of a story agreeably to and as an exhibition of the personalities of the different narrators.

RINGHALS, a venomous African serpent allied to the cobra which possesses the power to eject its venom at its attacker, hence its popular name of "the spitting snake."

RIO DE JANEIRO, capital and chief seaport of Brazil, charmingly situated on the E. coast of Brazil, on the W. shore of a spacious and beautiful bay, 15 m. long, which forms one of the finest natural harbours in the world; stretches some 10 m. along the seashore, and is hemmed in by richly clad hills; streets are narrow and ill kept; possesses a large hospital, public library (180,000 vols.), botanical gardens, arsenal, school of medicine, electric tramways, &c.; has extensive docks, and transacts half the commerce of Brazil; coffee is the chief export; manufactures cotton, jute, silk, tobacco, &c. Great heat prevails in the summer, and yellow fever is common.

RIO GRANDE (known also as Rio Bravo del Norte), an important river of North America, rises in the San Juan Mountains in Colorado; flows SE., dividing Texas from Mexico, and enters the Gulf of Mexico after a course of 1800 m.; is navigable for steamboats some 500 m.; chief tributary, Rio Pecos; also the name given to the head-stream of the river Paraná in Brazil and Argentina.

RIO GRANDE DO NORTE, a maritime State in the NE. corner of Brazil, called after the Rio Grande, which flows NE. and enters the Atlantic at Natal, the capital of the State.

RIO GRANDE DO SUL, the southernmost State in Brazil, lies N. of Uruguay, fronting the Atlantic; capital, Rio Grande.

RIO NEGRO, (1) One of the larger tributaries of the

Amazon, rises as the Guarián in SE. Colombia; crosses Venezuela and Brazil in a more or less SE. direction, and joins the Amazon (the Marañon here) near Manaus after a course of 1850 m.; some of its tributaries connect the Orinoco with the Amazon. (2) Has its source in a small lake in the Chilian Andes, flows NE. and E. to the Atlantic, is some 500 m. long, and easily navigated.

RIOJA, a province of W. Argentina, embraces some of the most fruitful valleys of the Andes, which grow cereals, vines, cotton, &c.; some mining in copper, silver, and gold is done. The capital, Rioja, is partly planted in a vine and orange district at the base of the Sierra Velasco, 350 m. NW. of Cordoba.

RIOM, a pretty little French town in the dep. of Puy-de-Dôme, noted for its many quaint old houses of the Renaissance period; does a good trade in tobacco, linen, and dried fruits.

RIP VAN WINKLE, a Dutch colonist of New York, who, driven from home by a quarrelsome wife, strolls into a ravine of the Katskill Mountains, falls in with a strange man, whom he assists in carrying a keg, and comes upon a company of odd-looking creatures playing at ninepins, but never uttering a word, when, seizing an opportunity that offered, he took up one of the kegs he had carried, tasted its contents, fell into a stupor, and slept 20 years, to find his beard and all the world about him quite changed. The story is related in Washington Irving's "Sketch-book."

RIPLEY, (1) a manufacturing town of Derbyshire, situated 10 m. NE. of Derby, in a busy coal and iron district; manufactures silk lace. (2) A Yorkshire village on the Nidd, 34 m. NW. of Harrogate; has an interesting castle and old church.

RIPLEY, GEORGE, American transcendentalist, critic, and editor, born in Massachusetts; a friend of Emerson and founder of Brook Farm; took to Carlyle as Carlyle to him, though he was "grieved to see him" taken up with the "Progress of Species" set, and confusing himself thereby; was editor of the *New York Tribune* for some years (1842-1860).

RIPON, FREDERICK JOHN ROBINSON, EARL OF, statesman, younger son of Lord Grantham, entered Parliament in 1806 as a Tory; rose to be Chancellor of the Exchequer, and was for a few months in 1827 Prime Minister; was subsequently in different Cabinets Colonial Secretary, Lord Privy Seal, and President of the Board of Trade; created an Earl in 1833 (1782-1859).

RIPON, GEORGE FREDERICK SAMUEL ROBINSON, MARQUIS OF, statesman, born in London, son of preceding; entered House of Commons in 1852 as a Liberal; became Secretary for War (1863), and three years later for India; was President of the Council in 1868, a popular Viceroy of India (1869-1884), First Lord of the Admiralty in 1886, and Colonial Secretary in 1892-1896; was created Marquis in 1871; went over to the Catholic Church in 1874, resigning in consequence the Grand-Mastership of the Freemasons (1827-1909).

RISHANGER, WILLIAM ("Chronigraphus"), an annalist and monk of St. Albans; wrote what is in effect a continuation of Matthew Paris's (q.v.) "Chronicle," and practically a history of his own times from 1250 to 1307, which is both a spirited and trustworthy account, albeit in parts not original; b. 1250.

RISHIS (i.e. sages), a name given by the Hindus to seven wise men, the sons of Brahma (q.v.), whose eyes had been opened by the study of the sacred texts of their religion, and to whom were revealed the Vedas; their souls are fabled to be incarnated in the seven stars of the Great Bear.

RISTORI, ADOLPH, distinguished Italian tragedienne; was one of a family of strolling players; her career on the stage was a continuous triumph; the rôle in which she specially shone was that of Lady Macbeth; she was married in 1847 to the Marquis del Grillo (1822-1906).

RITSCHL, ALBRECHT, Protestant theologian, born in Berlin; studied at Rome, where in 1863 he became professor extraordinarius of Theology, and in 1860 ordinary professor; after which he was in 1864 transferred to Göttingen, where he spent the rest of his life, gathering year after year around him a large circle of students, and enriching theo-

logical literature by his writings; the work which defines his position as a German theologian is entitled "The Christian Doctrine of Justification and Reconciliation," in which he seeks to draw the line between Christianity as exhibited respectively in the theology of the Reformation and that of modern Pöthgen; by his lectures and his writings he became the founder of what is called the Göttingen School of Theology, and exercised an influence on the religious philosophy of the time, such as had not been witnessed in Germany since the days of Schleiermacher; his teaching is distinguished by the prominence it gives to the ethical side of Christianity (1822-1889).

RITSCHL, FRIEDRICH WILHELM, German philologist, born near Erfurt; became professor of Philology successively at Breslau, Bonn, and Leipzig; his influence on philological study was great, and his principal work was an edition of Plautus (1806-1876).

RITSON, JOSEPH, a whimsical and crabbed antiquary; his industry was great, his works numerous, among them "Ancient English Metrical Romances," containing a long and still valuable dissertation, and a notable collection of ballads relating to Robin Hood (1752-1803).

RITTER, HEINRICH, German philosopher, born in Anhalt; professor successively at Berlin, Kiel, and Göttingen; is distinguished as the author of an able "History of Philosophy" (1791-1869).

RITTER, KARL, celebrated geographer, born in Quedlinburg; the founder of comparative geography; professor of geography at Berlin; his chief works "Geography in its Relation to Nature," and the "History of Man" (1779-1850).

RITUALISM, respect for forms in the conduct of religious worship, particularly in connection with the administration of the sacraments of the Church, under the impression or on the plea that they minister, as they were ordained in certain cases to minister, to the quickening and maintenance of the religious life.

RIVAROL, a French writer, born in Bagnols, in the department of Var; famed for his caustic wit; was a Royalist emigrant at the time of the Revolution, and aided the cause by his pamphlets; he was styled by Burke "The Tacitus of the Revolution" (1763-1801).

RIVE-DE-GIER, a flourishing town in the department of Loire, France, on the Gier, 13 m. N.E. of St. Etienne; is favourably situated in the heart of a rich coal district; has manufactures of silk, glass, machinery, and steel.

RIVERA, PRIMO DE, MARQUIS D'ESTELLA, Spanish general and politician. Descended from a distinguished family, he embraced a military career, and in 1892 won the Spanish V.C. in Morocco. In 1923 he formed a military directorate, with the approval of King Alfonso dissolved Parliament and ruled as a dictator, though subsequent revolts compelled him to restore some measure of liberty. Several times there were attempts to assassinate him; he resigned office in 1930 and died the same year (1871-1930).

RIVERS, RICHARD WOODVILLE, EARL, a prominent figure in the reigns of Henry VI. and Edward IV.; was knighted in 1425; espoused the cause of the Lancastrians in the Wars of the Roses, but changed sides on the marriage of his daughter with Edward IV.; who created him an earl in 1460; fell out of jealousy into disfavour with the nobility, and was beheaded in 1469; his son Anthony, who succeeded to the title, after acting on the Council of Regency during Edward V.'s reign, was put to death by Richard (III.), Duke of Gloucester, in 1483.

RIVERS, WILLIAM HALSE, British physiologist, wrote much on physiology, psychology, and anthropology (1864-1922).

RIVERS AND LAKES. The longest river in the British Isles is the Shannon, 224 m.; the longest in England is the Severn, 220 m.; the longest in Scotland is the Spey, 130 m.; the Thames is 210 m. long. The largest lake in the British Isles is Lough Neagh in Ireland, area 153 sq. m.; the largest in Scotland is Loch Lomond, area 27 sq. m., 24 m. long, though Loch Ness, which is narrower, is 28 m.

long; Windermere in England is 10½ m. long, but not over a mile wide.

RIVIERA, an Italian term for coast-land flanked by mountains, especially applied to the strip of land lying around the Gulf of Genoa from Nice to Leghorn, which is divided by Genoa into the Western and Eastern Riviera, the former the more popular as a health resort; but the whole coast enjoys an exceptionally mild climate, and is replete with beautiful scenery. Nice, Monaco, Mentone, and San Remo are among its most popular towns.

RIVIERE, BRITON, celebrated painter of animals, born in London; among his pictures, which are numerous, are "Daniel in the Lions' Den," "Ruins of Pompeii," "Giants at Play," and "Vae Victis" (1840-1920).

RIVOLI, (1) town in North Italy, 8 m. W. of Turin; has two royal castles, and manufactures silks, woollens, &c. (2) An Italian village, 12 m. N.W. of Verona; scene of Napoleon's crushing victory over the Austrians in 1797.

RIKSDOLLAR, a silver coin current on the Continent, of varying value.

RIZZIO, DAVID, favourite of Mary, Queen of Scots, born in Turin; the son of a dancing-master; was employed by the queen as her secretary, and being offensive to the nobles, was by a body of them dragged from the queen's presence in Holyrood, Edinburgh, and stabbed to death, March 9, 1566.

ROANNE, an old French town in the department of Loire, on the river Loire, 40 m. N.W. of St. Etienne; has interesting ruins, a college, flourishing cotton and hat factories, dye-works, and tanneries.

ROANOKE, a flourishing city of Virginia, U.S., on the Roanoke River; has rapidly sprung into a busy centre of steel, iron, machinery, tobacco, and other factories.

ROARING FORTIES, a sailor's term for the Atlantic lying between 40° and 50° N. latitude, so called from the storms often encountered there.

ROB ROY, a Highland freebooter, second son of Macgregor of Glenlyffe; assumed the name of Campbell on account of the outlawry of the Macgregor clan; traded in cattle, took part in the rebellion of 1715; had his estates confiscated, and identified himself by raiding (1671-1734).

ROBBEN ISLAND, a small island at the entrance of Table Bay, 10 m. N.W. of Cape Town; has a lunatic asylum and a leper colony.

ROBBIA, LUCA DELLA, Italian sculptor, born in Florence, where he lived and worked all his days; executed a series of bas-reliefs for the cathedral, but is known chiefly for his works in enamelled terra-cotta, the like of which is named after him "Della Robbia ware" (1400-1482).

ROBERT I. See **BRUCE**.

ROBERT II., king of Scotland from 1371 to 1390, son of Walter Stewart and Marjory, only daughter of Robert the Bruce; succeeded David II., and became the founder of the Stuart dynasty; was a peaceable man, but his nobles were turbulent, and provoked invasions on the part of England by their forays on the Borders (1316-1390).

ROBERT III., king of Scotland from 1390 to 1406, son of Robert II.; was a quite incompetent ruler, and during his reign the barons acquired an ascendancy and displayed a disloyalty which greatly diminished the power of the Crown both in his and succeeding reigns; the government fell largely into the hands of the king's brother, the turbulent and ambitious Robert, Duke of Albany; an invasion (1400) by Henry IV. of England and a retaliatory expedition under Archibald Douglas, which ended in the crushing defeat of Homildon Hill (1402), are the chief events of the reign (1340-1406).

ROBERT THE DEVIL, the hero of an old French romance identified with Robert, first Duke of Normandy, who, after a career of cruelty and crime, repented and became a Christian, but had to expiate his guilt by wandering as a ghost over the earth till the day of judgment; he is the subject of an opera composed by Meyerbeer.

ROBERTS, DAVID, painter, born in Edinburgh; began as a house-painter; became a scene-painter; studied artistic drawing, and devoted himself to architectural painting, his first pictures being of

Rouen and Amiens cathedrals; visiting Spain, he published a collection of Spanish sketches, and after a tour in the East published in 1842 a magnificently illustrated volume entitled the "Holy Land, Syria, Idumæa, Arabia, Egypt, and Nubia"; a great number of his pictures are ecclesiastical interiors (1798-1864).

ROBERTS, EARL (Frederick Slesch Roberts), born in Cawston, educated in England; entered the Bengal Artillery in 1851; served throughout the Indian Mutiny, winning the V.C., commanded in the Afghan War, and achieved a brilliant series of successes, which were rewarded with honours on his return to England; was made commander-in-chief of the Madras army in 1881, commander-in-chief in India in 1885, and commander of the forces in Ireland in 1895; he became commander-in-chief in South Africa in 1899, and at once the tide of the Boer War turned; defeating Kruger at Paardeberg he pushed on to Pretoria and then left Kitchener in charge; he was commander-in-chief of the British Army till 1904, when he returned to spend the remainder of his life warning his country against the German menace, a task which met with small success; crossing to France in November, 1914, he took a chill and died (1832-1914).

ROBERTSON, FREDERICK WILLIAM, distinguished preacher, born in London; a graduate of Brasenose College, Oxford, entered the Church in 1840, was curate first at Winchester, next at Cheltenham, and finally settled in Brighton; is known far and wide by his printed sermons for his insight into, and his earnestness in behalf of, Christian truth (1816-1853).

ROBERTSON, JOSEPH, antiquary, born and educated in Aberdeen; apprenticed to a lawyer, but soon took to journalism, and became editor of the *Aberdeen Constitutional*, and afterwards of the *Glasgow Constitutional*; in 1849 was editor of the *Edinburgh Evening Courier*, and four years later received the post of curator of the historical department of the Edinburgh Register House; author of various historical, antiquarian, and topographical works (1810-1866).

ROBERTSON, THOMAS WILLIAM, a popular dramatist, the son of an actor, born in Newark-on-Trent; brought up amongst actors, he took to the stage, but without success; always ready with his pen, he at last made his mark with "David Garrick," and followed it up with the equally successful "Ours," "Caste," and "School" (1829-1871).

ROBERTSON, WILLIAM, hitherto, born in Borthwick, Midlothian; was educated in Edinburgh; entered the Church; became minister of Gladsmuir; distinguished himself in the General Assembly of the Church; became leader of the Moderate party; one of the ministers of Greyfriars Church, Edinburgh, and Principal of the University, having previously written his "History of Scotland," which brought him other honours, and which was followed by a "History of Charles V." and a "History of America," all of which contributed to awaken an interest in historical studies; he was what is called a "Moderate" to the backbone, and his crimes were men more of a sceptical than a religious turn of mind, David Hume being one of the number (1721-1793).

ROBERTSON, SIR WILLIAM ROBERT, British general. Joining the army as a private in 1877, he became the first man to rise from the ranks to field-marshal. He took a commission in 1888, served in India, and on the staff in the Boer War. In 1914 he became Quartermaster-General of the British Expeditionary Force, was chief of staff in France in 1916, and from 1916 to 1918, when he resigned, he was chief of the Imperial General Staff. From 1919 to 1920 he commanded the Rhine army. Knighted in 1913, he was made a baronet in 1919 and a field-marshal in 1920 (1860-).

ROBERTPIERRE, MAXIMILIEN, leader of the Jacobins in the French Revolution, born in Arras, of Irish origin; bred to the bar; became an advocate and a judge; he resigned because he could not bring himself to sentence a man to death; inspired by the gospel of Rousseau, became a red-hot Republican and carried things with a high hand; was opposed by the Girondists, and accused, but threw back the

charge on them; carried the mob with him, and with them at his back procured sentence of death against Louis XVI.; head of the Committee of Public Safety, he laid violent hands first on the queen and then on all who opposed or dissented from the extreme course he was pursuing; was one of the leaders in the Reign of Terror; had the worship of reason established in June, 1794, and at the end of the month following was beheaded by the guillotine (1758-1794).

ROBIN HOOD, a famous outlaw of Edward II.'s reign, who with his companions, held court in Sherwood Forest, Nottingham, and whose exploits form the subject of many an old English ballad and tale. He was a robber, but it was the rich he plundered and not the poor, and he was as zealous in the protection of the weak as any Knight of the Round Table; he was an expert in the use of the bow and the quarterstaff (q.s.). While some historians have endeavoured to identify him with Robert, Earl of Huntingdon, the best authorities are agreed that he was born of peasant stock.

ROBIN, BENJAMIN, father of the modern science of artillery, born the son of a Quaker, in Bath; established himself in London as a teacher of mathematics, as also his reputation by several mathematical treatises; turned his attention to the theoretical study of artillery and fortification; upheld Newton's principle of ultimate ratios against Berkeley, and in 1742 published his celebrated work, the "New Principles of Gunnery," which revolutionised the art of gunnery; was appointed engineer-in-general to the East India Company (1749), and planned the defences of Madras (1707-1751).

ROBINSON, EDWARD, Biblical scholar, born in Connecticut; author of "Biblical Researches in Palestine"; a professor in New York (1794-1863).

ROBINSON, HENRY CRAEB, literary dilettante, born in Bury St. Edmunds; lived some years at Weimar, and got acquainted with Goethe and his circle; called to the English bar, and, on quitting practice at it with a pension, became acquainted with the literary notabilities in London, and left a diary full of interesting reminiscences (1776-1867).

ROBINSON, HERCULES GEORGE ROBERT, LORD ROSMEAD, born, son of an admiral, in Ireland; withdrew from the army shortly after his first commission, and gave himself to Government Colonial service, received a knighthood, and held Governorship of Hong-Kong in 1859; was successively governor of Ceylon, New South Wales, New Zealand, Cape of Good Hope, &c.; created Lord Rosmead in 1896 (1824-1898).

ROBINSON, THOMAS ROMNEY, British astronomer, director of the observatory at Armagh; president of the British Association at Birmingham in 1849.

ROBOT, a machine that does all the work of a human being. The term is applied to people of machine-like efficiency, and is derived from Karel Capek's play "R.U.R."

ROBBIN, THOMAS FREDERICK (stage name of Thomas Robson Brownbill), a noted comedian, born in Margate; took to the stage in 1844 after serving some time as an apprentice to a London engraver; his greatest triumphs were won after 1853 on the boards of the Olympic Theatre, London; he combined in a high degree all the gifts of a low comedian with a rare power of rising to the grave and the pathetic (1822-1844).

ROCHAMBEAU, COMTE DE, marshal of France, born at Vendôme; commanded the troops sent out by France to assist the American colonies in their rebellion against the mother-country (1726-1807).

ROCHDALE, a flourishing town and cotton centre in NE. of Manchester; its woollen and cotton trade (flannels and calicoes) dates back to Elizabeth's time; has an interesting 12th-century parish church.

ROCHE, ST., the patron saint of the plague-stricken; being plague-smitten himself, and overtaken by the disease in a desert place, he was discovered by a dog, who brought him a supply of bread daily from his master's table till he recovered.

ROCHEFORT, COMTE DE, commonly known as Henri Rochefort, French journalist and violent

revolutionary, who was deported for his share in the Commune in 1871, but escaped and was amnestied, and went back to Paris under eclipse (1830-1918).

ROCHELLE, LA., a fortified seaport of France, on an inlet of the Bay of Biscay, 95 m. NW. of Bordeaux; capital of the department of Charente-Inferieure; has a commodious harbour, noteworthy public buildings, a fine promenade and gardens; ship-building, glass-works and sugar-refineries, are among its chief industries.

ROCHESTER, (1) an interesting old city, of Kent, 29 m. SE. of London, on the Medway, lying between and practically forming one town with Strood and Chatham; the seat of a bishop since 604; has a fine cathedral, which combines in its structure examples of Norman, Early English, and Decorated architecture; a hospital for lepers founded in 1078; a celebrated Charity House, and a strongly posted Norman castle. (2) Capital of Monroe County, New York, on the Genesee River, near Lake Ontario, 67 m. NE. of Buffalo; is a spacious and well-appointed city, with a university and theological seminary; has varied and flourishing manufactures.

ROCHESTER, JOHN WILMOT, EARL OF, a witty profligate of the court of Charles II.; wrote poems, many of them licentious, among them, however, some exquisite songs; killed himself with his debauchery; died penitent; he was the author of the epitaph, accounted the best epigram in the English language, "Here lies our sovereign Lord the king, whose word no man relies on. He never said a foolish thing, and never did a wise one." (1648-1680).

ROCHET, a linen vestment worn by bishops, abbots, and other dignitaries, in the form of a surplice, but shorter and open at the sides.

ROCK ISLAND, capital of Rock Island county, Illinois, on the Mississippi; a busy centre of railway and river traffic; derives its name from an island in the river, where there is an extensive Government arsenal; a fine bridge spans the river.

ROCK TEMPLES, temples hewn out of solid rock, found in Western India, especially, such as those at Ellora (q.v.) and Elephanta (q.v.).

ROCKALL, a remarkable peak of granite rock, rising some 70 ft. above the sea-level from the bed of an extensive sandbank in the Atlantic, 164 m. W. of St. Kilda; a home and haunt for sea-birds.

ROCK-BUTTER, a soft mineral substance found oozing from alum slates, and consisting of alum, alumina, and oxide of iron.

ROCKWELLER, JOHN DAVISON, American financier. Born in Richford, New York, he made his fortune in oil, and in 1870 founded the Standard Oil Company, remaining its president till 1911. To charity and education he has given over 500,000,000 dollars (1889-).

ROCKFORD, a busy manufacturing town, capital of Winnebago County, Illinois, on the Rock River, 86 m. NW. of Chicago.

ROCKHAMPTON, the chief port of Central Queensland, Australia, on the Fitzroy, 35 m. from its mouth; in the vicinity are rich gold-fields, also copper and silver; has tanning and meat-preserving industries; is connected by a handsome bridge with its suburb North Rockhampton.

ROCKING STONES, or Lops, large stones, numerous in Cornwall, Wales, and Yorkshire, so finely poised as to rock to and fro under the slightest force.

ROCKINGHAM, CHARLES WATSON WENTWORTH, MARQUESS OF, statesman, of no great ability; succeeded to the title in 1740; opposed the policy of Bute, and headed the Whig opposition; in 1762 became Prime Minister, and acted leniently with the American colonies, repealing the Stamp Act; was a bitter opponent of North's American policy of repression; held the Premiership again for a few months in 1782 (1780-1783).

ROCKY MOUNTAINS, an extensive and lofty chain of mountains in North America, belonging to the Cordillera system, and forming the eastern buttress of the great Pacific Highlands, of which the Sierra Nevada and Cascade Mountains form the western buttress, stretching in rugged lines of almost naked rock, interspersed with fertile valleys, from New Mexico through Canada to the Arctic Ocean, broken

only by a wonderfully beautiful tract of elevated plateau in southern Wyoming, over which passes the Union Pacific Railroad; reaches its greatest height in the Sawatch Range, in the Arkansas valley (Massive Mt., 14,424 ft., Elbert Mt., 14,421 ft.), with Gray's Peak (14,341 ft.) in Colorado; gold, silver, and other minerals are found abundantly.

ROCOO, name given to a style of architecture, overlaid with a tasteless, senseless profusion of fantastic ornamentation, without unity of design or purpose, which prevailed in France and elsewhere in the 18th century.

ROCROI, a small fortified town of France, about 8 m. from the Belgian frontier, in the dep. of Ardennes; memorable for a great victory of the French under Condé over the Spaniards in 1643.

RODBERTUS, JOHANN KARL, Socialist, born in Greifswald; believed in a Socialism that would in course of time realise itself with the gradual elevation of the people up to the Socialistic ideal (1805-1876).

RODERIC, the last king of the Visigoths in Spain, was slain in battle with the Moors, who had invaded Spain during a civil war, and his army put to flight in 711.

RODERICK RANDOM, the hero of a novel by Smollett, a young Scottish scaperrace, rough, reckless, and bold, but selfish to a degree.

RODEZ, a town of France, in the dep. of Aveyron; crowns an eminence at the foot of which flows the Aveyron, 80 m. NE. of Toulouse; has a beautiful Gothic cathedral, interesting Roman remains; manufactures textiles, leather, paper, and straw hats.

RODIN, AUGUSTE, eminent French sculptor, born in Paris, distinguished for his statues and busts (1840-1918).

RODNEY, LORD, English admiral, born in Walton-on-Thames; entered the navy at the age of 12, and obtained the command of a ship in 1742; did good service in Newfoundland; was made Admiral of the Blue in 1769, and in that year destroyed the stores at Havre de Grace collected for the invasion of England; in 1780 defeated the Spanish fleet off Cape St. Vincent; in 1782 defeated the French fleet under Comte de Grasse by breaking the enemy's line; was first made a baronet and then a peer, with a pension of £2000, for his services to the country (1718-1792).

RODOSTO, a Turkish town on the N. coast of the Sea of Marmora, 60 m. W. of Constantinople; is the seat of an archbishop of the Greek Church, has many mosques; fruitful vineyards in the vicinity produce excellent wine.

RODRIGUEZ, an interesting volcanic island lying far out in the Indian Ocean, 380 m. NE. of Mauritius, of which it is a dependency; agriculture is the chief employment; has a good climate, but is subject to severe hurricanes.

ROE, EDWARD PAYSON, American novelist, born in New Windsor, New York; studied for the ministry and served as a chaplain during the Civil War; settled down as a pastor of a Presbyterian church at Highland Falls; made his mark as a novelist in 1872 with "Barriers Burned Away," and won a wide popularity with succeeding novels as "From Jest to Earnest," "Near to Nature's Heart" (1838-1898).

ROE, HUMPHREY VERDON, British aeronaut. Starting his career in the army and serving in the Boer War, he began to take an interest in aviation and in 1909 sunk all his capital in the production of the Avro machine; during part of the Great War he was in the Royal Air Force. In 1918 he married Dr. Marie Stopes, and with her founded the first British birth control clinic in Holloway (1878-).

ROEBUCK, JOHN ARTHUR, English Radical politician, born in Madras; represented first Bath and then Sheffield in Parliament, contributed to the downfall of the Aberdeen Government, and played in general an independent part, though later he was a staunch supporter of Lord Beaconsfield; his vigorous will as a politician earned for him the nickname of "Tear 'em" (1801-1879).

ROELOFF, WILLEM, Dutch artist. Born in Amsterdam, he spent some years in France, and later lived in Brussels. He was one of the pioneers of the modern school of Dutch landscape painters (1822-1897).

ROERMOND, an old Dutch town in Limburg, at the confluence of the Roer and the Meuse, 20 m. N. by E. of Maastricht; has a splendid 15th-century cathedral; manufactures cottons and woollens.

ROESKILDE, an interesting old Danish city, situated on a fjord, 20 m. W. by S. of Copenhagen, dates back to the 10th century; has a fine 13th-century cathedral, the burying-place of most of the Danish kings.

ROGATION DAYS, the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday preceding Ascension Day, on which special litanies are sung or recited by the Roman Catholic clergy and people in public procession; has its origin in an old custom dating from the 6th century. In England the practice ceased after the Reformation.

ROGER I., the youngest of the 12 sons of Tancred of Hauteville; conquered Sicily from the Saracens after a war of 30 years, and governed it under the title of count in part from 1071 and wholly from 1080 to 1101.

ROGER II., son and successor of the preceding, was crowned king of the two Sicilies by the Pope; waged war advantageously against the Emperor of the East and the Saracens of North Africa; ruled the country well and promoted industry (1087-1154).

ROGER DE COVERLEY. See **COVERLEY**. **SIR ROGER DE**.

ROGER OF WENDOVER, an early English chronicler, lived in the 13th century; was a monk of St. Albans and subsequently prior of Bevelry; wrote a history of the world down to Henry III.'s reign, the only valuable portion of it being that which deals with his own times.

ROGERS, HENRY, English essayist; contributed for years to the *Edinburgh Review*; author of the "Ecclipse of Faith" (1806-1877).

ROGERS, JAMES EDWIN THOROLD, political economist, born in Hampshire; became professor of Political Economy at Oxford; author of a "History of Agriculture and Prices in England" and "Six Centuries of Work and Wages," an abridgment of it (1829-1890).

ROGERS, JOHN, the first of the Marian martyrs, born in Birmingham; prepared a revised edition of the English Bible, preached at Paul's Cross against Romanism the Sunday after Mary's entrance into London, and was after a long imprisonment tried for heresy and condemned to be burned at Smithfield (1506-1555).

ROGERS, SAMUEL, English poet, born in London, son of a banker, bred to banking, and all his life in that business—took to literature, produced several poems: "The Pleasures of Memory" in 1792, "Human Life" in 1819, and "Italy" the chief, in 1822; he was a good conversationalist, as is evidenced by his "Table-Talk," published in 1858; he issued at great expense a fine edition of "Italy"; and early poems, which were illustrated by Turner and Stothard, and are much prized for the illustrations; on the death of Wordsworth he was offered the post of Poet Laureate, which he declined (1763-1855).

ROGET, PETER MARK, physician, born in London; was professor of Physiology at the Royal Institution; wrote on physiology in relation to natural theology; was author of a "Thesaurus of English Words and Phrases" (1779-1860).

ROHAN, PRINCE LOUIS DE, a profligate ecclesiastic of France who attained to the highest honours in the Church; became archbishop and cardinal, but, falling out with royalty, was debarred from court, tried every means to regain the favour of Marie Antoinette, which he had forfeited, was inveigled into buying a necklace for her in hope of thereby winning it back, found himself involved in the scandal connected with it, and was sent to the Bastille (1734-1803). See **DIAMOND NECKLACE AFFAIR**.

ROHILKHAND, a northern division of the North-West Provinces, British India; is a flat, well-watered, fertile district, crossed by various railways; takes its name from the Rohillas, an Afghan tribe, who had possession of it in the 18th century.

ROHILLAS (i.e. hillmen), a tribe of Afghans who settled in a district N. of Oudh, called Rohilkhand after them, and rose to power in the 18th century,

till their strength was broken by the British in 1774.

ROHLFS, F. GERARD, German traveller, born near Bremen, travelled in various directions through North Africa; undertook missions to Abyssinia, and wrote accounts of his several journeys; (1881-1899).

ROI D'YVETOT, king of Yvetot, a town in Normandy, that title signifying great pretension but little authority; Clotaire I., it is said, in 534, having slain the lord of Yvetot, endeavoured to atone for the crime by conferring the dignity of king upon his heir.

ROISTER DOISTER, **RALPH**, the chief character in Udall's play of the name, the first English comedy (1534).

ROKITANSKY, BARON, eminent physician, born in Königsgrätz, professor of Pathological Anatomy at Vienna, and founder of that department of medicine (1804-1878).

ROLAND, COUNT OF MANS, one of the famous paladins of Charlemagne, who, being inveigled into the pass of Roncesvalles, was set upon by the Gascons and slain, together with the flower of the Frankish chivalry, the whole body of which happened to be in his train. He is represented as having been eight feet high and a prodigy of valour. In Italian romance he figures as Orlando. Roland's horse was named Veillantif, his magic sword Durandal, and his horn Olifant.

ROLAND, MADAME, a brave, pure-souled, queen-like woman with "a strong Minerva face," the noblest of all Frenchwomen, took enthusiastically to the French Revolution, but when things went too far supported the Moderate or Girondist party; was accused, but cleared herself before the Convention, into whose presence she had been summoned, and was released; two days after was arrested, imprisoned in Charlotte Corday's apartments, and condemned; on the scaffold she asked for pen and paper "to write the strange thoughts that were rising in her," but her request was refused; looking at the statue of Liberty which stood there, she exclaimed bitterly before she laid her head on the block: "O Liberty, what crimes are done in thy name!" (1754-1793).

ROLAND DE LA PLATIERE, JEAN MARIE, husband of Madame Roland, was Inspector of Manufactures at Lyons; represented Lyons in the Constituent Assembly; acted with the Girondists; fled when the Girondist party fled, and on hearing of his wife's fate at Rouen bade farewell to his friends who had sheltered him, and was found next morning "sitting leant against a tree, stiff in the rigour of death, a cane-sword run through his heart" (1734-1793).

ROLLAND, ROMAIN, French novelist; as a pacifist he left his country during the Great War. He is known chiefly for his "Jean Christophe," which runs to ten volumes and is the longest novel ever published (1866-).

ROLLE, RICHARD, known as "the Hermit of Hampole"; born in Thornton, Yorkshire; studied at Oxford, and at the age of 19 turned hermit, secluding himself at Hampole, by Doncaster; was the author of "The Pricke of Conscience," a lengthy poem of a religious character (1290-1340).

ROLLIN, CHARLES, French historian, born in Paris; rector of the University; wrote "Ancient History" in 18 vols., and "Roman History" in 16 vols., once extremely popular, but now little in request (1661-1741).

ROLLO, a Norwegian, who became the chief of a band of Norse pirates who one day sailed up the Seine to Rouen and took it, and so ravaged the country that Charles the Simple was glad to come to terms with them by surrendering part of Neustria, which thereafter bore from them the name of Normandy; after this Rollo embraced Christianity, was baptized by the Bishop of Rouen, and was the first Duke of Normandy (860-932).

ROLLRIGHT, or ROWLDRIKH, STONES, a megalithic circle near Little Compton, Oxfordshire, which legend declares to be men turned to stone, one of the pillars being styled "the king" and five others "the knights"; the name Rollright has been identified with Roland the Paladin (q.v.), similar megalithic nomenclature occurring in Germany.

ROLLS, CHARLES STEWART, son of Lord Llangatlock; a keen motorist who joined with F. H. Royce to found a firm of motor manufacturers; a pioneer in the early days of the aeroplane; killed whilst flying in 1910 (1877-1910).

ROMAGNA, the former name of a district in Italy which comprised the N.E. portion of the Papal States, embracing the modern provinces of Ferrara, Bologna, Ravenna, and Forlì.

ROMANUS, WILLIAM, evangelical divine of the English Church, born in Hartlepool, author of works once held in much favour by the evangelicals, entitled severally "The Life, the Walk, and the Triumph of Faith" (1714-1795).

ROMAN CATHOLICS, that section of the Christian Church that acknowledges the supremacy of the Pope. Doctrinally it has seven sacraments—Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Penance, Extreme Unction, Orders, and Matrimony; it teaches Original Sin, Justification, and the Mass as a propitiatory sacrifice. Until the Reformation the Roman Church was established by law in England, after which Roman Catholics were excluded from the exercise of many civil rights until 1829. Ireland has always been a stronghold of Roman Catholicism, and Catholics outnumber Protestants in Italy, France, Belgium, and Spain.

ROMAN EMPIRE, HOLY, or the REICH, the name of the old German Empire which, under sanction of the Pope, was established by Otto the Great in 962, and dissolved in 1806 by the resignation of Francis II., Emperor of Austria, and was called "Holy" as being Christian in contrast with the old pagan empire of the name.

ROMAN QUESTION, the dispute between the Holy See of Rome and the Italian government which started in 1870 with the seizure of the Church States (q.v.) by Piedmontese troops. His sovereignty being no longer recognised, the Pope and his successors withdrew as voluntary prisoners into the Vatican Palace, and it was not till 1929 that their temporal power was recognised over a small area called the Vatican City (q.v.).

ROMAN ROADS in Britain: the chief were: Watling Street, extending from Dover through London to Chester, with extensions to Yorkshires; Ermine Street, running north from London through Lincoln into Yorkshires, with extensions beyond the border; Fosse Way, from Seaton in Devon through Bath, Gloucester, and Leicester to Grimsby; Icknield Way, from Norfolk to Dorset; Ryknield Street, from Newcastle-on-Tyne to Caerleon in Monmouthshire; and Akeman Street, from Aust-on-Severn, Gloucestershire, to Wells, Norfolk.

ROMANCE LANGUAGES, the name given to the languages that sprang from the Latin, and were spoken in the districts of South Europe that had been provinces of Rome.

ROMANES, GEORGE JOHN, naturalist, born at Kingston, Canada; took an honour degree in science at Cambridge; came under the influence of Darwin, whose theory of evolution he advocated and developed in lectures and various works, e.g. "Scientific Evidence of Organic Evolution," "Mental Evolution in Animals," "Mental Evolution in Man"; his posthumous "Thoughts on Religion" reveal a marked advance from his early agnosticism towards a belief in Christianity; founded the Romanes Lectures at Oxford (1848-1894).

ROMANOFF, the name of an old Russian family from which sprang the last dynasty of Russian Cæars, the first Cæar of which was Michael Fedorovitch (1613-1645), and the last Nicholas II. (1868-1917).

ROMANS, a town in the dep. Drôme, France, on the Isère, 12 m. N.E. of Valence; a 9th-century bridge spans the river to the opposite town Pèage; has a 9th-century abbey; manufactures silk.

ROMANS, EPISTLE TO THE, an epistle written from Corinth, in the year 59, by St. Paul to the Church at Rome to correct particularly two errors into which, he had learned, the Church there had fallen, on the part of the Jewish Christians, that the Gentiles as such were not entitled to the same privileges as themselves, and, on the other hand, of the Gentile Christians, that the Jews by their rejection of Christ had excluded themselves from

God's kingdom; he wrote this epistle to show that the one had no more right to the grace of God than the other, and that this grace contemplates the final conversion of the Jews as well as the Gentiles. The great theme of this epistle is that faith in Christ is the one way of salvation for all mankind, Jew as well as Gentile, and its significance is this, that it contains if not the whole teaching of Paul, that essential part of it which presents and emphasises the all-sufficiency of this faith.

ROMANTICISM, the name of the reactionary movement in literature and art at the close of the 18th century and at the beginning of the 19th, against the cold and spiritless formalism and pseudo-classicism that then prevailed, and was more regardful of correctness of expression than truth of feeling and the claims of the emotional nature; it has been defined as the "reproduction in modern art and literature of the life and thought of the Middle Ages."

ROME, since 1871, capital of the modern kingdom of Italy (q.v.), on the Tiber, 16 m. from its entrance into the Tyrrhenian Sea; legend ascribes its foundation to Romulus in 753 B.C., and the story of its progress, first as the chief city of a little Italian kingdom, then of a powerful and expanding republic (610 B.C. to 30 B.C.), and finally of a vast empire, together with its decline and fall in the 5th century (476 A.D.), before the advancing barbarian hordes forms the most impressive chapter in the history of nations; as the mother-city of Christendom in the Middle Ages, and the later capital of the Papal States (q.v.) and seat of the Popes, it acquired fresh glory; it remains the most interesting city in the world; is filled with the sublime ruins and monuments of its pagan greatness and the priceless art-treasures of its mediæval period; of ruined buildings the most imposing are the Colosseum (a vast amphitheatre for gladiatorial shows) and the Baths of Caracalla (accommodated 1000 bathers); the great aqueducts of its pre-Christian period still supply the city with water from the Apennines and the Alban Hills; the Aurelian Wall (12 m.) still surrounds the city, enclosing the "seven hills," the Palatine, Capitoline, Aventine, &c., but suburbs have spread beyond; St. Peter's is still the finest church in the world; the Popes have their residence in the Vatican; its manufactures are inconsiderable, and consist chiefly of small mosaics, bronze and plaster casts, prints, trinkets, &c.; depends for its prosperity chiefly on the large influx of visitors, and the court expenditure of the Quirinal and Vatican, and of the civil and military officials.

ROMFORD, an old market town of Essex, on the Hourn or Rom, 12 m. N.E. of London; noted for its cattle and corn markets; industries include brewing, market-gardening, foundries, &c.

ROMILLY, SIR SAMUEL, English lawyer, born in London, of a Huguenot family; was a Whig in politics, and was Solicitor-General for a time; devoted himself to the amendment of the criminal law of the country, and was a zealous advocate against slavery and the spy system (1757-1818).

ROMNEY, GEORGE, English portrait-painter, born in Lancashire; married at Kendal, left his wife and two children there, and painted portraits in London for 35 years in rivalry with Reynolds and Gainsborough, among his best work being his studies of Lady Hamilton; he returned eventually to Kendal to die, his wife, whom he had deserted for many years, nursing him to the end (1784-1802).

ROMNEY, NEW, one of the old Cinque Ports (q.v.), in S. Kent, 8 m. S.W. of Hythe; the sea has receded from its shores, leaving it no longer a port; as centre of a fine pastoral district it has an important sheep fair; the little village of Old Romney lies 1½ m. inland.

ROMOLA, a novel by George Eliot, deemed her greatest by many, being "a deep study of life in the city of Florence in the 15th century, from an intellectual, artistic, religious, and social point of view."

ROMSEY, a town in Hampshire, on the Test, 8 m. N.W. of Southampton; has a remarkably fine old Norman church and a corn exchange; birthplace of Lord Palmerston.

ROMULUS, legendary founder of Rome, reputed son of Mars and Rhea Silvia (q.v.), daughter of Numitor,

king of Alba Longa; exposed at his birth, together with Remus, his twin-brother (q.v.); was suckled by a she-wolf and brought up by Faustulus, a shepherd; opened an asylum for fugitives on one of the hills of Rome, and founded the city in 753 A.C., peopling it by a rape of Sabine women, and afterwards forming a league with the Sabines (q.v.); he was translated to heaven during a thunderstorm, and afterwards worshipped as Quirinus, leaving Rome behind him as his mark.

RONALD, SIR LONDON, British musical conductor. He first appeared as a solo pianist, and began his career as a conductor at Covent Garden in 1894; in 1908 he became conductor of the Royal Albert Hall Orchestra, and in 1910 Principal of the Guildhall School of Music; he was knighted in 1922. Besides conducting he has composed a number of songs and some other music (1873-).

RONALDSBAY, NORTH AND SOUTH, two of the Orkney Islands; North Ronaldshay is the most northerly of the Orkney group; South Ronaldshay lies 6½ m. N.E. of Duncansby Head; both have a fertile soil, and the coast fisheries are valuable.

RONCESVALLES, a valley of the Pyrenees, 23 m. N.E. of Pampeluna, where in 776 the rear of the army of Charlemagne was cut in pieces by the Basques, and Roland (q.v.) with the other Paladins was slain.

RONDA, one of the old Moorish towns of Spain, built amid grand scenery on both sides of a great ravine (bridged in two places), down which rushes the Guadiaro, 43 m. W. of Malaga; is a favourite summer resort.

RONDEAU, a form of short poem (originally French) which, as in the 15th century, usually consists of 13 lines, eight of which have one rhyme and five another; is divided into three stanzas, the first line of the rondeau forming the concluding line of the last two stanzas; Swinburne popularised it in modern times.

RONDO, a form of musical composition which corresponds to the rondeau (q.v.) in poetry; consists of two or more (usually three) strains, the first being repeated at the end of each of the other two, but it admits of considerable variation.

RONARD, PIERRE DE, celebrated French poet, born near Vendôme; was for a time attached to the Court; was for three years of the household of James V. of Scotland in connection with it, and afterwards in the service of the Duke of Orleans, but having lost his hearing gave himself up to literature, writing odes and sonnets; he was of the Pleiade school of poets (q.v.), and contributed to introduce important changes in the idiom of the French language, as well as in the rhythm of French poetry (1524-1586).

RÖNTGEN, WILHELM KONRAD VON, discoverer of the Röntgen rays, born in Lennep, in Rhenish Prussia; in 1885 appointed professor of Physics at Würzburg; his discovery of the X-rays was made in 1895, and won him a wide celebrity (1845-1923).

RÖNTGEN RAYS. See X-RAYS.

ROOKE, SIR GEORGE, British admiral, born in Canterbury; distinguished himself at the battle of Cape La Hague in 1892; in an expedition against Cadix destroyed the Plate-fleet in the harbour of Vigo in 1702; assisted in the capture of Gibraltar from the Spaniards in 1704, and fought a battle which lasted a whole day with a superior French force off Malaga the same year (1680-1700).

ROON, COUNT VON, Prussian general, born in Pomerania; was Minister of War in 1859 and of Marine in 1861; was distinguished for the important reforms he effected in the organisation of the Prussian army, and conspicuous in the campaigns of 1866 and 1871-1872 (1803-1879).

ROOSEVELT, THEODORE, twenty-sixth president of the United States. Born in New York. He became a member of the New York State Legislature in 1881, tried unsuccessfully to become Mayor of New York, became one of the New York police commissioners in 1895 and assistant-secretary of the navy in 1897. In the Spanish War he raised a regiment to fight in Cuba, and on its conclusion he was elected Governor of New York. Elected Vice-President of the U.S.A. in 1900 he succeeded McKinley the following year and remained in office

till 1909. He was a noted sportsman and an explorer, and won the Nobel Prize in 1906 (1858-1919).

ROOT, GEORGE FREDERICK, a popular American song-writer, born in Sheffield, Massachusetts; was for some time a music teacher in Boston and New York; took to song writing, and during the Civil War leaped into fame as the composer of "Tramp, tramp, tramp, the Boys are Marching." "Just before the Battle, Mother." "The Battle Cry of Freedom," and other songs; was made a Musical Doctor by Chicago University in 1872 (1820-1895).

ROOT AND BRANCH MEN, name of a Puritan party in the Commons, of whom Hampden was a member, who in 1641 supported a petition for the abolition of Episcopacy in England, and even carried a bill through two readings, to be finally thrown out.

ROPEMAKER, THE BEAUTIFUL. See LABE, LOUISE.

RORKE'S DRIFT, a station on the Tugela River, Zululand, the defence of which was on the night of January 22, 1879, successfully maintained by 80 men of the 24th Regiment, under Lieuts. Chard and Bromhead, against 4000 Zulu warriors.

ROSA, CARL, father of English opera, born in Hamburg; introduced on the English stage the standard Italian, French, and German operas with an English text (1833-1889).

ROSA, SALVATOR, Italian painter, born near Naples, a man of versatile ability; could write verse and compose music, as well as paint and engrave; his paintings of landscape were of a sombre character, and generally representative of wild and savage scenes; he lived chiefly in Rome, but took part in the insurrection of Masaniello at Naples in 1647 (1615-1673).

ROSAMOND, FAIR, a daughter of Lord Clifford, and mistress of Henry II., who occupied a bower near Woodstock, the access to which was by a labyrinth, the windings of which only the king could thread. Her retreat was discovered by Queen Eleanor, who poisoned her.

ROSARIO, an important city of the Argentine Republic, on the Paraná, 190 m. NW. of Buenos Aires; does a large trade with Europe, exporting wool, hides, maize, and wheat.

ROSARY, a string of beads used by Hindus, Buddhists, Mohammedans, and Roman Catholics as an aid to the memory during devotional exercises; the rosary of the Roman Catholics consists of beads of two sizes, the larger ones mark the number of Paternosters and the smaller the number of Ave Marias repeated; of the former there are usually five, of the latter fifty.

ROSAS, JUAN MANUEL, Argentine statesman, born in Buenos Aires; organised the confederation, became dictator, failed to force the Plata River States into the confederation, and took refuge in England, where he died (1799-1877).

ROSCHER, WILHELM, distinguished political economist, born in Hanover, professor at Göttingen and Leipzig, the head of the historical school of political economy; his chief work a "System of Political Economy" (1817-1894).

ROSCIUS, QUINTUS, famous Roman comic actor, born near Lanuvium, in the Sabine territory; was a friend of Cicero, and much patronised by the Roman nobles; was thought to have reached perfection in his art, so that his name became a synonym for perfection in any profession or art; d. about 61 B.C.

ROSCIUS, THE YOUNG. See BETTY, W. HENRY.

ROSCOE, SIR HENRY, chemist, born in London, grandson of succeeding, professor at Owens College, Manchester, and later vice-chancellor of London University; president of the British Association at Manchester, 1887; carried out research on spectrum analysis and the atomic theory; author of treatises on chemistry (1834-1915).

ROSCOE, WILLIAM, historian, born in Liverpool; distinguished as the author of the "Life of Lorenzo de' Medici" and of "Leo X." as well as of "Hand-books of the Italian Renaissance" and a collection of poems (1753-1831).

ROSCOMMON, an inland county of Connaught, West Ireland; is poorly developed; one-half is in grass, and a sixth mere waste land; crops of hay, potatoes,

and oats are raised, but the rearing of sheep and cattle is the chief industry; the rivers Shannon and Auck lie on its E. and W. borders respectively; there is some pretty lake-scenery, interesting Celtic remains, castle, and abbey ruins, &c. The county town, Roscommon, 96 m. NW. of Dublin, has a good cattle-market, and remains of a 13th-century Dominican abbey and castle.

ROSBORNA, an old market town of Tipperary, 77 m. NW. of Dublin; its history reaches back to the 7th century, and it has interesting ruins of a castle, round tower, and two abbeys.

ROSEBURY, ARCHIBALD PHILIP PRIMROSE, EARL OF, born in London; educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford; succeeded to the earldom in 1868; was twice over Secretary for Foreign Affairs under Gladstone, in 1885 and 1892; was first Chairman of London County Council; became Prime Minister on March, 1894, on Gladstone's retirement, and resigned in June, 1895; one of the founders of the Liberal League, and the only Prime Minister to win the Derby while in office (1847-1893).

ROSECRANS, WILLIAM STARKE, American general, born in Kingston, Ohio; trained as an engineer, he had settled down to coal-mining when the Civil War broke out; joined the army in 1861, and rapidly came to the front; highly distinguished himself during the campaigns of 1862-1863, winning battles at luka, Corinth, and Stone River; but, defeated at Chickamauga, he lost his command; reinstated in 1864 he drove Price out of Missouri; was minister to Mexico, a member of Congress, and Registrar of the U.S. Treasury (1819-1898).

ROSENKRANZ, KARL, philosopher of the Hegelian school, born in Magdeburg; professor of Philosophy at Königsberg; wrote an exposition of the Hegelian system, a "Life of Hegel," and "Goethe and his Works" (1806-1879).

ROSES, WARS OF THE, the most protracted and sanguinary civil war in English history, fought out during the reigns of Henry VI., Edward IV., and Richard III. between the adherents of the noble houses of York and Lancaster—rival claimants for the throne of England—whose badges were the white and the red rose respectively; began with the first battle of St. Albans (1455), in which Richard, Duke of York, defeated Henry VI.'s forces under the Duke of Somerset; but not till after the decisive victory at Towton (1461) did the Yorkists make good their claim, when Edward (IV.), Duke of York, became king. Four times the Lancastrians were defeated during his reign. The war closed with the defeat and death of the Yorkist Richard III. at Bosworth, 1485, and an end was put to the rivalry of the two houses by the marriage of Henry VII. of Lancaster with Elizabeth of York, 1486.

ROSETTA, a town on the left branch of the delta of the Nile, 44 m. NE. of Alexandria, famous for the discovery near it by M. Boussard, in 1799, of the Rosetta stone with hieroglyphic inscriptions, demotic and Greek, by the help of which archaeologists have been able to interpret the hieroglyphics of Egypt.

ROSICRUCIANS, a fraternity who, in the beginning of the 16th century, affected an intimate acquaintance with the secrets of nature, and pretended by the study of alchemy and other occult sciences to be possessed of sundry wonder-working powers.

ROSENANTE, the celebrated steed of Don Quixote, reckoned by him superior to the Bucophalus of Alexander and the Baryces of the Cid.

ROSLIN, a pretty little village of Midlothian, by the wooded side of the North Esk, 64 m. S. of Edinburgh; has ruins of a 14th-century castle, and a small chapel of rare architectural beauty, built in the 16th century as the choir of a projected collegiate church.

ROMINI-SERRATI, ANTONIO, distinguished Italian philosopher, born in Rovereto, entered the priesthood, devoted himself to the study of philosophy, founded a system and an institute called the "Institute of the Brethren of Charity" at Stresa, W. of Lake Maggiore, on a pietistic religious basis, which, though sanctioned by the Pope, encountered much opposition at the hands of the obscurantist party in the Church (1797-1855).

ROSS, SIR EDWARD DENISON, British philologist. He studied Oriental languages in London, Paris, and Strasbourg, and then travelled widely in

Russia, Asia Minor, and the East; in 1896 he became a professor of Persian at University College, London, subsequently held official posts in India, and in 1914 became a keeper in the British Museum; has written extensively on Eastern subjects (1871-).

ROSS, SIR JAMES CLARK, British explorer. He entered the Navy in 1812 and died a rear-admiral; was with Parry, as a lieutenant, in his Arctic voyages, and in 1831 discovered the north magnetic pole. In his Antarctic expedition of 1839-1843 he discovered the south magnetic pole (1800-1862).

ROSS, SIR JOHN, British Arctic explorer, born in Wigtownshire; made three voyages, the first in 1818, under Parry; the second in 1829, which he commanded; and a third in 1850, in an unsuccessful search for Franklin, publishing on his return from them accounts of the first two, in both of which he made important discoveries (1777-1856).

ROSS, SIR RONALD, British scientist, famous for his work on malaria; he showed that the disease was propagated by mosquitoes and that a suppression of the latter reduced the ravages of malaria; awarded the Nobel Prize in 1902 (1859-).

ROSS DEFENDENCY. The territories on the coasts of the Ross Sea which were proclaimed a British Settlement in 1923 under control of the Governor-General of New Zealand. This is the farthest south of the British Empire, as the Arctic Islands of Canada are the farthest north.

ROSSANO, a town of Southern Italy, in Calabria, 2 m. from the SW. shore of the Gulf of Taranto; has a fine cathedral and castle; valuable quarries of marble and alabaster are wrought in the vicinity.

ROSSEACH, a village in Prussian Saxony, 9 m. SW. of Merseburg, where Frederick the Great gained in 1757 a brilliant victory with 22,000 men over the combined arms of France and Austria with 60,000.

ROSSE, WILLIAM PARSONS, 3RD EARL OF, born in York; devoted to the study of astronomy; constructed reflecting telescopes, and a monster one at the cost of £30,000 at Parsonstown, his seat in Ireland, by means of which important discoveries were made, especially in the resolution of nebulae; he was president of the British Association at Cork in 1843 (1800-1867).

ROSSETTI, CHARLES DANTE GABRIEL, poet and painter, born in London, the son of Gabriele Rossetti; was as a painter one of the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood (q.v.), and is characterised by Ruskin as "the chief intellectual force in the establishment of the modern romantic school in England, . . . as regarding the external world as a singer of the Romantics would have regarded it in the Middle Ages, and as Scott, Burns, Byron, and Tennyson have regarded it in modern times," and as a poet was leader of the romantic school of poetry, which, as Stopford Brooke remarks, "found their chief subjects in ancient Rome and Greece, in stories and lyrics of passion, in mediæval romance, in Norse legends, in the old English of Chaucer, and in Italy"; his chief paintings were "Ecce Ancilla Domini," "Beata Beatrix," and "Dante's Dream," while his prose and poetical works include "Dante and his Circle," "Ballads and Sonnets" (1828-1882).

ROSSETTI, CHRISTINA GEORGINA, poetess, born in London, sister of Dante Gabriel Rossetti, and of kindred temper with her brother, but with distinct qualities of her own; her first volume, called "Goblin Market," contains a number of very beautiful short poems; she exhibits, with a sense of humour, a rare pathos blended with religious fervour; wrote "The Prince's Progress" and other volumes of verse (1830-1894).

ROSSETTI, GABRIELE, Italian poet and orator, born in Vasto; for his patriotic effusions had to leave Italy, took refuge in London, and became professor of Italian in King's College, London; was a man of strong character, and a student of literature as well as man of letters himself; was the father of Dante Gabriel and Christina (1783-1854).

ROSSETTI, WILLIAM MICHAEL, man of letters, son of Gabriele Rossetti, born in London; held civil service appointments until 1894, when he retired; published a translation of Dante's "Inferno," "Lives of Famous Poets," and a Memoir of his brother, D. G. Rossetti (q.v.) (1829-1919).

ROSSI, PELLEGRINO, an Italian jurist and politician, born in Carrara, educated at Bologna, where he became professor of Law in 1812; four years later was appointed to a chair in Geneva, where he also busied himself with politics as a member of the Council and deputy in the Diet; settled in Paris in 1833, became professor at the Collège de France, was naturalised and created a peer, returned to Rome, broke off his connection with France, won the friendship of Pius IX., and rose to be head of the ministry; was assassinated (1787-1848).

ROSINI, GIOACCHINO, celebrated Italian composer of operatic music, born in Pesaro; his opera were numerous, of a high order, and received with unbounded applause, beginning with "Tancredi," followed by "Barber of Seville," "La Gazza Ladra," "Semiramide," "William Tell," &c.; he composed a "Stabat Mater," and a "Mass" which was given at his grave (1792-1868).

ROSTAND, EDMOND, French dramatist. He first came before the public as the author of "Cyrano de Bergerac" in 1898, but perhaps his best play was "Chantecler," written in 1910; he was made a commander of the Legion of Honour in 1911 (1868-1918).

ROSTOCK, a busy German port in Mecklenburg, on the Warnow, 7 m. from its entrance into the Baltic; exports large quantities of grain, wool and flax, has important wool and cattle markets; shipbuilding is the chief of many varied industries; owns a flourishing university, a beautiful Gothic church and a ducal palace.

ROSTOFF, (1) a flourishing town of South Russia, on the Don, 34 m. E. of Taganrog; manufactures embrace tobacco, rope, leather, and shipbuilding. (2) One of the oldest of Russian market towns, on the Lake of Rostoff, 34 m. SW. of Jaroslav, seat of an archbishop; manufactures linens and silks.

ROSTOPCHINE, COUNTE, Russian general, governor of Moscow; was charged with having set fire to the city against the entrance of the French in 1812; in his defence he admitted that he had set fire to his own mansion, but threw the blame of the general conflagration on the citizens and the French themselves (1763-1828).

ROSTRUM (H. a beak), a pulpit in the forum of Rome where the orators delivered harangues to the people, so called as originally constructed of the prows of war-vessels taken at the first naval battle in which Rome was engaged.

ROSYTH, dockyard and naval base on the north side of the Firth of Forth, including the old anchorage of St. Margaret's Hope west of the Forth Bridge; site acquired by government in 1900.

ROTHE, RICHARD, eminent German theologian, born in Posen, professor eventually at Heidelberg; regarded the Church as a temporary institution which would decrease as soon as it had fulfilled its function by bequeathing society with the Christian spirit; he wrote several works, but the greatest is entitled "Theological Ethics" (1799-1867).

ROTTERHAM, a flourishing town in Yorkshire, situated on the Don, 5 m. NE. of Sheffield; its cruciform church is a splendid specimen of Perpendicular architecture; manufactures ironware, chemicals, pottery, &c.

ROTHERMERE, HAROLD HARNESWORTH, 1ST VISCOUNT, British newspaper proprietor. A younger brother of Lord Northcliffe (q.v.), and owner of the *Sunday Pictorial*, he succeeded his brother in the control of the *Daily Mail* groups of papers in 1922. He became Air Minister for a year in 1917 in the Coalition Government, and in 1919 was raised to the peerage (1868-).

ROTHERAY, popular watering-place on the W. coast of Scotland, capital of Butehire, charmingly situated at the head of a fine hill-girt bay on the NE. side of the island of Bute, 19 m. SW. of Greenock; has an excellent harbour and esplanade; Rotheray Castle is an interesting ruin; is a great health and holiday resort.

ROTTSCHILD, MEYER AMSCHEL, the founder of the celebrated banking business, born in Frankfurt-on-the-Main, a Jew by birth; began his career as a money-lender and made a large fortune (1743-1812); left five sons, who were all made barons of the Austrian empire—Amschel von R., eldest, head

of the house at Frankfurt (1773-1855); Solomon von R., the second, head of the Vienna house (1774-1856); Nathan von R., the third, head of the London house (1777-1836); Karl von R., the fourth, head of the house at Naples (1786-1855); and Jacob von R., the fifth, head of the Paris house (1792-1868).

ROTTSCHILD, BARON, head of the famous Rothschild banking family in England. He inherited an Austrian barony, and in 1886 was raised to the English peerage, for 20 years prior to which he had sat in the House of Commons (1840-1916).

ROTELOU, JEAN DE, French poet, born in Dreux; was a contemporary of Corneille and a rival, wrote a number of plays, almost all tragedies, on romantic and classical subjects, some of which have kept the stage till now (1600-1650).

ROTTEN ROW, a roadway reserved for horse-riding in Hyde Park. The name is said to be a corruption of *Rout de Roi*.

ROTTERDAM, the chief port and second city of Holland, situated at the junction of the Rotte with the Maas, 19 m. from the North Sea and 46 m. SW. of Amsterdam; the town is cut in many parts by handsome canals, which communicate with the river and serve to facilitate the enormous foreign commerce; the quaint old houses, the stately public buildings, broad tree-lined streets, and canals alive with fleets of trim barges, combine to give the town a picturesque and animated appearance. *Boymans' Museum* has a fine collection of Dutch and modern paintings, and the *Groote Kerk* is a Gothic church of imposing appearance; there is also a large zoological garden; shipbuilding, distilling, sugar-refining, machine and tobacco factories are the chief industries.

ROTTI, a fertile hilly island in the Indian Archipelago, SW. of Timor, a Dutch possession.

ROUBAIX, a busy town in the department of Nord, N. of France; situated on a canal 6 m. NE. of Lille; is of modern growth; actively engaged in the manufacture of all kinds of textiles, in brewing,

ROUBILLAC, LOUIS FRANÇOIS, sculptor, born in Lyons; studied in Paris, came to London; executed there statues of Shakespeare in the British Museum. Sir Isaac Newton at Cambridge, and Handel at London (1695-1762).

ROUBLE, a silver coin of the value of 3s. 2d.; the unit of the old Russian monetary system; a much depreciated paper rouble is also in circulation; the rouble is divided into 100 copecks.

ROUEN, the ancient capital of Normandy, a busy manufacturing town on the Seine, 87 m. NW. of Paris; a good portion of the old, crowded, picturesque town has given place to more spacious streets and dwellings, the old ramparts have been converted into handsome boulevards; has several Gothic churches unrivalled in beauty, a cathedral (the seat of an archbishop), &c.; the river affords an excellent waterway to the sea, and as a port Rouen ranks fourth in France; is famed for its cotton and other textiles; Joan of Arc was burned here in 1431.

ROUGE-ET-NOIR (i.e. red and black), a gambling game of chance with cards, so called because it is played on a table marked with two red and two black diamond-shaped spots, and arranged alternately in four different sections of the table.

ROUGET DE LISLE, officer of the Engineers, born in Lons-le-Saulnier; immortalised himself as the author of the "Marseillaise" (q.v.); was thrown into prison by the extreme party at the Revolution, but was released on the fall of Robespierre; fell into straitened circumstances, but was pensioned by Louis Philippe (1760-1836).

ROUHER, EUGÈNE, French Bonapartist statesman, born in Rion, where he became a barrister; entered the Constituent Assembly in 1848, and in the following year became Minister of Justice; was more or less in office during the next 30 years; he became President of the Senate in 1889; fled to England on the fall of the Empire; later on re-entered the National Assembly, and vigorously defended the ex-emperor Napoleon III. (1814-1884).

ROULERS, a manufacturing town in West Flanders, 19 m. SW. of Bruges; engaged in manufacturing cottons, lace, &c.; scene of a French victory over the Austrians in 1794.

ROULETTE, a game of chance, very popular in France last century, now at Monaco; played with a revolving disc and a ball.

ROUMELIA, a former name for a district which embraced ancient Thrace and a portion of Macedonia; the territory known as East Roumelia was incorporated with Bulgaria in 1885.

ROUND TABLE, *Arthur*, the name given to the knight-hood of King Arthur; there are said to have been two tables, a larger, including as many as 150 knights; and a smaller, including only 12 of the highest order, the latter being preserved in the Great Hall at Winchester.

ROUND TOWERS, ancient towers, found chiefly in Ireland, of a tall, round, more or less tapering structure, divided into storeys, and with a conical top, erected in the neighbourhood of some church or monastery, and presumably of Christian origin, and probably used as strongholds in times of danger; of these there are 118 in Ireland, and three in Scotland—at Abernethy, Brechin, and Eglisay (Orkney).

ROUNDHEADS, the name of contempt given by the Cavaliers to the Puritans or Parliamentary party during the Civil War, on account of their wearing their hair close cropped.

ROUS, FRANCIS, provost of Eton, born in Cornwall; sat in the Westminster Assembly, and was the author of the metrical version of the Psalms, as used in Presbyterian churches (1579-1659).

ROUSSEAU, JEAN BAPTISTE, French lyric poet, born in Paris, the son of a shoemaker; gave offence by certain lampoons ascribed to him which to the last he protested were forgeries, and was banished; his satires were certainly superior to his lyrics, which were cold and formal; died at Brussels in exile (1670-1741).

ROUSSEAU, JEAN JACQUES, a celebrated French philosopher, and one of the great prose writers of French literature, born in Geneva, the son of a watch-maker and dancing-master; was apprenticed to an engraver, whose inhuman treatment drove him at the age of 16 into running away; for three years led a vagrant life, acting as footman, lackey, secretary, &c.; during this period was converted to Catholicism largely through the efforts of Madame de Warens, a married lady living apart from her husband; in 1731 he took up residence in his patroness's house, where he lived for nine years a life of ease and sentiment in the ambiguous capacity of general factotum, and subsequently of lover; supplanted in the affections of his mistress, he took himself off, and landed in Paris in 1741; supported himself by music-copying, an occupation which was his steadiest means of livelihood throughout his troubled career; formed a liaison with an illiterate servant-girl by whom he had five children, all of whom he callously handed over to the foundling hospital; acquaintance with Diderot brought him work on the famous *Encyclopédie*, but the true foundation of his literary fame was laid in 1749 by "A Discourse on Arts and Sciences," in which he audaciously negates the theory that morality has been favoured by the progress of science and the arts; followed this up in 1753 by a "Discourse on the Origin of Inequality," in which he makes a wholesale attack upon the cherished institutions and ideals of society; movingly rejected the flattering advances of society, and from his retreat at Montlouis issued "The New Héloïse" (1760), "The Social Contract" (1762), and "Émile" (1762); these lifted him into the widest fame, but precipitated upon him the enmity and persecution of Church (for his Deism) and State; fled to Switzerland, where, after his aggressive "Letters from the Mountains," he wandered about, the victim of his own suspicious, hypochondriacal nature; found for some time a retreat in Staffordshire under the patronage of Hume; returned to France, where his only persecutors were his own morbid hallucinations; died, not without suspicion of suicide, at Ermenonville; his "Confessions" and other autobiographical writings, although unreliable in facts,

reflect his strange and wayward personality with wonderful truth; was one of the precursive influences which brought on the revolutionary movement (1712-1778).

ROUSSEAU, PIERRE ETIENNE THEODORE, an eminent French artist, born in Paris; at 19 exhibited in the Salon; slowly won his way to the front as the greatest French landscape painter; in 1848 settled down in Barbizon, in the Forest of Fontainebleau, his favourite sketching ground; his pictures (e.g. "The Alley of Chestnut Trees," "Early Summer Morning") fetch immense prices now (1812-1867).

ROVEREDO, an Italian town in the Tyrol, pleasantly situated on the Leno, in the Lagerthal; is the centre of the Tyrolean silk trade.

ROW, JOHN, a Scottish reformer; graduated LL.D. in Padua; came over from the Catholic Church in 1568, and two years later helped to compile the "First Book of Discipline"; settled as a minister in Perth, and was four times Moderator of the General Assembly (1526-1580). His son, John Row, was minister of Carnock, near Dunfermline, and author of an authoritative "History of the Kirk of Scotland" (1648-1646).

ROWE, NICHOLAS, dramatist and poet-laureate, born in Little Barford, Bedfordshire; was trained for the law, but took to literature, and made his mark as a dramatist, "The Fair Penitent" and "Jane Shore" long maintaining their popularity; translated Lucan's "Pharsalia," which won Dr. Johnson's commendation; edited Shakespeare; became poet-laureate in 1715; held some government posts; was buried at Westminster Abbey (1674-1718).

ROWLANDSON, THOMAS, caricaturist, born in London; studied art in Paris; gambled and lived extravagantly; led a roving life in England and Wales; displayed great versatility and strength in his artistic work, e.g. in "Imitations of Modern Drawings," illustrations to Sterne's "Sentimental Journey," and "Alnshausen's Travels"; ridiculed Napoleon in many cartoons (1756-1827).

ROWLEY REGIS, a flourishing town of Staffordshire, 3 m. SE. of Dudley; has large ironworks and potteries.

ROWTON HEATH, in the vicinity of Chester, scene of a great Parliamentary victory over the forces of Charles I. in September, 1645.

ROXBURGHSHIRE, a Border pastoral county of Scotland, between Berwick (N.E.), and Dumfries (S.W.); the Cheviots form its southern boundary; lies almost wholly within the basin of the Tweed, which winds along its northern border, receiving the Teviot, Jed, &c.; includes the fine pastoral districts of Teviotdale and Liddesdale, where vast flocks of sheep are reared; agriculture and woollen manufactures are important industries; Hawick is the largest town, and Jedburgh the county town; near Kelso stood the royal castle and town of Old Roxburgh, which gave its name to the county, destroyed in 1460.

ROYAL ACADEMY OF ARTS, in London; was instituted in 1768 by George III. as a result of a memorial presented to him by 29 members who had seceded from "The Incorporated Society of Artists of Great Britain" (founded 1765); for some years received grants from the privy purse, and was provided with rooms in Somerset House; removed to Trafalgar Square in 1836, and to its present quarters at Burlington House in 1869; receives now no public grant; holds yearly exhibitions, and supports an art school; membership comprises 42 Royal Academicians, besides Associates. The Royal Hibernian Academy (founded 1823) and the Scottish Academy (1826) are similar institutions.

ROYAL AIR FORCE, the third of the fighting forces of the Crown. It was formed in 1917 as an amalgamation of the Royal Flying Corps, a section of the army, and the Royal Naval Air Service.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE, founded in 1873 as the North-West Mounted Police to repress lawlessness in the north-west territory; title of Royal conferred on the force in 1904; reorganised under present title in 1921; rarely over 1000 strong, the R.C.M.P. patrol many hundreds of thousands of miles of territory between Hudson's Bay and the Rocky

Mountains, from east to west, and from the International Boundary Line in the south to the Arctic in the north. Headquarters are at Ottawa; chief training depot, Regina, Sask.

ROYAL EXCHANGE, a mercantile building in London near the Bank of England. Sir Thomas Gresham built the first in 1566, which was destroyed in the Great Fire and was followed by a second, also burnt in 1838. The present building was designed by Sir William Tite and opened in 1844 by Queen Victoria.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF EDINBURGH. THE, was incorporated by royal charter in 1783 through the efforts of Robertson the historian, and superseded the old Philosophical Society; held fortnightly meetings (December till June) in the Royal Institution; receives a grant of £300; publishes *Transactions*; has a membership of some 550, including foreign and British Fellows.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, incorporated by royal charter in 1662, but owing its origin to the informal meetings about 1645 of a group of scientific men headed by Theodore Haak, a German, Dr. Wilkins, and others; in 1665 the first number of their *Philosophical Transactions* was published, which, with the supplementary publication, *Proceedings of the Royal Society*, born in 1800, constitute an invaluable record of the progress of science to the present day; encouragement is given to scientific investigation by awards of medals (Copley, Davy, Darwin, &c.), the equipping of scientific expeditions (e.g. the *Challenger*), &c.; weekly meetings are held at Burlington House (quarters since 1857) during the session (November till June); receives a parliamentary grant of £4000 a year, and acts in an informal way as scientific adviser to Government.

ROYAN, a pretty seaside town of France, on the estuary of the Gironde, 60 m. NW. of Bordeaux; trebles its population in the summer.

ROYER-COLLARD, PIERRE PAUL, politician and philosopher, born in Bourges; called to the Paris bar at 20; supported the Revolution, but refused to follow the Jacobins, and during the Reign of Terror sought shelter in his native town; was elected to the Council of the Five Hundred in 1797, retired in 1804, and betook himself to philosophic studies; became professor of Philosophy in Paris, 1811, and exercised great influence; re-entered political life in 1815, and was actively engaged in administrative work till his retirement in 1842; was all through his life a doctrinaire and rather impractical (1783-1845).

ROYTON, a busy cotton town in Lancashire, 2 m. NW. of Oldham.

RUBBON, a mining town in Denbighshire, 4½ m. SW. of Wrexham; has collieries and ironworks.

RUBENS, PETER PAUL, the greatest of the Flemish painters, born in Siegen, in Westphalia; came with his widowed mother in 1587 to Antwerp, where he sedulously cultivated the painter's art, and early revealed his masterly gift of colouring; went to Italy, and for a number of years was in the service of the Duke of Mantua, who encouraged him in his art, and employed him on a diplomatic mission to Philip III. of Spain; executed at Madrid some of his finest portraits; returned to Antwerp in 1609; completed in 1614 his masterpiece, "The Descent from the Cross," in Antwerp Cathedral; with the aid of assistants he painted the series of 21 pictures, now in the Louvre, illustrating the principal events in the life of Marie de' Medici; during 1628-1629 diplomatic missions engaged him at both the Spanish and English Courts, where his superabundant energy enabled him to execute many paintings for Charles I.—e.g. "War and Peace," in the National Gallery—and Philip IV.; was knighted by both; in all that pertains to chiaroscuro, colouring, and general technical skill Rubens is unsurpassed, and in expressing particularly the "tumult and energy of human action," but he falls below the great Italian artists in the presentation of the deeper and sublimer human emotions; was a scholarly, refined man, an excellent linguist, and a successful diplomatist; was twice married; died at Antwerp, and was buried in the Church of St. Jacques (1677-1640).

RUBICON, a famous river of Italy, associated with Julius Cæsar, now identified with the modern Fiumicino, a mountain torrent which springs out of the eastern flank of the Apennines and enters the Adriatic N. of Ariminum; marked the boundary line between Roman Italy and Cisalpine Gaul, a province administered by Cæsar; when he crossed it in 49 B.C. it was tantamount to a declaration of war against the Republic, hence the expression "to cross the Rubicon" is applied to the decisive step in any adventurous undertaking.

RUBIDIUM, a rare alkali metallic element, resembling sodium and potassium in its chemical properties; it was discovered by Bunsen in 1861.

RUBINSTEIN, ANTON, a famous Russian pianist and composer, born of Jewish parents, near Jassy, in Moldavia; studied at Moscow, under Liszt in Paris, and afterwards at Berlin and Vienna; established himself at St. Petersburg in 1848 as a music-teacher; became director of the Conservatoire there; toured for many years through Europe and the United States, achieving phenomenal success; resumed his directorship at St. Petersburg in 1887; composed operas (e.g. "The Maenads," "The Demon"), symphonies (e.g. "Ocean"), sacred operas (e.g. "Paradise Lost"), chamber music, and many exquisite songs; as a pianist he was a master of technique and expression; was ennobled by the Czar in 1869; published an autobiography; his works as well as his performances display both vigour and sensibility (1830-1894).

RUBRICS, a name, as printed originally in red ink, applied to the rules and instructions given in the liturgy of the Prayer-Book for regulating the conduct of divine service, hence applied in a wider significance to any fixed ecclesiastical or other injunction or order; was used to designate the headings or title of chapters of certain old law-books and MSS., formerly but not now necessarily printed in red characters.

RUBY, a gem which in value and hardness ranks next to the diamond; is dichroic of greater specific gravity than any other gem, and belongs to the hexagonal system of crystals; is a pellucid, ruddy-tinted stone, and, like the sapphire, a variety of corundum, also found (but rarely) in violet, pink, and purple tints; the finest specimens come from Upper Burma; these are the true Oriental rubies, and when above 5 carats exceed in value, weight for weight, diamonds; the Spinel ruby is the commoner jeweller's stone; is of much less value, specific gravity, and hardness, non-dichroic, and forms a cubical crystal.

RÜCKERT, FRIEDRICH, German poet, born in Schweinfurt, in Bavaria; at Würzburg University showed his talent for languages, and early devoted himself to philology and poetry; was for 15 years professor of Oriental Languages at Erlangen; introduced German readers, by excellent translations, to Eastern poetry; also for some time the chair of Oriental Languages in Berlin; takes rank as a lyricist of no mean powers; essayed unsuccessfully dramatic composition (1788-1866).

RUDDIMAN, THOMAS, author of a well-known Latin grammar, a Banffshire man, and graduate of Aberdeen University; was schoolmastering at Laurencekirk, where his scholarly attainments won him an assistantship in the Advocates' Library, Edinburgh; spent a busy life in that city in scholarly occupation, editing many learned works, the most notable being Buchanan's works and the "Immaculate" edition of Livy; his famous Latin grammar was completed in 1732; in 1780 became principal keeper of the Advocates' Library (1674-1757).

RUDOLF I., of the House of Hapsburg, founder of the Austrian dynasty; born, the son of a count, in Schloss Linzburg (Breisgau); greatly increased his father's domain by marriage, inheritance, and conquest, becoming the most powerful prince in S. Germany; acquired a remarkable ascendancy among the German princes, and was elevated to the imperial throne in 1273, and by friendly concessions to the Pope, Gregory IX., terminated the long struggle between the Church and the empire; shattered the opposition of Ottocar, king of Bohemia, and brought peace and order to Germany (1218-1291).

RUDOLF II. German Emperor, son of Maximilian II. born in Vienna; became king of Hungary in 1573, and of Bohemia three years later; ascended the imperial throne in 1576; indolent and incapable, he left the empire to the care of worthless ministers; disorder and foreign invasion speedily followed; persecution inflamed the Protestants; by 1611 his brother Matthias, supported by other kinsmen, had wrested Hungary and Bohemia from him; had a taste for astrology and alchemy; and patronised Kepler and Tycho Brahe (1552-1612).

RUDOLF, LAKE, in British East Africa, close to the highlands of S. Ethiopia, practically an inland sea, being 185 m. long and 30 broad, and brackish in taste; discovered in 1888.

RUDRA, in the Hindu mythology the old deity of the storm, and father of the Maruts.

RUGBY, a town in Warwickshire, at the junction of the Swift and the Avon, 83 m. NW. of London; an important railway centre and seat of a famous public school founded in 1567, of which Dr. Arnold (q.v.), and Archbishops Tait and Temple were former headmasters; the town is a centre of the motor industry, and near to it is the largest wireless transmitting station in the country, used for Imperial communication.

RUGE, ARNOLD, a German philosophical and political writer, born in Bergen (Rügen); showed a philosophical bent at Jena; was implicated in the political schemes of the Burschenschaft (q.v.), and was imprisoned for six years; taught for some years in Halle University, but got into trouble through the radical tone of his writings in the *Halle Review* (founded by himself and another), and went to Paris; was prominent during the political agitation of 1848, and subsequently sought refuge in London, where for a short time he acted in concert with Mazzini and others; retired to Brighton, and ultimately received a pension from the Prussian Government; his numerous plays, novels, translations, &c., including a lengthy autobiography, reveal a mind scarcely gifted enough to grasp firmly and deeply the complicated problems of sociology and politics (1802-1880).

RÜGEN, a deeply-indented island of Germany, in the Baltic, separated from the Pomeranian coast by a channel (Streit RUND) about a mile broad; the soil is fertile, and fishing is actively engaged in. Bergen is the capital.

RUEB, an affluent of the Rhine, which joins it at Ruhrort after a course of 142 m.; navigable to craft conveying the product of the coal-mines to the Rhine.

RUEB OCCUPATION, the advance of French and Belgian troops into the Ruhr valley in Germany in January, 1923, on account of the failure of the German government to meet her reparations obligations.

RULE OF FAITH, the name given to the ultimate authority or standard in religious belief, such as the Bible alone, as among Protestants; the Bible and the Church, as among Romanists; reason alone, as among rationalists; the inner light of the spirit, as among mystics.

RUM, a mountainous, forest-clad island in one of the Inner Hebrides, lies 15 m. off Ardnamurchan Point; a handful of inhabitants cultivate a very small portion of it; the rest is mountain, wood, and moorland; forms a deer-forest.

RUMANIA, a kingdom of SE. Europe, wedged in between the Ukraine (N.) and Bulgaria (S.), with an eastern shore on the Black Sea; the Carpathian range on the W. divides it from Hungary; comprises the old principalities of Moldavia and Wallachia, which, long subject to Turkey, united under one ruler in 1859, and received their independence in 1878, in which year the province of Dobruja was ceded by Russia; in 1881 the combined provinces were recognized as a kingdom; forms a fertile and well-watered plain sloping N. to S., which grows immense quantities of grain, the chief export; salt-mining and petroleum-making are also important industries; the bulk of the people belong to the Greek Church; peasant proprietorship on a large scale is a feature of the national life; government is vested in a hereditary limited

monarchy, a council of ministers, a senate, and a chamber of deputies; Bucharest (q.v.) is the capital, and Galatz (q.v.) the chief port.

RUMFORD, COUNT, Benjamin Thompson, soldier, philanthropist, and physicist, born in Woburn, Massachusetts; a fortunate marriage lifted him into affluence, relieving him from the necessity of teaching; fought on the British side during the American War; became a lieutenant-colonel, and for important services was knighted in 1783 on his return to England; entered the Bavarian service, and carried through a series of remarkable reforms, such as the suppression of mendicancy, the amelioration of the poorer classes by the spread of useful knowledge, culinary, agricultural, &c.; was made a Count of the Holy Roman Empire, and placed in charge of the War Department of Bavaria; was a generous patron of science in England and elsewhere; retired from the Bavarian service in 1799, and five years later married the widow of Lavoisier the chemist; his later years were spent in retirement in a village near Paris, where he devoted himself to physical research, especially as regards heat. His great contribution to science was the recognition of heat as a form of energy (1758-1814).

RUMP, THE, name of contempt given to the remnant of the Long Parliament in 1659.

RUNCORN, a flourishing river-port of Cheshire, on the Mersey, 12 m. SE. of Liverpool, at the terminus of the Bridgewater Canal; is an old place dating back to the 10th century. Has excellent docks; industries embrace shipbuilding and iron-founding.

RUNEBERG, JOHAN LUDWIG, the national poet of Finland, born in Jacobstad; educated at, and afterwards lectured in, the university of Abo; published his first volume, "Lyric Poems," in 1830; edited a bi-weekly paper; for forty years (till his death) was Reader of Roman Literature in the College of Borga; his epic Idylls, "The Elk-Hunters," "Christmas Eve," his epic "King Fjalmar," &c., are the finest poems in the Swedish language; are characterized by a repose, simplicity, and artistic finish, yet have within the warmth of national life in them (1804-1877).

RUNES, a name signifying occult and given to the letters of the alphabet by heathen Teutonic tribes prior to their coming under the influence of Roman civilisation; are formed almost invariably of straight lines, and scarcely exist except in inscriptions dating back to A.D. 1; found chiefly in Scandinavia, also in Britain. There are three runic alphabets (much alike), the oldest being the Gothic of 24 letters or runes. They are now believed to have first come into use among the Goths in the 6th century B.C., and to be a modified form of the old Greek alphabet introduced by traders.

RUNNYMEDE, a meadow on the right bank of the Thames, 36 m. SW. of London, where King John signed the Magna Charta, June 15, 1215.

RUPES, a silver coin, the monetary unit of India, whose face value is 1s. 6d.; a lac of rupees equals 100,000.

RUPERT, PRINCE, son of Frederick V., Elector Palatine, and grandson of James I. of England; received an excellent education; took part in the Thirty Years' War, and suffered three years' imprisonment at Linz; in England, at the outbreak of the Great Rebellion, he was entrusted with a command by Charles I., and by his dash and daring greatly heartened the Royalist cause, taking an active part in all the great battles; finally surrendered to Fairfax at Oxford in 1646; but two years later took command of the Royalist ships and kept up a gallant struggle till his defeat by Blake in 1651; escaped to the West Indies, where he kept up a privateering attack upon English merchantmen; came in for many honours after the Restoration, and distinguished himself in the Dutch War; the closing years of his life were quietly spent in scientific research (physical, chemical, mechanical), for which he had a distinct aptitude (1619-1682).

RUPERT'S LAND, a name given by Prince Rupert to territory along the drainage of which flows into Hudson Bay Strait; it now forms part of Manitoba and the North-West Territories.

RUSE, BENJAMIN, a noted American physician and professor, born in Byberry, near Philadelphia;

studied medicine at Princeton and Edinburgh; became professor of chemistry at Philadelphia in 1789; sat in Congress, and signed the Declaration of Independence (1776); held important medical posts in the army; resigned, and assumed medical professorship in Philadelphia; won a European reputation as a lecturer, philanthropist, and medical investigator; published several treatises, and from 1799 acted as treasurer of the U.S. Mint (1748-1813).

RUSSELL, JOHN, historian and politician, born in Warkworth, Northumberland; although a barrister he never practised, but set himself to compile elaborate notes of proceedings at the Star Chamber and other courts, which grew into an invaluable work of 7 vols., entitled "Historical Collections"; acted as assistant-clerk to the Long Parliament; sat as a member in several Parliaments, and was for some years secretary to Fairfax and the Lord-Keeper; fell into disfavour after the Restoration, and in 1684 was arrested for debt and died in prison (1612-1690).

RUSKIN, JOHN, art-critic and social reformer, born in London, son of a wine merchant; educated at home under the eye of his parents, and particularly his mother, who trained him well into familiarity with the Bible, and did not object to his study of "Robinson Crusoe," along with the "Pilgrim's Progress" on Sundays, while, left to his own choice, he read Homer, Scott, and Byron on week days; entered Christ Church, Oxford, as a gentleman Commoner in 1837, gained the Newdigate Prize in 1839, produced in 1843, under the name of "A Graduate of Oxford," the first volume of "Modern Painters," mainly in defence of the painter Turner and his art, which soon extended to five considerable volumes, and in 1849 "The Seven Lamps of Architecture," in definition of the qualities of good art in that line, under the heads of the Lamps of Sacrifice, of Truth, of Power, of Beauty, of Life, of Memory, and of Obedience, pleading in particular for the Gothic style; these were followed in 1851 by "Pre-Raphaelitism" (q.v.), and in 1851-52 by the "Stones of Venice," in further exposition of his views in the "Seven Lamps," and others on the same and kindred arts. Not till 1862 did he appear in the rôle of social reformer, and that was by the publication of "Unto this Last," in the *Cornhill Magazine*, on the first principles of political economy, the doctrines in which were further expounded in "Munera Pulveris," "Time and Tide," and "Fors Clavigera" (q.v.), to the principles in which he endeavoured to give practical effect by the Institution of St. George's Guild, with the view of commending "the rational organisation of country life independent of that of cities." His writings are numerous, several of them originally lectures, besides many others which he began but had to leave unfinished from failing health, among these his "Preterita," or memories from his past life. The most popular of his writings is "Sesame and Lilies," with perhaps the "Crown of Wild Olive," and the most useful that of the series beginning with "Unto this Last," and culminating in "Time and Tide." He began his career as an admirer of Turner, and finished as a disciple of Thomas Carlyle, but neither slavishly nor with the surrender of his own sense of justice and truth; Justice was the goddess he worshipped, and except in her return to the earth as sovereign he boded nothing but disaster to the fortunes of the race (1819-1900).

RUSSELL, JOHN, EARL, known best as **LORD JOHN RUSSELL**, statesman, youngest son of the Earl of Bedford; travelled in Spain, studied at Edinburgh, entered Parliament in 1818, took up vigorously the cause of parliamentary reform and Catholic Emancipation, joined Earl Grey's ministry in 1830 as Paymaster of the Forces, framed and zealously advocated the Reform Bill (1832), drove Peel from office in 1835, and became, under Lord Melbourne, Home Secretary and leader of the Commons; four years later he was appointed Colonial Secretary, warmly espoused the cause of repeal of the Corn Laws, formed a ministry on the downfall of Peel in 1846, and dealt with Irish difficulties and Chartism; resigned in 1852, and in the same year became Foreign Secretary under Aberdeen; became unpopular on account of his management of the

Crimean War (1855) and conduct at the Vienna Conference; again Foreign Secretary in Palmerston's ministry of 1859, an earl in 1861, and premier a second time in 1866-1866; author of various pamphlets, biographies, memoirs, &c.; was twice married; was nicknamed "Finality John" from his regarding his Reform Bill of 1832 as a final measure (1792-1878).

RUSSELL, WILLIAM, LORD, prominent politician in Charles II.'s reign, younger son of the Earl of Bedford; entered the first Restoration Parliament, became a prominent leader in the Country Party in opposition to the Cabal (q.v.), and the Popish schemes of the King; vigorously supported the Exclusion Bill to keep James, Duke of York, from the throne in 1683; was charged with complicity in the Rye-house Plot, was found guilty on trumped-up evidence, and beheaded (1689-1683).

RUSSELL, WILLIAM CLARK, a popular writer of nautical novels, born in New York; gained his experience of sea life during eight years' service as a sailor; was a journalist on the staff of the *Daily Chronicle* before, in 1887, he took to writing novels, which include "John Holdsworth" and "The Wreck of the Grosvenor" (1844-1911).

RUSSELL, SIR WILLIAM HOWARD, a celebrated war correspondent, born in Dublin; was educated at Trinity College and called to the English bar in 1850; had already acted for some years as war correspondent for the *Times* before his famous letters descriptive of the Crimean War won him a wide celebrity; subsequently acted as correspondent during the Indian Mutiny, American Civil War, Franco-German War, &c.; accompanied the Prince of Wales to India in 1875; knighted in 1895 (1820-1907).

RUSSELL OF KILLOWEN, CHARLES RUSSELL, LORD, a distinguished lawyer, born in Newry; educated at Trinity College, Dublin, called to the English bar in 1859, entered Parliament in 1880, became Attorney-General in 1886, receiving also a knighthood; in 1894 was elevated to the Lord Chief Justiceship and created a life-peer (1833-1900).

RUSSIA, or the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, occupies most of the territory of the former Russian Empire except for the now independent States of Lithuania, Poland, Finland, Esthonia, and Latvia, and is composed of a federation of 50 Soviet republics, embracing one-sixth of the land-surface of the globe, including one-half of Europe, all Northern and a part of Central Asia; on the N. it fronts the Arctic Ocean; its southern limit forms an irregular line from the NW. corner of the Black Sea to the Sea of Japan, skirting Turkey, Persia, Afghanistan, East Turkestan, and China. Behring Sea, Sea of Okhotsk, and the Sea of Japan wash its eastern shores; Sweden, the Baltic, and Poland lie contiguous to it in West Europe. This solid, compact mass is thinly peopled (13 to the sq. m. over all) by some 40 different-speaking races, including, besides the dominant Russians (themselves split into three branches), Poles, Finns, Esthonians, Serbians, Bulgarians, Lithuanians, Kurds, Persians, Turco-Tartars, Mongols, &c. Three-fourths of the land-surface, with one-fourth of the population, lies in Asia, and is treated under Siberia, Turkestan, Caucasasia, &c. Russia in Europe is divided from Asia by the Ural Mountains and River and Caspian Sea; forms an irregular, somewhat elongated, square plain sloping down to the low and dreary coastlands of the Baltic (W.), White Sea (N.), and Black Sea (S.); is seamed by river valleys and diversified by marshes, vast lakes (e.g. Ladoga, Onega, Peipus, and Ilmen), enormous forests, and in the N. and centre by tablelands, the highest of which are the Valdai Hills (1100 ft.); the SE. plain is called the Steppes (q.v.). The cold and warm winds which sweep uninterrupted from N. and S. produce extremes of temperature; the rainfall is small. Agriculture is the prevailing industry, engaging 90 per cent. of the people, although in all not more than 21 per cent. of the soil is cultivated; rye is the chief article of food for the peasantry, who comprise four-fifths of the population. The rich plains, known as the "black lands" from their deep, loamy soil, which stretch from the Carpathians

to the Urals, are the most productive corn lands in Europe, and rival in fertility the "yellow lands" of China, and like them need no manure. Timber is an important industry in the NW., and maize and the vine are cultivated in the extreme S.; minerals abound, and include gold, iron (widely distributed), copper (chiefly in middle Urals), and platinum; there are several large coal-fields and rich petroleum wells at Baku. The fisheries, particularly those of the Caspian, are the most productive in Europe. Immense numbers of horses and cattle are reared, e.g. on the Steppes. Wolves, bears, and valuable fur-bearing animals are plentiful in the N. and other parts; the reindeer is still found, also the elk. Want of ports on the Mediterranean and Atlantic hampers commerce, while the great ports in the Baltic are frozen up four or five months in the year; the southern ports are growing in importance, and wheat, timber, flax, and wool are largely exported. There is a vast inland trade, facilitated by the great rivers (Volga, Don, Dnieper, Dniester, Vistula, &c.) and by excellent railway and telegraphic communication. Among its varied races there exists a wide variety of religions—Christianity, Mohammedanism, Buddhism, Shamanism, &c.; but although some 130 sects exist, the bulk of the Russians proper belonged, prior to the Revolution, to the Greek Church. Education is backward, more than 85 per cent. of the people being illiterate; there are eight universities. Conscription is enforced; the army is the largest in the world. Government is in the hands of local soviets; the ultimate legislative and executive power is in the hands of a central committee and the Union Congress. The great builders of the empire, the beginnings of which are to be sought in the 9th century, have been Ivan the Great, who in the 15th century drove out the Mongols and established his capital in Moscow; Ivan the Terrible, the first of the czars, who in the 16th century rushed into Asia and down to the Black Sea; and Peter the Great (q.v.). The Great War gave the Bolsheviks an opportunity to indulge in propaganda among the troops, and after abortive attempts at revolution they succeeded in November, 1917, in gaining control of the country, after the first revolution, led by Kerensky, had curtailed the power of the Czar. Lenin and Trotsky became virtual dictators, and attempts at counter-revolutions subsequently all met with failure. Within recent years its literature has become popular in Europe through the powerful writings of Pushkin, Turgenev, and Tolstol.

RUSSIAN REVOLUTION, THE, really began with the defeat of Russia in the war with Japan, which led to a small revolt in 1906 and the summoning of a National Assembly. The Great War and the growing influence of Rasputin led to widespread demand for reform, and in April, 1917, Kerensky became Prime Minister and attempted constitutional government. In the autumn the Bolsheviks under Lenin and Trotsky captured the reins. They made peace with Germany, executed the Czar and his family, and forced communism on the country, which they maintained despite counter-revolutions.

RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR, THE, was started by Japan in 1904 on the failure of her demand that Russia should leave Korea and Manchuria. Russia suffered naval reverses in February off Port Arthur, and a military defeat at Nanchang in May. Despite strenuous efforts by Russia, Port Arthur fell in January, 1905, and after American mediation the war ended in September, Japan gaining most of her demands.

RUSTHUE, a town in Bulgaria, on the Danube, 40 m. S. by W. of Bucharest; manufactures gold and silver ware, shoes, cloth, &c.; has a number of interesting mosques; its once important fortifications were reduced in 1877.

RUTESBEUF, or RUSTEBEUF, a celebrated trouvère of the 13th century, of whom little is known save that he led a Bohemian life in Paris and was unfortunate in his marriage; his songs, satires, &c., are vigorous and full of colour, and touch a note of seriousness at times which one hardly anticipates.

RUTHENIANS, a hardy Slavonic people, a branch of the Little Russian stock, numbering close upon 8½ millions, dwelling in Galicia and Northern Hungary.

RUTHERFORD, SIR ERNEST, British physicist, born in New Zealand and educated at Cambridge. Professor of Physics at McGill University (Montreal) and Manchester, and in 1919 succeeded Sir J. J. Thomson as Cavendish professor at Cambridge; he did much to lay the foundations of the study of radioactivity and the conduction of electricity through gases; his greatest work has been in connection with the structure of the atom; carrying on the work of Thomson, he gave the experimental basis to modern theories of the atom; he brought forward the planetary theory of the atom, which has been amplified theoretically by Bohr and others (1871—).

RUTHERFORD, SAMUEL, a Scottish divine, born in Nisbet, near Jedburgh; studied at Edinburgh University, became professor of Humanity, but had to resign; studied divinity, and became minister of Anworth in 1627, and was a zealous pastor and a fervid preacher; corresponded far and wide with pious friends by letters, afterwards published under his name, and much esteemed by pious people; became at length professor of Divinity at St. Andrews, and represented the Scottish Church in the Westminster Assembly in 1643; wrote several works, for one of which he was called to account as he lay on his death-bed (1600–1661).

RUTHGLENN, a town of Lanarkshire, on the Clyde, 8 m. SE. of Glasgow, of which it is practically a suburb; a handsome bridge spans the river; has been a royal burgh since 1126, and has interesting historical associations.

RUTHIN, an interesting old town of Denbighshire, on the Clwyd, 8 m. SE. of Denbigh, with mineral water manufacture.

RUTHVEN, RAID OF, a conspiracy entered into by certain Scottish nobles, headed by William, first Earl of Gowrie, to seize the young king James VI., and break down the influence of his worthless favourites, Lennox and Arran; at Ruthven Castle, or Huntingtower, in Perthshire, on August 23, 1582, the king was captured and held for 10 months; Arran was imprisoned, and Lennox fled to die in France; the conduct of the conspirators was applauded by the country, but after the escape of the king from St. Andrews Castle the conspirators were proclaimed guilty of treason, and Gowrie was executed in 1584.

RUTHWELL CROSS, a remarkable sandstone cross, 17½ ft. high, found in Ruthwell parish, 9 m. SE. of Dumfries, dates back to the 7th century; bears runic and Latin inscriptions notably some verses of the Saxon poem, "The Dream of the Holy Rood"; was broken down in 1642 by the Covenanters as savouring of idolatry; found and re-erected in 1802.

RUTLAND, the smallest county of England, bounded by Lincoln, Northampton, and Leicestershire; has a pleasant undulating surface, with valleys in the E., and extensive woods; is watered by the Welland; is largely pastoral, and raises fine sheep; dairy produce (especially cheese) and wheat are noted; Oakham is the capital.

RUYSDAEL, JACOB, a famous Dutch landscape painter, born and died in Haarlem; few particulars of his life are known; his best pictures, to be seen in the galleries of Dresden, Berlin, and Paris, display a fine poetic spirit (1628–1682).

RUYSER, MICHAEL ADRIANZON DE, a famous Dutch admiral, born of poor parents in Flushing; from a boy of 11 served in the merchant and naval service; commanded a ship under Van Tromp in the war with England, 1652–1654; was employed in 1660 by the king of Denmark for services rendered in the Dano-Swedish war; for two years fought against Turkish pirates in the Mediterranean; commanded the Dutch fleet in the second war against England, and in 1667 struck terror into London by raiding and burning the shipping in the Thames; held his own against England and France in the war of 1672; co-operated with Spain against France; was routed and mortally wounded off the coast of Sicily (1607–1675).

RYAN, LOCH, an arm of the sea penetrating Wigtownshire in a south-easterly direction, 8 m. long and from 1½ to 3 broad; at its landward end is Stranraer (q.v.); forms an excellent anchorage.

RYBINSK, a busy commercial town in Russia, on the Volga, 48 m. NW. of Yaroslavl; connected by canal with Leningrad; industries embrace boat-building, brewing, and distilling.

RYDE, a popular old watering-place on the NE. coast of the Isle of Wight, 4½ m. SW. of Portsmouth; rises in pretty wooded terraces from the sea; has a fine promenade, park, and pier, and is well known for its annual regatta.

RYDER CUP, a trophy presented by Samuel Ryder of America in 1927 for annual competition between teams of professional golfers representing Great Britain and the U.S.A.

RYE, an interesting old port in the SE. corner of Sussex, situated on rising ground flanked by two streams, 63 m. SE. from London; is one of the Cinque Ports (q.v.); the recession of the sea has left it now 2 m. inland; has a fine Norman and Early English church.

RYE HOUSE PLOT, an abortive conspiracy in 1683 to assassinate Charles II. of England and his brother James, Duke of York, planned by Colonel Rumsey, Lieutenant-Colonel Walcot, the "plotter" Ferguson, and other reckless adherents of the Whig party. The conspirators were to conceal themselves at a farmhouse called Rye House, near Hertford, and to waylay the royal party returning from Newmarket; the plot miscarried owing to the king leaving Newmarket sooner than was expected; the chief conspirators were executed.

RYKOFF, ALEXEI IVANOVITCH, Russian politician. Born of good peasant stock in Saratov, he studied at Kazan University, from where he was expelled

for revolutionary propaganda. In the succeeding years he was constantly arrested and imprisoned, and for a time exiled. After the 1917 revolution he was elected to the Central Committee of the Bolshevik party and became chairman of the Moscow Soviet. In 1918 he was made chairman of the Supreme Economic Council, and in 1924 succeeded Lenin as President of the Council of People's Commissars, the highest post in Soviet Russia (1881-).

RYMER, THOMAS, the learned editor of the "Foedera," an invaluable collection of historical documents dealing with England's relations with foreign powers, born in Northallerton; was a Cambridge man and a barrister; turned to literature and wrote much both in prose and poetry, but to no great purpose; was Historiographer-royal; Macaulay in characteristic fashion calls him "the worst critic that ever lived"; but his "Foedera" is an enduring monument to his unwearied industry (1641-1718).

RYSBRAECH, JOHN MICHAEL, a well-known sculptor in the 18th century, born in Antwerp; established himself in London and executed busts and statues of the most prominent men of his day, including the monument to Sir Isaac Newton in Westminster Abbey, statue of Marlborough, busts of Walpole, Bolingbroke, and Pope (1694-1770).

RYSWICK, PEACE OF, signed in September, 1697, at the village of Ryswick, 2 m. S. of The Hague, by England, Holland, Germany, and Spain on the one hand and France on the other, terminating the sanguinary struggle which had begun in 1688.

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SAADI. See **SADI**.

SAALE, the name of several German rivers, the most important of which rises in the Fichtelgebirge, near Zell, in Upper Bavaria; flows northward, a course of 226 m., till it joins the Elbe at Harz; has numerous towns on its banks, including Jena, Halle, and Naumburg, to which last it is navigable.

SAAR TERRITORY, an area of land adjacent to Lorraine, prior to the Great War part of Prussia and her greatest source of coal supply; under the Treaty of Versailles it was handed over to the administration of a commission of the League of Nations, with a stipulation that the inhabitants should determine their nationality after 15 years by the taking of a plebiscite.

SAARBRUCK, a manufacturing town in Rhensish Prussia, on the French frontier, where the French under Napoleon III. repulsed the Germans, August 2, 1870.

SABADELL, a prosperous Spanish town, 14 m. NW. of Barcelona; manufactures cotton and woollen textiles.

SABEANS, a trading people who before the days of Solomon and for long after inhabited South Arabia, on the shores of the Red Sea, and who worshipped the sun and moon with other kindred deities; also a religious sect on the Lower Euphrates, with Jewish, Moslem, and Christian rites as well as pagan, called Christians of St. John; the term Sabeanism, or Sabianism, designates the worship of the former.

SABAOTH, name given in the Bible, and particularly in the Epistle of James, to the Divine Being as the Lord of all hosts or kinds of creatures.

SABATHAI ZEVI, a Jewish impostor, who gave himself out to be the Messiah, and persuaded a number of Jews to forsake all and follow him; the sultan of Turkey forced him to confess the imposture, and he turned Mussulman to save his life (1626-1676).

SABBATH, the seventh day of the week, observed by the Jews as a day of "rest" from all work and "holy to the Lord," as His day, specially in commemoration of His rest from the work of creation, the observance of which, however, by the Christian Church has been transferred to the first of the week in commemoration of Christ's resurrection.

SABELLIANISM, the doctrine of one Sabellius, who, in the third century, denied that there were three persons in the Godhead, and maintained that there was only one person in three functions, aspects, or manifestations; whatever was his precise disputation this was the form his doctrine assumed in course of time, it being known by his name, and accepted by many up to the present day.

SABIANISM. See **SABEANS**.

SABINE, a river of Texas which, rising in the extreme N. of the State, flows SE. and S., forming for 250 m. the boundary between Louisiana and Texas; passes through Sabine Lake into the Gulf of Mexico after a navigable course of 500 m.

SABINE, SIR EDWARD, a noted physicist, born in Dublin; served in artillery in 1803, maintained his connection with it till his retirement in 1874 as general, but owes his celebrity to his important investigations into the nature of terrestrial magnetism; accompanied as a scientist Ross and Parry in their search for the North-West Passage (1819-1820); was President of the Royal Society from 1861 to 1879 and of the British Association in 1852 at Belfast (1788-1881).

SABINES, an ancient Italian people of the Aryan stock, near neighbours of Rome, a colony of whom is said to have settled on the Quirinal and contributed to form the moral part of the Roman people. Numa, the second king of the city, was a Sabine. See **ROMULUS**.

SABLE ISLAND, a low, sandy, barren island in the Atlantic, 110 m. off the E. coast of Nova Scotia; is extremely dangerous to navigation, and is marked

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by three lighthouses; is gradually being washed away.

SABOTS, a species of wooden shoes extensively worn by the peasants of France, Belgium, &c.; each shoe is hewn out of a single block of wood (fir, willow, beech, and ash); well adapted for marshy districts.

SACCHARIN, a synthetic sweetening substance obtained from toluene, one of the coal-tar products; used as a substitute for sugar.

SACCO AND VANZETTI, two Italian-American communists who were executed in 1927 for a murder committed in Massachusetts in 1921. They were arrested at a time when there was a stern campaign waged against alien revolutionaries, and their case became a political question, as it was argued their opinions were used against them. Legal delays postponed the execution for six years, and when it eventually took place there were demonstrations and riots in every capital of Europe as well as in America.

SACERDOTALISM, a tendency to attach undue importance to the order and the ministry of priests, to the limitation of the operation of Divine grace.

SACHEVEREL, HENRY, an English Church clergyman, born in Marlborough, who became notorious in the reign of Queen Anne for his embittered attack (contained in two sermons in 1709) on the Revolution Settlement and the Act of Toleration; public feeling was turning in favour of the Tories, and the impolitic impeachment of Sacheverel by the Whig Government fanned popular feeling to a great height in his favour; he was suspended from preaching for three years, at the expiry of which time the Tories, then in power, received him with ostentatious marks of favour; was an Oxford graduate, and a friend of Addison, but a man of no great ability (1672-1734).

SACHS, HANS, a noted early German poet, born in Nurnberg; the son of a tailor, by trade a shoemaker; learned "the mystery of song" from a weaver; was a contemporary of Luther, who acknowledged his services in the cause of the Reformation; in his seventy-fourth year (1568), on examining his stock for publication, found that he had written 6048 poetical pieces, among them 208 tragedies and comedies, while at the same time pursuing his trade; wrote "Narrenschneiden," a piece in which the doctor cures a bloated and lethargic patient by "cutting out half-a-dozen fools from his interior"; he sank into oblivion during the 17th century, but his memory was revived by Goethe in the 18th (1494-1576).

SACHS, JULIUS VON, a German botanist and professor, born in Breslau; wrote several works on botany, and experimented on the physiology of plants (1832-1897).

SACKVILLE, THOMAS, EARL OF DORSET, poet and statesman, born in Buckhurst; bred for the bar; entered Parliament in 1558; wrote with Thomas Norton a tragedy called "Gorboduc," and contributed to a collection of British legends called the "Mirror of Magistrates" two pieces in noble verse (1536-1608).

SACRAMENT, a ceremonial observance in the Christian Church divinely instituted as either really or symbolically a means, and in any case a pledge, of grace. **SACRAMENTARIAN**, a High Churchman who attaches a special sacred virtue to the sacraments of the Church.

SACRAMENTO, largest river of California, rises in the NE. in the Sierra Nevada; follows a south-westerly course, draining the central valley of California; falls into San Francisco Bay, on the Pacific coast, after a course of 500 miles, of which 250 are navigable.

SACRAMENTO, capital of California, situated at the confluence of the Sacramento and American Rivers, 90 m. NE. of San Francisco; industries embrace flour and planing mills, foundries, and potteries; has an art gallery, court-house, and many fine

buildings; the tropical climate is tempered at night by cool sea breezes.

SACRED WARS. See **AMPHICTYONIC COUNCIL.**
SACRIFICE, anything of value given away to secure the possession of something of still higher value, being the greater and more meritorious the costlier the gift.
SACRING-BELL, or **SANOTUS-BELL**, the bell which rings when the Host is elevated at the celebration of High Mass.

SACY, ANTOINE ISAAC, BARON SILVESTRE DE, the greatest of modern Orientalists, born in Paris; by twenty-three was a master of classic, Oriental, and modern European languages; was appointed in 1795 professor of Arabic in the School of Oriental Languages, and in 1808 of Persian in the Collège de France, besides which he held various other appointments; founded the Asiatic Society in 1822; was created a baron by Napoleon Bonaparte, and entered the Chamber of Peers in 1832; published "Biographies of Persian Poets," a standard Arabic grammar, and "Memoirs of Oriental History and Literature"; his writings gave a stimulus to Oriental research throughout Europe (1768-1838).

SADDA, the name given to a Persian epitome of the Zend-Avesta.

SADDUCEES, a sect of the Jews of high priestly origin that first came into prominence by their opposition to the Pharisees, being the party in power when Pharisaism arose in protestation against their policy as tending to the secularization of the Jewish faith, or the prostitution of it to mere secular ends. They represented the Tory or Conservative party among the Jews, as the Pharisees did the High Church party. The antagonism which thus arose on political grounds gradually extended to religious matters. In regard to religion they were the old orthodox party, and acknowledged the obligation only of the written law, and refused to accept tradition at the hands of the Scribes. They denied the immortality of the soul, the separate existence of spirits, and this they did on strictly Old Testament grounds, but not from any real respect for the authority of Scripture, only as in accord with the main article of their creed, which attached importance only to what bore upon this present life, their doctrine approximating to secularism. They were at bottom a purely political party, and they disappeared from Jewish history with the fall of the Jewish State, only the Pharisaic party surviving in witness of what Judaism is.

SADE, DONATIE ALPHONSE FRANÇOIS, MARQUIS DE, French novelist, who, after fighting in the Seven Years' War, was sentenced to death for odious crimes, effected his escape, but was caught and imprisoned in the Bastille, where he wrote a number of licentious romances; died a lunatic; the term "sadeism" is derived from his name (1740-1814).

SADI, a celebrated Persian poet, born in Shiraz, of noble lineage, but born poor; bred up in the Moslem faith; made pilgrimages to Mecca no fewer than 15 times; spent years in travel; fell into the hands of the Crusaders; was ransomed by a merchant of Aleppo, who thought him worth ransoming at a cost; retired to a hermitage near Shiraz, where he died and was buried; his works, both in prose and verse, are numerous, but the most celebrated is the "Gulistan" (the rose-garden), a collection of moral tales interlarded with philosophical reflections and maxims of wisdom, which have made his name famous all over both the East and the West (1184-1291).

SADLER, SIR RALPH, a politician and diplomatist; was employed by Henry VIII. in carrying out the dissolution of the monasteries, and conducted diplomatic negotiations with Scotland; distinguished himself at the battle of Pinkie; enjoyed the favour of Elizabeth; was Queen Mary's keeper in the Castle of Tutbury; was the bearer of the news of Queen Mary's execution to King James (1507-1587).

SADOLETO, JACOPO, cardinal, born in Modena; acted as secretary under Leo X., Clement VII., and Paul III., the last of whom created him a cardinal in 1586; was a faithful Churchman and an accomplished scholar (1477-1547).

SADOWA. See **KÖNIGGRÄTZ.**

SAFED, a town of Palestine, 12 m. N. of Tiberias, occupied principally by Jews attracted thither in part by the expectation that the Messiah, when He appears, will establish His kingdom there; it spreads in horse-shoe fashion round the foot of a hill 2700 ft. high; is a seat of Hebrew learning.

SAFEGUARDING, the policy of imposing an import duty on articles manufactured in countries where owing to low wages or advantage of the exchange the cost of production is lower than here, and with which our manufacturers are unable to compete. The Safeguarding of Industries Act was passed in 1915, and under it any industry can apply for protection and state its case before a standing committee of the Board of Trade. In 1915 the McKenna duties safeguarded the motor industry and musical instruments.

SAFETY LAMP, name of a variety of lamps for safety in coal-mines against "fire-damp," a highly explosive mixture of natural gas apt to accumulate in them; the best-known being the "Davy Lamp," invented by Sir Humphry Davy, and the "Geordie," invented by George Stephenson, both of which, however, have been superseded by the Gray, Mueseler, Marsant, and other lamps; all are constructed on the principle discovered by Davy and Stephenson, that a flame enveloped in wire gauze of a certain fineness does not ignite "fire-damp," owing to the wire being a good conductor of heat.

SAFI, or **ASFI**, a decayed seaport of Morocco, on the Mediterranean coast, 120 m. N.W. of the city of Morocco; has ruins of a castle of the Sultans and of the old Portuguese fortifications; has still a fair export trade in beans, wool, olive-oil, almonds, and gum.

SAGAR, a low island at the mouth of the Hugli, a sacred spot and a place of pilgrimage to the Hindus; mostly jungle; sparsely peopled.

SAGAS, a collection of epics in prose embodying the myths and legends of the ancient Scandinavians, originally transmitted from mouth to mouth, and assuming a literary form about the 12th century.

SAGASTA, FRAKEDIS MATEO, Spanish statesman of liberal sympathies; took part in the insurrections of 1868 and 1869, and was for some time fugitive in France; entered General Prim's Cabinet, supported the elected King Amadeus, and after his abdication led the Liberal party; twice Prime Minister (1827-1903).

SAGHALIEN, a long narrow island belonging to Russia, situated close to the E. coast of Siberia, from which it is separated by the so-called Gulf of Tartary; stretches N. from the island of Yeso, a distance of 670 m.; is mountainous and forest-clad in the interior; has excellent coast fisheries, but a cold, damp climate prevents successful agriculture; rich coal-mines exist, and are wrought by thousands of convicts. Ceded by Japan to Russia in 1875.

SAGITTARIUS, the ninth sign of the zodiac, which the sun enters on November 20.

SAGUENAY, a large and picturesque river of Canada; carries off the surplus waters of Lake St. John, replenished by a number of large streams, and, issuing a full-bodied stream, flows S.E. through magnificent forest and mountain scenery till it falls into the St. Lawrence, 115 m. below Quebec, after a course of 100 m.; is remarkable for its depth, and is navigable by large ships.

SAGURTO, a town of ancient Spain, was situated where now stands the town of Murviedro, 18 m. N.E. of Valencia; famous in history for its memorable siege by Hannibal in 219 B.C., which led to the Second Punic War.

SAHARA, the largest desert region in the world, stretches E. and W. across Northern Africa, from the Atlantic to the valley of the Nile, a distance of 3000 m.; on the N. is limited by the slopes of the Atlas Mountains, and on the S. by the valleys of the Senegal and Niger Rivers. The surface is diversified by long sweeps of undulating sand-dunes, elevated plateaux, hill and mountain ranges (8000 ft. highest), furrowed by dried-up water-courses and dotted with fertile oases, which yield date-palms, oranges, lemons, figs, &c. The most sterile tract is in the W., stretching in a semi-circle between Cape Blanco and Fezzan. Rain

falls over the greater part at intervals of from two to five years. Temperature will vary from over 100° F. to below freezing-point in 24 hours. There are a number of definite caravan routes connecting Timbuctoo and the Central Soudan with the Niger and coastlands. Dates and salt are the chief products; the giraffe, wild ass, lion, ostrich, and pythons are found there. It is chiefly inhabited by nomadic and often warlike Moors, Arabs, Berbers, and various negro races. The greater part is within the sphere of French influence.

SAHARANPUR, a town in the North-West Provinces of India, 125 m. N. of Delhi, in a district formerly malarial, but now drained and healthy; the population principally Mohammedans, who have built in it a handsome mosque.

SAHIB (i.e. master), used in India when addressing a European gentleman, and corresponding to "Sir"; Mem sahib is the form of address to a lady.

SAIGON, capital of French Cochinchina, on the river Saigon, one of the delta streams of the Mekhong, 60 m. from the China Sea; is handsomely laid out with boulevards; has a fine palace, arsenal, botanical and zoological gardens; Cholón, 4 m. S.W., forms a busy trading suburb, exporting rice, cotton, salt, hides, &c.

SAINT, a name applied to a holy or sacred person, especially one canonised; in the plural it is the name assumed by the Mormons.

ST. ALBANS, an old historic city of Hertfordshire, on an eminence by the Ver, a small stream, which separates it from the site of the ancient Verulamium; has a splendid ancient abbey church, founded in 1077; industries include brewing and straw-plaiting; was the scene of two famous battles (1455 and 1461) during the Wars of the Roses. A bishopric since 1877.

ST. ALOYSIUS, an Italian marquis, Luigi Gonzaga, who renounced his title, became a Jesuit, devoted himself to the care of the plague-stricken in Rome; died of it, and was canonised (1688-1591).

ST. ANDREWS, a famous city of Fife, occupies a bold site on St. Andrews Bay, 42 m. N.E. of Edinburgh; for long the ecclesiastical metropolis of Scotland and associated with many stirring events in Scottish history; its many interesting ruins include a 12th-century priory, a cathedral, and a castle or bishop's palace built in the 13th century; has a university (St. Salvator's, 1450, and St. Leonard's, 1537), the first founded in Scotland, and is still an important educational centre, having several excellent schools (Madras College the chief); since the Reformation its trade has gradually dwindled away, and it depends a good deal on its large influx of summer visitors, attracted by the splendid golf links and excellent sea-bathing.

SAINT ARNAUD, JACQUES LEROY DE, a noted French marshal, born in Bordeaux; was already a distinguished soldier when he entered actively into the plans of Louis Napoleon to overthrow the Republic; assisted at the *coup d'état*, and was created a marshal in reward; commanded the French forces at the outbreak of the Crimean War, and took part in the battle of the Alma, but died a few days later (1801-1854).

ST. ASAPH, a pretty little city in Flintshire, 6 m. S.E. of Rhyl; its cathedral, the smallest in the kingdom, was rebuilt after 1284, mainly in the Decorated style.

ST. BEES, a village on the Cumberland coast, 4 m. S. of Whitehaven; has a Church of England Theological College, founded in 1816 by Dr. Law, bishop of Chester, designed for students of limited means; a ruined priory church of Henry I.'s time was renovated for the accommodation of the college.

ST. BERNARD, the name of two mountain passes in the Alps: (1) Great St. Bernard, in the Pennine Alps, leading from Martigny to Aosta, is 8120 ft. high, near the top of which stands a famous hospice, founded in 962 and kept by Augustinian monks, who, with the aid of dogs called St. Bernard, have done noble service in acting as guides and rescuing perishing travellers from the snow; (2) Little St. Bernard, in the Graian Alps, crosses the mountains which separate the valleys of Aosta and Tarentaise in Savoy. Hannibal is supposed to have crossed the Alps by this pass.

ST. BRIEUC, capital of the dep. of Côtes du Nord, Brittany, on the Gouet, and 2 m. from its mouth; has a 13th-century cathedral, ruins of an interesting tower, and a lyceum; at the mouth of the river is the port of Légué.

ST. CHRISTOPHER, or **ST. KITTS**. See **ST. KITTS**.
ST. CLAIR, a river of North America, flowing in a broad navigable stream from Lake Huron into Lake St. Clair, which in turn pours its surplus waters by means of the Detroit River into Lake Erie.

ST. CLOUD, a town in the dep. of Seine-et-Oise, France; occupies an elevated site near the Seine, 10 m. W. of Paris; the fine château, built by Louis XIV.'s brother, the Duke of Orleans, was for long the favourite residence of the Emperor Napoleon, since destroyed; a part of the park is occupied by the Sèvres porcelain factory.

ST. CYR, a French village, 2 m. W. of Versailles, where Louis XIV., at the request of Madame de Maintenon, founded an institution for the education of girls of noble birth but poor, which was suppressed at the time of the Revolution, and afterwards converted into a military school by Napoleon.

SAINT-CYR, LAURENT GOUVERN, MARQUIS DE, marshal of France, born in Toul; joined the army in 1792, and in six years had risen to the command of the French at Rome; fought with distinction in the German and Italian campaigns, and in the Peninsular War; won his marshal's baton during the Russian campaign of 1812; was captured at the capitulation of Dresden in 1813, much to the regret of Napoleon; created a peer after the Restoration, and was for some time Minister of War; wrote some historical works (1764-1830).

ST. DAVIDS, an interesting old cathedral town in Pembrokeshire, on the streamlet Alan, and not 2 m. from St. Bride's Bay; its cathedral, rebuilt after 1180 in the Transition Norman style, was at one time a famous resort of pilgrims. On the other side of the Alan stand the ruins of Bishop Gower's palace.

ST. DENIS, a town of France, on a canal of the same name, 4 m. N. of Paris, noted for its old abbey church, which from the 7th century became the burying-place of the French monarchs. During the Revolution in 1793 the tombs were ruthlessly desecrated; there is also a school for the daughters of officers of the Legion of Honour, founded by Napoleon; manufactures chemicals, printed calicoes, machinery, and soap, and has a considerable trade in corn, wool, and wine.

ST. DENYS, or **DENIS**, the patron saint of France; known as the Apostle of the Gauls; festival day, October 9; d. 272.

ST. DUNSTON'S, a hostel in Regent's Park, London, for training blinded ex-soldiers, founded by Sir C. A. Pearson in 1915.

ST. ELIAS, MOUNT, an isolated, inaccessible volcanic mountain in the extreme NW. of Canada, close to the frontier of Alaska, 18,010 ft. high.

ST. ELMO'S FIRE. See **ELMO'S FIRE, ST.**

ST. ETIENNE, a busy industrial town of France, capital of department of Loire, on the Furens, 36 m. SW. of Lyons; has been called the "Birmingham of France"; is in the centre of a rich coal district, and produces every kind of hardware; the manufacture of ribbons is also an important industry; there is a school of mines.

SAINT-EVREMOND, CHARLES MARGUETEL DE SAINT-DENIS, SEIGNEUR DE, a celebrated French wit and author; won distinction as a soldier, and rose to be a field-marshal; his turn for satiric writing got him into trouble, and in 1661 he fled to England, where the rest of his life was spent; wrote charming letters to his friend Ninon de l'Enclos; enjoyed the favour of Charles II., and published satires, essays, comedies, &c., which are distinguished by their polished style and genial irony; was buried in Westminster (1613-1703).

ST. GALL, a NE. canton of Switzerland, on the Austrian frontier; its splendid lake and mountain scenery and mineral springs render many of its towns popular holiday resorts; the embroidery of cottons and other textiles is an important industry. St. Gall, the capital, is situated on the Steinach, 53 m. E. of Zurich; is a town of great antiquity,

celebrated in past ages for its monastic schools; its magnificent mediæval cathedral has been restored; the old Benedictine monastery is used now for government purposes, but still contains its famous collection of MSS.; embroidering textiles is the chief industry.

SAINT-GAUDENS, AUGUSTUS, American sculptor, born in Dublin; making his home in New York, he produced the statues of Diana (Madison Square) and Lincoln (Chicago), and the memorial to R. L. Stevenson in St. Giles's Church, Edinburgh (1848-1907).

ST. HELENA, a precipitous, cliff-bound island lying well out in the Atlantic, 1200 m. off the W. coast of Africa; belongs to Britain; celebrated as Napoleon Bonaparte's place of imprisonment from 1815 till his death in 1821, and as a prison for Boers captured in the South African War of 1902. Jamestown, the capital, is a second-class coaling station for the navy, and is fortified.

ST. HELENS, a thriving manufacturing town of Lancashire, on Sankey Brook, a feeder of the Mersey, 21 m. W. by S. of Manchester; is the chief centre of the manufacture of crown plate and sheet glass.

ST. HELIER, capital of Jersey Island, on St. Aubin Bay, on the S. side; is well fortified by Fort Regent and Elizabeth Castle, on a rocky islet near the shore; has a college and public library; fishing and shipbuilding are important industries.

ST. IVES, (1) a town in Cornwall, 8 m. N. of Penzance, the inhabitants of which are chiefly engaged in the pilchard fisheries. (2) A town in Huntingdonshire, on the Ouse, 5 m. E. of Huntingdon, where Cromwell lived and Theodore Watts-Dunton, the critic, was born.

ST. JAMES'S PALACE, an old, brick-built palace in Pall Mall, London, originally a hospital, converted into a manor by Henry VIII., and became eventually a royal residence. It gives name to the British court.

ST. JOHN, a river of N. America, rises in the highlands of North Maine and crosses the continent in an easterly direction, to fall into the Bay of Fundy after a course of 450 m., of which 225 m. are in New Brunswick; is navigable from the port of St. John for steamers as far as Fredericton.

ST. JOHN, embracing the adjacent town of Portland, chief commercial city of New Brunswick, on the estuary of St. John River, 277 m. NW. of Halifax; has an excellent harbour; shipbuilding, fishing, and timber exporting are the chief industries; has a great variety of prosperous manufactures, such as machine and iron works, cotton and woollen factories; does a good trade with the West Indies.

ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM, ORDER OF, derived from the Knights Hospitalers of Jerusalem and Acre, and afterwards of Rhodes and Malta. The distinctions, which are announced in the *London Gazette*, are only recognised within the Order and confer no rank or title.

ST. JOHN'S, capital of Newfoundland, situated on a splendid harbour on the peninsula of Avalon, in the E. of the island; is the nearest port of America to the continent of Europe; has oil and tan works, and is an important fisheries centre.

ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE, an offshoot of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, with headquarters at Clerkenwell; it gives instruction in first aid and nursing and awards diplomas.

ST. JOSEPH, a city of Missouri, on the Missouri River (here spanned by a fine bridge), 110 m. above Kansas City, is an important railway centre; as capital of Buchanan County it possesses a number of State buildings and Roman Catholic colleges; does a large trade in pork-packing and iron goods.

SAINT-JUST, LOUIS FLORENCE DE, a prominent French Revolutionist, born in Décize, near Nevers; as a youth got into disgrace with his family and fled to Paris, where, being bitten already by the ideas of Rousseau, he flung himself heart and soul into the revolutionary movement, became the faithful henchman of Robespierre, one of the Committee of Public Safety, and President of the Convention, and finally followed his master to the guillotine, having in his zeal previously declared "for Revolutionists there is no rest but in the tomb" (1787-1794).

ST. KILDA. See **KILDA, ST.**

ST. KITTS, is the chief of the Leeward Islands and is the oldest colony in the West Indies, though it has no harbour; is 45 m. NW. of Guadeloupe and is a narrow, mountainous island, 28 m. long. Its settlement dates from 1623. In 1627 the English and French divided the island between them; in 1689 the French drove out the English; in 1690 an English expedition drove out the French; in 1697 the French returned to their half under the Treaty of Rywyck, and in 1702 they were again driven out of the island by the British. It produces sugar, molasses, and rum; capital is Basseterre.

ST. LAWRENCE, one of the great rivers of North America; issues in a noble stream from Lake Ontario, and flowing due NE. discharges into the Gulf of St. Lawrence, forming a broad estuary; is 750 m. long and from 1 to 4 m. broad; the scenery in parts is very grand, notably in the expansion known as the Lake of the Thousand Isles; is navigable for large steamers as far as Montreal; the Ottawa is its chief tributary; in winter navigation is suspended on account of the ice.

ST. LÔ, a town in Normandy, on a rocky eminence 60 m. SE. of Cherbourg; has textile manufactures; was the birthplace of Leverrier.

ST. LOUIS, (1) One of the great commercial cities of the United States, capital of Missouri State; situated on the Mississippi there spanned by two fine bridges, 21 m. below its confluence with the Missouri; is a handsomely built city, and equipped with every modern convenience, entirely lit by electric light; has spacious parks, two universities, and public libraries; is a centre for 18 railroads, which with the great river-way enable it to carry on a vast trade in grain, cotton, wool, furs, live stock, &c.; its tobacco manufacture is the greatest in the world. (2) Also capital of the French colony of Senegal, in West Africa.

ST. LUCIA, a rocky, forest-clad island in the West Indies, the largest of the Windward group; exports sugar, cocoa, logwood, and spices; capital is Castries.

ST. MALO, a strongly fortified seaport of France, on the Brittany coast (department of Ille-et-Vilaine), at the mouth of the Rance; the old town is built over the Rocher d'Auron, an islet connected with the mainland by a causeway 215 yards long; there is a good harbour, and a considerable amount of shipping is done; potatoes, dairy-produce, and some cereals are exported. It was the birthplace of several distinguished French authors and sailors.

ST. MICHAEL AND ST. GEORGE, THE MOST DISTINGUISHED ORDER OF, instituted 1818; Grand Master, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales; ribbon, saxon blue with crimson centre; motto, "Ausplicium melioris ævi"; G.C.M.G., Knight Grand Cross; K.C.M.G., Knight Commander; C.M.G., Companion.

ST. MICHAEL'S, the largest and most fertile of the Azores, 40 m. long by from 5 m. to 10 m. in breadth; is of volcanic origin; yields cereals, oranges, and other fruits.

ST. MICHAEL'S MOUNT, an islet, forming a precipitous granite mass, in Mount's Bay, Cornwall, connected with the mainland at Marazion by a low causeway passable only at low tides; a fine old castle, the seat of Lord St. Levan, crowns its rocky height, and a small fishing village lies sheltered on the northern side.

ST. MICHEL, MONT, a remarkable islet in St. Michel Bay, SW. corner of Normandy, 18 m. W. of Avranches; is formed of a single cone of granite, 242 ft. high, crowned by a historic Benedictine monastery; on the lower slope is built a little fortified town; a causeway 1 m. long joins it to the mainland.

ST. NAZAIRE, a flourishing seaport of France, on the Loire, 40 m. W. of Nantes, where large sums have been expended in improving its spacious docks to accommodate an increasing shipping-trade; its exports, brandy, coal, and wheat, are mainly from Nantes and the interior.

ST. NEOTS, an old market-town of Huntingdonshire, on the Ouse, 8 m. SW. of Huntingdon; has an interesting old parish church, a corn exchange, iron and paper works, and breweries.

ST. NICHOLAS. See **NICHOLAS, ST.**

ST. OMER, a fortified town of France, on the Aa, 26 m. S.E. of Calais; has a fine old Gothic cathedral, a ruined Benedictine abbey church, a Catholic college, and arsenal; manufactures embrace light textiles, tobacco pipes, and soap.

ST. PATRICK, THE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS ORDER OF, instituted 1789; ribbon, sky-blue; motto, "Quis separabit?" K. P., Knight of St. Patrick.

ST. PAUL, capital of Minnesota State, finely situated on the Mississippi, a little below the mouth of the Minnesota River; in 1849 a village of 500 inhabitants; is now a beautiful and spacious city, equipped with colleges, libraries, government buildings, and electric street-railways; is a centre for 10 railways, and carries on a large trade in distributing groceries and dry goods throughout the State; manufactures boots, furs, and clothing.

ST. PAUL'S, London's cathedral. A Saxon church stood on the site till destroyed by fire in 1086, and a Norman cathedral subsequently erected was lost in the Great Fire of 1666. The present building was designed by Sir Christopher Wren, started in 1675 and finished in 1710. Classic in design, it cost nearly £1,000,000, and is noted for its massive dome. Anxiety has been felt from time to time for the safety of the dome, and extensive repair work has been carried out.

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL, at West Kensington, London, a famous public school founded in 1509 by John Colet (c.v.), dean of St. Paul's, for children of every nation, country, and class; originally stood in St. Paul's Churchyard, but was burned out by the Great Fire of 1666; subsequently rebuilt, the school moved to its present building at Kensington in 1884, and numbers about 600 pupils; there is on the same foundation a girls' school with about 400 pupils.

ST. PETERSBURG, former name for the city now called Leningrad. The name was changed to Petrograd in 1914, and after 1924 to its present style. See **LENINGRAD.**

ST. PIERRE, JACQUES HENRI BERNARDIN DE, French novelist, born in Havre; an engineer by profession, was a disciple of Rousseau both sentimentally and spiritually; several times a government official in Mauritius; his chief work, "Paul and Virginia," shows, as in his other writings, a remarkable faculty of word-painting (1737-1814).

ST. QUENTIN, a manufacturing town of France, on the Somme, 95 m. N.E. of Paris; manufactures all kinds of cotton and woollen goods, machinery, and paper; has a fine old Gothic church and town hall; here the French were routed by Spaniards in 1557, and by Germans in 1871, and Germans by the Allies in 1918.

ST. REAL, ABBÉ DE, historian, born in Chambéry, where he settled in 1679, and where he died; was historiographer to the Duke of Savoy, and wrote the "History of the Conspiracy of Spain against Venice," a masterpiece of its kind and modelled on Salustius (1639-1802).

SAINT-SAËNS, CHARLES CAMILLE, a French musician, born in Paris; for 19 years organist of the Madeleine; composer of a number of operas (e.g., "Henri VIII.") indifferently successful, and of much orchestral and chamber music of a masterly kind; held to be one of the greatest of contemporary pianists and organists; also noted for his musical critiques (1835-1921).

ST. SIMON, CLAUDE HENRI, COMTE DE, founder of French Socialism, and of a sect called after him St. Simonians, born in Paris, of an old noble family; grand-nephew of the succeeding, but renounced his title and devoted his life and all his means of living to the promotion of his Socialist scheme, reducing himself in the end to utter penury; he made few disciples, though some of them were men of distinction; his scheme was a reconstruction of society by the abolition of the hereditary principle, and the vesting of the instruments of production in the State and the administration of these for the welfare of all its members (1780-1825).

ST. SIMON, LOUIS DE ROUVROY, DUC DE, French courtier and diplomatist in the reign of Louis XIV.; left "Mémoires" in record of the times in which he lived, depicting with remarkable sagacity the

manners of the Court and the characters of the courtiers (1675-1755).

ST. SIMONIANS. See **ST. SIMON, COMTE DE.**

ST. TAMMANY, an American-Indian chief, popularly canonised as a saint, and adopted as the tutelary genius by a section of the democratic party in the States; his motto was "Unite in peace for happiness in war for defence."

ST. THOMAS (1) an unhealthy volcanic island in the Gulf of Guinea, belonging to Portugal; produces coffee, cocoa, and some spices; chief town, St. Thomas, a port on the N.E. (2) One of the Virgin Islands, 37 m. E. of Porto Rico; belongs to Denmark; since the abolition of slavery its prosperous sugar trade has entirely departed; capital, St. Thomas, is now a coaling-station for steamers.

ST. THOMAS'S, a handsome hospital on the S. side of the Thames, opposite Westminster Abbey, founded in 1553, the present building, by Currey, dating from 1871.

SAINT-VICTOR, PAUL DE, an ornate French writer, born in Paris; from 1851 was engaged in dramatic and other criticism, and established his reputation as a stylist of unusual brilliance. "When I read Saint-Victor I put on blue spectacles," said Lamartine; author of several works on historical and æsthetic subjects (e.g., "Anciens et Modernes," "Hommes et Dieux"); was for a number of years General Inspector of Fine Arts (1827-1881).

ST. VINCENT, one of the Windward Islands, in the West Indies, 105 m. W. of Barbadoes, belongs to Britain; a coaling and cable station; mountainous and volcanic; warm, but healthy climate; exports sugar, rum, and spices; chief town is Kingston, a port on the S.W. coast.

ST. VINCENT, CAPE, a lofty and rugged headland in the extreme S.W. of Portugal, off which have been fought several naval battles, the most memorable being the great victory on February 14, 1797, when Jervis and Nelson annihilated the Franco-Spanish fleet.

ST. VINCENT, JOHN JERVIS, EARL, a noted English admiral, born in Staffordshire; ran away to sea when a boy, and by conspicuous gallantry at Quebec in 1759, and otherwise, rose rapidly in the service; commanded the naval attack upon the French West Indies (1793), and four years later, as admiral of the Mediterranean fleet, shared with Nelson the honours of a brilliant victory over the combined fleets of France and Spain off Cape St. Vincent; was created an earl in reward; during 1801-1804 was a successful First Lord of the Admiralty (1735-1823).

SAINTE-BEUVE, CHARLES AUGUSTIN, the greatest of French literary critics, born in Boulogne-sur-Mer; adopted medicine as a profession in deference to the wishes of his widowed mother, and for some years studied at Paris, but even as a student had begun his career as a literary critic by contributions to the *Globe* newspaper; in 1827 became acquainted with Victor Hugo, whose commanding influence drew him into the Romantic movement, and determined for him a literary career; a critical work on French poetry in the 16th century (1828), two volumes of mediocre poetry (1829-1830), and a psychological novel, "Volupté" (1834), the fruit of spiritual and mental unrest, preceded his lectures at Lausanne on Port-Royal (1837), which, afterwards elaborated and published, contain some of his finest writings; an appointment in the Massarin Library, Paris (1840), brought him a modest competence and allowed him during the next 8 years to contribute without strain or stress to the *Revue des Deux Mondes*; was elected in 1845 to the Academy; three years later lectured for a session at Liège University; during 1849-1869 he contributed a weekly literary article to the *Constitutionnel*; these form his famous "Causeries du Lundi" and "Nouveaux Lundis" which, for variety of human interest, critical insight, and breadth of sympathy, remain unsurpassed; was appointed professor of Latin in the Collège de France (1854), but his unpopularity with the students, owing to his support of Napoleon III., led to his resignation; as a senator in 1865 his popularity revived by his eloquent advocacy of freedom of thought, and on his decease some 10,000 people attended his funeral (1804-1869).

SAINTE-CLAIRE DEVILLE, HENRI ETIENNE, a noted French chemist, born in St. Thomas, West Indies; occupied for many years the chair of Chemistry in the Sorbonne, Paris; his important contributions to chemical knowledge include a process for simplifying the extraction of aluminium and platinum (1818-1881).

SAINTES, an interesting old town in West France, dep. Charente-Inférieure, on the Charente, 28 m. S.E. of Rochefort; known in ancient times as Mediolanum; has some splendid Roman remains, a cathedral, and an underground crypt church; manufactures copper and iron goods and leather.

SALISBURY, GEORGE EDWARD RATEMAN, literary critic, born in Southampton; graduated at Merton College, Oxford; was engaged in scholastic work for a number of years at Manchester, Guernsey, and Klein; in 1876 settled in London, and made a reputation for vigorous and scholarly criticism, devoting much of his time to French literature; elected to the Chair of English Literature in Edinburgh University, 1895; is the author of a "Short History of French Literature," a "Short History of English Literature," besides several volumes of essays (1845-).

SAIS, a city of ancient Egypt, on the delta, on the right bank of the W. branch of the Nile; gave name to two Egyptian dynasties founded by natives of it, was a religious centre, and eventually for a time capital, its temple being said to contain a veiled statue which became a subject of legend.

SAIVAS, in the Hindu religion the worshippers of Siva, one of the two great sections of the Hindus, the worshippers of Vishnu being the other.

SAKI, a beer of alcoholic quality made in Japan from rice by fermentation. It is drunk hot at meals, and is in a small way intoxicating.

SAKUNTALA, in Hindu mythology a benignant female character, made the subject of a famous drama of Kālidāsa (q.v.), translated in 1789 by Sir William Jones.

SAKYAMUNI (i.e. the solitary of the Sakyas), the name given to Buddha, one of the tribe of the Sakyas in Northern India.

SALA, GEORGE AUGUSTUS, a well-known journalist, born in London, of Italian and English parentage; had some training in art before he began writing for Dickens' *Household Words*, &c.; lived a busy, rambling life; founded and edited *Temple Bar*; acted as war-correspondent for the *Daily Telegraph*, and later contributed constantly to that paper; author of several popular novels, "Captain Dangerous" and "Quite Alone" among them, and books of travel, "A Trip to Barbary" and "America Revisited" (1828-1895).

SALAAM, an Oriental term of salutation meaning "Peace," especially used by Mohammedans.

SALADIN, sultan of Egypt and Syria, the hero of the third crusade on the Saracen side; a man of noble and chivalrous character; served first as a soldier under Nureddin; rose to be vizier of Egypt, and ultimately sovereign in 1174; distinguished himself by the capture of Damascus and Aleppo, and entering the Holy Land defeated the Christians at Tiberias, thereafter taking Jerusalem and laying siege to Tyre; fought in Richard Cœur de Lion's famous treaty of his steel concluded a truce in 1192, and died the year after (1177-1193).

SALAMANCA, an interesting old city of Spain, capital of a province of the same name; occupies a hilly site on the Tormes, here spanned by a Roman bridge, 110 m. NW. of Madrid; long famous for its university, which in its heyday (16th century) numbered 8000 students; holds within its surrounding walls many fine old cathedrals, colleges, and other buildings; its industries are greatly fallen off, and consist mainly of cloth, linen, leather, and pottery manufacturing; in this neighbourhood Wellington won a great victory over the French on July 22, 1812.

SALAMANDER, an elemental spirit conceived in the Middle Ages as a lizard that lived in the fire as its proper element.

SALAMIS, a mountainous island of Greece, on the NW. coast of Attica, the strait between which and the mainland was the scene of a naval victory over

the armament of Xerxes by the combined fleets of Athens, Sparta, and Corinth in 480 B.C.

SALDANHA OLIVEIRA E DAUN, JOÃO CARLOS, DUKE OF, Portuguese statesman and soldier, played an honourable and patriotic part in many wars and crises of his country, notably in Brazil in the st. between Dom Pedro and Dom Miguel, and his occupancy of the Premiership on three occasions between 1846-1870; proved a constitutionalist, and enjoyed the confidence and support of England; was created a duke in 1846 (1790-1876).

SALE, GEORGE, Orientalist, born in Kent, and bred for the bar, contributed to the "Universal History" and the "General Dictionary," but is best known as the translator of the "Koran," with a preliminary dissertation and notes; he left a body of MSS. behind him (1697-1730).

SALE, SIR ROBERT HENRY, British general; saw a great deal of fighting; was distinguished in the Burmese War of 1824-1826, and in the war against Afghanistan in 1834, in both of which he was wounded, and afterwards in the latter country during 1841-1842; he was killed at the battle of Muddki fighting against the Sikhs (1782-1845).

SALEM, (1) a city and seaport of the United States, founded in 1620 on a peninsula in Massachusetts Bay, 15 m. N.E. of Boston; famous for its witchcraft trials in 1692 and as the birthplace of Nathaniel Hawthorne; its foreign trade has fallen away, but a good coasting trade is done in ice and coal; manufactures include cottons, rules, and shoes. (2) Capital of Oregon, on the Willamette River, 720 m. N. of San Francisco.

SALERNO, a city of South Italy, on a gulf of the same, 33 m. S.E. of Naples; has some fine Gothic buildings, notably the cathedral of St. Matthew; had a European fame in the Middle Ages for its medical school and university, closed in 1817; cotton-spinning is the chief industry; in the neighbourhood are the ruins of Paestum and an old Norman castle.

SALETTE, LA, a French village amid Alpine scenery, 28 m. S.E. of Grenoble; has become a place of pilgrimage since the alleged appearance of the Virgin to two peasant children on September 19, 1846.

SALFORD, a suburb of Manchester, with cotton factories and ironworks.

SALIO LAW, a law which obtained among the Sallian Franks, as also in certain German States, and which excluded females from succession to the throne.

SALICYLIC ACID, produced in commercial quantities from carboic acid; is a white, crystalline powder, soluble in water, odourless, of a sweetish acid taste; largely used as an external antiseptic, and internally in the form of salicylate of sodium as a febrifuge and cure for acute rheumatism. Salol, betol, and aspirin used in medicine are compounds of salicylic acid.

SALISBURY, a cathedral city, county town of Wiltshire, 84 m. WSW. of London; the cathedral, founded in 1226, and frequently added to and restored, is one of the finest specimens of Early English architecture; has a number of other interesting old buildings—churches, almshouses, inns, and an endowed school; agriculture is the staple industry; also called New Sarum, a mile to the N. being the half-obliterated site of Old Sarum, with many interesting historical associations; round the neighbourhood sweeps the wide, undulating, pastoral Salisbury Plain, with its Druidical circle of Stonehenge (q.v.).

SALISBURY, ROBERT ARTHUR TALBOT GASCOYNE OBEIL, MARQUIS OF, statesman, educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford; as Lord Cecil represented Stafford in Parliament in 1853; was, as Lord Cranborne, Secretary for India in 1856 under Lord Derby; entered the House of Lords as Lord Salisbury in 1867, and distinguished himself as foremost in debate; became Secretary for India under Disraeli in 1874, and Secretary for Foreign Affairs in 1881, in which latter year he, on the death of Beaconsfield, became leader of the Conservative party; after this he was three times raised to the Premiership, the last time on Lord Rosebery's retirement in 1890, by coalition with the Liberal

Unionists (*q.v.*); he became Prime Minister again in 1896, and was in office until the Boer War ended in 1902, when he finally retired; was at one time a contributor to the *Saturday Review*, and was interested in scientific pursuits, chemistry in particular (1830-1903).

SALLÉE, a Moroccan seaport which from the 16th century onwards was notorious for the pirates who made it their headquarters.

SALLUST, Roman historian, born in Amiternum, in the territory of the Sabines, and attained the quaestorship and the tribunate, though a plebeian; for a misdemeanour was expelled the Senate; joined Caesar's party in the Civil War, and became governor of Numidia; enriched himself by extortions and returned to Rome a rich man, after which he gave himself to literature; wrote the "Catiline Conspiracy," and the "War with Jugurtha," among other works, in a terse and forcible style, and was the precursor of Livy and Tacitus; as a writer he affects the moralist, though his life was far from being blameless (86-35 B.C.).

SALMABUS, CLAUDIUS, the literary Latinized name of Claude de Saumaise, eminent French scholar, learned in Greek, Latin, Hebrew, Arabic, and other languages; succeeded Scaliger at Leyden, and associated with Casaubon, Grotius, and other scholars; embraced Protestantism; wrote a number of learned works, but his "Defence of Charles I." proved a failure, and provoked from Milton a crushing reply; died a disappointed man, though he refused to sell his literary talent for money, when Richelieu tried hard to bribe him (1588-1656).

SALMON, GEORGE, mathematician and divine, born in Dublin, and there in 1839 graduated with mathematical honours at Trinity College; became a Fellow, entered the Church, and in 1866 was elected regius professor of Divinity, becoming provost of the college in 1888; carried on with eminent success his dual studies, mathematics and theology, and published some notable works in both sciences, e.g. in theology, *Non-Miraculous Christianity*, "Gnosticism and Agnosticism," a scholarly and popular "Introduction to the New Testament," and in mathematics, "Analytic Geometry," "The Higher Plane Curves" (1819-1904).

SALOMON, JOHANN PETER, a violinist and composer, born in Bonn; was in his youth attached to the court of Prince Henry of Prussia, at which time he wrote some operas; came to London, and is remembered for the great stimulus he gave to musical culture, and especially the study of Haydn in England by his Philharmonic Concerts (1790) and production of that master's symphonies; composed songs, glees, violin pieces, &c.; buried in Westminster Abbey (1746-1816).

SALONICA, or **SALONIKI**, the Thessalonica of the Scriptures, once in Turkey, but ceded to Greece after the Great War; occupies a rocky site at the head of the Gulf of Salonica, 370 m. S.W. of Constantinople; is surrounded by walls, is well laid out and drained; contains many fine old mosques; has an increasing commerce, exporting corn, cotton, opium, and wool; founded in 315 B.C., and has ever since been a place of considerable importance. An Allied force landed here in 1915 and was reinforced at the end of the year, taking part in severe fighting until Bulgaria surrendered in September, 1918, and the entire Balkan peninsula fell into Allied hands.

SALSETTE, an island N. of Bombay, and connected with it by a causeway, with richly cultivated fields and rock temples among other ruins.

SALT, ER. TITUS, English manufacturer, born near Leeds; introduced the manufacture of alpaca, planted his factory at Salford, near Leeds, which he made a model village for his workers as a philanthropic employer of labour (1803-1876).

SALT LAKE CITY, the capital of Utah, a high-lying city and stronghold of Mormonism, founded in 1847; is 11 m. from Great Salt Lake; contains the Mormon temple, which it took 40 years to build, and has besides many fine churches and the university of Deseret.

SALT RANGE, a tract of lofty tableland buttressed on either side by mountain ranges 3000 to 5000 ft. high, and stretching across the Punjab E. and W.,

between Jhelum and Indus Rivers; derives its name from the remarkably rich deposits of rock-salt, which are extensively worked.

SALTS, in chemistry an important class of compound substances formed by the union of an acid with a metal or a base, that is, a substance having, like a metal, the power of replacing in part or in whole the hydrogen of the acid employed.

SALVADOR, the smallest but the most densely populated of the republics of Central America, about one-sixth the size of England and Wales; has a western foreshore between Guatemala (N.) and Nicaragua (S.), fronting the Pacific for 40 m.; slopes up from rich alluvial coast-lands to high plateaux, which stretch, seamed and broken by rivers and volcanoes, to the Cordillera frontier of Honduras on the E.; soil is extremely fertile and naturally irrigated by numerous streams, and produces in abundance coffee and indigo (chief exports), balsam, tobacco, sugar, and cereals; has a warm, healthy climate. The natives are chiefly Indians of Aztec descent, but speaking Spanish. The government is vested in a president and chamber of deputies. Education is free and compulsory. It broke away from Spanish control in 1821; was a member of the Central American Confederacy, but since 1853 has enjoyed complete independence. Capital, San Salvador (*q.v.*).

SALVARSAN, a synthetic drug containing arsenic, used in the treatment of malaria, sleeping sickness, and other diseases.

SALVATION ARMY, a modern religious organization and propaganda, remarkable alike for its novel methods and phenomenal expansion; assumed its present quasi-military form in 1878, but is in reality the outgrowth of a mission founded in London in 1865 by the Rev. William Booth (*q.v.*), and nobly furthered by his wife. It is in essence a protest against the older conventional methods of propagating the Christian religion, and would seem by its remarkable success to have ministered to some latent and widespread need among the poorer classes. It now has branches all over the world. The members assume semi-military attire, march to the sound of musical instruments, display banners; but while these and other sensational devices bring its purposes home to the hearts of the people, its vitality rests upon the real spiritual devotion and self-sacrifice of its members. Various agencies of a more directly philanthropic kind (homes of rest, rescue brigades, workshops, farms, &c.) have become attached to it, and are generously supported by the public. Funds are raised by means of the *War Cry* and other periodicals.

SALVINI, TOMMASO, a celebrated Italian tragedian, born, the son of an actor, in Milan; was trained to the stage, and joined Ristori's company; served with distinction in the revolutionary war of 1849, and, returning to the stage, won for himself a European fame, appearing in France, Spain, United States, England, and other countries; achieved his greatest success in "Othello"; retired after 1884, and published "Leaves from My Autobiography" (1829-1915).

SALWEEN, a river of Asia whose source is believed to be that of the Chinese Lu-kian; forms in its lower part the boundary between Siam and British Burma, and falls into the Gulf of Martaban; its upper course traverses the northern Shan district; only 80 m. of it are navigable.

SALZBURG, a western province of Austria, borders on Bavaria between the Tyrol and Upper Austria; is woody and mountainous, especially in the S., where fine scenery is formed by the Alps; excellent meadowland favours a prosperous industry in the rearing of cattle and horses. The inhabitants, being Protestants, were severely persecuted by the Church, and 30,000 of them emigrated in 1730, and on the invitation of Frederick William of Prussia settled in Lithuania, that had been desolated by plague. Salzburg, the capital, occupies a fine site on the hill-girt banks of the Salzach (crossed by 3 bridges), 80 m. E. by S. of Munich; is a handsome and interesting city, with many fine old buildings, including a cathedral, archbishop's palace, imperial palace, monasteries, &c.; has a theological college, libraries, &c.; birthplace of Mozart; manufac-

tures musical instruments; has an important annual summer musical festival.

SALZKAMMERGUT, a beautiful mountain district of Austria, between Salzburg (W.) and Styria (E.); salt mines and springs give a rich yield of salt.

SAM WELLES. See **WELLES**.

SAMARQAND, a city of West Turkistan, situated at the western base of the Tian-Shan Mountains, 130 m. SE. of Bokhara. Suffered at the hands of Genghis Khan in the 13th century; was Timur's capital in the 14th century, and has since been held sacred by the Moslems. Captured by the Russians in 1868, who have improved it, and built a handsome suburb on the west. Manufactures silk, cotton, paper, and has a large trade in fruit and corn.

SAMARIA, a city of a district of the name between Judea and Galilee in the Holy Land, which became the capital of the North Kingdom of Israel after the revolt from the Southern; was desolated by the hosts of Assyria in 720 B.C., and reoccupied afterwards by Assyrian settlers, who were converted to the Jewish faith; when the Jews rebuilt the Temple of Jerusalem, the Samaritans' offer to aid was rejected, and the refusal led to a bitter hostility between the two peoples ever after.

SAMARITAN PENTATEUCH, a version of the Pentateuch in use among the Samaritans, and alone accepted by them as canonical. It is of value from its independence of other versions.

SAMARITANS. See **SAMARIA**.

SAMAVEDA, the section of the Veda that contains the chants, intended for singers.

SAMIAN SAGE, name given to Pythagoras as a native of Samos.

SAMNITES, a warlike people of ancient Italy in territory SE. of Rome; gave the Romans much trouble till, after two successive wars in 343 and 327 B.C., they were subdued in 290 B.C. A revolt in 90 B.C. led to their extermination as a nation.

SAMOA, or Navigators' Islands, a group of 14 volcanic islands in the W. Pacific, of which three alone are of any size—Savaii, Upolu, and Tutuila; all are mountainous and richly wooded; climate is moist and warm; copra is the chief export, and cotton, coffee, tobacco, &c., are grown; the natives, a vigorous Polynesian race, have been Christianised; the larger islands were captured from the Germans by New Zealand in 1914, and are now a dependency of that Dominion; the rest of the group belong to the United States; the chief town is Apia, at the head of a pretty bay in Upolu; near here R. Louis Stevenson spent the last five years of his life.

SAMOS, a fertile Greek island in the Egean Sea, about 30 m. long and 8 wide, separated from the mainland by a strait three-quarters of a mile wide; had extensive trade with Egypt and Crete; came through various fortunes under the chief Powers of ancient and mediæval Europe till it became subject to Turkey, being restored to Greece after the Great War; its capital, of the same name, in the 5th century B.C., was one of the finest cities in the world.

SAMOTHRACE, a mountainous, bleak island in the Egean Sea, NW. of the mouth of the Dardanelles; has only one village of 2000 inhabitants; was in ancient times place of Cabiri worship (q.v.).

SAMOYEDS, a people of the Mongolian race, occupying the N. shores of Russia and Siberia from the White Sea to the Yenisei; live by hunting and fishing, and are idol-worshippers; they are fast disappearing.

SAMPSON, DOMINIE, a character in Scott's "Guy Rannering," an old-fashioned and pedantic scholar.

SAMPSON, RAJEE ALLEN, British astronomer, professor at Durham and astronomer-royal of Scotland; published several papers on astronomy and mathematics (1866-).

SAMPSON, ranked as judge of Israel, but the story of his life is as of a Jewish hero, distinguished for his feats of strength; employed in the service of his country against the Philistines.

SAMPSON AGONISTES, the strong man of a nation or race caught in the net of his and their enemies, and, encompassed by them, wrestling in his soul's agony to free himself from them; the imagery here being suggested by the story of Sampson in the hands of

the Philistines; the title of a poetic drama by Milton.

SAMUEL, a Jewish prophet, born, of the tribe of Levi, about 1155 B.C.; consecrated by his mother from earliest years to the service of the Lord; he became a judge when he was 40, anointed first Saul and then David to be king over the till then disunited tribes of Israel, and thus became the founder of the Jewish monarchy.

SAMUEL, BOOKS OF, two books of the Old Testament, originally one, and divided in the Septuagint into two; the narrative embraces a period of 125 years, and extends from the time of the Judges to the close of the reign of David, including the intermediate judgeship of Samuel and the reign of Saul, with the view of exalting the prophetic office on the one hand and the kingly office on the other.

SAMUEL, RT. HON. SIR HERBERT, British politician. Entering the House of Commons in 1902, he served from 1906 in the Liberal governments successively as Under-Secretary for the Home Office, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, Postmaster-General, and President of the Local Government Board, and in the 1916 Coalition he became Home Secretary. From 1920 to 1925 he was High Commissioner for Palestine, in 1926 he presided over the Royal Commission on the coal trade, and in 1928 he became chief organizer of the Liberal Party, re-entering the House of Commons the following year (1870-).

SAN ANTONIO, the second city of Texas, of Spanish origin, on a river of the name, 80 m. W. of Austin; has a Catholic college, cathedral, and arsenal; does a good trade in the produce of a fertile neighbourhood, and manufactures flour, leather, and beer.

SAN DIEGO, a thriving port in S. California, situated on a handsome bay of the same name, 124 m. SE. of Los Angeles; wool is the chief export.

SAN DOMINGO, capital of the Dominican Republic, a fortified port on the S. coast of Hayti; has a 16th-century Gothic cathedral, college, and hospital; founded by Columbus.

SAN FRANCISCO, capital of California, and commercial metropolis of the W. coast of America; occupies the NE. corner of a tongue of land stretching between the Pacific and San Francisco Bay, which, with San Pablo Bay and Suisun Bay—extensions to the N.—forms a handsome land-locked sheet of water 65 m. long, communicating with the ocean by Golden Gate Strait; has practically sprung into existence since the discovery of gold in 1847, and is now a spacious and evenly laid out city, with every modern convenience—electric light, cable tramways, &c.; many of the dwelling-houses are of wood, but marble and granite give dignity to Government buildings, hotels, theatres, and business blocks; there is a remarkable number of religious sects; it has a fine park, many free schools, a number of colleges, and a university; as the western terminus of the great continental railroads and outlet for the produce of a rich wheat district it has a large shipping trade; important industries are shipbuilding, whale-fishing, sugar-refining and ironworks. The city was almost entirely destroyed by earthquake and fire in 1906.

SAN JOSE, a city of California, and capital of Santa Clara county, on the Guadalupe River, 60 m. SE. of San Francisco; has two Catholic colleges and a Methodist university; fruit-canning and the manufacture of flour and woollen goods are the chief industries. The name also of small towns in Guatemala, Lower California, and Uruguay.

SAN JOSE, capital of Costa Rica, situated on a fertile and elevated plain between the Caribbean Sea and the Pacific; grain, the vine, and many fruits are grown in the neighbourhood; flour-milling and distilling (Government works) are the principal town industries; there is a university.

SAN JUAN, a mountainous province of the Argentine Republic, on the Chilean border; is rich in metals, but, save coal, these are not worked; agriculture is the chief industry. San Juan, on a river of the same name, is the capital, lies 98 m. N. of Mendoza; has public baths, a bull-ring, and library; exports cattle and fodder, chiefly to Chile. The name of numerous other towns in different parts of Spanish South America.

SAN MARINO, a little republic of Europe which has maintained its independence since the 4th century; comprises a town of same name and several villages occupying rocky and elevated sites on the eastern slopes of the Apennines; some agriculture and cattle-rearing are done; is under the friendly protection of Italy.

SAN REMO, a town in Northern Italy, on a bay in the Gulf of Genoa, in the Riviera, 26 m. N.E. of Nice; is sheltered by a semicircle of hills, and from its mild climate is a favourite winter resort; trades in olive-oil, palms, and lemons.

SAN SALVADOR, capital of Salvador (g.v.), situated on a fertile and elevated plain at the base of an extinct volcano; has suffered frequently and severely from earthquakes, and after the disaster of 1854 a new town, Nueva San Salvador, was built 12 m. to the S.W., only to suffer a similar fate.

SAN SEBASTIAN, a fortified seaport of North Spain, on a small peninsula jutting into the Bay of Biscay, 10 m. from the French frontier; is guarded by a strong citadel, and since its bombardment by Wellington in 1813 has been spectacularly rebuilt; has a beautiful foreshore, and is a favourite watering-place; has a fair export trade.

SAN STEFANO, a Turkish village, a few miles W. of Constantinople, where a preliminary treaty was signed between Turkey and Russia after the war of 1877-1878.

SANCHEZ, THOMAS, a Spanish casulit, born in Cordova; author of a treatise on the "Sacrament of Marriage," rendered notorious from the sarcastic treatment it received at the hands of Pascal and Voltaire (1650-1810).

SANCHEO PANZA, the immortal squire of Don Quixote. See **PANZA, SANCHEO**.

SANCHEUNATHON, a Phœnician historian of uncertain date; author of a history of Phœnicia, of which only a few fragments remain in a Greek translation; he is supposed to have lived in the time of Semiramis.

SANDROTT, WILLIAM, an English prelate, born in Suffolk; rose through a succession of preferments to be Archbishop of Canterbury; was with six other bishops committed to the Tower for petitioning against James II.'s second Declaration of Indulgence; refused to take the oath of allegiance to William and Mary, and was driven from his post, after which he retired to his native place (1617-1693).

SAND, GEORGE, the assumed name of Armandine Lucile Aurore Dupin, notable French novelist, born in Paris; married Baron Dudevant, a man of means, but with no literary sympathies; became the mother of two children, and after nine years effected a separation from him (1831) and went to Paris to push her way in literature; formed a connection with Jules Sandeau (g.v.), from whose name she derived her *nom de plume*; afterwards involved herself in some unhappy liaisons, notably with Alfred de Musset (g.v.) and Chopin; after 1848 she experienced a sharp revulsion from this Bohemian life, and her last twenty-five years were spent in the quiet "Châtelaine of Nohant" (inherited) in never-ceasing literary activity, and in entertaining the many eminent *littérateurs* of all countries who visited her; her voluminous works reflect the strange shifts of her life; "Indiana," "Lélia," and other novels reveal the tumult and revolt that mark her early years in Paris; "Consuelo" and "Spiridon" show her engaged with political, philosophical, and religious speculation; "Elle et Lui" and "L'écroule Floriani" are the outcome of her relations with Musset and Chopin; the calm of her later years is reflected in "La Petite Fadette," "François le Champi," and other charming studies of rustic life; her "Histoire de ma Vie" and posthumous letters also deserve notice; her work is characterized by a richly flowing style, an exuberant imagination, and is throughout full of true colour and vivid emotion (1804-1876).

SANDEAU, LEONARD JULES, French novelist, born in Aubusson; gave up law for literature; was George Sand's first "friend" in Paris, and wrote with her "Rose et Blanche"; contributed to the *Revue des Deux Mondes*; wrote many novels and plays, and was elected to the Academy (1858), and

during his later life held the librarianship at St. Cloud (1811-1883).

SANDERMANIAN. See **GLASSITES**.

SANDERSON, FREDERICK WILLIAM, British schoolmaster. Educated at Durham University, he went on to Cambridge, where he was a Wrangler in 1882; after seven years at Dulwich College he became headmaster of Oundle in 1892, and raised that school to the level of a first-class public school; H. G. Wells wrote an appreciative "Life" of him (1857-1923).

SANDERSON, SIR JOHN SCOTT BURDON, English physiologist; professor of Physiology first at University College, London, and from 1882 at Oxford; one of the greatest authorities on the subject (1828-1905).

SANDERSON, ROBERT, English prelate, great casulit; became chaplain to Charles I. in 1631, and bishop of Lincoln in 1660 (1587-1668).

SANDEHURST, or Bendigo, a mining city of Victoria, Australia, on Bendigo Creek, 101 m. N.W. of Melbourne; came into existence with the "gold rush" of 1851; mines are still of value; has a good trade in grain, brewing, and iron-founding.

SANDRINGHAM, an estate in Norfolk of over 7000 acres, 7½ m. N.E. of Lynn, the property of the King, and used by him as a country residence.

SANDWICH, one of the old Cinque Ports (g.v.) in Kent, on the Stour, and once on the sea, but now, by the receding of the sea, 2 m. distant; 12 m. E. of Canterbury; an interesting place of many historical associations; has a splendid golf course, which attracts summer visitors.

SANDWICH ISLANDS. See **HAWAIIAN ISLANDS**.

SANGHA, the Buddhist Church, and the third term of the Triratna or Buddhist trinity, the two other being Buddha and Dharma, his law.

SANGRAIL. See **GRAIL, HOLY**.

SANHEDRIN, a council of the Jews which held its sittings in Jerusalem, and claimed authority and jurisdiction over the whole Jewish people; it was an aristocratic body, and was presided over by the high-priest; its authority was limited from time to time, and it ceased to exist with the fall of Jerusalem; there is no note of its existence prior to the Grecian period of Jewish history.

SANKARA, a Hindu teacher of the philosophy of the Vedas, who lived some time between 800 and 200 B.C., and was the author of a number of commentaries on the sacred writings of the Hindus, the teachings of which he contributed to develop.

SANKEY, IRA DAVID, American revivalist. He made a great impression in England by his preaching and singing when he came on two missions towards the end of last century with D. L. Moody (1840-1908).

SANKEY, LORD (Sir John Sankey), British lawyer. He was made a judge of the King's Bench Division in 1914, but attained little fame beyond legal circles till 1920, when he was chairman of the Coal Commission during a national coal strike. His report favoured the miners in some degree, a fact that was borne in mind by the Labour Party, which chose him as Lord Chancellor in 1929 (1866-).

SANKHYA, one of three systems of Hindu philosophy. Yoga and Vedānta being the other two; is the system which is most in affinity with the doctrine of Buddha.

SANNAZARO, JACOPO, an Italian poet, enjoyed the favour of King Frederick III. of Naples, and wrote amongst other things a pastoral medley in verse and prose called "Arcadia," which ranks as an Italian classic (1459-1530).

SANS SOUCI (i.e. No Bother), "an elegant, commodious little country box, one storey high, on a pleasant hill-top near Potsdam"; the retreat of Frederick the Great after his wars were over, and in part sketched by himself, and where he spent the last 40 years of his life; it is 20 m. from Berlin, and the name is Frederick's own invention.

SANSULOTTES (i.e. without breeches), a name of contempt applied by the aristocratic party in France to the Revolutionists, and at length accepted by the latter as a term of honour, as men who asserted their claim to regard on their naked manhood.

SANSULOTTISM, belief in the rights of man, stripped of all the conventional vestures and badges by which

alone, and without any other ground of right, one man maintains an ascendancy over another.

SANSKRIT, the name given to the ancient literary language of the Hindus, still preserved in their literature, belongs to the Aryan family of languages in their purest form and most perfect development.

SANTA-ANNA, ANTONIO LOPEZ DE, a noted soldier and President of Mexico, entered the army as a boy, and from the proclamation of the Republic in 1822 till his final exile in 1867 was embroiled in all the wars, intrigues, and revolutions of his country; was four times President, and on the last occasion (1858) was appointed for life, but his habitual harshness alienated the people in two years; fled the country as on many former crises in his life; intrigued against the newly established empire, but was captured and sentenced to death (1867); allowed to expatriate himself, and died in exile; he was one of the most forceful characters in Mexican history (1795-1876).

SANTA CLAUDIA, contraction of St. Nicholas (q.v.).

SANTA CRUZ, or Nitiendi, the largest of the Queen Charlotte or Santa Cruz Islands, in the South Pacific, 100 m. N. of the New Hebrides; on one of the smaller islands Bishop Patteson was brutally murdered by the natives in 1871.

SANTA CRUZ, or St. Croix, one of the Virgin Islands; produces sugar, rum, and cotton; ceded by France to Denmark in 1733; a serious negro revolt took place in 1878; capital is Christianstedt.

SANTA CRUZ, or Tenerife, capital and chief seaport of the Canary Islands, situated on the N.E. side of Tenerife; has an excellent and strongly fortified harbour; is an important coaling port for ocean steamers; cochineal, wine, and garden-produce are the chief exports.

SANTA FE, (1) on the Rio Salado, capital of a rich agricultural province of the Argentine Republic, lying N. of Buenos Aires. (2) Capital of New Mexico, U.S.; holds an elevated site amid the Rockies; is the centre of a good mining district; has the oldest Spanish cathedral in the United States.

SANTALS, one of the aboriginal tribes of India, inhabiting a district in the province of Bengal, which stretches southward from the Ganges; they are chiefly hunters, but also agriculturists; dwell by the forest edges, are fond of music, and are sun-worshippers; number considerably over a million.

SANTANDER, a flourishing port of North Spain, stands on a fine bay facing the Bay of Biscay, 816 m. N. of Madrid; actively engaged in cigar-making, brewing, cotton-spinning, and flour-milling; exports flour, wine, and cereals; a well-known seaside resort.

SANTERRE, ANTOINE JOSEPH, a popular, wealthy brewer, born in Paris; assisted at the fall of the Bastille; played a conspicuous part during the Revolution; became commander of the National Guard in 1792; proposed as a relief in famine that every citizen should live two days a week on potatoes, and that every man should hang his dog; conducted King Louis into the judgment hall, and later to the guillotine; failed in quelling the insurrection in La Vendée, and was recalled; was made brigadier-general by Napoleon as a reward for keeping the peace which he would fain have disturbed on the 18th Brumaire in 1797 (1752-1809).

SANTIAGO, capital of Chile, beautifully situated on a wide, fertile, and elevated plain overhanging on the N. and E. by the snow-clad peaks of the Andes, 90 m. S.E. of Valparaiso; the Mapocho, a mountain stream, passes through the N. part of the city; is handsomely laid out with spacious plazas, a noble alameda, and well-paved streets; has many fine public buildings, hotels, a cathedral, a university, art, agricultural, and military schools, botanical and zoological gardens; in the neighbourhood there is a popular racetrack; is an important commercial centre, with a stock exchange, law-courts, and manufactures of cloth, flour, ships' biscuits, beer and ice.

SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELLA, a city of Spain, in Coruña, of which it was formerly the capital, 26 m. N.E. of Carril, on the coast; has an interesting old Romanesque cathedral, a noted place of pilgrimage in the Middle Ages, a university, and

several ruined monasteries; manufactures linen and leather.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, formerly capital of Cuba, on a beautiful land-locked bay on the S. coast; the harbour is strongly fortified; is the see of an archbishop, and has an old Spanish cathedral, also flourishing sugar-factories and foundries.

SANTLEY, SIR CHARLES, a famous baritone singer, born in Liverpool; studied at Milan; made his debut in 1857, and became an accepted favourite with the public both as an oratorio and operatic singer; he published a volume of reminiscences (1884-1922).

SANTO DOMINGO. See HAITI.

SANTORIN, or Thera, a volcanic island in the Aegean, one of the Cyclades; is the southernmost of the group, and lies 70 m. N. of Crete; the vine grows luxuriantly, and there is a good wine trade; has many interesting prehistoric remains; chief town, Thera or Phera, on the W. coast.

SÃO FRANCISCO, one of the great rivers of Brazil, for the most part navigable; rises in the S.W., near the source of the Paraná, and flows N., N.E., and S.E. till it reaches the S. Atlantic after a course of 1800 m., forming in its lower part the boundary between the maritime provinces of Sergipe and Alagoas; higher it divides Bahia and Pernambuco.

SÃO PAULO, a manufacturing town of Brazil (minerals, coffee); capital of a productive and healthy State of the same name, situated on a plain 310 m. W. by S. from Rio de Janeiro; is the chief centre of the Brazilian coffee trade, and has manufactures of cotton, tobacco, and spirits; is the seat of a law-school.

SAÔNE, a tributary of the Rhone; rises among the Faucelles Mountains, in Voges, and flows S.W. and N. to the Rhone at Lyons; length 282 m., of which one-half is navigable.

SAÔNE, HAUTE-, a department in the E. of France, near Alsace, between Voges (N.) and Doubs (S.); forests abound; about one-half is under cultivation, and there are fine cherry orchards; watered by the Saône and its affluents.

SAÔNE-ET-LOIRE, an east-midland department of France, bounded S.E. and W. by the Saône and Loire; has a fine fertile surface, and is noted for its cattle and abundant output of wine; iron and coal are wrought, and its towns are busy with the manufacture of cotton goods, pottery, and machinery.

SAORSTAT EIREANN, the official Irish name for the Irish Free State (q.v.).

SAPPHIRE, a precious stone of the corundum class, and differing from the ruby (q.v.) only in colour, which is a blue of various shades; the finest specimens are found in Ceylon; its value depends chiefly on quality, and not so much (like the ruby) on size.

SAPPHO, a lyric poetess of Greece of the 7th century B.C., and a contemporary of Alcaeus; was a woman of strong passions and of questionable morality, but of undoubted genius, her lyrics being among the masterpieces of antiquity, though only two of her odes and some short fragments of others remain; of her history little is known, and what is known is far from reliable.

SARACENS, the name given in medieval times to the Arabs or Mohammedans, and extended to all the non-Christian races with whom the Crusaders or Christian peoples came to grips.

SARAGOSSA, an interesting city of Spain, and capital of Aragon, on the Ebro, which flows through it, 212 m. N.E. of Madrid; its history goes back to far Roman times, and includes fierce struggles between Goths, Moors, and Spaniards, and a memorable siege by the French in 1808; being one of the earliest Christian cities of Spain, it contains many interesting relics, cathedrals, and other buildings; there is a university, citadel, and archiepiscopal palace; manufactures embrace cloth, silks, and leather.

SARASATE, PABLO MARTIN MELITON, a Spanish violinist, and one of the most finished of the day, a Basque by birth, but educated at Paris; travelled over the world, winning fame and a fortune; made

his first appearance in London in 1874; composer of some light pieces (1844-1908).

SARASVATI, a Hindu goddess, ultimately the wife of Brahma and goddess of music and eloquence.

SARATOFF, a handsome city of Russia, on the Volga, 500 m. SE. of Moscow; has thriving industries in distilling, flour, oil, and tobacco, and trades in corn, salt, and textiles; the government of Saratoff is a prosperous agricultural district.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, one of the best-known watering-places of the United States, in New York State, 38 m. N. of Albany; plentifully supplied with mineral springs; once a village, now growing into a town of hotels; 12 m. to the E. is the scene of Burgoyne's surrender to Gates, October 17, 1777.

SARA WAK, a principality of North-West Borneo, fronting the Chinese Sea on the NW. and contiguous to Dutch Borneo; was granted as an independent rajahship to Sir James Brooke by the sultan of Borneo in 1841, and governed by him and afterwards by his son, by whom it was put under British protection in 1888; is very fertile, and grows sugar, coco-nuts, rice, sago, rubber, and tea; is rich in minerals, and mining is carried on of antimony, quicksilver, gold, and coal; capital Kuching, on the Sarawak River.

SARCEY, FRANCISQUE, French critic and man of letters, born in Dijon; contributor of dramatic criticism to the *Piquant, Temps*, and *XIX^e Siècle* (1828-1890).

SARDANAPALUS, the last king of Assyria; led a luxurious, effeminate life, but surprised when at his ease by a large army of invaders, he suddenly developed into a hero, till hard pressed at length and shut up in Nineveh, and after two years' defence finding resistance hopeless, he reared a funeral pile, and, setting fire to it, threw himself upon it and perished in the flames.

SARDINIA, an island of the Mediterranean, 170 m. long and 75 m. broad, the second largest, Sicily being larger; is situated to the S. of Corsica; since 1859 has been part of the kingdom of Italy; it has a fruitful soil, and presents a diversified surface of hill and valley; the chief export is salt, and there are extensive fisheries; the capital is Cagliari, in the S.; it is rich in mineral resources, but the exploitation of these is in a backward state.

SARDIS, capital of ancient Lydia, in Asia Minor, at the foot of Mount Tmolus, celebrated in olden time for its wealth, its trade, and luxury; through its market-place the river Pactolus flowed with its sands of gold; in the 4th century it was taken by the Greeks, who were succeeded by the Romans, and was a centre of Christianity, with a bishopric; was sacked and destroyed by Tamerlane in the 15th century.

SARDOU, VICTORIEN, a popular French playwright, born in Paris; gave up medicine for literature, his first successes being "Monsieur Garat" and "Les Près Saint-Gervais," both in 1860; from that date his popularity grew and wealth flowed in upon him; his work was taken up by Sarah Bernhardt, for whom he wrote "Fédora," "Théodora," and "La Tosca" (1887); a number of his plays have been translated into English, such as "A Scrap of Paper," "Diplomacy," and "Madame Sans-Gêne"; was elected to the Academy in 1877; his plays are characterised by clever dialogue and stage effects, and an emotionalism rather French than English (1831-1908).

SARGENT, JOHN SINGER, British painter. Born in Florence, of American parentage, he studied there and in Paris before settling in Chelsea to paint portraits, and later landscapes. He was made an A.R.A. in 1894, and an E.A. in 1897 (1856-1925).

SARMATIANS, or **SARMATS**, an ancient race, embracing several warlike nomadic tribes, who spoke the Scythian language and inhabited the shores of the Black Sea and Eastern Europe as far as the Caucasus; fought with Mithridates against the Romans; were overwhelmed by the Goths in the 4th century A.D., and afterwards gradually absorbed by the Slavs.

SARPEDON, the "Nestor" and king of the Lycians, was son of Zeus and Europa; assisted the Trojans

in their war against the Greeks, and was slain by Patroclus.

SARPI, PAUL, an Italian historian of the monastic order, born in Venice; was a man of wide attainments and liberal views; was the champion of the Republic against the Pope; was summoned to Rome and, on his refusal to obey, excommunicated; his life being in peril, he retired into his monastery, and wrote the "History of the Council of Trent," with which his name has ever since been associated; he was held in high esteem by the Venetians, and was honoured at his death by a public funeral (1552-1623).

SARAILL, MAURICE PAUL EMMANUEL, French general. After seeing service in Algeria and Tunis and holding various staff appointments he took charge of the 3rd Army at the battle of the Marne in 1914; he was in Salonica in 1915 and 1916, and retired in 1917 (1856-1929).

SARTO, ANDREA DEL (i.e. Andrew, the tailor's son), more properly Andrea d'Agnolo, a Florentine artist; painted in oil and fresco numerous works; died of the plague at Florence; his work displays accuracy of drawing and delicacy of feeling, as exemplified in his "Charity" in the Louvre, Paris, and his frescoes in Florence (1487-1531).

SARTOR RESARTUS (i.e. the tailor patched), a book written by Carlyle at Craigenputtock in 1831, published piecemeal in *Fraser's Magazine* in 1838-1834, and first appearing in book form in America, under Emerson's auspices, in 1836, but not in England till 1838. It professes to be on the philosophy of "clothes," and is divided into three sections, the first in exposition of the philosophy, the second on the life of the philosopher, and the third on the practical bearings of his idea. The character of Teufelsdröckh represents Carlyle himself.

SASKATCHEWAN, (1) a province of western Canada, constituted in 1905 and comprising portions of the former territories of Athabasca, Assiniboia, and Saskatchewan; has an area of 225,000 sq. m., of which part yields fine grain; capital is Regina; (2) one of the great and navigable rivers of Canada, rises among the Rockies in two great branches, called respectively the North and South Saskatchewan, 770 and 810 m., which flowing generally E., unite, and after a course of 282 m. pass into Lake Winnipeg, whence the river issues as the Nelson, and flows 400 m. NE. to Hudson Bay.

SASSARI, the second city of Sardinia, in the NW., prettily situated amid olive and orange groves, 12 m. from the Gulf of Asinara; has an old cathedral, castle, and university, and does a good trade in olive-oil and grain.

SATAN, an archangel who, according to the Talmud, revolted against the Most High, particularly when required to do homage to Adam; for his disobedience was with all his following cast into the abyss of hell. See **DEVIL**.

SATANIC SCHOOL, name applied by Southey to a class of writers headed by Byron and Shelley, whose productions, according to him, were "characterised by a Satanic spirit of pride and audacious impiety," and who, according to Carlyle, wasted their breath in a fierce wrangle with the devil, and had not the courage to fairly face and honestly fight him.

SATELLITES (*id. attendants*), name given to the secondary bodies which revolve round the planets of the solar system, of which the Earth has one, Mars two, Jupiter nine, Saturn ten, Uranus four, and Neptune one; Venus and Mercury have none.

SATIRE, a species of poetry or prose writing in which the vice or folly of the times is held up to ridicule, a species in which Horace and Juvenal excelled among the Romans, and Dryden, Pope, and Swift among English writers.

SATEAP, a governor of a province under the ancient Persian monarchy, with large military and civil powers; when the central authority began to wane, some of them set up as independent rulers.

SATURN, in the Roman mythology a primitive god of agriculture in Italy, often confounded with the Greek Kronos, the father of Zeus, and sovereign of the Golden Age; was represented as an old man bearing a sickle.

SATURN, the planet of the solar system whose orbit is outside that of Jupiter, is 886 millions of miles

from the sun, round which it takes 10,759 days or nearly 30 years to revolve, rotating on its own axis in about 10½ hours; its diameter is nine times greater than that of the earth; it is surrounded by bright rings that appear as three, and is accompanied by ten moons; the rings are thin, and are supposed to consist of minute satellites.

SATURNALIA, a festival in ancient Rome in honour of Saturn, in which all classes, free and bond, and young and old, enjoyed and indulged in all kinds of merriment without restraint.

SATYRS, in the Greek mythology semi-animal woodland deities who roamed the hills generally in the train of Dionysus (q.v.), dancing to rustic music; represented with long pointed ears, fat noses, short horns, and a half-clad man's body, with the legs and hoofs of a goat; they were of lustful nature, and fond of sensual pleasure generally.

SAUERKRAUT, a favourite article of food in Germany and elsewhere in North Europe; formed of thinly sliced young cabbage laid in layers, with salt and spice-acids, pressed in casks and allowed to ferment.

SAUL, a Benjamite, the son of Kish, who fell in with Samuel as he was on the way in search of his father's asses that had gone astray, and from his stature and stately bearing was anointed by him to be first king of Israel; he distinguished himself in the field against the enemies of his people, but fell at the hands of the Philistines after a reign of 40 years, and after several insane attempts on the life of David, who had been elected to succeed him.

SAUMAREZ, JAMES, BARON DE, English admiral, born in Guernsey; entered the navy at 13, distinguished himself in the American War, captured a French frigate in 1793, which brought him a knighthood; was second in command at the battle of the Nile, and gained a great victory off Cadiz in 1801; was raised to the peerage in 1831 (1757-1836).

SAUMUR, a town of France, in the department of Maine-et-Loire, situated on the Loire and partly on an island in the river, 32 m. S.E. of Angers; once famous for its Protestant theological seminary, and till the Edict of Nantes a stronghold of the Huguenots; has interesting churches, a castle (still used as an arsenal), and a noted cavalry school; has trade in grain, dried fruits, and rosaries.

SAUSSURE, HORACE BÉNÉDICT DE, geologist and physicist, born in Geneva; was the first to ascend Mont Blanc in the interest of science, and was distinguished for his researches in the same interest all over the Alps and on other mountain ranges; he invented or improved several scientific instruments (1740-1799).

SAVAGE, RICHARD, English poet and dramatist, with a worthless character, who gained the regard of Johnson; his chief poem, "The Wanderer," of no poetic merit (1697-1743).

SAVANNAH, a name used chiefly in Florida and neighbouring States to designate the wide, treeless plains of those parts; is practically an equivalent for "pampa," "prairie," and "steppe"; it comes from a Spanish word meaning "a sheet."

SAVANNAH, a city and port of the United States, capital of Chatham County, Georgia, on Savannah River, 18 m. from its mouth; well equipped with parks, electric light, handsome churches, and government buildings, is an important naval stores station and second cotton port of the U.S., and has foundries, rice, flour, cotton, and paper-mills.

SAVE, a tributary of the Danube, rises in the Julian Alps and flows S.E. across Southern Austria till it joins the Danube at Belgrade after a course of 556 m., of which 366 are navigable.

SAVIGNY, KARL VON, a German jurist, born in Frankfurt-on-the-Main, of French parentage; wrote a treatise on the Right of Property, became professor of Roman Law at Berlin; his chief works were the "History of Roman Law in the Middle Ages" and the "History of Roman Law in Modern Times" (1779-1861).

SAVILLE, SIR HENRY, a learned scholar, born in Yorkshire; was tutor to Queen Elizabeth and provost of Eton, and founder of the Savilian professorships of Geometry and Astronomy at Oxford (1549-1622).

SAVONA, a seaport of Italy, on the Gulf of Genoa, in the Riviera, 26 m. S.W. of Genoa, in the midst of orange groves; is handsomely laid out; has a 16th-century cathedral, castle, palace, and picture gallery; exports pottery and has prosperous iron-works, glassworks, tanneries, and a silk industry.

SAVONAROLA, GIROLAMO, Italian reformer, born in Ferrara of a noble family; was in his youth of a studious, ascetic turn, became at 24 a Dominican monk, was fired with a holy zeal for the purity of the Church, and issued forth from his privacy to denounce the vices that everywhere prevailed under her sanction, with threats of divine judgment on her head, so that the impressions his denunciations made were deep and widespread; the effect was especially marked in Florence, where for three years the reformer's influence became supreme, till a combination of enemies headed by the Pope succeeded in subverting it, to his election from the Church, his imprisonment, and final execution, preceded by that of his adherents Fra Domenico and Fra Silvestro; it was as a result of the moral of the Church and nowise of its dogmas that Savonarola presented himself, while the effect of his efforts was limited pretty much to his own day and generation (1462-1498).

SAVOY, DUCHY OF, in the S.E. of France, on the Italian frontier, comprises the two departments of Haute-Savoie and Savoie; previous to 1800 constituted a province of the kingdom of Sardinia; Lake of Geneva bounds it on the N. and the lofty Graian Alps flank it on the E., forming part of the Alpine highlands; it is charmingly picturesque, with mountain, forest, and river, numerous tributaries of the Rhône; has excellent grazing lands; grows the vine abundantly, besides the usual cereals; the people are industrious and thrifty. Aix-les-Bains, Evian, and Challes are popular watering-places. Chambery was the old capital.

SAVOY, HOUSE OF, an ancient royal house of Europe (represented now by the king of Italy), whose territorial possessions were constituted a county of the empire in the 12th century under the name Savoy; was created a duchy in the 16th century. By the treaty of Utrecht (1713) the island of Sicily was ceded to Savoy and the title of king bestowed upon the duke; in 1720 Victor Amadeus II. was forced to cede Sicily to Austria in exchange for Sardinia, which with Savoy and Piedmont, &c., constituted the kingdom of Sardinia till its dissolution in 1860, when Savoy was ceded to France and the remaining portion merged in the new Italian kingdom under Victor Emmanuel.

SAVOY, THE, a district of the Strand, London, in which a palace was built in 1245 called of the Savoy, in which John of France was confined after his capture at Poitiers; the palace, then the residence of John of Gaunt, was burnt at the time of the Wat Tyler insurrection, but rebuilt in 1365 as a hospital; it included a chapel, which was damaged by fire in 1864, but restored by Queen Victoria; on its site now stands the well-known hotel and theatre of the name.

SAXE, MAURICE DE, marshal of France, natural son of Augustus II., king of Poland (q.v.); distinguished himself under various war captains, Marlborough and Prince Eugene in particular, and eventually entered the service of France; commanding in the War of the Austrian Succession, he took Prague and Egra, and was made a marshal, and appointed to the command of the army of Flanders, in which he gained victories and captured fortresses, and was thereafter loaded with honours by Louis XV.; was one of the strongest and most disolute men of his age; died of dropsy, the result of his debaucheries (1696-1750).

SAXE-COBURG AND GOTHA, DUKE OF, Duke of Edinburgh, second son of Queen Victoria; married a daughter of Alexander II., czar of Russia; succeeded to the German dukedom in 1893 (1844-1900).

SAXE-WEIMAR, AMALIA, DUCHESS OF, was of the Guelph family, and married to the duke, and in two years was left a widow and in government of the duchy, attracting to her court all the literary notabilities of the day, Goethe the chief, till in 1775 she resigned her authority to her son, who followed in her footsteps (1789-1807).

SAXO GRAMMATICUS, a Danish chronicler who flourished in the 12th century; wrote "Gesta Danorum," which brings the history of Denmark down to the year 1159, and is in the later sections of great value.

SAXON SWITZERLAND, name given to a mountainous region in Saxony, S.E. of Dresden.

SAXONS, a people of the Teutonic stock who settled early on the estuary of the Elbe and the adjoining islands, who in their piratical excursions infested and finally settled in Britain and part of Gaul, and who, under the name of Anglo-Saxons, now hold sovereign sway over large sections of the globe.

SAXONY, a republic of Germany, lies within the basin of the Elbe, facing on the E. between Bavaria (S.) and Prussia (N.), the mountainous frontier of Bohemia; a little less in size than Yorkshire, but very densely inhabited; spurs of the Erzgebirge, Fichtelgebirge, and Riesengebirge diversify the surface; is a flourishing mining and manufacturing country; Dresden in the capital, and other important towns are Leipzig, Chemnitz, Meissen, Grimma, and Freiburg; by the time of the Thirty Years' War the electorate of Saxony, which in its heyday had stretched to the North Sea, and from the Rhine to the Elbe, had sadly dwindled away. It suffered much at the hands of Frederick the Great during the Seven Years' War, and in 1815, having sided with Napoleon, a portion of its territory was, by the Congress of Vienna, ceded to Prussia; was defeated with Austria in 1866, and thus joined the North German Confederation, to be incorporated afterwards in the German Empire, until the reconstruction of the latter after the Great War.

SAXONY, PRUSSIAN, a province of Prussia, chiefly comprises that part of Saxony (q.v.) added to Prussia in 1815; situated in the centre of Prussia, N. of Saxony; is watered by the Elbe and its numerous affluents, and diversified by the Harz Mountains and Thuringian Forest; contains some of the finest growing land in Prussia; salt and lime are valuable products, and copper is also mined; the capital is Magdeburg and other notable towns are Halle (with its university) and Erfurt.

SAXOPHONE, a musical instrument named after Antoine Joseph Sax, its inventor, and having a reed and clarinet mouthpiece. It was introduced from abroad when jazz (q.v.) became popular at the end of the Great War, and in 1927 was incorporated among the instruments of the band of the Grenadier Guards.

SAYCE, ARCHIBALD HENRY, philologist, born near Bristol; wrote works on the Hittites and Babylonians and the monuments of the East, bearing chiefly on Old Testament history (1846-1911).

SAYERS, TOM, pugilist and champion of England, who only suffered one defeat in his career; famous for his fight with Heenan, the American, in 1860; is buried at Highgate, N. London (1826-1865).

SCAIOVA, CAIUS MUCIUS, a patriotic Roman who, when sentenced to be burnt alive by Lars Porcena the Etrurian, then invading Rome, for attempting to murder him, untimely held his right hand in a burning brazier till it was consumed, as a mark of his contempt for the sentence. Porcena, moved by his courage, pardoned him, and, on hearing that 800 as defiant had sworn his death, made peace with Rome and departed. The name Scavola (i.e. left-handed) was given him from the loss of his right hand on the occasion.

SCAVELLA, a Cumberland mountain on the borders of Westmorland, with two peaks, one 3210 ft. and the other 3161 ft. high, the highest in England.

SCALA DELLA, a principate of Verona, and a general of the Ghibellines in Lombardy, who offered Dante an asylum when expelled from Florence (1291-1329).

SCALD, the name given to the old wandering bard and minstrel of Scandinavia.

SCALIGER, JOSEPH JUSTUS, eminent scholar, son of the following, born in Agen; educated by his father; followed in his father's footsteps, and far surpassed him in scholarship; travelled over Europe, and became a zealous Protestant; accepted the chair of *belles lettres* in the University of Leyden on condition that he should not be called upon to lecture, and gave himself up to a life of study, especially on matters philological and literary; was

a man of universal knowledge, and the creator of modern chronology (1540-1609).

SCALIGER, JULIUS CÆSAR, surnamed the Elder, classical scholar, became page to the Emperor Maximilian, and served him in war and peace for 17 years; at 40 left the army, and took to studying the learned languages among other subjects; wrote a treatise on poetics and a commentary on the physics and metaphysics of Aristotle, and became an authority on the Aristotelian philosophy (1484-1558).

SCANDERBEG (i.e. Iskander Beg, Prince or Bey Alexander), the patriot chief of Albania and the great hero of Albanian independence, who in the 15th century renounced Islamism for Christianity, and by his military prowess and skill freed Albania from the Turkish yoke; throughout his lifetime maintained its independence, crushing again and again the Turkish armies; was known among the Christians as George Castriot (1407-1467).

SCANDERBON, or Alexandretta, the port of Aleppo, in Turkey in Asia, situated in the Gulf of Scanderoon. In the N.E. of the Levant, 77 m. N.W. of Aleppo; is itself an insignificant place, but has a large transit trade.

SCANDINAVIA, the ancient name (still used) of the great northern peninsula of Europe, which embraces Norway (q.v.) and Sweden (q.v.); also used in a broader sense to include Denmark and Iceland.

SCAFA FLOW, the basin of the Orkneys surrounded by the islands of Pomona, Burray, South Ronaldshay, Walls, and Hoy; it is 5 m. wide and 15 m. long; in 1911 its pier was enlarged to accommodate destroyers, from 1914 to 1919 it was the headquarters of the Grand Fleet, and in June, 1919, Admiral Reuter here scuttled the interned German fleet.

SCARAB, the Scarabeus, or sacred beetle of the Egyptians, of which representations were worn as amulets; made of steatite or stone, they are found in tombs.

SCARBOROUGH, a popular seaside town and watering-place on the Yorkshire coast; built on rising ground on the shores of a fine bay; is a place of great antiquity, with interesting ruins; has a church, harbour, pier, and a fine promenade; noted for the manufacture of jet.

SCARPA, ANTONIO, Italian anatomist, professor at Pavia and surgeon to Napoleon (1747-1832).

SCARRON, PAUL, a French humorist, writer of the burlesque, born of good parentage, in Paris; entered the Church, and was for some years somewhat lax-living abbé of Mans, but stricken with incurable disease settled in Paris, and supported himself by writing; is chiefly remembered for his "Virgile Travesti" and "Le Roman Comique," which "gave the impulse out of which sprang the masterpieces of Le Sage, Defoe, Fielding, and Smollett"; married in 1652 Françoise d'Aubigné, a girl of fifteen, afterwards the famous Madame de Maintenon (q.v.); was a man who both suffered much and laughed much (1610-1660).

SCATTERY ISLAND, in the Shannon estuary, 3 m. S.W. of Kilrush; an early Christian place of pilgrimage, with ruins and a "round tower"; is fortified and marked by a lighthouse.

SCEPTICISM, primarily doubt respecting, and ultimately disbelief in, the reality of the super-sensible, or the transcendental, or the validity of the evidence on which the belief in it is founded, such as reason or revelation; in religious matters is tantamount to infidelity more or less sweeping.

SCEPTRE, the symbol of royal power, power to command and compel, originally a club, the crown being the symbol of dominion.

SHADOW, JOHANNES GOTTFRIED, sculptor, born in Berlin; was trained in Rome under the best masters, returned to Berlin, and became Director of the Academy of Arts; laboured here for 62 years, and produced works which placed him among the first rank of artists; he had two sons, one of whom distinguished himself as a sculptor and the other as a painter (1764-1850).

SCHAFFER, SIR EDWARD ALBERT SHARPEY, British scientist, professor of Physiology at University College, London, and Edinburgh; famous for his educational work and research in physiology; wrote a number of books on histology, anatomy, &c.;

president of the British Association at Dundee in 1912 (1850-).

SCHAFF, PHILIP, a theologian, born in Switzerland; studied in Germany; was called to the United States, and became professor first in Pennsylvania and finally in New York (1819-1893).

SCHAFHAUSEN, a canton in the extreme N. of Switzerland, surrounded NE. and W. by Baden; the Rhine flanks it on the S.; is hilly, with fertile valleys sloping to the Rhine, and is chiefly given up to agriculture. The capital, Schaffhausen, occupies a picturesque site on the Rhine, 31 m. NW. of Constance; has a 12th-century cathedral and an interesting old castle. The famous falls, the finest on the Rhine, are 3 m. below the town.

SCHÄFFLE, DR. ALBERT, German economist, born in Württemberg; wrote, besides other works, "The Quintessence of Socialism," an able *exposé* (1831-1893).

SCHALL, JOHANN ADAM VON, Jesuit missionary to China, born in Cologne; was received with honours at the Imperial Court, obtained permission to preach, and founded churches to the spread of Christianity, a privilege which was revoked by the next emperor; he was subjected to imprisonment, which shortened his life (1591-1669).

SCHAMYL. See **SHAMYL**.

SCHARFF, ROBERT FRANCIS, British scientist; held posts in connection with the Dublin Natural History Museum; published a number of books on the fauna of Europe (1858-).

SCHARNHORST, GERHARD VON, a Prussian general, distinguished as the organizer of the Prussian army, to the establishment of a national force instead of a mercenary; died of a wound in battle (1755-1813).

SCHÉELE, KARL WILHELM, Swedish chemist, born in Pomerania, was an apothecary at Uppsala and Köping; during his residence at the latter made numerous important discoveries, and published many chemical papers, his chief work "Experimenta on Air and Fire"; he discovered oxygen independently of Priestley, as well as chlorine, tungsten, and many organic acids (1742-1786).

SCHÉELE, A., a mineral from which tungsten is obtained; named after K. W. Schéele (q.v.).

SCHER, REINHOLD VON, German admiral. After a creditable naval career he was given command of the High Sea Fleet in 1915, and led the German forces at Jutland (1863-1923).

SCHÉFFEL, JOSEPH VICTOR VON, German poet, bred to law, but abandoned it for literature; his first and best work "Der Trompeter von Sakkingen," a charming tale in verse of the Thirty Years' War, succeeded by "Gaudamus," a collection of songs and ballads familiar to the German students all over the Fatherland (1826-1886).

SCHÉFFER, ARY, painter, born in Dordrecht, of German and Dutch parentage; settled in Paris; began as a genre-painter; illustrated Dante, Goethe, and Byron, and in the end painted religious subjects; was of the Romantic school (1795-1856).

SCHÉHRAZADE, daughter of the grand vizier, who, in "The Arabian Nights," marries the Sultan and saves her life by entertaining him night after night with her tales.

SCHÉLDT, an important river of Belgium and Holland, rises in the French dep. of Aisne, and flows northwards past Cambrai (its highest navigable point) and Valenciennes, entering Belgium a little S. of Tournay and continuing northward, with Oudenarde, Ghent, and Antwerp on its banks; enters Holland, and at the island of S. Beveland splits into the Wester Scheldt and the Ooster Scheldt, which enter the North Sea, the former at Flushing, the latter at Bergen-op-Zoom; length 267 m., much the greater part being in Belgium.

SCHÉLLING, FRIEDRICH WILHELM JOSEPH VON, German philosopher, born in Württemberg; studied at Tübingen, where he became acquainted with Hegel; wrote first on theological subjects and then on philosophical; went to Jena and became a disciple and follower of Fichte; gradually abandoned Fichte's position and began to develop ideas of his own, and in conjunction with Hegel edited the *Critical Journal of Philosophy*; held afterwards a professorship at Munich and a lectureship at Berlin;

his philosophy is no finished or completed system, but is essentially a history of the progressive stages through which he himself passed; during the reign of Hegel he kept silence, and only broke it when Hegel was dead; thought to outstrip him by another philosophy, but the attempt has proved fruitless of any important results (1775-1854).

SCHÉMNITZ, a town of Hungary, noted as a mining centre since Roman times, situated in the midst of a mountainous region, 65 m. N. by W. of Pesth; gold, silver, copper, and lead are largely wrought, chiefly in the interests of the State.

SCHÉNKEL, DANIEL, German theologian, born in Switzerland, became, after a pastorate at Schaffhausen, professor first at Basel and then at Heidelberg; was a man of liberal principles, and was zealous for the union of the Protestants, Lutheran and Reformed, in one body on a broad basis; is noted as author of a work entitled "Das Charakterbild Jesu," being an attempt to construe the character of Christ on rationalistic lines (1818-1885).

SCHÉRER, EDMOND, French critic, born in Paris, spent his early years in England, his mother being English; was for some time devoted to theology and the Church, but changed his views; settled in Paris, and took to journalism and politics, distinguishing himself more especially in literary criticism (1815-1889).

SCHILLER, JOHANN CHRISTOPH FRIEDRICH VON, German poet and dramatist, born in Marbach, on the Neckar, son of an army-surgeon; bred first to law and then to medicine, but took chief interest in philosophy and literature, to the cultivation of which he devoted his life; his first work, a play, "The Robbers," which on its publication in 1783 produced quite a ferment, was followed in 1785 by two tragedies, "Piseco" and "Kabale und Liebe"; but it was with "Don Carlos" in 1787 his mature authorship began, and this was followed by the "History of the Netherlands" and "History of the Thirty Years' War," to be succeeded by "Wallenstein" (1799), "Maria Stuart" (1800), "The Maid of Orleans" (1801), "The Bride of Messina" (1802), and "Wilhelm Tell" (1804); he wrote in addition a number of ballads and lyrics; in 1794 his friendship with Goethe began, and it was a friendship which was grounded on their common love for art and lasted with life; he was an earnest man and a serious writer, and much beloved by the great Goethe (1759-1805). See Carlyle's "Life of Schiller," and his say on him in his "Miscellanies."

SCHIPA, TITO, Italian singer. Born in Loece, he was educated locally and made his opera debut at Milan, after which he went to America and became leading tenor at the Chicago Opera House (1890-).

SCHLEGEL, AUGUST WILHELM VON, German man of letters, born in Hanover, studied theology at first, but turned to literature and began with poetry; settled in Jena, and in 1798 became professor of Fine Arts there; was associated in literary work with Madame de Staël for 16 years; delivered "Lectures on Dramatic Art and Literature" at Vienna in 1798, and finished with a professorship of Literature at Bonn, having previously distinguished himself by translations into German of Shakespeare, Dante, and other writers; he devoted himself to the study of Sanskrit when at Bonn, where he had Heine for pupil (1767-1845).

SCHLEGEL, FRIEDRICH VON, German critic and author, born in Hanover, brother of preceding, joined his brother at Jena, and collaborated with him; became a zealous promoter of all the Romantic movements, and sought relief for his yearnings in the bosom of the Catholic Church; wrote lectures, severally published, on the "Philosophy of History," of "Literature," of "Life," and on "Modern History," and books on Sanskrit and the philosophy of India (1772-1829).

SCHLEGELER, AUGUST, German philologist, did eminent service by his studies in the Indo-Germanic languages, and particularly in the Slavonic languages (1821-1868).

SCHLEIERMACHER, FRIEDRICH ERNST DANIEL, great German theologian, born in Breslau; brought up among the Moravians, his mind revolted against

the narrow orthodoxy of their creed, which was confirmed by his study of Plato and the philosophy of the school of Kant, as it for him culminated in Schelling, though the religious feeling he inherited never left him; under these influences he addressed himself to the task of elaborating a theology in which justice should be done to the claims of the intellect and the emotions of the heart, and began by translating Plato; soon he formed a school, which included among its members men such as Neander, distinguished at once for their learning and their piety, and to which all the schools of theology in Germany since have been more or less indebted; his great merit lay in the importance he attached to the religious consciousness as derived from that of Christ, and the development therefrom in the life and history of the Church of Christ (1768-1834).

SCHLEMIHL, PETER, the name of a man who in Chamisso's tale sold his shadow to the devil, a synonym for one who makes a desperate or silly bargain.

SCHLEMMANN, HEINRICH, a German explorer, born in Mecklenburg-Schwerin; excavated at his own cost the ruins, among others in Greece, of Hissarlik, in the Troad, believing them to be those of Troy; spent 12 years in this enterprise, collecting the spoils and depositing them in safe keeping in Berlin; died at Naples before his excavations were complete (1822-1890).

SCHLOSSER, FRIEDRICH CHRISTOPH, German historian, born in Oldenburg; was studious of the moral factor in history, and gave especial prominence to it (1776-1861).

SCHMALKALDIC LEAGUE, a league of the Protestant States of Germany concluded in 1531 at Schmalkalden, Prussia, in defence of their religious and civil liberties against the Emperor Charles V. and the Catholic States.

SCHNEIDER CUP, an international trophy for aviation, valued at £1000, and presented in 1913 by Jacques Schneider, a French patron of aviation. Seaplanes of any nationality may compete. France won the first contest at Monaco in 1913 at a speed of 45 miles an hour; the following year Britain won at 86 miles an hour; there were no contests during the Great War, but they were resumed in 1919. America and Italy both proving successful, as well as Britain. After 1927 the race was held every two years, and speeds of over 300 miles an hour have been achieved.

SCHNITZER, EDUARD, physician, born in Breslau; went to Turkey, entered the Turkish medical service, adopted the name Emin Pasha, and was appointed by Gordon medical officer of the Equatorial Province of Egypt, and raised to the rank of Pasha; soon after the outbreak of the Mahdist insurrection he was cut off from civilisation, but was discovered by Stanley in 1889 and brought to Zanzibar, after which he was murdered by Arabs (1840-1893).

SCHOLASTICISM, the name given to the philosophy that prevailed in Europe during the Middle Ages, particularly in the second half of them, and that has been generally characterised as an attempt at conciliation between dogma and thought, between faith and reason, an attempt to found a scientific system on that basis, founded on the pre-supposition that the creed of the Church was absolutely true and capable of rationalisation.

SCHOLIASTS, name given to a class of grammarians who appended annotations to the margins of the MSS. of the classics.

SCHOLIUM, a marginal note explanatory of the text of a classic author.

SCHOLTEN, JAN HENDRIK, a Dutch theologian of the rationalistic school, professor at Leyden (1811-1885).

SCHOMBERG, DUKE OF, French marshal, of German origin and the Protestant persuasion, took service under the Prince of Orange, and fell at the battle of the Boyne (1615-1690).

SCHÖNBRUNN, imperial palace near Vienna, built by Maria Theresa in 1744.

SCHOOLCRAFT, HENRY ROWE, a noted American ethnologist, born in New York State; at 24 was geologist on an exploring expedition undertaken by General Cass to Lake Superior and the Upper Mississippi; married the educated daughter of an Ojibway chief; founded the Historical Society of

Michigan and the Algic Society at Detroit; discovered the sources of the Mississippi in 1832; was an active and friendly agent for the Indians, and in 1847 began, under Government authorisation, his great work of gathering together all possible information regarding the Indian tribes of the United States, an invaluable work embodied in six great volumes; author also of many other works treating of Indian life, exploration, &c. (1793-1864).

SCHOLIMEN, teachers of the scholastic philosophy (q.v.).

SCHOPENHAUER, ARTHUR, a bold metaphysical thinker, born in Danzig, of Dutch descent; was early dissatisfied with life, and conceived pessimistic views of it; in 1814 jotted down in a note-book, "Inward discord is the very bane of human nature so long as a man lives," and on this fact he brooded for years; at length the problem solved itself, and the solution appears in his great work, "Die Welt als Wille und Vorstellung" ("The World as Will and Idea"), which he published in 1718; in it, as in others of his writings, to use the words of the late Professor Wallace of Oxford, Schopenhauer "draws close to the great heart of life, and tries to see clearly what man's existence, hopes and destiny really are"; his philosophy "recognises the peaceful creations of art as the most adequate representation the sense-world can give of the treacherous being of all things, and holds the best life to be that of one who has pierced, through the illusions dividing one conscious individuality from another, into that great heart of eternal rest where we are each members one of another, essentially united in the great ocean of Being, in which, and by which, we alone live"; his philosophy is a protest against treating it as a science instead of an art which has to do not merely with the reasoning powers, but with the whole innermost nature of man (1788-1860).

SCHOUBALOFF, COUNT PETER, a Russian ambassador, born in St. Petersburg; became in 1866 head of the secret police; came to England in 1873 on a secret mission to arrange the marriage of the Empress Alexander II.'s daughter with the Duke of Edinburgh; was one of Russia's representatives at the Congress of Berlin (1877-1879). His brother, Count Paul, fought in the Crimean War, helped to liberate the Russian serfs, fought in the Russo-Turkish War, and was governor of Warsaw during 1895-1897.

SCHREINER, OLIVE, authoress, daughter of a Lutheran clergyman at Cape Town; achieved a great success by "The Story of an African Farm" in 1883, which was followed in 1890 by "Dreams," also later "Dream Life and Real Life," and "Trooper Peter Halket," &c. (1859-1920).

SCHREINER, RIGHT HON. W. P., Premier of the Cape Parliament, brother of preceding; bred to the bar, favoured arbitration in the South African difficulty, and was a supporter of the Afrikaner Bond in politics (1857-1919).

SCHUBERT, FRANZ PETER, composer, born, the son of a Moravian schoolmaster, in Vienna; at 11 was one of the leading choristers in the court-chapel, later on became leading violinist in the school band; his talent for composition in all modes soon revealed itself, and by the time he became an assistant in his father's school (1813) his supreme gift of lyric melody showed itself in the song "Erl King," the "Mass in F," &c.; his too brief life, spent chiefly in the drudgery of teaching, was harassed by pecuniary embarrassment, embittered by the slow recognition his work won, though he was cheered by the friendly encouragement of Beethoven; his output of work was remarkable for its variety and quantity, embracing some 500 songs, 10 symphonies, 6 masses, operas, sonatas, &c.; his abiding fame rests on his songs, which are infused, as none other are, by an intensity of poetic feeling (1797-1828).

SCHULZE-DELITZSCH, HERMANN, founder of the system of "people's savings-banks"; born in Delitzsch, and trained to the law, he settled in his native town and gave himself to social reform, sat in the National Assembly in Berlin on the Progressivist side, but opposed Lassalle's socialistic programme; his project of "people's savings-banks" and other co-operative societies was started

in 1850, and immediately took root, spreading over the country and into Austria, Italy, Belgium, &c. (1808-1883).

SCHUMANN, ROBERT, an eminent German composer and musical critic, born in Zwickau, in Saxony; law, philosophy, and travel occupied his early youth, but in 1831 he was allowed to follow his bent for music, and settled to study it at Leipzig; two years later started a musical paper, which for more than 10 years was the vehicle of essays in musical criticism; during these years appeared also his greatest pianoforte works, songs, symphonies, and varied chamber music; "Paradise and the Peri" and scenes from "Faust" appeared in 1843; symptoms of cerebral disease, which in the end proved fatal, began to manifest themselves, and he withdrew to a quieter life at Dresden, where much of his operatic and other music was written; during 1850-1854 he acted as musical director at Düsseldorf, but insanity at length supervened, and after attempting suicide in the Rhine he was placed in an asylum, where he died two years later; his work is full of the fresh colour and variety of Romanticism, his songs being especially beautiful (1810-1856).

SCHÜRER, EMIL, Biblical scholar, born in Augsburg, professor of Theology at Kiel, author of "History of the Jewish People" (1844-1910).

SCHUSTER, SIR ARTHUR, British physicist, professor at Manchester, and later secretary of the Royal Society; has written a number of papers on physical subjects, especially optics; president of the British Association in 1915 (1851-).

SCHUYLER, PHILIP JOHN, leader in the American War of Independence, born in Albany, of Dutch descent; served in arms under Washington, and, his health failing for action, became one of Washington's most anxious advisers (1733-1804).

SCHUYLKILL, a river of Pennsylvania, rises on the N. side of the Blue Mountains and flows S.E. 130 m. to its junction with the Delaware River at Philadelphia; is an important waterway for the coal-mining industry of Pennsylvania.

SHWABE, SAMUEL HEINRICH, German astronomer, famous for his work in connection with sunspots (1798-1875).

SCHWANN, THEODOR, German physiologist, born in Neuss, made several discoveries in physiology, and established the cell theory (1810-1882).

SCHWANTHALER, LUDWIG VON, German sculptor, born in Munich, of an old family of sculptors; studied at Rome; adorned his native city with his works both in bas-reliefs and statues, and once in single figures and in groups; did frescoes and cartoons also (1802-1849).

SCHWÄRMEREI (*Id.* going off in swarms, as bees under their queen), name given to a more or less insane enthusiasm with which a mass of men is affected.

SCHWARZ, BERTHOLD, an alchemist of the 13th century, born in Fribourg, a monk of the order of Cordeliers; is credited with the discovery of gunpowder when making experiments with nitre.

SCHWARZ, CHRISTIAN FRIEDRICH, German missionary in India, born in Brandenburg; laboured 18 years at Trichinopoly, gained the friendship of the Rajah of Tanjore, and settled there in 1778; succeeded also in winning the favour of Hyder Ali of Mysore, and proved himself to be in all senses a minister of the gospel of peace (1726-1798).

SCHWARZBURG, HOUSE OF, one of the oldest noble families of Germany; first comes into authentic history in the 12th century with Count Hazo IV. (the first to take the title of Schwarzburg), and in the 16th century divides into the two existing branches, the Schwarzburg-Sondershausen and Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt—which gave their names to two sovereign principalities of Central Germany wedged in between Prussia and the lesser Saxon States, the latter embracing part of the Thuringian Forest; both are prosperous agricultural and mining regions.

SCHWARZENBURG, KARL PHILIP, PRINCE VON, Austrian general, born in Vienna, of a noble family there; entered the army and distinguished himself in the wars against the Turks, the French Republic, and Napoleon; fought at Austerlitz and Wagram,

negotiated the marriage of Napoleon with Maria Louise, commanded the Austrian contingent sent to aid France in 1812, but joined the allies against Napoleon at Dresden and Leipzig, and captured Paris in 1814 at the head of the army of the Rhine (1771-1820).

SCHWARZWALD, the Black Forest in Germany.

SCHWÄGLER, ALBERT, theologian, born in Württemberg; treated first on theological subjects, then on philosophical; is best known among us by his "History of Philosophy," translated into English by Dr. Hutcheson Stirling, and written in the first instance as an article for an encyclopædia (1810-1857).

SCHWENCKFELD, CASPAR VON, a Protestant sectary, born in Lower Silesia, of a noble family; as a student of the Scriptures embraced the Reformation, but differed from Luther on the matter of the dependence of the divine life on external ordinances, insisting, as George Fox afterwards did, on its derivation from within; like Fox he travelled from place to place proclaiming this and winning not a few disciples, and exposed himself to much persecution at the hands of men of whom better things were to be expected, but he bore it all with a Christ-like meekness; died at Ulm; his writings were treated with the same indignity as himself, and his followers were after his death driven from one place of refuge to another, till the last remnant of them found shelter under the friendly wing of Count Zinzendorf (c. 1600-1661).

SCHWERIN, capital of Mecklenburg-Schwerin; has a pretty site on Lake of Schwerin (14 m. by 8), 47 m. N.E. of Lübeck, with a 14th-century cathedral and Renaissance castle, and manufactures of lacquered ware and machinery.

SCHWYZ, one of the three original cantons of Switzerland, German speaking and Catholic; Lake Zurich forms part of the N. border, and Lake Lucerne part of the E.; Zug with its lake is on the W.; is mountainous, but good pasturage favours cattle-breeding, sheep and goat rearing; important industries in cotton and silk are carried on; Einsiedeln, with its famous monastery, attracts thousands of pilgrims, and the lake is a favourite resort of summer visitors. The capital, same name, is prettily situated 26 m. E. of Lucerne.

SCIENCE, in its broadest sense "systematized knowledge," though the word is frequently restricted to knowledge of natural phenomena; the modern sciences have developed from the early unscientific experimenters who obtained a great deal of unsystematic knowledge and reached a certain degree of skill by empirical methods, but failed to correlate those facts, e.g. chemistry grew out of alchemy and astronomy out of astrology; the aim of any particular science is to collect data concerning the phenomena within its province, correlate them, and to explain them as far as possible; the bases of all sciences are experimental or observed facts, and any scientific hypothesis is judged by the criterion of its agreement with the facts.

SCILLY ISLANDS, a rugged group of islands belonging to Cornwall, 27 m. S.W. of Land's End; consists of six larger islands—St. Mary's (1628 acres), the largest—and some 30 smaller, besides numerous rock clusters, the name Scilly being strictly applicable to a rocky islet in the N.W. of the group; climate is damp and mild; the cultivation and export of large quantities of lilies is the principal industry; light-houses have reduced greatly the hereditary occupation of pilotage, and emigration goes on; the chief towns are Hugh Town, on St. Mary's, Treason, and Samson, there are some interesting ecclesiastical ruins, &c.; since 1834 much has been done to improve the condition of the islanders.

SCIOPIUS CASPAR, a Protestant renegade, born in the Palatinate; turned Catholic on a visit to Rome, and devoted his life to vilify his former co-religionists, and to invoke the Catholic powers to combine to their extermination; he was a man of learning, but of most infirm temper (1576-1649).

SCIPIO, PUBLIUS CORNELIUS, THE ELDER, surnamed Africanus Major, a celebrated Roman general; was present at the engagement near the Tacinus and at Cannæ; was appointed proconsul of Spain at the age of 24, and made himself master of nearly

the whole of it against the Carthaginians; on his return to Rome was made consul; transferred the seat of war against Carthage to Africa, and landed at Utica; met Hannibal on the field of Zama, totally defeated him, and ended the Second Punic War in 202 B.C. (234-183 B.C.).

SCIPIO, PUBLIUS CORNELIUS, THE YOUNGER, surnamed *Africanus Minor*, adopted by the Scipio family, his proper name being Lucius Paulus *Aemilius*; after distinguishing himself in Spain proceeded to Africa to take part in the Third Punic War; laid siege to Carthage, took it by storm, and levelled it with the ground in 146 B.C.; he was afterwards sent to Spain, where he captured Numantia after a stubborn resistance. In the extension of the sway of Rome, he was an upright and magnanimous man, but his character was not proof against assault; he died by the hand of an assassin (crr. 185-129 B.C.).

SCONE, a village in Perthshire, on the left bank of the Tay, 2 m. N. of Perth; once the capital of the Pictish kingdom, and the place of the coronation of the Scottish kings; near it is the seat of the Earl of Mansfield.

SCOPAS, Greek sculptor, born at Paros, who flourished in 4th century B.C.

SCORESBY, WILLIAM, scientist, born in Whitby; began life as a sailor; visited the Arctic regions twice over, and wrote an account of his explorations. Look to the Church, and held several clerical charges, but retired in 1849, and gave himself to scientific researches, both at home and abroad (1789-1857).

SCORPIO, the eighth sign of the zodiac, which the sun enters on October 20.

SCORY, JOHN, a Cambridge Dominican friar in 1530, who became bishop of Rochester in 1551, and later of Chichester; was deprived of his living on Queen Mary's accession; recanted, but fled abroad, whence he issued his "Epiatle to the Faithfull in Fryson in England," returned in Elizabeth's reign, and became bishop of Hereford; d. 1585.

SCOT, REGINALD, author of a famous work, "The Discoverie of Witchcraft" (1584), remarkable as one of the earliest exposures of the absurdities of witchcraft and kindred superstitions, which provoked King James's foolish defence "Demonology," son of a Kentish baronet; educated at Oxford, and spent a peaceful life gardening and studying; wrote also "The Hoppe Garden" (1638-1699).

SCOTLAND, the northern portion of the island of Great Britain, separated from England by the Solway, Cheviots, and Tweed, and bounded N. and W. by the Atlantic and E. by the North Sea; inclusive of 788 islands (600 uninhabited), its area, divided into 33 counties, is slightly more than one-half of England's, but it has a coastline longer by 700 m.; greatest length from Dunnet Head (most northerly point) to Mull of Galloway (most southerly) is 288 m., while the breadth varies from 32 to 175. Buchan Ness being the most easterly point and Ardnarmurchan Point the most westerly; from rich pastoral uplands in the N.—Cheviots, Moffat Hills, Lowthers, Moorfoots, and Launermours—the country slopes down to the wide, fertile lowland plain—growing fine crops of oats, barley, wheat, &c.—which stretches, with a varying breadth of from 30 to 60 m., up to the Grampians (highest peak Ben Nevis, 4406 ft.), whence the country sweeps northwards, a wild and beautiful tract of mountain, valley, and moorland, diversified by some of the finest lochs and river scenery in the world; the east and west coasts present remarkable contrasts, the latter rugged, irregular, and often precipitous, penetrated by long sea-lochs and fringed with numerous islands, and mild and humid in climate; the former low and regular, with few islands or inlets, and cold, dry, and bracing; of rivers the Tweed, Forth, Tay, Dee, and Clyde are the principal, and the Orkneys, Shetlands, and Hebrides the chief island groups; coal and iron abound in the lowlands, more especially in the plain of the Forth and Clyde, and granite in the Grampians; staple industries are the manufacture of cottons, woollens, linen, jute, machinery, hardware, paper, and shipbuilding, of which Glasgow is the centre and commercial metropolis, while Edinburgh (capital) is the chief seat of law, education, &c.; of cultivated land the percentage varies

from 74·8 in Fife to 2·4 in Sutherland, and over all is only 24·2; good roads, canals, extensive railway and telegraph systems knit all parts of the country together; Presbyterianism is the established form of religion, and in 1872 the old parish schools were supplanted by a national system under school-boards similar to England; the Lowlanders and Highlanders still retain distinctive characteristics of their Teutonic and Celtic progenitors, the latter speaking in many parts of the Highlands their native Gaelic; originally the home of the Picts (q.v.), and by them called Alban or Albyn, the country, already occupied as far as the Forth and Clyde by the Romans, was in the 5th century successfully invaded by the Scots, a Celtic tribe from Ireland; in 843 their king Kenneth was crowned king of Picts and Scots, and by the 10th century the country (known to the Romans as Caledonia) began to be called Scotia or Scotland; government and power gradually centred in the richer lowlands, which, through contact with England, and from the number of English immigrants, became distinctively Anglo-Saxon; since the Union with England (q.v.) the prosperity of Scotland has been of steady and rapid growth, manufactures, commerce, and literature (in all branches) having flourished wonderfully.

SCOTLAND YARD, NEW, the headquarters of the Metropolitan police and the crime investigation organization of the country.

SCOTS, THE, a tribe of Celts from Ireland who settled in the W. of North Britain, and who, having gained the ascendancy of the Picts in the E., gave to the whole country the name of Scotland.

SCOTT, DAVID, Scottish painter, born in Edinburgh; he was an artist of great imaginative power, and excelled in the weird, his first big picture, exhibited in 1824, was "The Hopes of Early Genius Dispelled by Death," though his earliest achievements were his illustrations of the "Ancient Mariner," but his masterpiece is "Vasco da Gama encountering the Spirit of the Cape"; he was a sensitive man, and disappointment hastened his death (1806-1890).

SCOTT, DUKINFIELD HENRY, British scientist, professor of botany at University College, London, and the Imperial College of Science; son of the following; published several books on plant life and carried out research on fossil plants (1854-).

SCOTT, SIR GEORGE GILBERT, English architect, born in Buckinghamshire, son of Scott the commentator, was the builder or restorer of buildings both in England and on the Continent after the Gothic, and wrote several works on architecture (1811-1874).

SCOTT, SIR GILES GILBERT, British architect, and grandson of the preceding. He was educated at Beaumont, and is known chiefly as the designer of Liverpool cathedral, the new buildings at Clare, Cambridge, and a number of churches throughout the country (1880-).

SCOTT, MICHAEL, a sage with the reputation of a wizard, who lived about the end of the 12th and beginning of the 13th centuries, of whose art as a magician many legends are related.

SCOTT, SIR PERCY MORETON, British admiral. Entering the navy at the age of 13, he became a rear-admiral in 1905, and specialised in naval gunnery; he was with the Naval Brigade in the Boer War, taking part in the relief of Ladysmith; during the Great War he was in charge of London's anti-aircraft gun defences (1853-1924).

SCOTT, ROBERT FALCON, British naval officer and explorer. Born at Devonport, he early joined the navy, and in 1900 took the ship *Discovery* to the Antarctic, returning in 1904 after making important discoveries. Promoted to captain, he left England again in 1910 in the *Terra Nova*, and with Wilson, Oates, Evans, and Bowers succeeded in reaching the Pole on January 13, 1912, to find Amundsen (q.v.) had preceded him by three weeks. On the return journey he and his colleagues perished in a blizzard (1868-1912).

SCOTT, THOMAS, commentator, born in Lincolnshire; became rector of Aston Sandford, Bucks.; was a Calvinist in theology, author of the "Force of Truth" and "Essays on Religion," the work by which he

is best known being his "Commentary on the Bible," a scholarly exposition (1747-1821).

SCOTT, SIR WALTER, the great novelist, born in Edinburgh, through both father and mother of Scottish Border blood; his father, a lawyer, his mother a little, kindly woman, full of most vivid memories, awakening an interest in him to which he owed much; was a healthy child, but from teething and other causes lost the use of his right leg when 18 months old, which determined, to a marked extent, the course of his life; spent many of the months of his childhood in the country, where he acquired that affection for all natural objects which never left him, and a kindness of soul which all the lower animals that approached him were quick to recognise; he was from the first homebred, his school training yielding results of the smallest account to his general education; as a writer of books he owed less to book-knowledge than his own shrewd observation; he proceeded from the High School at 15 to his father's office and classes at the University, and at both he continued to develop his own bent more than the study of law or learning; at his sixteenth year the bursting of a blood-vessel prostrated him and enforced a period of perfect stillness, but during this time he was able to prosecute sundry quiet studies, and laid up in his memory great stores of knowledge. Professionally he was a lawyer, but the duties of his profession were not his chief interest, and though he received at length a sheriffship worth £300 a year, and a clerkship to the court worth £1500, he early turned his mind to seek promotion elsewhere, and chose a literary career. His early literary efforts were some translations in verse from the German, but his first great success was the publication, in 1802, of "The Minstrelsy of the Scottish Border," and in this he first gave evidence of the native force and bent of his genius. This was followed the same year by "Gladwin Castle," a poem instinct with military ardour, and by "The Lay of the Last Minstrel" in 1805, the first poem which gained him popular favour, by "Marmion" in 1808, and by "The Lord of the Isles" in 1814. Much as the rise of Scott's fame was owing to his poetical works, it is on the ground of his prose writings, as the freest and fullest exhibition of his genius, that it is now mainly founded. The period of his productivity in this line extended over 18 years in all, commencing with the year 1814, by which time he had built his home of Abbotsford on the Tweed, near Galaashiel. This was the year of the publication of "Waverley," which was followed by that of "Guy Rannering," "The Antiquary," "Rob Roy," "Old Mortality," and "The Heart of Midlothian." In the year 1819, when he was smitten down by an illness, the effects of which were seen in his after-work. "The Bride of Lammermoor," "Ivanhoe," "The Monastery," "The Abbot," "Kenilworth," and "The Pirate" belong to the years that succeeded that illness, to which may be added "Redgauntlet" and "The Fortunes of Nigel," together with "Quentin Durward" and "Woodstock." His later years were clouded by the failure of the publishing house of Constable and by a burden of debt, but he continued to write to the end, busying himself with a romance, "The Knights of Malta" (1771-1832).

SCOTT, WILLIAM BELL, painter and poet, brother of David Scott (q.v.), born in Edinburgh; did criticism and wrote on artists; is best known by his autobiography (1811-1890).

SCRANTON, capital of Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, on the Lackawanna River, 144 mi. N.W. of New York; does a large trade in coal, and is the centre of a busy steel, iron, and machinery industry.

SCRAP OF PAPER, a famous phrase used by Bethmann-Hollweg, Chancellor of Germany, in reference to the treaty guaranteeing the neutrality of Belgium when the British Ambassador presented his country's ultimatum on August 6, 1914, after Germany had violated Belgian neutrality.

SCRIABIN, ALEXANDER NICOLAS, Russian composer. He studied music in Moscow, his birthplace, and gave piano lessons there; for many years he toured Europe composing; "Prometheus" is probably his best-known composition; others include

"The Divine Poem" and "The Poem of Ecstasy" (1871-1915).

SCRIBE, AUGUSTIN EUGENE, French dramatist, prolific and successful, who produced plays for half a century, well adapted for the stage, among them being "Adrienne Lecouvreur" (1791-1861).

SCRIBES, THE, (i.e. writers), a non-priestly class among the Jews devoted to the study and exposition of the Law, who rose to a position of importance and influence in the Jewish community, and were known in the days of Christ also by the name of Lawyers, and were addressed as Rabbis; their disciples were taught to regard them with a reverence superior to that paid to father or mother, the spiritual parent being reckoned as much above the natural as the spirit and its interests are above the flesh and its interests.

SCRIBLERUS, MARTINUS, the subject of a fictitious memoir published in Pope's works and ascribed to Arbuthnot (q.v.), intended to ridicule the pedantry which affects to know everything, but knows nothing to any purpose; this and other notable contributions, including "Gulliver's Travels," were issued under the auspices of the Scriblerus Club, which was founded by Swift in 1714.

SCRIVENER, FREDERICK HENRY AMBROSE, New Testament critic, born in Herefordshire; educated at Cambridge; headmaster of Falmouth School from 1844 to 1850, and after 16 years' residence of Germany became vicar of Hendon and prebendary of Ely; his "Plain Introduction to the Criticism of the New Testament" ranks as a standard work; was editor of the Cambridge Paraphrase Bible, and one of the New Testament reviewers (1813-1891).

SCROGGS, SIR WILLIAM, an infamous Judge of Charles II.'s reign, who became Chief Justice of the King's Bench in 1678, and whose name is associated with all manner of injustice and legal corruption; was impeached in 1680, and pensioned off by the King; d. 1683.

SCUDERY, MADELINE DE, French novelist, born in Havre, came to Paris in her youth, and there lived to an extreme old age; was a prominent figure in the social and literary life of the city, collaborated at first with her brother Georges, but subsequently was responsible herself for a set of love romances of an inordinate length, but of great popularity in their day, e.g. "Le Grand Cyrus" and "Cydre," &c., in which a real gift for sparkling dialogue is swallowed up in a mass of improbable adventures and prurish sentimentalism (1607-1701).

SCULLIN, JAMES HENRY, Australian politician, born in Victoria, he earned his living as a journalist, and in 1910 he became a Labour member in the House of Representatives. In 1928 he was elected Leader of the Opposition, and in 1929 succeeded to the Premiership (1876-1951).

SCULPTURED STONES, a name specially applied to certain varieties of commemorative monuments (usually rough hewn slabs or boulders, and in a few cases well-shaped crosses) of early Christian date found in various parts of the British Isles, bearing lettered and symbolic inscriptions of a rude sort and ornamental designs resembling those found on Celtic MSS. of the Gospels, lettered inscriptions are in Latin, Ogham (q.v.), and Scandinavian and Anglian runes, while some are unlettered; usually found near ancient ecclesiastical sites, and their date is approximately fixed according to the character of the ornamentation; some of these stones date as late as the 11th century; the Scottish stones are remarkable for their elaborate decoration and for certain symbolic characters to which as yet no interpretation has been found.

SCURVY, a disease resulting from a diet deficient in fresh fruit and vegetables; caused by the lack of certain vitamins (q.v.) contained in these foods; the disease was at one time common among sailors who existed for long periods on salt meat.

SCUTARI, a town of Turkey, on the Bosphorus, opposite Constantinople; has several fine mosques, bazars, &c.; large barracks on the outskirts were used as hospitals by Florence Nightingale during the Crimean War; has large and impressive cemeteries, chief manufactures are of silks, cottons, &c. Also name of a small town situated at the S. end of Lake Scutari, 18 by 16 mi., in North Albania.

SCYLLA AND CHARYBDIS, two rocks opposite each other at a narrow pass of the strait between Italy and Sicily, in the cave of one of which dwelt Scylla, a fierce monster that barked like a dog, and under the cliff of the other of which dwelt Charybdis, a monster that sucked up everything that came near it, so that any ship passing between in avoiding the one became a prey to the other.

SCYTHIANS, the name of a people of various tribes who occupied the steppes of E.E. of Europe and W. of Asia adjoining eastward, and were of nomadic habit; kept herds of cattle and horses, and were mostly in a semi-savage state beyond the pale of civilisation; the region they occupied is called Scythia.

SEABURY, SAMUEL, American prelate, born in Groton, Connecticut, graduated at Yale and studied medicine in Edinburgh; entered the Church of England in 1763, and devoted himself at first to missionary work; subsequently held "livings" in Long Island and New York State in 1782; was appointed bishop by the clergy of Connecticut; sought consecration at the hands of the English archbishops, who were afraid to grant it and had to resort to the bishops of the Scottish Episcopal Church for the purpose; did notable work in establishing and consolidating Episcopacy in America (1720-1796).

SEAHAM, town in Durham, on the coast, 5 m. from Sunderland; it has an important harbour, blast furnaces, and factories; for some years it has returned Ramsay MacDonald as its parliamentary representative.

SEALED ORDERS, the orders given to the commanding officer of a ship or squadron that are sealed up, which he is not allowed to open till he has proceeded a certain length into the high seas; an arrangement in order to ensure secrecy in a time of war.

SEAMAN, SIR OWEN, British writer of light verse who in 1906 became editor of *Punch*; he was knighted in 1914; among other volumes has written "Homes at Cambridge" and "In Cap and Bells" (1860).

SEARLE, GEORGE FREDERICK CHARLES, British scientist, lecturer at Cambridge; carried out a number of important researches and published papers on elasticity, optics, and electricity (1864-).

SEA-SERPENT, a marine monster of serpent-like shape which is generally accepted as mythical, although several seemingly authentic accounts have been circulated in attestation to its existence. The subject has given rise to much speculation and conjecture on the part of naturalists, but opinion mostly favours the supposition that these gigantic serpent-like appearances are caused by enormous cuttlefish swimming on the surface of the water, with their 20 ft. long tentacles elongated fore and aft. Other fishes which might also be mistaken for the sea-serpent are the basking-shark, tape-fish, and marine snake. The true sea-serpents, found in tropical seas, form a sub-family of the front-fanged "Colubines"; there are over 50 species of them belonging to the genera *Hydrophis*, *Platurus*, *Hydruis*, and *Phaio*; all are venomous.

SEATON, JOHN COLBORNE, 1ST BARON, British soldier. Born in Lyndhurst, Hants., and educated at Christ's Hospital, he entered the army at the age of 16; he took part in the Peninsular campaign and was in charge of a regiment at Waterloo; he put down a rising in Canada in 1838, for which service he was raised to the peerage; he became a field-marshal two years before his death (1778-1863).

SEBASTIAN, ST., a Roman and soldier at Narbonne, martyred under Diocletian when it was discovered he was a Christian; is depicted in art bound naked to a tree and pierced with arrows, and sometimes with arrows in his hand offering them to Heaven on his knees, he having been shot first with arrows and then beaten to death (255-288).

SEBASTIANO DEL PIOMBO, Italian painter, born in Venice; was an excellent colourist, and collaborated with Michael Angelo (1485-1547).

SEBASTOPOL, a fortified seaport of Russia, situated on a splendid natural harbour (4½ m. by ½), on the S.W. of the Crimea; during the Crimean War was

destroyed and captured by the French and English after a siege lasting from October 9, 1854, to September 18, 1855; has, since 1885, been restored, and is now an important naval station; exports large quantities of grain.

SECCHI, ANGELO, Italian astronomer, first suggested the classification of the stars by their spectral type (q.v.) (1818-1878).

SECKER, THOMAS, archbishop of Canterbury, born in Sibthorpe, Nottinghamshire; first studied medicine and graduated at Leyden in 1721, but was induced to take orders, and after a year at Oxford was ordained a priest in 1723; held various livings till his appointment to the Primacy in 1758; noted as a wise and kindly ecclesiastic (1693-1768).

SECOND-RIGHT, name given to the power of seeing things future or distant, and embracing telepathy and clairvoyance; a power superstitiously ascribed to certain people in the Highlands of Scotland.

SECRETIN, discovered by Baylis and Starling in 1902, is a hormone produced in the small intestine, which passes into the blood and causes the pancreas to secrete the digestive juices.

SECULARIST, the name given to one who, discarding as irrelevant all theories and observances bearing upon the other world and its interests, holds that we ought to confine our attention solely to the immediate problems and duties of this, independently of all presumed dependence on revelation and communications from a higher sphere.

SEDAN, a town of France, in department of Ardennes, on the Meuse, 164 m. N.E. of Paris; once a strong fortress, but dismantled in 1870, when in 1870 Napoleon III. and 86,000 men under Marshal MacMahon surrendered to the Germans; noted for its cloth manufactures. Previous to the Edict of Nantes was a celebrated centre of Huguenot industry and theological learning.

SEDAN CHAIRS, conveyances with one seat, carried on poles by two men; they were first used in England in 1581, and were in general use from 1650 to about 1750; the name is said to be derived from the town of Sedan, whence the chairs originally came.

SEDDGEMOOR, district in central Somersetshire, 5 m. S.E. of Bridgwater, scene of a famous battle between the troops of James II. and those of the Duke of Monmouth on July 6, 1685, in which the latter were completely routed.

SEDDGWICK, ADAM, geologist, born in Dent, Yorkshire; graduated at Cambridge in 1808, became a Fellow in the same year, and in 1818 was elected to the Woodward chair of Geology; co-operated with Murchison in the study of the geological formation of the Alps and the Devonian system of England; strongly conservative in his scientific theories, he stoutly opposed the Darwinian theory of the origin of species; his best work was contributed in papers to the Geological Society of London, of which he was President 1820-1831; published "British Palaeozoic Rocks and Fossils"; he was president of the British Association at Cambridge in 1833 (1785-1873).

SEDIMENTARY ROCKS are those laid down as deposits, chiefly by water action; many of them have been formed on the sea bottom of the material brought down by rivers, or as in the case of some limestones, of the remains of animals; some sedimentary rocks have been formed by the deposition of salts from solution in lakes; some by accumulations of volcanic ashes, and others by glacial action; sedimentary rocks are classified as *arenaceous* (e.g. sandstones and grits), *argillaceous* (e.g. muds, clays, and shales), *calcareous* (e.g. chalk and limestones), and *pyroclastic* (e.g. volcanic ashes). Deposits such as peat and coal are formed of the remains of plants.

SEELEY, SIR JOHN ROBERT, author of "Ecce Homo," born in London; studied at Cambridge, became professor of History there in 1869 on Kingsley's retirement; his "Ecce Homo" was published in 1865, a piece of perfect literary workmanship, but which in its denial of the self-originated spirit of Christ offended orthodox belief and excited much adverse criticism; wrote in 1882 a work entitled "Natural Religion" in which he showed the same want of sympathy with supernatural ideas, as also several historical works (1834-1896).

SEGMENT, the part of a circle cut off by a chord; a segment greater than a semicircle is known as a *major segment*, one less than a semicircle as a *minor segment*.

SEGOVIA, a quaint old Spanish city, capital of a province of the same name; crowns a rocky height looking down on the river *Kreema*, 32 m. NW. of Madrid; its importance dates from Roman times; has a great aqueduct, built in Trajan's reign, and a fine Moorish castle and Gothic cathedral; cloth-weaving the only important industry.

SEGRAVE, SIR HENRY, British racing motorist. He was born in America of British parents, and was educated at Eton; during the Great War he saw active service in the Royal Air Force. In 1927 he established a world's record at Daytona, Florida, of 203 miles an hour, and with another car set up a further record of 231 miles an hour in 1929 on the same track; he was knighted on his return after this feat. While engaged on an attempt to beat the world record for motor boat racing in 1930 his boat capsized on Windermere and he was killed (1890-1930).

SEGU, a town of West Africa, on the Joliba, 400 m. SW. of Timbuctoo; chiefly occupied by trading Arabs; once the capital of a now decayed native State.

SEINE, an important river of France, rises in the tableland of *Laurens*, takes a winding course to the NW, passing many important towns, Troyes, Fontainebleau, Paris, St. Denis, and Rouen, and discharges into the English Channel by a broad estuary after a course of 482 m., of which 350 are navigable.

SEINE, the smallest but most populous department of France, entirely surrounded by the department of Seine-et-Oise; Paris and its adjacent villages cover a considerable portion of the area; presents a richly wooded, undulating surface, traversed by the Seine in a NW. direction.

SEINE-ET-MARNE, a north-midland department of France lying E. of Seine; the Marne crosses the N. and the Seine the S.; has a fertile soil, which grows in abundance cereals, vegetables, and fruits; many fine woods, including Fontainebleau Forest, diversify its undulating surface. Meaux (capital) and Fontainebleau are among its important towns.

SEINE-ET-OISE, a department of NW. France, encloses the department of Seine; grain is grown in well-cultivated plains and the vine on pleasant hill slopes; is intersected by several tributaries of the Seine, and the N. is prettily wooded. Versailles is the capital; Sévres and St. Cloud are other interesting places.

SEINE-INFÉRIEURE, a maritime department of North-West France, in Normandy, facing the English Channel; is for the most part a fertile plain, watered by the Seine and smaller streams, and diversified by fine woods and the hills of *Saux*; is a fruit and cider producing district; has flourishing manufactures. Rouen is the capital, and Havre and Dieppe are important trading centres.

SEISMOLOGY, the study of earthquakes and their causes and effects.

SEISMOMETER, an instrument for recording earthquake shocks; by means of its readings the distance and direction of a shock can be calculated.

SELBORNE, ROUNDELL PALMER, EARL OF, Lord Chancellor, born in Oxfordshire; called to the bar in 1837, and after a brilliant career at Oxford entered Parliament in 1847, and in 1861 became Solicitor-General in Palmerston's ministry, receiving at the same time a knighthood; two years later was advanced to the Attorney-Generalship; in 1872 was elected Lord Chancellor, a position he retained till 1874, and again held from 1880 to 1885; refused to adopt Gladstone's Home Rule policy for Ireland and joined the Liberal-Unionists, but declined to take office under Lord Salisbury; was raised to an earldom in 1882, received various honorary degrees; greatly interested himself in hymnology and edited "The Book of Præses"; wrote also several works on Church questions (1812-1895).

SELBY, a market town of Yorkshire, on the Ouse, 15 m. S. of York; has a noted cruciform abbey church, founded in the 12th century and exhibiting various styles of architecture; has some boat-

building; manufactures flax, ropes, leather, and bricks.

SELBY, 1ST VISCOUNT (William Court Gully), British politician. Son of a doctor, he was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge, and went to the bar; in 1866 he became M.P. for Carlisle as a Liberal, and in 1895 was elected Speaker of the House, a position he held till 1905, when he was raised to the peerage (1835-1909).

SELDEN, JOHN, born in Salvington, Sussex; adopted law as a profession, and was trained at Clifford's Inn and the Inner Temple, London; successful as a lawyer, he yet found time for scholarly pursuits, and acquired a great reputation by the publication of various erudite works bearing on old English jurisprudence and antiquities generally; a "History of Tithes" (1618), in which he combats the idea that "tithes" are divinely instituted, got him into trouble with the Church; was imprisoned in 1621 for encouraging Parliament to repudiate James's absolutist claims; from his entrance into Parliament in 1625 continued to play an important part throughout the troublous reign of Charles; sincerely attached to the Parliamentary side, he was one of the framers of the Petition of Right, and suffered imprisonment with Holles and the others; sat in the Long Parliament, but, out of sympathy with the extremists, disapproved of the execution of Charles; held various offices, e.g. Keeper of the Rolls and Records in the Tower; continued to write learned and voluminous works on Biblical and historical subjects, but is best remembered for his charming "Table-talk," a book of which Coleridge remarked, "There is more worthy bullion silver in this book than I can find in the same number of pages of any unimpaired writer" (1584-1654).

SELENE, in the Greek mythology the moon-goddess, the sister of Helios, and designated Phoebe as he was Phoebus; she became by Endymion the mother of 50 daughters.

SELENIUM, an element resembling sulphur in some of its chemical properties, first discovered by Berzelius; it plays an important part in one of the methods of phototelegraphy.

SELF-DENYING ORDINANCE, a resolution of the Long Parliament passed in 1644, whereby the members bound themselves not to accept certain executive offices, particularly commands in the army.

SELIM I., a warlike sultan of Turkey, who, having dethroned and put to death his father, Bajazet II., entered upon a victorious career of military aggrandisement, overcoming the Persians in 1515, conquering and annexing Egypt, Syria, and the Hejaz in 1517, finally winning for himself the position of Imam or head of the Mohammedan world; greatly strengthened his country, and strove according to his lights to deal justly with and ameliorate the condition of the peoples whom he conquered (1467-1520).

SELJUKS, a Turkish people who in the 10th century, headed by a chief named Seljuk (whence their name), broke away from their allegiance to the Khan of Kirghiz, adopted the Mohammedan faith, and subsequently conquered Bokhara, but were driven across the Oxus and settled in Khorasan; under Toghril Beg, grandson of Seljuk, they in the 11th century won for themselves a wide empire in Asia, including the provinces of Syria and Asia Minor, whose rulers, by their cruel persecution of Christian pilgrims, led to the Crusade movement in Europe. The Seljuks were in part gradually absorbed by the advancing Mongol tribes, while numbers fled westward, where they were at length incorporated in the Ottoman Empire in the 14th century.

SELKIRK, county town of Selkirkshire, on the Ettrick, 40 m. SE. of Edinburgh; famed at one time for its "Souters" (shoemakers), who figured in Border conflicts; is a centre of the manufacture of tweeds.

SELKIRK, ALEXANDER, sailor, who was put ashore on the island of Juan Fernandez, S. America, and whose experiences inspired Defoe to write his "Robinson Crusoe" (1676-1721). See **DOVER, THOMAS**.

SELKIRKSHIRE, a south inland county of Scotland; extends S. from the corner of Midlothian to Dum-

frishire, between Peebles (W.) and Roxburgh (E.); the grassy slopes of its hills afford splendid pasturage, and sheep-farming is a flourishing industry; manufactures are mainly confined to Galashiels and Melkirk; is traversed by the Ettrick and the Yarrow, whose romantic valleys are associated with much of the finest ballad literature of Scotland.

SELLE, river in France: rising near Le Cateau, it flows N. to join the Schelde. It was the scene of fighting in October, 1918, when British and American troops gained a victory over a German force superior in numbers: some 20,000 prisoners and 475 guns were captured.

SELWYN, GEORGE AUGUSTUS, a noted wit in the social and literary life of London in Horace Walpole's time, born, of good parentage, in Gloucestershire; was expelled from Oxford in 1743 for alleged blasphemy; four years later entered Parliament, and supported the Court party, and received various government favours; his vivacious wit won him ready entrance into the best London and Parisian society; is the chief figure in Jesse's entertaining "George Selwyn and his Contemporaries" (1719-1791).

SELWYN, GEORGE AUGUSTUS, the first bishop of New Zealand, in which capacity he wrought so zealously that his diocese, by his extension of Episcopacy, was subdivided into seven; on his return to England he was made bishop of Lichfield; Selwyn College, Cambridge, was endowed in his memory (1809-1878).

SEMAPHORE, a name applied to the mechanism employed for telegraphing purposes prior to the discovery of the electric telegraph; invented in 1787 by Richard Edgeworth, but first extensively used by the French in 1794, and afterwards adopted by the Admiralty in England; consisted at first of six shutters set in two rotating circular frames, which, by opening and shutting in various ways, were capable of conveying sixty-three distinct signals; these were raised on the tops of wooden towers erected on hills; later a different form was adopted consisting of a mast and two arms worked by winches. The speed at which messages could be transmitted was very great; thus a message could be sent from London to Portsmouth and an answer be received all within 45 seconds. The railway signal now in use is a form of semaphore.

SEMELE, in the Greek mythology the daughter of Cadmus and the mother of Dionysus by Zeus, was tempted by Hera to pray Zeus to show himself to her in his glory, who, as pledged to give her all she asked, appeared before her as the god of thunder and consumed her by the lightning. See **DIONYSUS**.

SEMINOLES, a nomadic tribe of American Indians who from 1832 to 1839 offered a desperate resistance to the Americans before yielding up their territory SE. of the Mississippi (Florida, etc.); finally settled in the Indian Territory, where they now number some 3000 and receive an annuity from the American Government; missionary enterprises among them have been successful in establishing schools and churches.

SEMPALATINSK, a mountainous province of Asiatic Russia, stretching between Lake Balkash (S.) and Tomsk; encloses stretches of steppe-land on which cattle and horses are reared; some mining of silver, lead, and copper is also done. Sempalatinsk, the capital, stands on the Irtysh; has two annual fairs, and is an important trading mart.

SEMI-PELAGIANISM. See **PELAGIUS**.

SEMITRANIS, legendary queen of Assyria, to whom tradition ascribes the founding of Babylon with its hanging gardens, and who is said to have surpassed in valour and glory her husband Ninus, the founder of Nineveh; she seems to have been in reality the Venus or Antarte of the Assyrian mythology. The story goes that when a child she was deserted by her mother and fed by doves.

SEMITRANIS OF THE NORTH, a name given to Margaret, Queen of Denmark; also to Catharine II. of Russia.

SEMITRANISK, a mountainous province of Asiatic Russia, stretches S. of Lake Balkash to East Turkestan and Ferghana on the S.; is traversed E. and W. by the lofty ranges of the Alatau and Tianshan Mountains; the vast bulk of the inhabitants

are Kirghiz, and engaged in raising horses, camels, and sheep.

SEMITIC RACES, races that are reputed descendants of Shem, including the Jews, the Assyrians, the Chaldeans, the Syrians, the Phœnicians, and the Arabs, and are all marked by common features; such appear in their language, their literature, their modes of thinking, social organisation, and religious belief. Their language is poor in inflection, has few or no compound verbs or substantives, has next to no power of expressing abstract ideas, and is of simple primitive structure or syntax. Their literature has neither the breadth nor the flow of that of Greece or Rome, but it is instead with a passion which often holds the very depths of being. In their modes of thinking they are taken up with concrete realities instead of abstractions, and hence they have contributed nothing to science or philosophy, much as they have done to faith. Their social order is patriarchal, with a leaning to a despotism, which in certain of them, such as the Jews and Arabs, goes higher and higher till it reaches God.

SEMMERING, a mountain of Styria, Austria, 60 m. SW. of Vienna, 4577 ft. above sea-level; is crossed by the Vienna and Trieste railway, which passes through 15 tunnels and over 16 viaducts.

SEMPACH, a small Swiss town, 9 m. NW. of Lucerne, on the Lake of Sempach; here on July 9, 1386, a body of 1500 Swiss soldiers completely routed the Austrians, 4000 strong, under Leopold, Duke of Austria. See **WINKELRIED**.

SEN, CHUNDER. See **CHUNDER SEN**.

SENAUCOUR, ÉTIENNE PIVERT DE, French writer, born in Paris; delicate in his youth; was driven by an unsympathetic father to quit his home at 19, and for some time lived at Geneva and Fribourg, where a brief period of happy married life was closed by the death of his young wife; returned to Paris in 1798; supported himself by writing, and later by a small Government pension granted by Louis Philippe; is best known as the author of "Obermann," a work of which Matthew Arnold wrote, "The stir of all the main forces by which modern life is and has been impelled, lives in the letters of Obermann" (1770-1846).

SENATE (i.e., "an assembly of elders"), a name first bestowed by the Romans on their supreme legislative and administrative assembly; its formation is traditionally ascribed to Romulus; its powers, at their greatest during the Republic, gradually diminished under the Emperors; in modern times is used to designate the "Upper House" in the legislature of various countries, e.g. France and the United States of America; is also the title of the governing body in many universities.

SENDAL, town in Japan, in the province of Miyagi, of which it is the capital; it is 225 m. from Tokio and is an important trading centre.

SENECA, LUCIUS ANNEIUS, philosopher, son of the following, born in Cordova, and brought to Rome when a child; practised as a pleader at the bar, studied philosophy, and became the tutor of Nero; acquired great riches; was charged with conspiracy by Nero, as a pretext, it is believed, to procure his wealth, and ordered to kill himself, which he did by opening his veins till he bled to death; he was of the Stoic school in philosophy, and wrote a number of treatises bearing chiefly on morals; d. A.D. 65.

SENECA, MARCUS ANNEIUS, rhetorician, born in Cordova; taught rhetoric at Rome, whither he went at the time of Augustus, and where he died A.D. 82.

SENEGAL, an important river of West Africa, formed by the junction, at Bakule, of two head-streams rising in the highlands of Western Soudan; flows NW., W., and SW., a course of 700 m., and discharges into the Atlantic 10 m. below St. Louis; navigation is somewhat impeded by a sand-bar at its mouth, and by cataracts and rapids in the upper reaches.

SENEGAL, a French colony of West Africa, lying along the banks of the Senegal River. See **SENEGAMBIA**.

SENEGAMBIA, a tract of territory lying chiefly within the basins of the rivers Senegal and Gambia, West Africa, stretching from the Atlantic, between Cape Blanco and the mouth of the Gambia, inland

to the Niger; embraces the French colony of Senegal, and various ill-defined native States under the suzerainty of France; the interior part is also called the French Soudan; the vast expanse of the contiguous Sahara in the N., and stretches of territory on the S., extending to the Gulf of Guinea, are also within the French sphere of influence, all together forming an immense territory, of which St. Louis (q.v.), in Senegambia proper, is considered the capital; ground-nuts, gums, india-rubber, and gold are the chief exports.

SENECHAL, an important functionary at the courts of Frankish princes, whose duty it was to superintend household feasts and ceremonies, functions equivalent to those of the English High Steward.

SENNAAR, capital of a district of the Eastern Soudan, which lies between the Blue and the White Nile, situated on the Blue Nile, 160 m. SE. of Khartoum.

SENNACHERIB, a king of Assyria, whose reign extended from 702 to 681 B.C., and was distinguished by the projection and execution of extensive public works; he endeavoured to push his conquests westward, but was baffled in Judaea by the miraculous destruction of his army. See 2 Kings xix. 35.

SENS, an old cathedral town of France, on the Yonne, 70 m. SE. of Paris; the cathedral is a fine Gothic structure of the 12th century; has also an archbishop's palace, and is still surrounded by massive stone walls of Roman construction; does a good trade in corn, wine, and wool.

SENTUSLI, a Mohammedan brotherhood in the Soudan, founded by Mohammed-es-Senussi from Mostaganem, in Algeria, who flourished between 1840 and 1900. The brotherhood, remarkable for its austere and fanatical zeal, has radiated into many parts of N. Africa, and exercises considerable influence, fostering resistance to the encroachments of the invading European powers.

SEPOY, the name given to a native of India employed as a soldier in the British service in India.

SEPTEMBER, the ninth month of the year, so called as having been the seventh in the Roman calendar.

SEPTEMBER MASSACRES, an indiscriminate slaughter in Paris which began on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 2, 1792, when 30 priests on their way to prison were torn from the carriages that conveyed them, and massacred one after the other, all save Abbé Secard, in the streets by an infuriated mob; they continued thereafter through horror after horror for a hundred hours all done in the name of justice and in mock form of law—a true Reign of Terror.

SEPTUAGINT, a version, and the oldest of any known to us, of the Hebrew Scriptures in Greek, executed at Alexandria, in Egypt, by different translators at different periods, commencing with 280 B.C.; it is known as the Alexandria version, while the name Septuagint, or LXX., was given to it on the ground of the tradition that it was the work of 70, or rather 72, Jews, who, it is alleged, had been brought from Palestine for the purpose, and were fabled, according to one tradition, to have executed the whole in as many days, and according to another, to have each done the whole apart from the rest, with the result that the version of each was found to correspond word for word with that of all the others; it began with the translation of the Pentateuch and was continued from that time till 130 B.C. by the translation of the rest, the whole being in reality the achievement of several independent workmen, who executed their parts, some with greater, some with less, ability and success; it is often literal to a painful degree, and it swarms with such pronounced Hebraisms, that a pure Greek would often fail to understand it. It was the version current everywhere at the time of the planting of the Christian Church, and the numerous quotations in the New Testament from the Old are, with few exceptions, quotations from it.

SEPULVEDA, JUAN GINEZ DE, Spanish historian, born in Pozo-Blanco, near Cordova; in 1536 became historiographer to Charles V. and tutor to the future Philip II.; was subsequently canon of Salamanca; author of several historical works, of which a "History of Charles V." is the most important, a work characterised by broad humanistic proclivities unusual in his day and country; d. 1574.

SERAGLIO, in its restricted sense applied in the East

to a harem or women's quarters in a royal household; the former residence of the sultan of Turkey, occupies a beautiful site on the E. side of Constantinople, on a projecting piece of land between the Golden Horn and the Sea of Marmara, enclosing within its 3 m. of wall government buildings, mosques, gardens, &c., chief of which is the harem, occupying an inner enclosure.

SERAING, a manufacturing town of Belgium, on the Meuse, 4 m. SW. of Liège; noted for its extensive machine-shops (locomotives, &c.); established in 1817 by John Cockerill, and now, with forges, coal-mines, &c., giving considerable employment.

SERAYEVO, a city in Jugoslavia, formerly the capital of Bosnia, on the Miljacka. The town is noted chiefly for the assassination of Francis Ferdinand of Austria on June 28, 1914, a crime which led to the Great War.

SERAMPUR, a town of modern aspect in India, on the Hooghly, 13 m. N. of Calcutta; originally Danish, was purchased by the British in 1846; manufactures paper and mats, and is associated with the successful missionary enterprise of the Baptists (Carey, Marshman, and Ward).

SERAPHIM, angels of the highest order and of ethereal temper, represented as guarding with veiled faces the Divine glory, and considered to have originally denoted the lightning darting out from the black thunder-cloud.

SERAFIS, an Egyptian divinity of partly Greek derivation and partly Egyptian, and identified with Osiris.

SERASKIER, a Turkish general, in especial the commander-in-chief or minister of war.

SERBIA, formerly **SERVIA**, a kingdom of Europe occupying a central position in the Balkan Peninsula between Austria (N.) and Turkey (S. and W.), with Rumania and Bulgaria on the E.; it now forms part of Jugoslavia (q.v.) with an area of 34,000 sq. m. Austria's declaration of war on her in July, 1914, was the start of the Great War, during which Serbia fought on the side of the Allies, and on the conclusion of which she decided to throw in her lot with the new nation of the Serbs, Croats, and Slovenes, called Jugoslavia. There are many mountains, but wide fertile valleys produce in great abundance wheat, maize, and other cereals, grapes and plums (an important export when dried), while immense herds of swine are reared on the outskirts of the oak-forests; is well watered by the Morava flowing through the centre and by the Save and Danube on the N.; climate varies considerably according to elevation; not much manufacturing is done, but minerals abound and are partially wrought; the Serbs are of Slavonic stock, high-spirited and patriotic, clinging tenaciously to old-fashioned methods and ideas; have produced a notable national literature, rich in lyric poetry. Originally emigrants in the 7th century from districts round the Carpathians, the Serbians had by the 14th century established a kingdom considerably larger than their present domain; were conquered by the Turks in 1389, and held in subjection till 1815, when a national rising won them Home Rule, but remained tributary to Turkey until 1877, when they proclaimed their independence, which was confirmed by the Treaty of Berlin in 1878; capital is Belgrade.

SERBONTIAN BOG, a quagmire in Egypt in which arimæes were fabled to be swallowed up and lost; applied to any situation in which one is entangled from which extrication is difficult.

SERFS, under the feudal system a class of labourers whose position differed only from that of slaves in being attached to the soil and so protected from being sold from hand to hand like a chattel, although they could be transferred with the land; liberty could be won by purchase, military service, or by residing a year and a day in a borough; these and economic changes brought about their gradual emancipation in the 15th and 16th centuries; mining serfs, however, existed in Scotland as recently as the 18th century, and in Russia their emancipation only took place in 1861.

SERINGAPATAM, a decayed city of S. India, formerly capital of Mysore State, situated on an island in the Kaveri, 10 m. NE. of Mysore city; in the latter

part of the 18th century was the stronghold of Tippono Sahib, who was successfully besieged and slain by the British in 1799; has interesting ruins.

SERJEANT-AT-ARMS, an officer attendant on the Speaker of the House of Commons, whose duty it is to preserve order and arrest any offender against the rules of the House.

SERPENT WORSHIP, or Ophidiolatry, was practised in ancient times by the Egyptians and has survived in India and Africa; the symbol of the snake is prevalent in early European art; in North and Western America this form of worship long obtained among aboriginal Indians. Symbolically, the serpent represented veneration, from the shedding of its skin, taken to typify eternity; generally it was regarded as a guardian spirit.

SERPENTINE, a crystalline green mineral composed of silicate of magnesia.

SERPUKOFF, an ancient and still prosperous town of Russia, on the Nara, 57 m. N. of Moscow; has a cathedral, and manufactures cottons and woollens.

SERRANO Y DOMINGUEZ, Duke de la Torre, Spanish statesman and marshal; won distinction in the wars against the Carlists, and, turning politician, became in 1845 a senator and favourite of Queen Isabella; was prominent during the political unrest and changes of her reign; joined Prim in the revolution of 1868, defeated the queen's troops; became president of the Ministry; commander-in-chief of the army, and in 1869 Regent of Spain, a position he held till Amadeus's succession in 1871; won victories against the Carlists in 1872 and 1874; was again at the head of the executive during the last months of the republic, but retired on the accession of Alfonso XII., continued in active politics till his death (1810-1885).

SERTORIUS, QUINTUS, Roman statesman and general; joined the democratic party under Marius (q.v.) against Sulla; retired to Spain on the return of Sulla to Rome, where he sought to introduce Roman civilisation; was assassinated 73 B.C.

SERVETUS, MICHAEL, physician, born in Fudeia, in Navarre; had a leaning to theology, and passing into Germany associated with the Reformers; adopted Socinianism, and came under ban of the orthodox, and was burnt alive at Geneva, after a trial of two months, under sanction, it is said, of Calvin (1511-1553).

SERVILIUS TULLIUS, the sixth king of Rome, from 578 to 534 B.C., divided the Roman territory into 30 tribes, and the people into 5 classes, which were further divided into centuries.

SESOSTRIS, a legendary monarch of Egypt, alleged to have achieved universal empire at a very remote antiquity, and to have executed a variety of public works by means of the captives he brought home from his conquests, which extended to India.

SESTERTIUS, a Roman coin either bronze or silver, one-fourth of a denarius, originally worth 2½ asses but afterwards 4 asses, up to the time of Augustus was worth fully 2½, and subsequently one-eighth less; Sesterterium, a Roman "money of account," never a coin, equalled 1000 sestertii, and was valued at 28 1/4.

SETTLE, ELEKANAH, a playwright who lives in the pages of Dryden's satire "Absalom and Achitophel"; was an Oxford man and littérateur in London; enjoyed a brief season of popularity as author of "Cambyses," and "The Empress of Morocco"; degenerated into a "city poet and a puppet-show keeper," and died in the Charterhouse; was the object of Dryden's and Pope's scathing sarcasms (1648-1724).

SETTLEMENT ACT OF, passed by Parliament in 1701, settled the crowns of England, Scotland, and Ireland on the Electress Sophia of Hanover and her heirs; the Act was designed to prevent the crown reverting to the Stuarts, and also stipulated that kings of England must be members of the established Church.

SETUBAL (English, St. Ubes), a fortified seaport of Portugal, at the mouth of the Sado, on a bay of the same name, 17 m. S.E. of Lisbon; has a good trade in wine, salt, and oranges; in the neighbourhood is a remarkable stalactite cave.

SEVEN CHAMPIONS OF CHRISTENDOM, St. George, of England; St. Denis, of France; St. James, of

Spain; St. Anthony, of Italy; St. Andrew, of Scotland; St. Patrick, of Ireland; and St. David, of Wales—often alluded to by old writers.

SEVEN DEADLY SINS, Pride, Wrath, Envy, Lust, Gluttony, Avarice, and Sloth.

SEVEN DOLOURS OF THE VIRGIN, the predilection of Simeon (Luke II. 35); the flight into Egypt; the loss of the child in Jerusalem; the sight of her Son bearing the cross; the sight of Him upon the cross; the descent from the cross; and the entombment—the festival in connection with which is celebrated on the Friday before Palm Sunday.

SEVEN SAGES OF GREECE, Solon of Athens, his motto "Know thyself"; Chilo of Sparta, his motto "Consider the end"; Thales of Miletus, his motto "Whoso hateth suretyship is sure"; Bias of Priene, his motto "Most men are bad"; Cleobulus of Lindos, his motto "Avoid extremes"; Pittacus of Mitylene, his motto "Seize Time by the forelock"; Periander of Corinth, his motto "Nothing is impossible to industry."

SEVEN SLEEPERS, seven noble youths of Ephesus who, to escape the persecution of Decius, fled into a cave in Mount Cellion, where they fell asleep and woke up at the end of two centuries.

SEVEN WISE MASTERS, the title of a famous cycle of medieval tales which centre round the story of a young prince who, after baffling all efforts of former tutors, is at last, at the age of 20, instructed in all knowledge by Sindbad, one of the king's wise men, but having cast his horoscope Sindbad perceives the prince will die unless, after presentation at the court, he keeps silence for seven days; one of the king's wives, having in vain attempted to seduce the young man, in baffled rage accuses him to the king with tempting her virtue, and procures his death-sentence; the seven sages delay the execution by beguiling the king with stories till the seven days are passed, when the prince speaks and reveals the plot; an extraordinary number of variants exist in Eastern and Western languages, the earliest written version being an Arabian text of the 10th century; a great mass of literature has grown round the subject, which is one of the most perplexing, as well as interesting problems in the world of romance.

SEVEN WONDERS OF THE WORLD, the pyramids of Egypt, the hanging gardens of Babylon, the tomb of Mausolus, the temple of Diana at Ephesus, the Colossus of Rhodes, the statue of Jupiter by Phidias at Olympia, and the Pharos at Alexandria.

SEVEN YEARS' WAR, the name given to the third and most terrible struggle between Frederick the Great of Prussia and Maria Theresa, Empress of Austria, for the possession of Silesia, which embroiled almost all Europe in war, and which had far-reaching effects on the destinies of England and France as well as Prussia; began in 1756 by Frederick's successful advance on Dresden, anticipating Maria Theresa's intention of attempting the recovery of Silesia, lost to her in the previous two wars. With Austria were allied France, Sweden, Poland, and Russia, while Prussia was supported till 1761 by England. In 1762 Peter III. of Russia changed sides, and Frederick, sometimes victorious, often defeated, finally emerged successful in 1763, when the war was brought to a close by the Peace of Hubertsburg. Besides demonstrating the strength and genius of Frederick and raising immensely the prestige of Prussia, it enabled England to make complete her predominance in North America and to establish herself securely in India, while at the same time it gave the death-blow to French hopes of a colonial empire.

SEVERN, the second river of England, rises on the E. side of Plinlimmon, in Montgomeryshire, and flows in a circuitous southerly direction through Montgomeryshire, Shropshire, Worcestershire, and Gloucestershire, falling into the Bristol Channel after a course of 210 m.; is navigable to Welshpool (180 m.); chief tributaries are the Tern, Wye, and the Stratford Avon; there is a "bore" perceptible 180 m. from the mouth.

SEVERUS, LUCIUS SEPTIMIUS, Roman emperor, born in Leptis Magna, in Africa; the only African to attain to the imperial throne; was in command at Pannonia, and elected emperor on the murder of Pertinax, and after conquering his rivals achieved

victories in the East, especially against the Parthians; thereafter subdued a rebellion in Britain and secured South Britain against invasions from the north by a wall; died at York (146-211).

SÉVIGNÉ, MARQUISE DE, maiden name Marie de Rabutin-Chantal, the most charming of letter-writers, born in Paris; married at 18 the dissolute Marquis de Sévigné, who left her a widow at 25; her beauty and rare charms attracted many suitors, to one and all of whom, however, she turned a deaf ear, devoting herself with touching fidelity to her son and daughter, and finding all her happiness in their affection and in the social intercourse of a wide circle of friends; her fame rests on her letters, written chiefly to her daughter in Provence, which reflect the brightest and purest side of Parisian life, and contain the tender outpourings of her mother's heart in language of unstudied grace (1626-1696).

SÉVILLE, a celebrated Spanish city and river port on the Guadalquivir, 62 m. N.E. of Cadiz; an iron bridge connects it with Triana, a large suburb on the other side of the river; many of the old picturesque Moorish buildings have given place to modern and more commodious structures and broader streets; the great Gothic cathedral (15th century), containing paintings by Murillo, is among the finest in Europe; the Moorish royal palace, the great Roman aqueduct (in use until 1883), the museum, with masterpieces of Murillo and Velasquez, the university, archbishop's palace, Giralda Campanile, and the vast bull-ring, are noteworthy; chief manufactures embrace cigars, machinery, pottery, and textiles; while lead, quicksilver, wines, olive-oil, and fruits are exported; is capital of a province.

SÈVRES, a French town of the Seine, 104 m. SW. of Paris, celebrated for its fine porcelain wares (especially vases), the manufacture of which has been a State industry since 1755; has a school of mosaic work and museums for pottery ware of all ages and countries.

SÈVRES, DEUX-, a department of West France; is watered by two rivers and in the N. thickly wooded; a varied agriculture, cattle and mule breeding, and cloth manufacture are the principal industries. Niort is the capital.

SEWARD, ANNA, poetess, born in Exm, Derbyshire, but from the age of seven spent her life at Lichfield, where her father was residential canon; was a friend and indefatigable correspondent of Mrs. Piozzi, Dr. Darwin, Southey, Scott, and others; author of "Louisa," a novel in poetry, "Sonnets," and other poems, which had in their day considerable popularity; her correspondence is collected in 6 vols (1747-1809).

SEWARD, WILLIAM HENRY, American statesman, born in Florida, New York State; was called to the bar at Utica in 1822, and soon took rank as one of the finest forensic orators of his country; engaged actively in the politics of his State, of which he was governor in 1838 and 1840; entered the U.S. senate in 1849 as an abolitionist, becoming soon the recognised leader of the Anti-Slavery party; was put forward by the Republican party as a candidate for presidential nomination, but failing in this he zealously supported Lincoln, under whom he served as Secretary of State, conducting with notable success the foreign affairs of the country during the Civil War and up to the accession of President Grant in 1869; spent his closing years in travel and retirement (1801-1872).

SEWING MACHINE, an automatic device for sewing, invented in 1846 by an American, Elias Howe.

SEKAGESIMA SUNDAY, the second Sunday before the commencement of Lent.

SEXTANT, an instrument used in navigation (sometimes also in land-surveying) for measuring the altitudes of celestial bodies and their angular distances; consists of a graduated brass sector, the sixth part of a circle, and an arrangement of two small mirrors and telescope; invented in 1730 by John Hadley.

SEYCHELLES, a group of some 30 islands, largest Mahé (55 sq. m.), situated in the Indian Ocean, 600 m. N.E. of Madagascar; taken from the French by Britain in 1794, and now under the governor of Mauritius; are mountainous and mostly sur-

rounded by coral reefs; export fibres, nuts, palm-oil, and tortoise-shell; Victoria, in Mahé, is the chief town and an imperial coaling station.

SEYMOUR, SIR EDWARD HOBART, British sailor. Entering the navy at the age of 12, he saw service in the Crimea, Egypt, and China; in 1900 he was in charge of the expedition against China, and the following year was made an admiral (1840-1920).

SFORZA (i.e. sterner), Italian family celebrated during the 15th and 16th centuries, founded by a military adventurer, a peasant of the name of Muzia Allendolo, who received the name; they became dukes of Milan, and began by hiring their services in war, in which they were always victorious, to the highest bidder, the first of the number to attain that rank being Francesco Sforza, the son of the founder, in 1450 (1401-1498), the last of the series being Francesco (1492-1535).

SGRAFFITO, a decorative or artistic painting, produced by layers of plaster applied to a moistened surface and afterwards operated on by a sharply pointed instrument so as to produce a picture.

SHACKLETON, SIR ERNEST HENRY, British explorer. Born in Ireland, and educated at Dulwich College, he joined the mercantile marine, and in 1900 served under Scott in the *Discovery* Antarctic expedition. From 1907 to 1909 and from 1914 to 1917 he was again in the Antarctic, and in 1922 died at sea while in command of a third expedition on board the *Quest* (1874-1922).

SHADWELL, THOMAS, dramatist, who lives as the "Blackfriars" of Dryden's "Absalom and Achitophel," born of a good family, in Norfolk; studied law and adopted literature, in which he made a successful start with the comedy "The Sullen Lovers" (1668); his numerous plays, chiefly comedies, are of little poetic value, but serve as useful commentaries on the Restoration period; quarrelled with and satirised Dryden in the "Medal of John Bayes," which drew forth the crushing retort in Dryden's famous satire; succeeded Dryden as poet-laureate in 1688 (1640-1692).

SHAFITES, a sect of the Sunnites or orthodox Mohammedans, so called from Shafai, a descendant of Mohammed.

SHAFTESBURY, ANTHONY ASHLEY COOPER, EARL OF, a notable politician, prominent in the times of Cromwell and Charles II., born of good parentage, in Dorsetshire; passed through Oxford and entered Lincoln's Inn; sat in the Short Parliament of 1640; changed from the Royalist to the Parliamentary side during the Civil War, and was a member of Cromwell's Council of State, but latterly attacked the Protector's Government, and was one of the chief promoters of the Restoration; Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1659, and later a member of the "Cabal." In 1672 he was created an earl and Lord Chancellor, but hoodwinked by Charles in the secret treaty of Dover, went over to the Opposition, lost his chancellorship, supported an anti-Catholic policy, joined himself with the Country Party, and intrigued with the Prince of Orange; came into power again, after the "Popish Plot," as the champion of toleration and Protestantism, became President of the Council, and passed the Habeas Corpus Act; his virulent attacks on James and espousal of Monmouth's cause brought about his arrest on a charge of high treason (1681), and although acquitted he deemed it expedient to flee to Holland, where he died; one of the ablest men of his age, but of somewhat inscrutable character, whose shifting policy seems to have been chiefly dominated by a regard for self; is the "Achitophel" of Dryden's great satire (1621-1683).

SHAFTESBURY, ANTHONY ASHLEY COOPER, EARL OF, grandson of the preceding, philosopher, born in London; was an ardent student in his youth, made the grand tour, and entered Parliament in 1694, moving to the Upper House on the death of his father in 1699, where, as a staunch Whig, he gave steady support to William III.; withdrew from politics, never a congenial sphere to him, on the accession of Anne, and followed his bent for literature and philosophy; in 1711 his collected writings appeared under the title "Characteristics," in which he expounds, in the polite style of the 18th century,

with much ingenuity and at times force, a somewhat uncritical optimism, enunciating, among other things, the doubtful maxim that ridicule is the test of truth (1671-1718).

SHAFTESBURY, ANTHONY ASHLEY COOPER, 7TH EARL OF, statesman and philanthropist, born in London; was a distinguished graduate of Oxford, and entered Parliament as a Conservative in 1826, took office under Wellington in 1828, and was a lord of the Admiralty in Peel's ministry of 1834; succeeded to the earldom in 1851; but his name lives by virtue of his noble and lifelong philanthropy, which took shape in numerous Acts of Parliament, such as the Mines and Collieries Act (1842), excluding women and boys under 13 working in mines; the Better Treatment of Lunatics Act (1845), called the Magma Charta of the insane; the Factory Acts (1867); and the Workhouse Regulation Act (1878); while outside Parliament he wrought with rare devotion on behalf of countless benevolent and religious schemes of all sorts, notably the Ragged School movement and the better housing of the London poor; received the freedom of Edinburgh and London; was the friend and adviser of the Prince Consort and Queen Victoria (1801-1885).

SHAH (Pers. "King"), an abbreviation of Shah-in-Shah ("King of Kings"), the title by which the monarchs of Persia are known; it has also been used in Afghanistan and other Asiatic countries, but more generally the less assuming title of Khán is taken.

SHAH-JEHAN ("King of the World"), fifth of the Mogul emperors of Delhi; succeeded his father in 1627; a man of great administrative ability and a skilled warrior; conquered the Deccan and the kingdom of Golconda, and generally raised the Mogul Empire to its zenith; his court was truly Eastern in its sumptuous magnificence; the "Peacock Throne" alone cost £7,000,000; died in prison, a victim to the peridy of his usurping son Aurangzeb (1592-1660).

SHAKES, a fanciful sect founded by one Ann Lee, so called from their extravagant gestures in worship; they were agnostics and communists.

SHAKESPEARE, WILLIAM, poet and dramatist, born in Stratford-on-Avon, Warwickshire; his father, John Shakespeare, a respected burgess of Stratford; his mother, Mary Arden, the daughter of a well-to-do farmer, through whom the family acquired some property; was at school at Stratford, married Anne Hathaway, a yeoman's daughter, at 18, she eight years older, and had by her three daughters; left for London somewhere between 1585 and 1587, in consequence, it is said, of a deer-stealing frolic on the estate of Sir Thomas Lucy of Charlecote; is said to have taken charge of horses at the theatre door, and by-and-by to have become an actor. His first poetical work, "Venus and Adonis," appeared in 1593, and "Lucrece" the year after; became connected with different theatres, and a shareholder in certain of them, in some of which he took part as actor, with the result, in a peculiar point of view, that he bought a house in his native place, where he chiefly resided for the ten years preceding his death. Of the poet's further history we know but a few facts; there is record of his having bought land near Stratford in 1602; a year later he figured in Burbage's company at the Blackfriars Theatre, London; there is record, too, of actions brought by him against certain people, mostly for debts; in 1613 he was purchasing more property in London; in 1616 he appended his signature to his will, dying about a month later from, it is alleged, the results of over-indulgence at a convivial meeting with Ben Jonson and Drayton; he was buried in the church at Stratford. As a poet Shakespeare's fame rests on his "Sonnets" (1609), and the many lyrics found in his plays, in addition to the poems mentioned above. Of his works as a whole, nothing can or need be said here; enough to add, as Carlyle says, "The best judgment, not of this country, but of Europe at large, is slowly pointing to the conclusion that he is the chief of all poets hitherto—the greatest intellect in our recorded world that has left record of himself in the way of literature. On the whole, I know not such a power

of vision, such a faculty of thought, such a calmness of depth, placid, joyous strength, all things in that great soul of his so true and clear, as in a tranquil, unfathomable sea." Shakespeare's plays, with the order of their publication, are as follows: "Love's Labour's Lost," 1590; "Comedy of Errors," 1591; 1, 2, 3, "Henry VI.," 1590-1592; "Two Gentlemen of Verona," 1592-1593; "Midsummer Night's Dream," 1593-1594; "Richard III.," 1593; "Romeo and Juliet," 1591-1596 (?); "Richard II.," 1594; "King John," 1596; "Merchant of Venice," 1596; 1 and 2 "Henry IV.," 1597-1598; "Henry V.," 1599; "Taming of the Shrew," 1597 (?); "Merry Wives of Windsor," 1598; "Much Ado about Nothing," 1598; "As You Like It," 1599; "Twelfth Night," 1600-1601; "Julius Caesar," 1601; "All's Well," 1601-1602 (?); "Hamlet," 1602; "Measure for Measure," 1603; "Troilus and Cressida," 1603-1607 (?); "Othello," 1604; "Lea," 1605; "Macbeth," 1606; "Antony and Cleopatra," 1607; "Coriolanus," 1608; "Timon," 1608; "Pericles," 1608; "Cymbeline," 1609; "Tempest," 1610; "Winter's Tale," 1610-1611; "Henry VIII.," 1612-1613 (1564-1616).

SHALE, name given by geologists to clay which has been hardened and possesses a fissile structure.

SHALOTT, LADY OF, subject of a poem by Tennyson; was in love with Lancelot; wove a web which she must not rise from, otherwise a curse would fall on her; saw Lancelot pass one day, entered a boat and glided down to Camelot, but died on the way.

SHAMANISM, the religion of the native savage races of North Siberia and of the Eskimo of N. America, being a belief in spirits, both good and evil, who can be persuaded to bless or curse by the incantations of a priest called a Shaman.

SHAMMAL, an eminent Jewish rabbi of the time of Herod, who held the position of supreme judge in the Sanhedrin under the presidency of Hillel (q.v.), and whose narrow, rigid orthodoxy and repulsive policy became the leading principles of his school, "the House of Shammal," which, however, carried the system to a pitch of fanatical zeal not contemplated by its originator.

SHAMROCK, a small trefoil plant, the national emblem of Ireland; it is matter of dispute whether it is the wood-sorrel, a species of clover, or some other allied trefoil; the lesser yellow trefoil is perhaps the most commonly accepted symbol.

SHANYL, a great Caucasian chief, head of the Lezgians, who combined the functions of priest and warrior; consolidated the Caucasian tribes in their resistance to the Russians, and carried on a successful struggle in his mountain fastnesses for thirty years, till his forces were worn out and himself made captive in 1859 (1797-1871).

SHANGHAI, the chief commercial city and port of China, on the Wu-Sung river, an affluent of the Yang-tee-kiang, 12 m. from the coast, and 160 m. SE. of Nanking; large, densely peopled suburbs have grown round the closely packed and walled city, with its narrow, unclean streets; the French and English occupy the broad-streeted and well-built suburbs in the N.; the low-lying site exposes the city to great heat in the summer, and to frequent epidemics of cholera and fever; an extensive system of canals draws down a great part of the interior produce, and swells the export trade in tea, silk, cotton, rice, and sugar.

SHANNON, the first river of Ireland, rises in the Cullacagh Mountains, Co. Cavan; flows in a south-westerly direction through Loughs Allen, Ree, and Derg, besides forming several glough expansions, to Limerick, whence it turns due W., and opens out on the Atlantic in a wide estuary between Kerry (S.) and Clare (N.); has an entire course of 254 m., and is navigable to Lough Allen, a distance of 213 m.

SHANNON, JAMES JESUSA, painter, born in Auburn, New York State; after settling in England in 1878 became famous for his portraits, of which those of the Marchioness of Granby and Lady Henry Bentinck are best known; his "Flower Girl" was purchased under the Chantry bequest (1862-).

SHANS, or LAOS, the name of a Mongol people, descendants of aborigines of China, forming several

large tribes scattered round the frontiers of Burma, Siam, and South China, whose territory, roughly speaking, extends N. as far as the Yunnan Plateau of South China; some are independent, but the bulk of the tribes are subject to Siam, China, and the British in Burma; practise slavery, are Buddhists in name, though still addicted to demon-worship, indolent, pleasure-loving, and for the most part peaceable and content; chased gold and silver work, rice, cotton, and tobacco are their chief products.

SEARON, a fertile region in Palestine of the maritime plain between Caesarea and Philistia, noted for its beauty and the fertility of its soil.

SEARP, ABRAHAM, a schoolmaster of Liverpool, and subsequent bookkeeper in London, whose wide knowledge of mathematics, astronomy, &c., attracted Flamsteed (q.r.), by whom he was invited in 1688 to enter the Greenwich Royal Observatory, where he did notable work, improving instruments, and showing great skill as a calculator; published "Geometry Improved," logarithmic tables, &c. (1651-1742).

SEARP, BECKY, an intriguing character in Thackeray's "Vanity Fair," very clever, but without heart.

SEARP, GRANVILLE, a noted abolitionist, born in Durham, trained for the bar, but accepted a post in the London Ordnance Office, which he held until the outbreak of the American War; was a voluminous writer on philology, law, theology, &c., but mainly devoted himself to the cause of negro emancipation, co-operating with Clarkson in founding the Association for the Abolition of Negro Slavery, and taking an active interest in the new colony for freedom in Sierra Leone, won a famous decision in the law-courts to the effect that whenever a slave set foot on English soil he became free; he was also one of the founders of the Bible Society (1735-1813).

SEARP, JAMES, archbishop of St. Andrews, born in Banff Castle; educated at Aberdeen University, visited England, where he formed important friendships, and in 1643 was appointed "regent" or professor of Philosophy at St. Andrews; a post he resigned five years later to become minister of Crail; during the Protectorate he sided with the "Resolutioners" or Moderates, and appeared before Cromwell in London to plead their cause; in 1660 received a commission to go to London to safeguard the interests of the Scottish Church, a trust he shamefully betrayed by intriguing with Charles at Breda, and with Clarendon and the magnates of the English Church to restore Prelacy in Scotland, he himself (by way of reward) being appointed archbishop of St. Andrews; henceforward he was but a pliant tool in the hands of his English employers, and an object of intense hatred to the Covenanters; in 1668 his life was attempted in Edinburgh by Robert Mitchell, a Covenanter preacher, and ultimately on Magnus Muir, May, 1679, he was mercifully hacked to pieces by a band of Covenanters headed by Hackston and John Ralston (1613-1679).

SEARP, WILLIAM, Scottish poet and man of letters, born in Paisley; started life in a bank, but turned to literature early; under his own name wrote many volumes of verse, biography, and criticism; from 1894 published many stories, poems, and dramas under the pseudonym of "Flona Macleod," among these being "Pharals," "The Sin-eater," "The Washer of the Ford," "The Divine Adventure," "The Immortal Hour," and "Deirdre" (1855-1905).

SEARLEY, FORBES WILMOT, British engineer; carried out important researches in connection with the properties of bakelite; professor at the School of Mines, Dhanbad, India (1897-).

SEASTER, a book containing the institutes of the Hindu religion or its legal requirements.

SEAW, GEORGE BERNARD, British author. The son of a civil servant, he was born in Dublin and educated there. At 16 he was placed in a land agent's office, but four years later he threw up his job and came to London, and after desultory attempts to enter business he began writing, and by 1883 had written five novels, but had had none of them published, and was earning money chiefly as a

musician. In 1885 he became a reviewer for the *Poll Mall Gazette*; he also acted as art critic for the *World* and music critic for the *Star*. In 1892 "Widowers' Houses," his first play, appeared. Meanwhile he had joined the Fabian Society, and thrown himself actively into Socialist work. By the early years of this century he had produced "Arms and the Man," "Mrs. Warren's Profession," "The Doctor's Dilemma," "John Bull's Other Island," and a number of other plays, but his reputation for a long while rested with a small public. It was after the Great War that "St. Joan" established his popularity with the wider public and made his plays commercial successes. In 1929 came "The Apple Cart," a political satire on democracy. Besides some 40 plays Shaw has produced novels, essays such as "The Quintessence of Ibsenism," and political books like "The Common Sense of Municipal Trading," and "The Intelligent Woman's Guide to Socialism." Dramatically the importance of Shaw is that he brought realism to a stage stifled by convention. Philosophically he has had much to say, but has covered his ideas with so much satiric jesting that his public do not always know when to take him seriously. His "Man and Superman" and "Back to Methusalem" contain most of his gospel, which is belied in a Life-force working through creative evolution, from which it follows that man must aim at producing something better than the human race as we know it, and must be rid of all sentiment (1856-).

SHAWNEES, a tribe of American Indians located originally in the eastern slopes of the Alleghanies, but now removed to Missouri, Kansas, and the Indian Territory.

SHEBA, believed to be a region in South Arabia, along the shore of the Red Sea.

SHECHINAH, a glory as of the Divine presence over the mercy-seat in the Jewish Tabernacle, and reflected from the winged cherubim which overshadowed it, the reality of which it is the symbol, being the Divine presence in man.

SHEEHAN, JOHN, art collector, born in Leeds, son of a manufacturer; presented to the nation in 1856 a collection of works by British artists, now housed in South Kensington Museum (1787-1863).

SHEERNESS, a fortified seaport and important garrison town with dockyards and naval arsenal in Kent, occupying the NW. corner of Sheppey Isle, where the Medway joins the Thames, 52 m. E. of London; is divided into Blue-town (within the garrison, and enclosing the 60 acres of docks), Mile-town, Banks-town, and Marina-town (noted for sea-bathing).

SHEFFIELD, a city of Yorkshire, and chief centre of the English cutlery trade, built on hilly ground on the Don near its confluence with the Sheaf, whence its name, 41 m. E. of Manchester; is a well-built town, with notable churches, public halls, theatres, &c., and well equipped with libraries, hospitals, parks, colleges, and various societies; does a vast trade in all forms of steel, iron, and brass goods, as well as plated and Britannia-metal articles; last century it greatly developed its manufactures of armour-plate, rails, and other heavier goods; its importance as a centre of cutlery dates from very early times, and the Cutlers' Company was founded there in 1624; has been from Saxon times the capital of the manor district of Hallamshire; it is divided into seven parliamentary districts, each of which sends a member to Parliament.

SHEFFIELD, JOHN, DUKE OF BUCKINGHAM, son of the Earl of Mulgrave, whose title he succeeded to in 1668; served in the navy during the Dutch war of Charles II.; held office under James II., and was by William III. created Marquis of Northampton; a staunch Tory in Anne's reign, he was rewarded with a dukedom, lost office through opposing Marlborough, but was reinstated after 1710, and in George I.'s reign worked in the Stuart interest; wrote an "Essay on Poetry," among other literary productions (1648-1721).

SHEIKH, the chief of an Arab tribe; used often as a title of respect, Sheikh-ul-Islam being the ecclesiastical head of Mohammedans in Turkey.

SHEIL, RICHARD LALOR, Irish patriot, born in Tipperary; bred to the bar; gave himself for some time to literature; joined the Catholic Association; was distinguished for his oratory and his devotion, in conjunction with O'Connell, to Catholic emancipation; supported the Whig Government, and held office under Melbourne and Lord John Russell (1791-1861).

SHEKEL, among the ancient Hebrews originally a weight, and eventually the name of a coin of gold or silver, or money of a certain weight, the silver = 58. per oz., and the gold = 14.

SHELBURNE, WILLIAM PETTY, EARL OF, statesman, born in Dublin; succeeded to his father's title in 1761, a few weeks after his election to the House of Commons; held office in the ministries of Grenville (1763), of Chatham (1766), and of Rockingham (1782); his acceptance of the Premiership in 1782, after Rockingham's death, led to the resignation of Fox and the entry of William Pitt, at the age of 23, into the Cabinet; his short ministry (July, 1782, to February, 1783) saw the close of the Continental and American wars, and the concession of independence to the colonies, colluding shortly afterwards before the powerful coalition of Fox and North; in 1784, on his retirement from politics, was created Marquis of Lansdowne; was a Free-Trader, supporter of Catholic emancipation, and otherwise liberal in his views, but rather tactless in steering his way amid the troublous politics of his time (1737-1805).

SHELDONIAN THEATRE, "Senate House" of Oxford; so called from Gilbert Sheldon, archbishop of Canterbury (1598-1669), who built it.

SHELLEY, MARY WOLLSTONECRAFT, author of "Frankenstein," daughter of William Godwin and Mary Wollstonecraft, became the wife of the poet Shelley in 1816 after a two years' illicit relationship; besides "Frankenstein" (1822), wrote several romances, "The Last Man," "Lodore," and "Falkner," also "Rambles in Germany and Italy"; edited with valuable notes her husband's works (1797-1851).

SHELLEY, PERCY BYSSHE, born at Field Place, near Horsham, Sussex, eldest son of Sir Timothy Shelley, a wealthy landed proprietor; was educated at Eton, and in 1810 went to Oxford, where his impatience of control and violent heterodoxy of opinion, characteristic of him throughout, burst forth in a pamphlet, "The Necessity of Atheism," which led to his expulsion in 1811, together with Jefferson Hogg, his subsequent biographer; henceforth led a restless, wandering life; married at 19 Harriet Westbrook, a pretty girl of 16, a school companion of his sister, from whom he was separated within three years; under the influence of William Godwin (q.v.) his revolutionary ideas of politics and society developed apace; engaged in quixotic political enterprises in Dublin, Lynnmouth, and elsewhere, and above all put to practical test Godwin's heterodox views on marriage by eloping (1814) to the Continent with his daughter Mary, whom he married two years later after the unhappy suicide of Harriet, in 1816, embittered by Lord Byron's decision that he was unfit to be trusted with the care of Harriet's children, and with consumption threatening, he left England never to return; spent the few remaining years of his life in Italy, chiefly at Lucca, Florence, and Pisa, in friendly relations with Byron, Leigh Hunt, Trelawney, &c.; during this time were written his greatest works, "Prometheus Unbound," "The Cenci," his noble lament on Keats, "Adonais," besides other longer works, and most of his finest lyrics, "Ode to the West Wind," "The Skylark," &c.; was drowned while returning in an open sailing-boat from Leghorn to his home on Spezia Bay. Shelley is pre-eminently the poet of lyric emotion, the subtle and most musical interpreter of vague spiritual longing and intellectual desire; his poems form together "the most sensitive," says Stopford Brooke, "the most imaginative, and the most musical, but the least tangible, lyrical poetry we possess" (1792-1822).

SHELANDOAH, a river of Virginia, formed by two head-streams rising in Augusta Co., which unite 85 m. W. of Washington, and, flowing N.E. through

the beautiful "Valley of Virginia," falls into the Potomac at Harper's Ferry, after a course of 170 m.; also the name of a town in Pennsylvania, 138 m. N.W. of Philadelphia; centre of an important coal district.

SHENSTONE, WILLIAM, poet, born, the son of a landed proprietor, in Halesowen, Worcestershire; was educated at Pembroke College, Oxford, and during the years 1737-1742 produced three vols. of poetry, the most noted being "The Schoolmistress"; succeeded to his father's estate in 1745, and entered with much enthusiasm and reckless expenditure into landscape-gardening, which won him in his day a wider reputation than his poetry; his "Essays" have considerable critical merit and originality, while his poetry—ballads, odes, songs, &c.—has a music and grace despite its conventional diction (1714-1768).

SHEOL, the dark underworld or Hades of the Hebrews, inhabited by the shades of the dead.

SHEPHERD KINGS, or HYKSOS, a tribe of shepherds, alleged to have invaded Lower Egypt 2000 years before Christ, overthrown the reigning dynasty, and maintained their supremacy for 200 years.

SHEPHERD OF SALISBURY PLAIN, name of the hero, a shepherd of the name of Saunders, in a tract written by Hannah More, characterised by homely wisdom and simple piety.

SHEPPARD, REV. HUGH RICHARD LAWRIE, dean of Canterbury. A son of Canon Sheppard, he was educated at Marlborough and Cambridge, and became secretary to the Bishop of Stetney; in 1914 he served for a time as a chaplain in France, and the same year became vicar of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London, where he earned a nation-wide reputation for progressive methods; he resigned in 1927, was made a Companion of Honour, and in 1929 became dean of Canterbury (1883-).

SHEPPARD, JACK, a notorious criminal, whose audacious robberies and daring escapes from Newgate Prison made him for a time the terror and talk of London; drew some 200,000 people to witness his execution at Tyburn; figures as the hero of a well-known novel by Harrison Ainsworth (1792-1724).

SHEPPEY, ISLE OF, an islet in the estuary of the Thames, at the mouth of the Medway, belonging to Kent, from which it is separated by the Swale (spanned by a swing-bridge); great clay cliffs rise on the N., and, like the rest of the island, are rich in interesting fossil remains; corn is grown, and large flocks of sheep raised; chief town is Sheerness (q.v.), where the bulk of the people are gathered; is gradually diminishing before the encroaching sea.

SHERATON, THOMAS, a furniture maker who has given his name to a style of design; interested himself also in religious work, joining the Baptists (1751-1806).

SHERBORNE, an interesting old town of Dorsetshire, pleasantly situated on rising ground overlooking the sea, 118 m. S.W. of London; has one of the finest Perpendicular minsters in South England, ruins of an Elizabethan castle, and King Edward's School, re-founded in 1550 and ranking among the best of English public schools.

SHERBROOKE, ROBERT LOWE, VISCOUNT, statesman, born, the son of a rector, in Bingham, Nottingham; graduated at Oxford; obtained a Fellowship, and in 1836 was called to the bar; six years later emigrated to Australia; made his mark at the Sydney bar, taking at the same time an active part in the politics of the country; returned to England in 1850, and entered Parliament, holding office under Lord Aberdeen (1853) and Lord Palmerston (1855); education became his chief interest for some time, and in 1866 he fiercely opposed the Whig Reform Bill, but subsequently made amends to his party by his powerful support of Gladstone's Irish Church Disestablishment Bill, and was included in the Liberal ministry of 1868 as Chancellor of the Exchequer, a post he held till 1873, when he became Home Secretary; a man of great intellectual force and independence of judgment; created a viscount in 1880; was D.C.L. of Oxford and LL.D. of Edinburgh (1811-1892).

SHERE ALI, Ameer of Afghanistan, son and successor of Dost Mohammed, at first favoured by Britain.

but at last distrusted and driven from the throne (1823-1870).

SHERIDAN, PHILIP HENRY, a distinguished American general, born, of Irish parentage, in Albany, New York; obtained a cadetship at West Point Military Academy, and entered the army as a second-lieutenant in 1853; served in Texas and during the Civil War; won rapid promotion by his great dash and skill as commander of a cavalry regiment; gained wide repute by his daring raids into the S.; cleared the Confederates out of the Shenandoah Valley in 1864, and by his famous ride (October 19, 1864), from Winchester to Cedar Creek snatched victory out of defeat, routing the conjoined forces of Early and Lee; received the thanks of Congress, and was created major-general; took an active part under Grant in compelling the surrender of Lee, and in bringing the war to a close; subsequently during Grant's presidency was promoted to lieutenant-general; visited Europe in 1870 to witness the Franco-German War, and in 1883 succeeded Sherman as general-in-chief of the American army (1831-1888).

SHERIDAN, RICHARD BRINSLEY BUTLER, dramatist and politician, born in Dublin; educated at Harrow; was already committed to literature when, in 1773, he settled down in London with his gifted young wife, Elizabeth Linley, the singer, and scored his first success with "The Rivals" in 1775, following it up with the overrated "Duenna"; aided by his father-in-law became owner of Drury Lane Theatre, which somewhat lagged till the production of his most brilliant satirical comedy, "The School for Scandal" (1777), and the "critic" set flowing the tide of prosperity, turning his attention next to politics he entered Parliament under Fox's patronage in 1780, and two years later became Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs in Rockingham's ministry; his great speech (1787) impeaching Hastings for his treatment of the Begums placed him in the front rank of orators, but although he sat for 32 years in Parliament, only once again did he reach the same height of eloquence, in a speech (1794) supporting the French Revolution, and generally failed to establish himself as a reliable statesman; meanwhile his theatrical venture had ended disastrously, and financial troubles thickened around him until his death; he was accorded a burial in Westminster Abbey (1751-1816).

SHERIF, or SHEREEF, a title of dignity among Mohammedans of either sex bestowed upon descendants of the Prophet through his daughter Fatima and her husband Ali; as a distinguishing badge women wear a green veil, and men a green turban.

SHERIFF, in England the chief officer of the Crown in every county, appointed annually, and intrusted with the execution of the laws and the maintenance of peace and order, with power to summon the *posse comitatus*. The office originated in Anglo-Saxon times, when it exercised wide judicial functions which have been gradually curtailed, and such duties as remain—the execution of writs, enforcement of legal decisions, &c., are mostly delegated to an under-sheriff (usually a lawyer) and bound-bailiffs, while the sheriff himself, generally a person of wealth (the office being unsalaried and compulsory, but not necessarily for more than one year) discharges merely honorary duties. In Scotland the sheriff, or sheriff-principal, as he is called, is the chief judge of the county, and has under him one or more sheriff-substitutes, who are advocates or law agents of several years' standing, and upon whom devolves the larger portion of the important and multifarious duties of his office. In America the sheriff is the chief administrative officer of the county, but exercises no judicial functions at all.

SHERIFFMUIR, a barren spot stretching N. of the Ochils, in Perthshire, 5 m. N.E. of Birlinn; was the scene of an indecisive conflict between 9000 Jacobites under the Earl of Mar and 3500 Royalists under the Duke of Argyll, November 13, 1715.

SHERLOCK HOLMES, an amateur detective, a creation of Sir A. Conan Doyle, and figuring in a series of stories.

SHERLOCK, THOMAS, English prelate, born in

London; became bishop in succession of Bangor, Salisbury, and London, declining the Primacy; wrote several theological works, and took up arms against the rationalists of the day, such as Collins and Woolston (1678-1761).

SHERMAN, WILLIAM TECUMSEH, a distinguished American general, born, the son of a judge, in Lancaster, Ohio; first saw service as a lieutenant of artillery in the Indian frontier wars in Florida and California, resigned from the army in 1853, and set up as a banker in San Francisco, but at the outbreak of the Civil War accepted a colonelcy in the Federalist ranks; distinguished himself at the battles of Bull Run (1861) and Shiloh (1862); received promotion, and as second in command to Grant rendered valuable service in reducing Vicksburg and Memphis; was present at the victory of Chattanooga, and during 1864 entered into command of the S.W.; captured the stronghold of Atlanta, and after a famous march seaward with 65,000 men took Savannah, which he followed up with a series of victories in the Carolinas, receiving, on April 26, 1865, the surrender of General Johnston, which brought the war to a close; was created general and commander-in-chief of the army in 1869; published memoirs of his military life (1820-1891).

SHERINGTON, SIR CHARLES SCOTT, British scientist; professor of physiology at Liverpool, Royal Institution, and Oxford; his most important work has been on the human nervous system; was president of the Royal Society and of the British Association in 1922 (1861-).

SHERWOOD FOREST, once an extensive forest, the scene of Robin Hood's exploits, in Nottinghamshire, stretching some 25 m. between Worksop and Nottingham, and originally joining the great wooded area of Barnsdale in Yorkshire; now a hilly, disafforested tract occupied by country houses and private parks, several villages, and the town of Mansfield.

SJETLAND, or ZETLAND, a group of over 100 islands, islets, and skerries, of which 29 are inhabited, forming the northernmost county of Scotland, lying out to the Atlantic, N.W. of the Orkneys; Mainland (378 sq. m.), Foll, and Unst are the largest; the coastline is boldly precipitous and indented, while the scenery all over the island is very grand; the soil is peaty, ill adapted to cultivation, but there is considerable rearing of stock, and the little native shaggy pony is well known; fishing is the chief industry. Originally a Norse settlement, the islands came under British rule on the marriage of James III. of Scotland to Margaret, princess of Norway, in 1469, the Orkney and Shetland Isles forming part of her dowry. Lerwick (q.v.) is the capital.

SHIBBOLETH, a word by which the Gileadites distinguished an Ephraimite, from his inability to sound the sh in the word, and so discovered whether he was friend or foe (see Judges xii. 6); hence it has come to denote a party cry or watchword.

SHIELDS, NORTH, a flourishing seaport of Northumberland, on the Tyne, near the mouth, 8 m. N.E. of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and lying within the municipal borough of Tynemouth; is of quite modern growth, and of a plain, uninteresting appearance; has a theatre, free library, Mariners' Home, and a fine park; the docks cover 79 acres, and a large export trade in coal is carried on.

SHIELDS, SOUTH, a busy seaport and popular watering-place in Durham, with a frontage of 2 m. on the south bank of the Tyne, 9 m. N.E. of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, a place of residence from ancient times, with Roman remains; has a theatre, public library, marine school, two fine parks with central parade, and 50 acres of docks; exports immense quantities of coal and coke.

SHITES, a sect of the Mohammedans, who reject the "Sunna" (q.v.), and who championed the claims of Ali, Mohammed's cousin and son-in-law, to succeed to the Caliphate, and maintain the divine right of his descendants to represent the prophet in the Mohammedan Church. The majority of Persians belong to this sect.

SHIKARPUR, capital of a district in N. Sind, India, situated on rich alluvial ground, 18 m. W. of the

Indus, and 330 m. N. of Karachi; since the opening of the Indus Valley Railway it has lost much of its importance as a commercial entrepôt between India and Khorassan; the vicinity produces excellent grain crops, and carpets and cottons are manufactured in the town.

SHILLING, an English coin which was in existence in Saxon times; its value as consisting of 12 pennies was established after the Conquest, while it took its modern form during the reign of Henry VII.; mintage on the shilling dates from Charles II.'s time.

SHILOH, a village 20 m. N. of Jerusalem, sacred as the site of the resting-place of the Tabernacle on the settlement of the Jews in the land of promise. It is a name also of the Messiah. The Battle of Shiloh, in the American Civil War, was fought near Pittsburg Landing, on the Tennessee river, in April, 1862, the Federal troops under Grant gaining a victory over the Confederates under Johnston.

SHINAR, the vast alluvial plain extending along the Tigris and Euphrates, forming the country of Chaldaea and Babylonia.

SHINTOISM, the native religion of Japan; a system of ancestor worship chiefly, combined with which is a religious homage paid to the Mikado.

SHIP CANALS. The Suez Canal is 90 m. long and 31 ft. deep, the Kiel Canal 61 m. long and 45 ft. deep, the Panama Canal is 50 m. long and 45 ft. deep, the Elbe and Trave Canal is 41 m. long and 10 ft. deep, the Manchester Canal is 35½ m. long and 26 ft. deep, and the Welland Canal is 22½ m. long and 14 ft. deep. The widest is the Panama, which see, the Kiel is 150 ft. wide, the Suez is 147 ft. wide, and the Manchester 120 ft.

SHIP-MONEY, a tax levied by Charles I. at the suggestion of Noy, the Attorney-General, who based its imposition on an old war-tax leviable on port-towns to furnish a navy in times of danger, and imposed by Charles in a time of peace without consent of Parliament, upon inland as well as port-towns, provoking thereby widespread dissatisfaction; Hampden refused to pay, with the trial and decision in favour of Charles, contributed to bring about the Civil War, which cost Charles his life; the tax was declared illegal by the Long Parliament in 1640.

SHIPLEY, SIR ARTHUR, British scientist, Master of Christ's College, Cambridge, and vice-chancellor of the university; an authority on zoology; wrote much on biological subjects (1881-1927).

SHIPTON, MOTHER, a prophesess of English legend, who lived in the reign of Henry VIII., and whose preternatural knowledge revealed in her prophecies, published after her death, was ascribed to an alliance with the devil, by whom it was said she became the mother of an ugly, English child. Among her prophecies were the invention of the steam-engine and the electric telegraph.

SHIRAZ, a celebrated city of Persia, occupying a charming site on an elevated plain, 185 m. N.E. of Bushire; founded in the 8th century; was for long a centre of Persian culture, and a favourite resort of the royal princes; its beauties are celebrated in the poems of Hafiz and Saadi, natives of the place; has been thrice wrecked by earthquakes, and presents now a somewhat dilapidated appearance.

SHIRE, a river of East Africa, flows out of Lake Nyasa, and passes in a southerly course through the Shire Highlands, a distance of 370 m., till it joins the Zambezi; discovered by Livingstone.

SHIRLEY, JAMES, dramatist, born in London, educated at Oxford and Cambridge; entered the Church, but turning Catholic resigned, and after trying teaching established himself in London as a playwright; wrote with great facility, producing upwards of thirty plays before the suppression of theatres in 1642; fell back on teaching as a means of livelihood, and with the revival of his plays shortly after the Restoration eked out a scanty income till the Great Fire brought himself and his wife on the same day to a common grave; of his plays mention may be made of "The Witty Fair One," "The Wedding," "The Lady of Pleasure," and "The Traitor" (1696-1666).

SHISHAK, the name of several monarchs of Egypt of the twenty-second dynasty, the first of whom united nearly all Egypt under one government,

invaded Judaea, and plundered the Temple of Jerusalem about 962 a.d.

SHITTIM WOOD, a hard, close-grained acacia wood of an orange-brown colour found in the Arabian Desert, and employed in constructing the Jewish Tabernacle.

SHOA, the most southerly division of Abyssinia (q.v.); was an independent country till its conquest by Theodore of Abyssinia in 1855; is traversed by the Blue Nile, and has a mixed population of Gallas and Abyssinians.

SHODDY, a stuff woven of old woollen fabrics teased into fibre and of new wool intermixed.

SHOEVERTRESS, a town in Essex, near Southend, a stretch of moorland utilised by the Government for gunnery practice.

SHOGUN, the ruler of Japan from the 12th century until 1868 when the Mikado succeeded the last holder of that office; the name means "General."

SHOLAPUR, chief town in the Presidency of Bombay, in a district of the name, 283 m. E. of Bombay; has cotton and silk manufactures.

SHORE, JANE, the celebrated mistress of Edward IV.; was the young wife of a respected London goldsmith till she was taken up by the King, through whom, till the close of the reign, she exercised great power, "never abusing it to any man's hurt, but to many a man's comfort and relief"; was ill-treated and persecuted by Richard III. for political purposes; subsequently lived under the patronage of Lord Hastings, and afterwards of the Marquis of Dorset, surviving till 1527; the story of her life has been made the subject of many ballads, plays, &c.

SHOREDITCH, parliamentary borough of East London; returns two members to Parliament; manufactures furniture, boots and shoes, and beer.

SHOREHAM, a seaport 6 m. W. of Brighton; has oyster and other fisheries and shipbuilding yards. In the neighbourhood is Lancing College, a well-known public school.

SHORT PARLIAMENT, called by Charles I. in 1640.

lasted only three weeks.

SHORTER, CLEMENT KING, British journalist and author. He edited the *Illustrated London News* from 1891, as well as the *Skech*, and was the founder of the *Sphere* and *Teller*; among his books were a "Life of George Borrow" and "Charlotte Brontë and her Circle" (1858-1926).

SHORTHOUSE, JOSEPH HENRY, author of "John Inglesant," born in Birmingham; wrote also "Sir Percival" and "Little Schoolmaster Mark"; was remarkable for his refined style of writing (1884-1903).

SHORTT, RT. HON. EDWARD, British politician. He had a distinguished career at the bar and took silk; in 1910 he entered the House of Commons, and in 1918 became Chief Secretary for Ireland; in 1919 he was Home Secretary, a post he held for three years; in 1930 he became head of the Board of Film Censors (1862-).

SHOSHONES, known also as the Snakes, a family of North American Indians who ranged from Oregon to the Gulf of Mexico, and from Montana to the Pacific coast; they have lingual and other affinities with the Arctes (q.v.).

SHOVEL, SIR CLOUDESLEY, a celebrated English admiral, born in Clay, in Norfolk; was apprenticed to a cobbler, but ran away to sea, and rose from grade to grade, till in 1674 we find him a lieutenant in the Mediterranean fleet; was knighted in 1689 for his gallantry as commander of a ship in the battle of Bantry Bay, and in the following year as rear-admiral was prominent at the engagement off Beachy Head; in 1692 gave heroic assistance to Admiral Russell at La Hogue, and in 1702 to Rooke at Malaga; elevated to the commandship of the English fleets, he in 1705 captured Barcelona, but on his way home from an unsuccessful attack upon Toulon was wrecked on the Scilly Isles and drowned (1650-1707).

SHREWSBURY, county town of Shropshire, situated on a small peninsula formed by a horseshoe bend of the Severn, 42 m. W. by N. of Birmingham; three fine bridges span the river here, connecting it with several extensive suburbs; a picturesque old place with winding streets and quaint timber

dwelling-houses, a Norman castle, abbey church, and ruined walls; the public school, founded by Edward VI., ranks amongst the best in England; figures often in history as a place where Parliament met in 1397-1398, and in 1403 gave its name to the battle which resulted in the defeat of Hotspur and the Earl of Douglas by Henry IV.; it was taken by the Parliamentarians in 1644; chief industries are glass-painting, malting, and iron-founding.

SHERPESHIRE, or **SALOP**, an agricultural and mining county of England, on the Welsh border, facing Montgomery chiefly, between Cheshire (N.) and Hereford (S.); is divided into two fairly equal portions by the Severn. E. and N. of which is low, level, and fertile, excepting the Wrekin (1320 ft.); while on the SW. it is hilly (Clee Hills, 1805 ft.); Ellmere is the largest of several lakes; Coalbrookdale is the centre of a rich coal district, and iron and lead are also found. Shrewsbury is the capital; it consists of four Parliamentary divisions.

SHROVETIDE, confession-time, especially the days immediately before Lent, when, in Catholic times, the people confessed their sins to the parish priest and afterwards gave themselves up to sports, and dined on pancakes, Shrove Tuesday being Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, or the first day of Lent.

SHUMLA, or **SHUMNA**, a fortified city of Bulgaria, 80 m. SE. of Rusechuk; has an arsenal and barracks, is an important strategical centre between the Lower Danube and the East Balkans.

SHYLOCK, the Jew pauper in Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice."

SIAM, occupies the central portion of the Indo-Chinese peninsula, wedged in between Annam and Cambodia (E.) and Burma (W.), and extending down into the Malay Peninsula; the wide Gulf of Siam forms the southern boundary; the rich alluvial valleys of the Menam and the Mekhong produce great quantities of rice (chief export), teak-wood, hemp, tobacco, and cotton, but of the land surface only about one-twentieth is cultivated, a large portion of the rest lying under forest and jungle; the Siamese are indolent, ignorant, ceremonious, and the trade is mainly in the hands of the Chinese; the mining of gold, tin, and especially rubies and sapphires is also carried on. Buddhism is the national religion, and elementary education is well advanced; government is vested in a king and council of ministers; since Sir J. Bowring's treaty in 1856, opening up the country to European trade and influences, progress has been considerable in roads and railway, electric, telephonic, and postal communication. Bangkok (q.v.) is the capital. In 1893 a large tract of territory NE. of the Mekhong was ceded to France.

SIAMESE TWINS, male twins born in Siam, of Chinese parents, whose bodies were united by a fleshy band extended between corresponding breast-bones; were purchased from their mother and exhibited in Europe and America, realised a competency by their exhibitions, married, and settled in the States; having lost by the Civil War, they came over to London and exhibited, where they died, one 2½ hours after the other (1811-1874).

SIBBALD, **SIR ROBERT**, physician and naturalist, born in Edinburgh; established a botanic garden in that city, and was one of the founders of the Royal College of Physicians (1641-1722).

SIBERIA, a vast Russian territory in North Asia (one and a third times the size of Europe), stretching from the Ural Mountains (W.) to the seas of Behring, Okhotsk, and Japan (E.), bounded on the N. by the Arctic Ocean and on the S. by China and the Central Asiatic provinces of Russia; forms in the main an immense plain, sloping from the Altai and other mountain ranges on the S. to the dreary, ice-bound littoral on the N., drained by the northward-flowing Obi, Irtysh, Yenesei, Lena, &c., embracing every kind of soil, from the fertile, grain-growing plains of the S. and rich grazing steppe-land of the W. to the forest tracts and bogland of the N., and experiencing a variety of climates, but for the most part severely cold; hunting, fishing, and mining are the chief industries, with agriculture and stock-raising in the S. and W. The great Trans-Siberian Railway, started in 1891, opened up the country, which is divided into eight "governments," the

chief towns being Tomsk, Irkutsk, Omak, and Tobolsk; three-fifths of the population are Russians, chiefly exiles and descendants of exiles. Russian advance in Asia against the Tartars was begun in 1850, and was carried on by warlike Cossack marauders, followed by hunters, droves of escaping serfs, and persecuted religious sects.

SIBYL, the name given to a woman, or rather to a number of women, much fabled in antiquity, regarded by Ruskin as representing the voice of God in nature, and, as such, endowed with visionary prophetic power, or what in the Highlands of Scotland is called "second-sight"; the most famous of the class being the Sibyl of Cumae, who offered King Tarquin of Rome nine books for sale, which he refused on account of the exorbitant sum asked for them, and again refused after she had burnt three of them, but in the end paid what was originally asked for the three remaining, which he found to contain oracular utterances bearing on the worship of the gods and the policy of Rome. These, after being entrusted to keepers, were afterwards burned, and the contents replaced by a commission appointed to collect them in the countries around, to share the same fate as the original collection. The name is applied in medieval times to figures representative of the prophets who foretold the coming of Christ; the prophets so represented were reckoned sometimes 10, sometimes 12 in number; they are, says Fairholt, "of tall stature, full of vigour and moral energy; the costume rich but conventional, ornamented with pearls and precious stones."

SICILIAN VESPER, the name given to a massacre of the French in Sicily at the hour of vespers on the eve of Easter Monday in 1282, the signal for the commencement being the first stroke of the vesper bell; the massacre included men and women and children to the number of 8000 souls, and was followed by others throughout the island.

SICILY, the largest island in the Mediterranean, lying off the SW. extremity of Italy, to which it belongs, and from which it is separated by the narrow strait of Messina, 2 m. broad; the three extremities of the triangular configuration form (Cape Faro (N.E.), Capo di S. and Capo di W.); its mountainous interior culminates in the volcanic Etna, and numerous streams rush swiftly down the thickly wooded valleys; the coast-lands are exceptionally fertile, growing (although agricultural methods are extremely primitive) excellent crops of wheat and barley, as well as an abundance of fruit; sulphur-mining is an important industry, and large quantities of the mineral are exported, enjoys a fine, equable climate, but malaria is in parts endemic; the inhabitants are a mixed—Greek, Italian, and Arabic,—race, and differ considerably in language and appearance from Italians proper; are ill-governed, and as a consequence discontented and backward, even brigandage not yet being entirely suppressed. Palermo, the largest city, is situated on the precipitous N. coast. As part of the "Kingdom of the Two Sicilies," comprising Sicily and Naples, it was overrun by Garibaldi in 1860, and in the same year was incorporated with the kingdom of Italy.

SICKERT, **WALTER RICHARD**, British artist. The son of a painter, he was a pupil of Whistler in his youth, but after going to Paris he came under the influence of Degas and the Impressionists. Scenes of low life were his speciality, and he excelled in painting interiors. In 1924 he was made an A.R.A., and in 1928 President of the Royal Society of British Artists (1860-).

SICKINGEN, **FRANZ VON**, a German free-lance, a man of knightly spirit and great prowess; had often a large following. Götze von Berlichingen of the number, and joined the cause of the Reformation; lost his life by a musket-shot when besieged in the castle of Landstuhl; he was a warm friend of Ulrich von Hutten (1481-1523).

SICYON, a celebrated city of ancient Greece, was situated near the Corinthian Gulf, 7 m. NW. of Corinth; was an important centre of Grecian art, especially of bronze sculptures and painting; in the time of Aratus (251 B.C.) figured as one of the chief cities of the Achaean League; only a few remains now mark its site.

SIDDONS, SARAH, the greatest tragic actress of England, born in Brecon, the daughter and eldest child of *Rosier Kemble*, manager of an itinerant theatrical company; became early a member of her father's company, and at 19 married an actor named Siddons who belonged to it; her first appearance in Drury Lane as Portia in 1775 was a failure, by 1782 her fame was established, after which she joined her brother, John Kemble, at Covent Garden, and continued to act there till her retirement in 1812; she was distinguished in many parts, above all as Lady Macbeth, in which character she took farewell of the stage; she appeared once again in London after this in 1815, for the benefit of her brother Charles, and again a few nights in Edinburgh in aid of a widowed daughter-in-law (1755-1831).

SIDEREAL DAY, the period elapsing between two successive transits of the meridian by a star; it is approximately 23 hours 56 minutes; *sideral time* is reckoned from the moment when the first point of Aries crosses the meridian.

SIDEREAL YEAR, the period during which the earth makes a revolution in its orbit with respect to the stars.

SIDGWICK, HENRY, writer on ethics, born in Shilpton, Yorkshire; professor of Moral Philosophy at Cambridge; author of "Methods of Ethics," being a compromise between the intuitionists and utilitarians, "The Principles of Political Economy," and the "Elements of Politics"; he held a high place in all these three studies (1818-1900).

SIDLAU HILLS, a range of hills extending from Kinnoull Hill, near Perth, N.E. to Brechin, in Forfarshire; most interesting point Dunsinane (1114 ft.).

SIDMOUTH, a pretty watering-place on the S. Devonshire coast, 14 m. ESE. of Exeter, lies snugly between high cliffs at the mouth of a small stream, the Sid; is an ancient place, and revived in popularity on the opening of the railway; has a fine promenade.

SIDMOUTH, HENRY ADDINGTON, VISCOUNT, statesman, born in London, the son of a physician; studied at Oxford, and was called to the bar, but gave up law for politics; entered Parliament in 1783, and was Speaker from 1789 till 1801, in which year, after the fall of Pitt over Catholic emancipation, he formed a ministry, assuming himself the offices of First Lord of the Treasury and Chancellor of the Exchequer. This ministry of the "King's Friends" went out of office in 1804, after negotiating the Peace of Amiens (1802), and in subsequent governments of Pitt Sidmouth held various offices, being an unpopular Home Secretary from 1812 to 1821; created viscount in 1805 (1757-1844).

SIDNEY, or SYDNEY, ALGERNON, a noted politician and soldier of extreme republican views, second son of Robert, second Earl of Leicester, and nephew of Sir Philip Sidney (q.v.); first came into public notice in 1641-1642 by his gallant conduct as leader of a troop of horse in the Irish Rebellion; came over to England in 1643, joined the Parliamentarians, rose to a colonelcy and command of a regiment in 1645; was subsequently governor of Dublin and of Dover (1647), entered Parliament (1646), and although appointed one of the commissioners to try Charles I., absented himself from the proceedings, but afterwards approved of the execution; withdrew from politics during Cromwell's Protectorate, but on the reinstating of the Long Parliament (1659) became a member of the Council of State; was on a diplomatic mission to Denmark when the Restoration took place, and till his parol in 1677 led a wandering life on the Continent; intrigued with Louis XIV. against Charles II., assisted William Penn in drawing up the republican constitution of Pennsylvania, was on trumped-up evidence tried for complicity in the Rye House Plot and summarily sentenced to death by Judge Jeffreys, the injustice of his execution being evidenced by the reversal of his attainder in 1689 (1622-1683).

SIDNEY, SIR PHILIP, poet, and one of the most attractive figures at Elizabeth's court; born in Penshurst, Kent, the son of Sir Henry Sidney, lord-deputy of Ireland; quitted Oxford in 1572, and in the manner of the time finished his education by a period of Continental travel, from which he

returned imbued with the love of Italian literature; took his place at once in the court of Elizabeth, his uncle, the Earl of Leicester, being then high in favour, and received rapid promotion, being sent as ambassador in 1576 to the court of Vienna; nor was his favour with the queen impaired by his bold "Remonstrance" against her projected marriage with the Duke of Anjou, and in 1583 he was knighted; two years later, "lest she should lose the jewel of her dominions," the queen forbade him to accompany Drake to the West Indies, and appointed him governor of Flushing, but in the following year he received his death-wound at the battle of Zutphen gallantly leading a troop of Netherlands against the Spaniards; his fame as an author rests securely on his euphuistic prose romance "Arcadia," his critical treatise "The Defence of Poesy," and above all on his exquisite sonnet series "Astrophel and Stella," in which he sings the story of his hapless love for Penelope Devereux, who married Lord Rich; was the friend of Edmund Spenser, and the centre of an influential literary circle (1554-1586).

SIDNEY STREET SIEGE, an affair in the East-end of London in January, 1911, when two armed alien criminals held the police at bay from a barricaded house. Winston Churchill, then Home Secretary, personally intervened, and called out troops and artillery to storm the house, which eventually caught fire and trapped the hunted men.

SIDON, an ancient Phœnician city on the E. of the Mediterranean, 20 m. N. of Tyre, with an extensive commerce; was famed for its glass and purple dye; also suffered many a reverse of fortune.

SIEBENBURGE, a range of hills on the right bank of the Rhine, 20 m. above Köln, distinguished by its seven high peaks.

SIEGFRIED, a hero of various Scandinavian and Teutonic legends, and especially of the "Nibelungen Lied" (q.v.), was rendered invulnerable by bathing in the blood of a dragon which he had slain, except at a spot on his body which had been covered by a falling leaf; he wore a cloak which rendered him invisible, and wielded a miraculous sword named Balmung (q.v.); figures as Sigurd in the Scandinavian sagas.

SIEMENS, SIR CHARLES WILLIAM (Karl Wilhelm), younger brother of the following, born in Lenthe, Hanover, like his brother took to science, and in 1844 settled in England, naturalising in 1859; was manager of the English branch of the Siemens Brothers firm, and did much to develop electric lighting and traction (Portsmouth Electric Tramway); his inventive genius was productive of a heat-economising furnace, a water-meter, pyrometer, bathometer, &c.; took an active part in various scientific societies; was President of the British Association (1882), and received a knighthood in 1883 (1823-1883).

SIEMENS, WERNER VON, a celebrated German electrician and inventor, born in Lenthe, Hanover; served in the Prussian artillery, and rendered valuable services in developing the telegraphic system of Prussia; patented a process for electroplating in gold and silver, and was the first to employ electricity in exploding submarine mines; retired from the army in 1840, and with Halske established a business in Berlin for telegraphic and electrical apparatus, which has become notable throughout the world, having branches in several cities; made many contributions to electrical science; was ennobled in 1888 (1816-1892).

SIEŃKIEWICZ, HENRYK, Polish novelist; author of "Quo Vadis?" a novel of Roman times, and of several romances of his own country inspired by a deep patriotic spirit (1846-1916).

SIENNA, or **SIENA**, an interesting old Italian city of much importance during the Middle Ages, in Central Italy, 60 m. S. of Florence; is still surrounded by its ancient wall, and contains several fine Gothic structures, notably its cathedral (13th century) and municipal palace; has a university and institute of fine arts; silk and cloth weaving, and a wine and oil trade are the chief industries.

SIERRA, the name given by the Spaniards to a range of mountains with a saw-like ridge.

SIERRA LEONE, a British maritime colony since 1787, on the W. coast of Africa, having a foreshore

of 180 m. between *Riviera du Sud* (N.) and *Liberia* (S.); includes the peninsula of *Sierra Leone* proper with its densely wooded *Sugar-Loaf Mountain*, and a number of coast islands, and stretches back to a highland eastern frontier ill defined; the climate is hot, humid, and unhealthy; has been called "The White Man's Grave"; is fertile, but not well exploited by the indolent negro population, half of whom are descendants from freed slaves; ground-nuts, kola-nuts, ginger, hides, and palm-oil, are the principal exports. *Freetown* (q.v.) is the capital. The executive power is exercised by a governor and council of five.

SIERRA MADRE, the main cordillera system of Mexico, extending in a northerly direction to Arizona, and forming the western buttress of a fertile plateau stretching eastwards; to the W. the States of Sinaloa and Sonora slope downwards to the sea.

SIERRA MORENA, a mountain chain in South Spain, forming the watershed between the valleys of the *Guadiana* (N.) and *Guadalquivir* (S.); has valuable deposits of lead, silver, quicksilver, and other metals.

SIERRA NEVADA, (1) a mountain range in South Spain, 60 m. in length; lies for the most part in Granada, crossing the province E. and W. in bold, rugged lines, and clad on its higher parts with perpetual snow, whence the name. *Mulhacén* (12,762 ft.) is the highest peak. (2) A mountain system in California, stretching NW. and SE. 450 m., and forming the eastern buttress of the Great Central Valley; highest peak *Mount Whitney* (14,986 ft.). (3) A lofty mountain group in Colombia, South America, stretching NE. almost to the borders of Venezuela.

SIEYÈS, EMMANUEL JOSEPH, COMTE, known as the "Abbe," a conspicuous figure all through the French Revolution, the Consulate, and the Empire, who thought in his simplicity that the salvation of France and the world at large depended on sound political institutions. In the drafting of which he spent his life: was born in *Frejus*, of the bourgeoisie class; represented *Paris* in the *States-General*; sat in the *Centre* in the *Legislative Assembly*; renounced the Christian religion in favour of the *Golden Reason*; projected a constitution which was rejected; supported *Napoleon*; fled to *Belgium* on the return of the *Bourbons*, and returned to France in 1830, by which time he was politically defunct (1748-1836).

SIGISMUND, emperor of Germany, son of the Emperor *Charles IV.*, was markgrave of *Brandenburg*, king of *Hungary*, and palatine of the *Rhine*; struggled hard to suppress the *Hussites*; held the Council of *Constance*, and gave *Huss* (q.v.) a safe-conduct to his doom; he is the "Super Grammarian" of *Carlyle's* "Frederick" (1388-1437).

SIGISMUND, the name of three kings of Poland, the last of whom died in 1632.

SIGNORELLI, LUCA, the precursor of *Michael Angelo* in Italian art, born in *Cortona*; studied at *Arezzo* under *Piero della Francesca*, and became distinguished for the accurate anatomy of his figures and for the grandeur and originality of design exhibited in his admirable frescoes of religious subjects at *Loretto*, *Orvieto*, and elsewhere (1441-1523).

SIGOURNEY, MRS. LYDIA HOWARD HUNTLEY, American authoress, was a prolific writer; wrote tales, poems, essays, chiefly on moral and religious subjects; was called the American *Hemans* (1791-1865).

SIGURD. See **SIEGFRIED**.

SIKHS (lit. disciples), a native religious and military community, scattered, to the number of nearly two millions, over the *Punjab*, and forming some fifteen States dependent on the *Punjab* government; founded (1669) by *Baber Nanak* as a religious monotheistic sect purified from the grosser native superstitions and practices, was organized on a military footing in the 17th century, and in the 18th century acquired a territorial status, ultimately being consolidated into a powerful military confederacy by *Ranjit Singh*, who, at the beginning of the 19th century, extended his power over a wider territory. In 1845-1846 they crossed their E. boundary, the *Sutlej*, and invaded English posses-

sions, but were defeated by *Gough* and *Hardinge*, and had to cede a considerable portion of their territory; a second war in 1848-1849 ended in the annexation of the entire *Punjab*, since when the *Sikhs* have been the faithful allies of the English, notably in the *Indian Mutiny* and the *Great War*.

SIKKIM, a small native State in North-East India, lying on the southern slopes of the *Himalayas*, between *Nepal* (W.) and *Rhutan* (E.); under British protection; the ruling family being *Buddhist*, and of *Tibetan* descent.

SILAGE, the name given to green fodder, vegetables, &c., stored in stacks or pits (or silos) under heavy pressure, the process being known as *ensilage*. The practice of thus preserving green crops for fodder dates from earliest times, but its general adoption in Britain only began in 1882, since when its spread has been rapid. Originally the process in vogue involved slight fermentation, resulting in "sour silage," but in 1884 it was found that by delaying the application of pressure for a day or two a rise of temperature took place sufficiently great to destroy the bacteria producing fermentation, the result being "sweet silage." Both kinds are readily eaten by cattle.

SILENUS, a satyr who attended *Dionysus*, being his foster father and teacher; assisted in the war of the giants, and slew *Enceladus*; had the gift of *valuation*; is represented as mounted on an ass and supported by other satyrs.

SILESIA, a territory divided between *Prussia*, *Poland*, and *Czechoslovakia*; the Oder flows NW. through the heart of the country, dividing the thickly forested and in parts marshy lands of the N. and E. from the mountainous and extremely fertile W.; rich coal-fields lie to the S., and zinc is also a valuable product; agriculture and the breeding of cattle, horses, and sheep flourish, as also the manufacture of cottons and linens; *Breslau* is the capital; for long under the successive dominions of *Poland* and *Bohemia*, the *Silesian* duchies became, in the 18th century, a *cassis belli* between *Austria* and *Prussia*, resulting in the *Seven Years' War* (q.v.) and the ultimate triumph of *Frederick the Great* of *Prussia*, the country remaining German until 1919.

SILHOUETTE, name given to the profile of a portrait filled in with black; a design familiar to the ancients, and in vogue in France during the reign of *Louis XV.*; the name is derived from *Etienne de Silhouette*, a minister of finance under *Louis*, either in derision because of his ineptitude or because he encouraged the revival of the process.

SILICA, the oxide of *silicon*, is found in most of the minerals which are common in igneous and sedimentary rocks in the form of the silicates of soda, potash, alumina, and lime (e.g. *felspar*, &c.), silica itself is found in many varieties, e.g. *quartz*, *chalcedony*, *jasper*, *agate*, and *flint*; silica is the main constituent of glass; the silicate of soda is known as "water-glass."

SILISTRIA, a town of *Bulgaria*, on the *Danube*, 70 m. below *Rustchuk*; occupies a fine strategic position, and is strongly fortified; withstood successfully a 39 days' siege by the *Russians* during the *Crimean War*; cloth and leather are the chief manufactures.

SILIUS ITALICUS, a Roman poet; was consul in the year of *Nero's* death, his chief work being an epic "Punica," relating the events of the *Second Punic War*.

SILKWORM, the larva of a species of moth native to China, but cultivated in other parts of Asia, and in Italy and France; silkworms feed chiefly on mulberry leaves.

SILLIMAN, BENJAMIN, American chemist and geologist, born in *North Stratford* (now *Trumbull*), *Connecticut*; graduated at *Yale*, and was called to the bar in 1802, but in the same year threw up law for science; became professor of *Chemistry* at *Yale*, a position he held for 50 years (till 1853); did much to stimulate the study of chemistry and geology by lectures throughout the States; founded (1818) the *American Journal of Science*, and was for 28 years its editor; during 1853-1855 was lecturer on *Geology* at *Yale*; his writings include "Journals of Travels in *England*, *Holland*, and *Scotland*" (1779-1864). *Benjamin Silliman*, son of preceding, also an active scientist along his father's

lines; founded the Yale School of Science, and filled the chair of Chemistry at Louisville (1849-1854) and at Yale (till 1869); was co-editor of the *Journal of Science* (1845-1885), and wrote various popular text-books of chemistry and physics (1816-1885).

SILLOTH, a watering-place of Cumberland, on the Moyle Firth, 20 m. W. of Carlisle, has good docks and an increasing commerce.

SILURES, one of the ancient British tribes occupying the SE. of Wales; conjectured to be of Non-Aryan stock, and akin to the Iberians; offered a heroic resistance to the invading Romans.

SILURIAN, the name given to the Palaeozoic rocks lying between the Ordovician and the Devonian; in the British Isles deposits of this age are found in South Wales, the Welsh border, and Southern Scotland, and include the Wenlock limestone and Ludlow slates; the first true fish appeared in Silurian times, but the characteristic fossils are echiuroids, so that this period is known as the age of sea-lilies.

SILVANUS, an Italian divinity, the guardian of trees, fields, and husbandmen, identified with the Greek Pan; represented as a hale, happy, old man.

SILVER, a white lustrous metal which is a good conductor of heat and electricity; the most important silver ores occur in North and South America and Australia; it is found in many lead ores, from which it can be recovered by Pattinson's or Parkes's process; sterling silver, as used for British coins before 1919, contains 75 per cent. of copper; the coins minted after that date contain a large proportion of copper and nickel.

SILVER AGE, the age in the Greek mythology in succession to the Golden; gold being viewed as the reality, and silver the idle reflection. See **AGES** and **GOLDEN AGE**.

SIMON, CHARLES, British preacher. A Fellow of King's College, Cambridge, and a vicar in the town, his evangelical sermons attracted widespread attention; it was in part owing to his influence that the Church Missionary Society was founded (1789-1836).

SIMON, ST., the aged sower who received the infant Christ in his arms as He was presented to the Lord by His mother in the Temple; usually so represented in Christian art.

SIMON STYLITES, famous as one of the Pillar Saints (q.v.).

SIMFEROPOL, a town in the Crimea, 49 m. N.E. of Sebastopol; surrounded by gardens, orchards, and vineyards; exports a great quantity of fruit.

SIMLA, the chief town of a district in the Punjab, and since 1864 the summer headquarters of the British Government in India; beautifully situated on the wooded southern slopes of the Himalayas, 7156 ft. above sea-level, and 170 m. N. of Delhi; has a cool and equable climate, and possesses two viceregal palaces, government buildings, and many beautiful villas.

SIMMS, WILLIAM GILMORE, a prolific American writer, born in Charleston, South Carolina; turned from law to literature; engaged in journalism for some years, and found favour with the public as a writer of poems, novels, biographies, &c., in which he displays a gift for rapid, vivid narrative, and vigour of style; "Southern Passages and Pictures" contains characteristic examples of his poetry, and of his novels "The Yemassee," "The Partisan," and "Beauchamp" may be mentioned (1806-1870).

SIMON, RT. HON. SIR JOHN, British lawyer and politician. One of the most brilliant men of his day at the commercial bar, he entered the House of Commons as a Liberal in 1906, became Solicitor-General in 1910, Attorney-General in 1913, and Home Secretary in 1915. He served for a while in France during the Great War as a major, and in 1927 was appointed chairman of the commission set up to inquire into the future of India's system of government (1878-).

SIMON, JULES, French statesman and distinguished writer on social, political, and philosophic subjects, born in Lorient; succeeded Cousin in the chair of Philosophy at the Sorbonne; entered the Chamber of Deputies in 1848; lost his post at the Sorbonne in 1852 for refusing to take the oath of allegiance

to Napoleon III.; subsequently became Minister of Education under Thiers (1871-1873), a life-senator in 1875, and in 1876 Republican Prime Minister; later more conservative in his attitude, he edited the *Echo Universel*, and was influential as a member of the Supreme Educational Council, and as permanent secretary of the Academy of Moral and Political Sciences; his voluminous works include treatises on "Liberty," "Natural Religion," "Education," "Labour," &c., and various philosophic and political essays (1814-1896).

SIMON, RICHARD, a celebrated French Biblical scholar, born in Dieppe, entered the Congregation of the Oratory in 1659, and became professor of Philosophy at the College of Julliy; was summoned to Paris, and under orders of his superiors spent some time in cataloguing the Oriental MSS. in the library of the Oratory; his free criticisms and love of controversy got him into trouble with the Port-Royalists and the Benedictines, and the heterodoxy of his "Histoire Critique du Vieux Testament" (1678) brought about his withdrawal to Belleville, where he remained as curé till 1682, when he retired to Dieppe to continue his work on Old and New Testament criticism; he ranks as among the first to deal with the scriptural writings as literature, and he anticipated not a few of the later German theories (1635-1712).

SIMON COMMISSION, the body appointed in 1927 to inquire into and report upon the future of the system of Indian government; it was named after its chairman, Sir John Simon (q.v.).

SIMON MAGUS, a sorcerer, one who by his profession of magic aggrandised himself at the expense of the people of Samaria, and who, when he saw the miracles wrought by the Apostles, and St. Peter in particular, offered them money to confer the like power on himself; Peter's well-known answer was not without effect on him, but it was only temporary, for he afterwards appeared in Rome and continued to impose upon the people so as to persuade them to believe him as an incarnation of the Most High. Hence Simon, the sin of making gain by the buying or selling of spiritual privileges for one's material profit.

SIMONIDES OF AMORGOS, a Greek poet who flourished in the 7th century B.C.; dealt in gnome and satire, among the latter on the different classes of women.

SIMONIDES OF CEOS, one of the most celebrated lyric poets of Greece; spent most of his life in Athens, employed his poetic powers in celebrating the events and heroes of the Persian wars; gained over Aschylus the prize for an elegy on those who fell at Marathon; composed epigrams over the tombs of the Spartans who fell at Thermopylae, and in his eightieth year was crowned victor at Athens; shortly after this was invited by Hiero to Syracuse, at whose court he died; his poetry was distinguished at once for sweetness and finish; he was a philosopher as well as a poet (556-487 B.C.).

SIMOOM, a hot, dry wind-storm common to the arid regions of Africa, Arabia, and parts of India; the storm moves in cyclone (circular) form, carrying clouds of dust and sand, and produces on men and animals a suffocating effect.

SIMPLON, a mountain in the Swiss Alps, in the canton of Valais, traversed by the famous Simplon Pass (8594 ft. high), which stretches 41 m. from Brig in Valais to Domod'Osola in Piedmont, passing over 611 bridges and through many great tunnels, built by Napoleon 1800-1806. A railway tunnel 124 m. long was first opened in 1906, a second being put into service in 1921.

SIMPSON, SIR JAMES YOUNG, physician, born, the son of a baker, in Bathurst, Lincolnshire; graduated M.D. at Edinburgh in 1832; was assistant to the professor of Pathology and one of the Presidents of the Royal Medical Society before his election to the chair of Midwifery in 1840; as an obstetrician his improvements and writings won him wide repute, which became European on his introduction of the use of chloroform in 1847; was one of Queen Victoria's physicians, and was created a baronet in 1866; published "Obstetric Memoirs," "Archaeological Essays," &c. (1811-1870).

KARL JOSEPH, German scholar and poet, born in Bonn; studied at Bonn and Berlin, where he became imbued with a love for old German literature, in connection with which he did his best-known work; modernised the "Nibelungen Lied" (1827), and after his withdrawal from the Prussian service gave himself to his favourite study, becoming professor of Old German in 1850, and popularising and stimulating inquiry into the old national writings by volumes of translations, collections of folk-songs, stories, &c.; was also author of several volumes of original poetry (1802-1870).

SIMS, CHARLES, British artist. Born in Islington, he started his career in business in Paris, later studied in South Kensington, in France, and in the Royal Academy school, and first exhibited at the Academy in 1894; in 1900 he was made an A.R.A., and in 1910 an R.A.; in 1920 he became Keeper of the Academy. His best-known works were the portrait of the Countess of Rocksavage and her son, the picture of the year in 1922, and his portrait of King George V., which aroused a storm of criticism in 1924, and which he withdrew from the Academy. Towards the end of his life he began painting in a mystic vein, suffered from ill-health, and was found drowned in the Tweed (1873-1928).

SIMS, GEORGE ROBERT, playwright and novelist, born in London; was for a number of years on the staff of *Fun*, also a contributor to the *Referee* and *Weekly Dispatch*, making his mark by his humorous and pathetic Dagonet ballads and stories; was a busy writer of popular plays (e.g., "The Lights of London," "The Komany Bye") and novels (e.g., "Rogues and Vagabonds," "Dramas of Life"); contributed noteworthy letters to the *Daily News* on the condition of the London poor (1847-1922).

SIMS, WILLIAM SOWDEN, American admiral. Born in Canada, he entered the American navy in 1879. After holding important naval posts he was made during the latter stages of the Great War commander of the American navy in Europe (1888-).

SIMSON, ROBERT, mathematician, born in Ayrshire; abandoned his intention of entering the Church and devoted himself to the congenial study of mathematics, of which he became professor in the university at Glasgow (1711), a position he held for 50 years; was the author of the well-known "Elements of Euclid," but is most celebrated as the first restorer of Euclid's lost treatise on "Porisms" (1687-1768).

SINAL MOUNT, one of a range of three mountains on the peninsula between the Gulf of Suez and the Gulf of Akaba, at the head of the Red Sea, from the summit or slopes of which Moses is said to have received the Ten Commandments at the hands of Jehovah.

SINGLAIR, name of a Scottish family of Norman origin whose founder obtained from David I. the grant of Roslin, near Edinburgh.

SINGLAIR, SIR JOHN, philanthropist and statistician, born at Thurro Castle, bred to the bar; succeeding to the family estate devoted himself to his duties as a landed proprietor; sat for different constituencies in Parliament; published in 1784 "History of the Revenue of the British Empire," and in 1791-1799, in 21 vols., "Statistical Account of Scotland" (1754-1835).

SINGLAIR, UPTON, American novelist. An ardent Socialist, he produced a number of books, but is known chiefly as the author of "The Jungle" and "They Call Me Carpenter" (1878-).

SIND, SINDEH, or SCINDE, a province of North-West India, in the Presidency of Bombay; extends from Beluchistan and Punjab (N.) to the Indian Ocean and Mann of Cutch (S.); traversed by the Indus, whose delta it includes, and whose broad alluvial valley-tracts yield abundant crops of wheat, barley, hemp, rice, and cotton, which are exported, and give employment to the majority of the people; N. and E. are wide stretches of desert-land, and in the S. are the Hala Mountains; was annexed to the British possessions after the victories of Sir Charles Napier in 1843; chief city and port is Karachi.

SINDBAD, a character in the "Arabian Nights" who made seven wonderful voyages, the adventures of

which he relates; said to have been founded on an actual Arabian traveller of the 9th century.

SINDIA, the hereditary title of the Mahratta dynasty in Gwalior, Central India, founded in 1788 by Ranojee Sindia, who rose from being slipper-bearer to the position of hereditary prime minister of the Mahrattas; these princes, both singly and in combination with other Mahratta powers, offered determined resistance to the British, but in 1803 the confederated Mahratta power was broken by Sir Arthur Wellesley, and a large portion of their territory passed into British hands. Gwalior having been restored (1805), and retaken in 1844, the Sindia dynasty was reinstated under a more stringent treaty, and Baji Rao Sindia proved faithful during the Mutiny, receiving various marks of good-will from the British; was succeeded by his adopted son, a child of six, in 1886.

SINGAPORE, (1) the most important of the British Straits Settlements (q.v.); consists of the island of Singapore and upwards of 60 islets, off the southern extremity of the Malay Peninsula, from which it is separated by a narrow strait (2 to 4 in. broad); is hot, humid, and low-lying, yet healthy, and possessing a fertile soil which grows all kinds of spices, fruits, sugar-cane, coffee, &c.; purchased by the British in 1824. (2) Capital and port, on the Strait of Singapore, close to the equator; the chief emporium of trade with the East Indies and South-Eastern Asia generally; is a picturesque and handsome town, strongly fortified, and an important naval coaling station and depot, with spacious harbour and docks. A large floating naval dock was placed here in 1927 at a cost of several million pounds, the Dominions contributing towards the cost.

SINN FEIN, an Irish republican movement, whose name means "Ourselves Alone," which came into being early this century. It first became powerful during the Great War, under P. H. Pearse staged a rebellion in Dublin in Easter, 1916, and progressed under De Valera (q.v.), who became its leader in 1917. The movement organised the Irish Republican Army, which waged war against the British troops till 1922, and only lost its power when the establishment of the Irish Free State split its own ranks.

SINOLOGY, the science treating of the language, literature, laws, and history of the Chinese.

SINON, a wily Greek who beguiled the Trojans and persuaded them to admit the Wooden Horse into the city, to its ruin.

SINOPE, a seaport of Turkey in Asia, situated on a narrow isthmus connecting with the mainland the rocky headland of Cape Sinope which projects into the Black Sea, 350 n. N.E. of Constantinople; possesses two fine harbours, naval arsenal, and Byzantine ruins; an ancient Greek town, the birth-place of Diogenes, and capital of Mithridates; it was captured by the Turks in 1461, who themselves in 1853 suffered a disastrous naval defeat in the Bay of Sinope at the hands of the Russians.

SION, capital of the Swiss canton of Valais, on the Rhine, 42 n. E. of Lausanne; is a medieval town, with an old Gothic cathedral and in the neighbourhood ruined castles.

SIOUT, or ASSIUT, capital of Upper Egypt; commands a fine view near the Nile, 200 n. N. of Cairo; has a few imposing mosques and a government palace; is a caravan station, and noted for its red and black pottery; occupies the site of the ancient city of Lycopolis.

SIoux, or DAKOTA INDIANS, a North American Indian tribe, once spread over the territory lying between Lake Winnipeg (N.) and the Arkansas River (S.), but since confined chiefly to South Dakota and Nebraska. Failure on the part of the United States Government to observe certain treaty conditions led to a great uprising of the Sioux in 1862, which was only put down at a great cost of blood and treasure; conflicts also took place in 1876 and 1890, the Indians finding in their chief, Sitting Bull, a determined and skilful leader.

SIRDAR, the title of the commander-in-chief in Egypt.

SIREN, an instrument for measuring the number of aerial vibrations per second, and thereby the pitch of a given note.

SIRENS, in the Greek mythology a class of nymphs who were fabled to lure the passing sailor to his ruin by the fascination of their music; Ulysses, when he passed the beach where they were sitting, had his ears stuffed with wax and himself lashed to the mast till he was at a safe distance from the influence of their charm. Orpheus, however, as he passed them in the Argonautic expedition so surpassed their music by his melodious notes, that in very shame they flung themselves into the sea and were changed into boulders.

SIRIUS, or **THE DOG-STAR**, the brightest star in the heavens, one of the stars of the Southern constellation of *Canis Major*; is calculated to have a bulk 12 times that of the sun, and to give 70 times as much light. See **DOG-DAYS**.

SIRKAR, a name used in India to designate the government.

SIROCCO. See **SIMOOM**.

SISMONDI, **JEAN CHARLES LEONARD SIMONDE DE**, celebrated Swiss historian, born in Geneva; son of a Protestant clergyman of Italian descent; the family fortune was lost in the troublous days of the French Revolution, and exile in England and Italy followed, but in 1800 Sismondi returned to Geneva, and having received a municipal appointment gave himself to literary pursuits; the works which have established his reputation are his great histories of "The Italian Republics in the Middle Ages," "European Literature," and "A History of the French"; wrote also on political economy (1773-1842).

SISTINE CHAPEL, celebrated chapel of the Vatican at Rome, constructed by order of Pope Sixtus IV., and decorated with frescoes by Michael Angelo, representing a succession of Biblical subjects, including among others the "Creation of the World," the "Creation of Man," the "Creation of Woman," the "Temptation of Eve," the "Deluge," "Judith and Holofernes," "David and Goliath," and "The Last Judgment."

SISTOVA, a town of Bulgaria, on the Danube, 33 m. above Rustchuk; carries on trade in wine, leather, and cereals; was captured by the Russians in 1877.

SISYPHUS, a mythical king of Corinth, who, for some offence he gave the gods, was carried off to the nether world, and there doomed to roll a huge block up a hill, which no sooner reached the top than it bounded back again, making his toil endless.

SITKA, or **NEW ARCHANGEL**, capital of Alaska, on the W. coast of Baranof Island, overhung by snowy mountains; has a good harbour; salmon fishing and curing the chief employment of most of the inhabitants, mostly Indians.

SITTING BULL, a famous chief of the Sioux (*q.v.*); came into conflict with the American government over land disputes, proclaimed war and defeated General Custer in the Valley of the Little Big Horn, 1876; with his followers crossed the border into Canadian territory, but some years later surrendered on terms to the U.S. authorities.

SIVA, or **DIVA**, the Destroyer in the Hindu trinity, in which Brahma is the Creator and Vishnu the Preserver; Vishnu representing, as it were, death issuing in life, and Siva life issuing in death, the transition point and Brahma, who, by means of them, "kills that he may make alive." He is worshipped as "Mahadeva" or the great god, and his worshippers are called Saivas or Caivas, as distinct from those of Vishnu, who are called Vaishnavas. The *linga* (*q.v.*) is his symbol, in emblem of the creation which follows destruction. See *Pashu* xc. 3.

SIVAJI, the founder of the Marhatta power in India, a bold warrior but an unlettered, of Rajput descent, brought up at Poona; began his career at 19; on his accession assumed the title of rajah in 1664, and was enthroned at Rajpur in 1674, and died sovereign of the whole Deccan (1627-1680).

SIX ARTICLES. See **BLOODY STATUTE**.

SIXTUS, the name of five Popes. **S. I.**, St., Pope from 116 to 125; **S. II.**, St., Pope from 257 to 259; **S. III.**, Pope from 432 to 440; **S. IV.**, Pope from 1471 to 1484; **S. V.**, Pope from 1585 to 1590; of whom only two are of any note.

SIXTUS IV., born near Savona, the son of a fisherman; became general of the Franciscans; suc-

ceeded Paul II. as Pope; was notorious for his nepotism; abetted Pazzi in his conspiracy against the Medici at Florence, but was a good administrator, and a man of liberal views (1414-1484).

SIXTUS V., born near Monalto, of poor parents, was of the Franciscan order, and famed as a preacher; was elected successor to Gregory XIII., during whose pontificate he affected infirmity, to reveal himself a vigorous pontiff as soon as he was installed; set himself at once to stamp out disorder, reform the administration, and replenish the exhausted treasury of the Church; he allowed freedom of worship to the Jews, and yet was zealous to put down all heresy in the Christian States of Europe, his services to Rome were not repaid with gratitude, for the citizens destroyed his statue on his death (1521-1590).

SIZAR, a poor student at the universities of Cambridge and Dublin, so called from the assize or allowance of food of which they were recipients out of the college buttry.

SEAGER-RACK, an arm of the North Sea stretching NE between Norway and Denmark, and connecting the Cattegat with the North Sea, 140 m. long and 70 broad, the deep water being on the Norwegian coast.

SKEAN-DHU, a small dirk which a Highlander wears in his stocking.

SKEAT, **WALTER WILLIAM**, English philologist, born in London; professor of Anglo-Saxon at Cambridge; author of "Etymological Dictionary of the English Language," and a great authority on early English literature; the first Director of the Dialect Society, established in 1873 (1835-1912).

SKEGGS, MISS, a character in the "Vicar of Wakefield," boastful for her aristocratic connections and delicacy of taste, but vulgar at bottom.

SKELTON, JOHN, early English satirist, his chief poetic works being "Why come ye not to Court," a satire against Wolsey; the "Book of Colin Clout," against the corruption of the Church; and the "Book of Phyllyp Sparrow," the grief of a nun for the death of her sparrow. Erasmus calls him "the glory and light of English letters" (*q.v.* 1160-1529).

SKENE, WILLIAM FORBES, Scottish historian, born in Kincardineshire, bred to law; devoted 40 years of his life to the study of the early, in particular the Celtic, periods of Scottish history, and was from 1881 historiographer for Scotland (1809-1892).

SKERRYVORE, a rock with a lighthouse, one of an extensive reef 10 m. W. of Tiree, on the west coast of Scotland; the light is a revolving one; is seen at a distance of over 18 nautical miles.

SKI-JUMPING, an athletic sport popular in Norway, Sweden, Germany, and Switzerland, in districts covered with snow, the ski are narrow boards, curved in front, and are used for travelling upon snow; in jumping contests great speed is attained by the performers, who "take off" from a platform near the top of a hill and make leaps of over 100 ft.

SKIDDAW, a mountain in Cumberland, 3054 ft. in height; is some 6 m. from Keswick, whence it is of easy ascent.

SKIMPOLE, HAROLD, a plausible character in Dickens's "Bleak House," who was in the habit of sponging on his friends; Leigh Hunt complained to the authors of the resemblances in the character to himself.

SKINNER, JOHN, author of "Tullochgorum" and other Scottish songs, born in Bervie, Aberdeenshire; originally a schoolmaster; became an Episcopal clergyman (1721-1807).

SKIPTON, a market town in Yorkshire, 26 m. NW. of Leeds; population largely engaged in agriculture; has manufactures of cotton and woollen goods.

SKOBELEFF, MICHAEL, a Russian general, distinguished himself by his bravery in the Russian service, particularly in the Russo-Turkish War of 1877-1878; was a leader in the Pan Slavist movement; died suddenly (1841-1882).

SKYE, next to Lewis the largest of the Hebride Islands, belongs to the Inner group, and is included in Inverness-shire, from the mainland of which it is separated by the narrow channel Kyle Rhea; has a deeply indented coastline, and a picturesquely diversified surface of mountain, moor, and loch;

the most notable features being the lofty Coolin Hills (highest point 3234 ft.), Loch Coruisk, Glen Slirachan, and the wild columnar height of basalt, the Quiraing; sheep and Highland cattle are raised, and valuable ling, cod, and herring fisheries are carried on in the coastal waters. Portree is the chief town and port.

SLADE, FELIX, antiquary and art-collector; left his art-collection to the British Museum, and money to found Slade professorships of art at Oxford, Cambridge, and London Universities (1790-1868).

SLADE SCHOOL, a school of art in Gower Street, London, attached to University College, named after Felix Slade (q.v.). Sir E. J. Poynter was its first professor, appointed in 1871, but Leys (q.v.) was the real founder of the school's greatness.

SLATE CLUBS, organisations among working men and women arranging for weekly contributions to be stored up till Christmas and paid out to members with interest; some handle sums running into thousands of pounds; they are old institutions, dating back to the days when the slate was the common means of recording transactions.

SLAVE COAST, the name given to the Bight of Benin, in West Africa, from Lagos to the Volta River.

SLAVONIA, a kingdom that at one time included Croatia and that lies between the Drave and the Military Frontier; now included in Jugoslavia.

SLAVS, an important branch of the Aryan race-stock, comprising a number of European peoples chiefly in East Europe, including the Russians, Bulgarians, Serbians, Bohemians, Poles, Croats, Moravians, Silesians, Pomeranians, &c. At the dawn of history we find them already settled in Europe, chiefly in the neighbourhood of the Carpathians, whence they spread N., S., and W., assuming their present position by the 7th century. They are estimated to number now 100,000,000, and the various languages spoken by them are notable, compared with the Teutonic and Celtic tongues, for their rich inflections.

SLAWKEN-BERGHIUS, an author quoted and referred to in "Tristram Shandy," distinguished by the length of his nose, and a great authority on the subject of noses.

SLEEPING BEAUTY, a princess who was by enchantment shut up to sleep 100 years in a castle surrounded by a dense forest, and was delivered from her trance at the end of that term by a prince, to admit whom the forest opened of itself. The story as we have it comes from Perrault's Fairy Tales, but it was probably founded on the Norse legend of Sigurd and Brynhild.

SLEIPNIR, in the Scandinavian mythology the horse of Odin, which had eight legs, as representing the wind with its eight principal "airs."

SLESWIG-HOLSTEIN, a province divided between Germany and Denmark, between the North Sea and the Baltic; various canals cross the country, bearing to the coast the export produce—corn and cattle; the land is highly cultivated, and fishing is an important industry on the Baltic coast; Kleveburg, the chief seaport, and Schleswig, the capital, are both situated on inlets of the Baltic; the latter lies 28 m. N.W. of Kiel, consists of a single street 3½ m. long, and possesses a fine Gothic cathedral with a notable altar-piece &c., the sections representing the history of the Passion of Christ. Annexed by Prussia in 1863, the northern part of it was restored to Denmark in 1919.

SLICK, SAM, a clockmaker and pedlar, a character illustrating Yankee peculiarities, and remarkable for his wit, his knowledge of human nature, and his use of "soft sawder"; a creation of Judge Halliburton (q.v.).

SLIGO, (1) a maritime county of North-West Ireland, in the province of Connaught; fronts the Atlantic on the N. between Mayo (W.) and Leitrim (E.). Roscommon forming the S. boundary; the land, sloping N. to the coast from the Ox Mountains, is chiefly under grass for cattle pasture, and divided into small holdings; Sligo Bay is a fine sheet of water, and in the S. and E. are the picturesque Loughs Arrow and Gill; the manufacture of coarse woollens and linens and fishing are the principal industries; the Moy, Owenmore, and Garroogue are navigable rivers. (2) The county town, at the

mouth of the Garroogue, 137 m. N.W. of Dublin; has ruins of a 13th-century Dominican abbey, a Roman Catholic cathedral, and exports cattle, corn, and butter.

SLOANE, SIR HANS, physician and naturalist, born in co. Down, Ireland, of Scottish descent; settled as a physician in London; attained the highest distinction as a professional man; his museum, which was a large one, of natural objects, books, and MSS. became by purchase the property of the nation, and formed the nucleus of the British Museum (1660-1753).

SLOJD, or **SLOYD**, a system of manual training in conjunction with book teaching, adopted to develop technical skill originally in the schools of Sweden and Finland; is education of the eye as well as of the hand.

SLOP, DOCTOR, a choleric physician in "Tristram Shandy."

SLOUGH OF DESPOND, a deep bog in the "Martin's Progress," into which Christian sinks under the weight of his sins and his sense of their guilt.

SLOVAKS, a Slavonic peasant people numbering some 2,000,000, subject to the crown of Hungary from the 11th century till 1919, and now included in Czechoslovakia.

SLOVENIANS, a Slavonic people akin to the Serbians and Croats, once included in Austro-Hungary, and now part of Jugoslavia.

SLOW-WORM, the blind-worm, a limbless lizard which, contrary to popular belief, possesses eyes. It is widely distributed throughout Europe, is nocturnal in habit and feeds mostly upon worms and slugs; the name slow-worm (O. E. sla- or slay-worm) arose from its confusion with the adder.

SLY, CHRISTOPHER, a drunken set of a tinker in the "Induction" to "Fanning of the Shrew."

SMART, CHRISTOPHER, English poet, born in Kent; was a Fellow of Cambridge and a friend of Johnson; author of the "Song to David", he was subject to insanity, and it was written during lucid intervals; was the author of a prose translation of Horace (1722-1771).

SMEATON, JOHN, civil engineer, born near Leeds; began life as a mathematical instrument maker; made improvements in mill-work, and gained the Copley Medal in 1758; visited the principal engineering works in Holland and Belgium; was entrusted with the rebuilding of Eddystone Lighthouse (q.v.) after it was in 1755 burnt down, which he finished in 1759; did other engineering work in the construction of canals, harbours, and mills, rising to the summit of his profession (1724-1792).

SMECTYMNUS, a pamphlet written in 1641, the title of which is made up of the initial letters of the names of the authors, Stephen Marshall, Edmund Calamy, Thomas Young, Matthew Newcannon, William Sparrow, Nonconformist ministers, who attacked Bishop Hall's defence of Episcopacy.

SMEEDLEY, FRANK, British novelist. His works, though of little lasting merit, had a great popularity in the middle of the 19th century: "Harry Coverdale's Courtesan" and "Lewis Arundel" were among his works, which were illustrated by "Philz" and Cruckshank (1818-1864).

SMELFUNGUS, a name given by Sterne to Smollett as author of a volume of "Travels through France and Italy," for the snarling abuse he heaps on the institutions and customs of the countries he visited; a name Carlyle assumes when he has any seriously severe criticisms to offer on things particularly that have gone or are going to the bad.

SMILES, SAMUEL, Scottish author, born in Haddington; was bred to medicine, and professed it for a time, but abandoned it for literary and other work; wrote the "Life of George Stephenson" in 1857, with other biographies, followed by "Self-Help" two years after (1812-1904).

SMITH, ADAM, political economist, born in Kirkcaldy, Fife; studied at Glasgow and Oxford, went to Edinburgh and became acquainted with David Hume and his *compères*; was appointed to the chair of Logic in Glasgow in 1751, and the year after to that of Moral Philosophy; produced in 1759 his "Theory of Moral Sentiments," visited Paris with the young Duke of Buccleuch, got acquainted with Queensy, D'Alembert, and Necker, and return-

ing in 1766, settled in his native place under a pension from the Duke of Buccleuch, where in 1776 he produced his "Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations," a work to which he devoted 10 years of his life, and which has had a world-wide influence. In 1778 he settled in Edinburgh as Commissioner of Customs for Scotland, and in 1787 was elected Lord Rector of Glasgow University (1783-1790).

SMITH, ALEXANDER, poet, born in Kilmarnock; began life as a pattern-designer, contributed to the *Glasgow Citizen*, wrote a volume of poems, "A Life Drama," and produced other works in a style characterised as "epasmodic" by Professor Aytoun; is best known, perhaps, by "Dreamthorpe," a book of essays (1830-1867).

SMITH, GEORGE, Assyriologist, born in London; trained as a bank-note engraver, but attracted the attention of Sir Henry Rawlinson by his interest in cuneiform inscriptions, and in 1867 received an appointment in the British Museum; acquired great skill as an interpreter of Assyrian inscriptions, published "Annals of Assurbanipal," and in 1872 discovered a tablet with the "Chaldean Account of the Deluge"; carried through important expeditions (1871, 1873, 1876) in search of antiquities in Nineveh and other parts of Assyria, accounts of which he published; wrote also histories of Babylonia, Assyria, Sennacherib, &c. (1840-1876).

SMITH, GOLDWIN, English man of letters, born in Reading; was at one time intimately associated with Oxford University, went to America and became professor of English History in Cornell University, and settled in Canada; wrote a number of books and pamphlets, one on the "Relations between England and America" and another on "The Political Destiny of Canada"; he was an ultra-liberal (1823-1910).

SMITH, JAMES and HORACE, authors of the famous parodies "The Rejected Addresses," born in London; James, in business as a solicitor, and Horace, a wealthy stockbroker; both were occasional contributors to the periodical press before the public offer of a prize for the best poetical address to be spoken at the re-opening of Drury Lane Theatre prompted them to issue a series of "Rejected Addresses," parodying the popular writers of the day—Wordsworth, Southey, Coleridge, Scott, Byron, &c.; intensely clever, these parodies have never been surpassed in their kind; Horace was also a busy writer of novels now forgotten, and published two vols. of poetry; James subsequently wrote a number of Charles Mathews' "Entertainments" (James, 1776-1839; Horace, 1770-1849).

SMITH, JOHN, Cambridge Platonist, born in Northamptonshire; left "Select Discourses," giving signs both of spiritual insight and vigour of thinking (1618-1652).

SMITH, JOHN, soldier, born in Lincolnshire; had a life of adventure and peril in Europe; in 1806 he became a leader of the English colonists of Virginia; established friendly relations with the Indians, returned to this country twice over, and introduced Pocahontas (q.v.) to the Queen; gave the name of New England to the eastern American coast and endeavoured to establish the fisheries; spent his later years in writing pamphlets, in which he advocated the further settlement and development of the colony, exhibiting the true Empire spirit in his provision (1580-1631).

SMITH, RT. REV. JOHN TAYLOR, British bishop. Ordained in 1886, he served in Sierra Leone, and in 1897 became its bishop; he was made chaplain-general to the forces in 1901, and held the post till 1925, when he retired and threw himself into evangelical work, notably with the Children's Special Service Mission, the Crusaders Union, and the Scripture Union (1860-).

SMITH, JOSEPH, founder of the Latter Day Saints or Mormons. The son of an American farmer, he claimed to be a Divine medium; though the founder of Mormonism, he was not a polygamist; he was murdered in 1844, a fact which helped the growth of the movement (1805-1844).

SMITH, SYDNEY, political writer and wit, born in Woodford, Essex, of partly English and partly

Huguenot blood; educated at Westminster and Oxford, bred for the Church; after a brief curacy in Whitshire settled in Edinburgh from 1798 to 1803, where, while officiating as a clergyman, he became one of the famous editors of the *Edinburgh Review*, and a contributor; settled for a time afterwards in London, where he delivered a series of admirable lectures on ethics, till he was appointed to a small living in Yorkshire, and afterwards to a richer living in Somerset, and finally a canonry in St. Paul's; his writings, deal with abuses of the period, and are, except his lectures perhaps, all out of date now (1771-1846).

SMITH, SIR WILLIAM, classical and Biblical scholar, born in London; distinguished himself at the university there and took a course of law at Gray's Inn, but followed his bent for scholarship, and in 1840-1842 issued his great "Dictionary of Greek and Roman Antiquities," following it up with the "Dictionary of Greek and Roman Biography and Mythology" and the "Dictionary of Greek and Roman Geography"; did eminent service to the cause of education by a series of popular editions of Greek and Latin texts, school grammars, dictionaries, &c.; not less valuable is his "Dictionary of the Bible"; was editor of the *Quarterly Review* from 1867, and in 1892 received a knighthood (1813-1898).

SMITH, WILLIAM HENRY, British newsgate and politician, the pioneer of railway station book-stalls. In politics a Conservative, he was successively 1st Lord of the Admiralty, Secretary for War, Irish Secretary, and leader of the Conservative Party in the House of Commons; his wife was created Viscountess Hambleden after his death (1825-1891).

SMITH, WILLIAM ROBERTSON, Biblical scholar and critic, born in Kelso, Aberdeenshire; educated for the Scottish Free Church, became professor of Hebrew in the connection at Aberdeen; was prosecuted for heresy in the matter of the origin of the books of the Old Testament, and finally removed from the chair; became joint-editor of the "Encyclopaedia Britannica," and finally professor of Arabic at Cambridge; he was a man of versatile ability, extensive scholarship, keen critical acumen, and he contributed not a little to vindicate the claims of the scholar in regard to the Bible (1846-1894).

SMITH, SIR WILLIAM SIDNEY, British admiral, born in Westminster; entered the navy at 12, became a captain after many gallant services at 18, was naval adviser to the king of Sweden and knighted, joined Lord Hood off Toulon and helped to burn the French fleet; was taken prisoner by the French in 1796, and after two years made his escape; forced Napoleon to raise the siege of Acre, and was wounded at Aboukir; was rewarded with a pension of £1000, and raised in the end to the rank of admiral (1764-1840).

SMITH-DORRIEN, SIR HORACE LOCKWOOD, British general. Joining the Infantry in 1876, he saw service in the Zulu War, Egypt, the Sudan, Tirah, and Chitral, and commanded a division in the Boer War. In the Great War he led the 2nd Corps in the retreat from Mons, but after 1915 had to retire on health grounds, in 1918 he became governor of Gibraltar (1858-1930).

SMITHFIELD, or SMOOTHFIELD, an open space of ground in London, N. of Newgate, long famous for its live-stock markets; in olden times lay outside the city walls, and was used as a place of recreation and of executions; the scene of William Wallace's execution and the death of Wat Tyler; gradually surrounded by the encroaching city, the cattle-market became a nuisance, and was abolished in 1855; is now London's meat market.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION, a celebrated American institution "for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men," in Washington; founded and endowed by James Madsen Smithson, a natural son of the Duke of Northumberland, a zealous chemist and mineralogist, after having had a paper rejected by the Royal Society, of which he was a Fellow. The building is one of the finest in the capital; is under government control and the President of the United States is *ex officio* the head of the institution;

encourages scientific research, administers various funds, and directs expeditions for scientific purposes.

SMOLENSK, an ancient town of Russia, and capital of a government of the same name, on the Dnieper, 244 m. SW. of Moscow; is surrounded by walls; has a fine cathedral, and is strongly fortified; carries on a good grain trade; here in 1812 Napoleon defeated the Russians under Barclay de Tolly and Barratton on his march to Moscow in August, 1812.

SMOLLETT, TOBIAS GEORGE, novelist, born in Dalquhurn, Dumfriesshire, of good family; bred to medicine, but drifted to literature, in prosecution of which he set out to London at the age of 18; his first effort was a failure; he took an appointment as a surgeon's mate on board a warship in 1746, which landed him for a time in the West Indies; on his return to England in 1748 achieved his first success in "Roderick Random," which was followed by "Peregrine Pickle" in 1751, "Count Fathom" in 1753, and "Humphrey Clinker" in 1771, added to which he wrote a "History of England," and a political lampoon, "The Adventures of an Atom"; his novels have no plot, but "in inventive tale-telling and in cynical characterisation he is not easily equalled" (1721-1771).

SMUTTI, in the Hindu religion the name given to traditional usage, as opposed to *Smriti*, or revelation, from which proceeded, at a later date, the body of laws, such as that of Manu, in which the morality prescribed is "sound, solid, and practical."

SMUTS, JAN CHRISTIAN, South African general and politician. During the South African War he led the Boer forces in Cape Colony against Britain and met with several successes; after the war he served under Botha as Finance Minister. In the Great War he took charge of the British forces in German East Africa, and in 1917 became South Africa's representative in the Imperial War Cabinet. He was Premier of South Africa from 1919 to 1924, in which year he was defeated by General Hertzog (1870-).

SMYRNA, a town of great antiquity, since ancient times the chief port of Asia Minor; is situated amid surrounding hills at the head of the Gulf of Smyrna, an arm of the Egean Sea; has no imposing structures, and is, especially in the Turkish quarter, ill-drained and crowded; is the seat of the Turkish Governor-General of the province, of archbishops, Roman Catholic, Greek, and Armenian; manufactures embrace carpets, pottery, cottons and woollens; a splendid harbour favours a large import and export trade; for long a possession of Greece and then of Rome, it finally fell into the hands of the Turks in 1424. The Treaty of Sevres in 1920 mandated it to Greece, but in 1922 Turkish forces under Mustafa Kemal (g.c.) seized the town and burnt it.

SMYRNA, GULF OF, an inlet of the Egean Sea, 40 m. in length by 20 m. in breadth, with an excellent anchorage.

SMYTH, CHARLES PIAZZI, British astronomer. Born in Naples, he went to Bedford Grammar School, and afterwards took a post at the Cape of Good Hope Observatory when 17; he did good work observing comets, and in 1845 was made astronomer royal for Scotland; among his contributions to science was the introduction of the rain band in meteorology (1819-1900).

SMYTH, DAME ETHEL MARY, British composer. Born in London, she studied music in Leipzig, and produced her first opera in 1898; "The Boatwain's Mate," composed in 1917, is her most famous work; in 1922 she was made a D.B.E. (1868-).

SNAKE RIVER, chief tributary of the Columbia; rises in Wyoming amid the Rockies; flows S. and NW. through Idaho, forming the Shoshone Falls, rivaling Niagara, which they exceed in height; through Southern Washington it flows W. under the name of the Lewis River or Fork, and discharges into the Columbia after a course of 1050 m.

SNAKE-STONES, stones popularly believed to cure the bites of snakes, probably due to a porosity in their substance drawing off the poison.

SNAKES, THE. See **SHOSHONES**.

SNIDER, JACOB, American mechanical genius;

invented a method of converting muzzle-loading rifles into breech-loading; died unrewarded (1820-1866).

SNODGRASS, AUGUSTUS, a member of the Pickwick Club in Dickens' "Pickwick Papers."

SNORRI STURLUSON, Icelandic historian and poet; published the collection of sagas entitled "Hefnaskringla," among which were many songs of his own composition; was a man of position and influence in Iceland, but having provoked the ill-will of Haaco was at his instigation assassinated (1179-1241). See **EDDA**.

SNOWDEN, RT. HON. PHILIP, British politician. Born in Keshley, he was in the civil service for 7 years from 1886, but took to journalism and politics, becoming chairman of the Independent Labour Party in 1903 and again in 1917. In 1906 he entered the House of Commons, served on several royal commissions, and in 1924 became Labour's first Chancellor of the Exchequer, a post he again held in the second Labour Government of 1929. Mrs. Snowden earned a reputation as a lecturer and became a director of the British Broadcasting Corporation (1884-).

SNOWDON, a mountain range in Carnarvon, North Wales, extending from the coast to near Conway; it has five distinct summits, of which Moel-y-Wyddfa (the conspicuous peak) is the highest, being 3580 ft.; the easiest ascent is from Llanberis on the N., and is the route usually taken by tourists, for whom there is a house on the summit.

SOANE, SIR JOHN, English architect; born in Whitchurch, Reading; studied in Italy, was architect to the Bank of England; left his house in Lincoln's Inn Fields with art collection (Soane's Museum) to the nation at his death (1753-1837).

SOBIESKI, surname of the great patriot king of Poland, John III., in the 17th century; born in Olesko, in Galicia; was elected king of Poland in 1674, having, by repeated victories over the Turks and Russians, shown himself the greatest soldier of his country; proved a wise and brave ruler, a true leader of his people, and with unbroken success defied the utmost efforts of the infidel Turks (1624-1696).

SOBRON, a town in the Punjab, India, on the Sutlej, in the vicinity of which Sir Henry Gough won a decisive victory over the Sikhs, February 10, 1846.

SOCAGE, name given to a feudal tenure by a certain and determinate service other than knight service.

SOCIAL WAR, name given to an insurrection of the allied States in Italy against the domination of Rome, which lasted from 90 to 88 B.C., in consequence of their exclusion from the rights of citizenship and the privileges attached; they formed a league to assert their rights, which ended in defeat.

SOCIALISM, a social system which, in opposition to the competitive system that prevails at present, seeks to reorganise society on the basis, in the main, of community of interest and co-operation in labour for the common good, agreeably to the democratic spirit of the time and the changes required by the rise of individualism and the decay of feudalism. It advocates the national ownership of the means of production, distribution, and exchange, a policy advanced in English politics by the Labour Party.

SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE, a society founded in 1698 which during the last 200 years has originated and supported a number of agencies, both in this country and abroad, for propagating Christian knowledge; distributed into a number of separate departments.

SOCIETY ISLANDS, an archipelago in the South Pacific, consisting of 13 principal islands and numerous islets, the chief being Tahiti; they are mountainous, and encircled by belts of flat land as well as coral reefs; have a fertile soil and luxuriant vegetation, while the climate is healthy though enervating; the Polynesian inhabitants are intelligent but indolent, and the land is worked by immigrant races; production of copra, sugar, and rum are chief industries; named in honour of the Royal Society by Cook, their discoverer.

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS, commonly called Quakers, a religious sect founded in the middle of the 17th century, George Fox (g.c.) being one of the founders;

the sect was much persecuted in its early days, and in consequence grew in numbers and influence; silence plays a large part in their meetings, and they have no sacraments; they are opposed to war, and have supplied leaders for all kinds of philanthropic work; Friends' House, Euston Road, London, is the headquarters of the society.

SOCIETY OF JESUS, the Jesuit order founded by Ignatius Loyola (q.v.).

SOCINIANS, a sect of the Unitarian body who, in the 16th century, took their name from Faustus Socinus (q.v.), and who, besides denying the doctrine of the Trinity, deny the divinity of Christ and the divine inspiration of Scripture; they arose into importance originally in Poland, and in the 17th century spread by degrees in Prussia, the Netherlands, and England.

SOCINUS, FAUSTUS, a theologian, born in Italy; one of the founders of Socinianism; for his views had to exile himself for years, and was much persecuted for his opinions; in Cracow, where he dwelt for a time, he was by a mob dragged from a sick-bed half-naked along the street, had his house robbed and his papers burned (1539-1604).

SOCIOLOGY, the science which treats of the nature and the developments of society and of social institutions; a science to which Herbert Spencer, in succession to Comte, contributed more than any other scientist, deducing, as he does, a series of generalizations by comparison of individual organisms with social.

SOCOTRA, an island off the E. coast of Africa, 148 m. N.E. of Cape Guardafui, over 70 m. long and 20 m. broad; it is mountainous, surrounded by a margin of plain land from 2 to 4 m. broad; is comparatively barren; is inhabited by Mohammedans, who rear sheep, goats, and cattle; exports dates, aloes, hides, and pearls; the sultan is a feudatory of Britain.

SOCRATES, Athenian philosopher, pronounced by the Delphic oracle the wisest of men; was the son of Sophroniscus, a staturary, and Phænarete, a midwife; was brought up to his father's profession, in which it would seem he gave promise of success; he lived all his days in Athens, and gathered about him as his pupils all the ingenious youth of the city; he wrote no book, propounded no system, and founded no school; he was ever abroad in the thoroughfares in all weather talking to whom would listen, and instilling into all and sundry a love of justice and truth; of quacks and pretenders he was the sworn foe, and he cared not what enmity he provoked if he could persuade one and another to think and do what was right; "he was so pious," says Xenophon in his "Memorabilia," "that he did nothing without the sanction of the gods; so just, that he never wronged any one, even in the least degree; so much master of himself, that he never preferred the agreeable to the good; so wise, that in deciding on the better and the worse he never faltered; in short, he was the best and happiest man that could possibly exist"; he failed not to incur enmity, and his enemies persecuted him to death; charged with not believing in the State religion, with introducing new gods, and corrupting youth, he was convicted by a majority of his judges and condemned to die; thirty days elapsed between the passing of the sentence and its execution, during which period he held converse with his friends and talked of the immortality of the soul; to an offer of escape he turned a deaf ear, drank the hemlock potion prepared for him with perfect composure, and died (469-399 B.C.). See **XANTIPPE**.

SOCRATES, Church historian of the 4th century, born at Byzantium; bred to the bar; his "Ecclesiastical History" embraces a period from 306 to 439, a work of no great merit.

SOCRATES, APOLOGY OF, a work of Plato, being a speech put into the mouth of Socrates before the Areopagus (q.v.) in his defence in answer to the charge brought against him, the same having been written by Plato after the philosopher's death.

SODDY, SIR FREDERICK, British scientist, professor of Chemistry at Aberdeen, 1914-1919; appointed Lee's professor of Chemistry at Oxford in 1914; he carried out many researches in physical chemistry, his greatest work being in connection with radioactivity, for which he was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1921; published books on radioactivity and the

structure of the atom, and wrote also on economic subjects (1877-).

SODIUM, one of the alkali metals, similar in its chemical properties to potassium and lithium; it attacks water, with the evolution of hydrogen; its hydroxide, or the solution of its oxide in water, is known as *caustic soda*; many of its salts are of practical importance, e.g. the carbonate (washing soda), the chloride (common salt), and the bicarbonate.

SODOM AND GOMORRAH, two ancient cities which for their wickedness were, as the Bible relates, consumed with fire from heaven; they are supposed to have stood near the S. border of the Dead Sea, though they were not, as was at one time supposed, submerged in the waters of it.

SOFALA, a Portuguese maritime district of South-East Africa, stretching from the Zambezi R. to Delagoa Bay, and forming the S. portion of the colony of Mozambique. *Sofala*, chief port on a bay of the same name, is a place of little importance.

SOFIA, capital since 1878 of Bulgaria; is a fortified town, situated in the broad valley of the Iker, a tributary of the Danube, 75 m. N.W. of Philippopolis; has largely undergone reconstruction, and with hotels, banks, a government palace, and other buildings presents a fine modern appearance; has a national university; is an important trade emporium, and is on the Constantinople and Belgrade railway; manufactures cloth, silks, and leather, and has long been famed for its hot mineral springs.

SOFEONIA, a Christian maiden of Jerusalem, who, to avert a general massacre of the Christians by the Mohammedan king, accused herself of the crime for which they were all to suffer, and whose story with the issue is touchingly related in Tasso's "Jerusalem Delivered."

SOHO, a district in west-central London, off Oxford Street and Shaftesbury Avenue, it has a large foreign colony, and is famous for its restaurants; the district was fashionable in the 17th and early 18th centuries, and has many literary associations.

SOISSONS, a fortified town of North France, dep. Aisne, on the Aisne, 65 m. N.E. of Paris; has a 12th-century cathedral and ruins of a famous abbey; chief industries are brewing and the manufacture of various textiles. was a place of much importance in early times, and figures in the wars of Clovis and Pepin, frequently in the Hundred Years' War, and in 1870 was captured by the Germans; is considered the key to Paris from the Netherlands side. Occupied by the Germans in their advance from Mons in September, 1914, it again fell into their hands in 1918.

SOKOTO, a native kingdom of West Central Africa, within territories now administered by the British Government; lies between the Soudan (N) and the river Benue (S.), the main affluent of the Niger; the dominant people are the Fulahs, exercising sway over various native tribes; is a country capable of much agricultural development, and has large deposits of iron. Wurno, the capital, is on the S. bank, 18 m. E. of the town of Sokoto.

SOLANO, name given to a hot, oppressive wind in the Mediterranean.

SOLAR CYCLE, a period of 28 years, within which the first day of the year passes successively through the same sequence of week-days.

SOLAR MYTH, a myth, the subject of which is a deified personification of the sun or phenomena connected with it.

SOLAR YEAR, the period of 365 days 5 hours 48 minutes and 52 seconds which the earth takes to complete a revolution of the sun.

SOLDAN, a corruption of Sultan, and denoting in medieval romance the Saracen king.

SOLECIUM, the name given to a violation of the syntax or idiom of a language, as well as to an inelegant absurdity of any kind, whether in mind or morals; the term is derived from the old Greek town of Soli, in Asia Minor, the inhabitants of which degenerated in their language and became proverbial for uncouthness.

SOLENN LEAGUE AND COVENANT. See **COVENANT**.

SOLENT, the western portion, Spithead (q.v.) being the eastern, of the strait which separates the Isle of Wight from the mainland of Hants, 17 m. long.

with an average breadth of 3 m., but at its W. entrance, opposite Hurst Castle, contracts to $\frac{1}{2}$ m.; **SOLEURE**, a canton of North-West Switzerland, between Berne (W. and S.) and Aargau (E.); is hilly, but fertile and well cultivated, especially in the valley of the Aar; inhabitants are mainly Catholics and German-speaking. **Soletre**, the capital, situated on the Aar, 18 m. N.E. of Berne, has a fine cathedral, and manufactures of cottons, clocks, and cement.

SOLFATARA, a fissure or crevice in the earth which emits sulphurous and other vapours, and in regions where volcanoes have ceased to be active; they are met with in South Italy, the Antilles, Mexico, and Java.

SOLFERINO, a village in North Italy, 20 m. NW. of Mantua, where the Austrians were defeated by the French and Piedmontese in 1859.

SOLICITOR-GENERAL, a law officer of the Crown, ranking below the Attorney-General; he draws a salary of £6000 and fees; the post dates back to the reign of Edward IV. Scotland has its own solicitor-general.

SOLIDUS, a Roman gold coin adopted by the Franks, and first coined by them in gold, but subsequently in silver, when it was equivalent to one-twentieth of the libra, or pound; as the "sol" or "sou" it depreciated greatly in value; was minted in copper, and on the introduction of the decimal system its place was taken by a five-centime piece; the "solido" in Italy, and the *Solidus* in L. S. D. owe their origin to this coin.

SOLINGEN, a manufacturing town of Prussia, situated near the Wupper, 13 m. E. of Düsseldorf; has long been famed for its steel and iron works and cutlery manufactures.

SOLOMON, king of Israel from 1015 to 977 B.C., second son of David and Bathsheba, and David's successor; in high repute far and wide for his love of wisdom and the glory of his reign; he had a truly Oriental passion for magnificence, and the buildings he erected in Jerusalem, including the Temple and a palace on Mount Zion, he raised regardless of an expense which the nation resented after he was gone; the burden of which it would seem had fallen upon them, when his successor, following in his course, ascended the throne, ten of the tribes revolted, to the final rupture of the community and the fall of first the one section and then the other under alien sway.

SOLOMON OF ENGLAND, an appellation conferred on Henry VII., and also satirically on James I., characterised by Sully as "the wisest fool in Christendom."

SOLOMON OF FRANCE, a title bestowed on Louis IX. **SOLOMON ISLANDS**, a large group of islands in the West Pacific, 500 m. E. of New Guinea, the N. islands of which belong to Germany, and the S. to Britain; are volcanic in origin, mountainous, wooded, and thickly populated by Melanesian savages, who are totem worshippers, and many of whom still practise cannibalism.

SOLOMON'S KING, a ring worn by Solomon, in which was a stone from which, according to the Rabbins, he learned whatever he wished to know.

SOLOON, the great Athenian lawgiver, and one of the seven sages of Greece (q.v.), born in Athens, was of royal degree, and kinsman of Pisistratus; began life as a trader, and in that capacity acquired a large experience of the world; he soon turned his attention to political affairs, and showed such wisdom in the direction of them that he was elected archon in 594 B.C., and in that office was invested with full power to ordain whatever he might deem of advantage for the benefit of the State; he accordingly set about the framing of a constitution in which property, not birth, was made the basis of the organisation, and the title to honour and office in the community; he divided the citizens into four classes, gave additional power to the assemblies of the people, and made the archons and official dignitaries responsible to them in the administration of affairs; when he had finished his work, he ordered the laws he had framed to be engraved on tablets and set up in a public place, then took oath of the people to observe them for ten years, after which he left the country and set out on travel; at the

end of the ten years he returned, to find things lapsing into the old disorder, and Pisistratus ready to seize the sovereignty of the State, whereupon he withdrew into private life, and died the subject of a tyrant at the age of eighty (640-559 B.C.).

SOLOVIEFF, SERGE MIKHAILOVITCH, Russian historian. He became professor at, and rector of, Moscow University, the city of his birth; among his works the most important is "History of Russia to 1774," of which he issued 20 volumes before his death; he also wrote a "Fall of Poland" (1820-1870).

SOLSTICE, summer and winter, the two recurring periods of the year at which the sun is farthest distant N. or S. from the equator, which mark midsummer and midwinter, the times being June 21 and December 22; also applied to the two points in the ecliptic (q.v.) which the sun appears to reach on these two dates.

SOLWAY FIRTH, an arm of the Irish Sea, and in its upper part forming the estuary of the river Esk, separating Cumberland from the S. of Scotland (Kirkcudbright and Dumfries); stretches inland from Balcary Point 36 m., and from 2 to 20 m. broad; receives the Annan, Doe, Nith, Eden, and Derwent, and has valuable salmon fisheries; the spring tides ebb and flow with remarkable rapidity, the "bore" often reaching a speed of from 8 to 10 m. an hour; is spanned near Annan by a railway viaduct 1050 yards long.

SOLWAY MOSS, a moss, now drained and cultivated, in Cumberland, on the Scottish border, that was the scene of the defeat of the Scottish army in 1542, a disaster which broke the heart of James V.

SOLYMAN II., surnamed **THE MAGNIFICENT**, the tenth and greatest of the Ottoman sultans, the son and successor of Selim I.; succeeded his father at 24; set himself at once to reform abuses and place the internal administration on a strict basis, and after making peace with Persia and allaying tumult in Syria, turned his arms westwards, captured Belgrade, and wrested the island of Rhodes from the Knights of St. John; he twice over led his army into Hungary; in connection with the latter invasion laid siege to Vienna, from which he was obliged to retire after the loss of 40,000 men, after which he turned his arms to the east, adding to his territory, and finally to the North of Africa, to the conquest of the greater part of it; he died at Szeged while opening a new campaign against Hungary (1496-1566).

SOMA, the intoxicating juice of a plant offered in libation to a Hindu god, especially to Indra (q.v.), to strengthen him in his war with the demons, and identified with the invigorating and inspiring principle in nature which manifests itself at once in the valour of the soldier and the inspiration of the poet; as a god *Soma* is the counterpart of *Agni* (q.v.).

SOMAJ, BRAHMO. See **BRAHMO-SOMAJ**.

SOMALILAND, a broad plateau of East Africa, bounded by the Gulf of Aden on the N. and the Indian Ocean on the E.; inhabited by the Somalis, a pastoral people, who rear camels, sheep, and oxen, and are of the Mohammedan faith; are under chiefs, and jealous of strangers. It became a British Protectorate in 1884; its area is 68,000 sq. m. chief towns, Berbera, Bulhar, and Zeyla.

SOMERS, SIR GEORGE, ship captain, born in Lyme Regis; a buccaneer and founder-member of the Virginia Company, gave his name to the Bermudas, long known as Somers Is. (1554-1610).

SOMERSET HOUSE, a handsome Government building in London, with a double frontage on the Strand and the Victoria Embankment, built on the site of the palace of the Protector Somerset, and opened in 1786; accommodates various civil departments of the Government—the Inland Revenue, Audit and Exchequer, Wills and Probate, Registry-General. The east wing is occupied by King's College.

SOMERSETSHIRE, a maritime county of England fronting the Bristol Channel, between Devon (N.) and Gloucester (SW.), with Wilts and Dorset on the E. and S.; diversified by the Mendips (NE.), Quantock Hills, Exmoor (SW.), and other smaller elevations; is yet in the main occupied by wide level plains largely given over to pastoral and dairy

farming; watered by the Bristol Avon, the Parret, and other lesser streams; its orchards rank next to those of Devon; is prolific in Roman, Saxon, and ancient British remains; Taunton is the county town, but Bath the largest.

SOMERVILLE, MRS. MARY, a lady skilled in mathematics and physics, born in Jedburgh; was brought up at Hurlstland and Edinburgh; contributed to the *Transactions of the Royal Society*; wrote a book entitled the "Mechanism of the Heavens" on the suggestion of Lord Brougham, as a popularisation of Laplace's "Mécanique Céleste," which was followed by her "Connection of the Physical Sciences," "Physical Geography," and "Molecular and Microscopic Science," the last published in her ninetieth year, died at Naples (1780-1872).

SOMME, (1) a river of North France; rises in the department of Aisne, near St. Quentin, and flows 150 m. NW. and NW. to the English Channel; navigable as far as Abbeville. (2) A department of North France, fronting the English Channel, between Seine-Inferieure (8.) and Pas-de-Calais (N.); one of the most prosperous agricultural and manufacturing districts of France; Amiens (q.v.) is the chief town. The district was the scene of two of the biggest battles of the Great War; the first was fought from July to November, 1916, when an Allied offensive gained ground at tremendous cost to both sides; the second was from March to April, 1918, when Germany launched her final offensive and met with some partial though temporary success.

SOMNATH, an ancient maritime town of Gujarat, India, in the SW. of the peninsula of Kathiawar; has interesting memorials of Krishna, who, it is alleged, is buried in the vicinity; close by is a famous ruined Hindu temple, despoiled in the 11th century of its treasures, sacred idol, and gates; in 1842 Lord Ellenborough brought back from Afghanistan gates which he thought to be the famous "gates of Somnath," but doubt being cast on their authenticity, they were eventually placed in the arsenal of Agra.

SOMNUS, the god of sleep, a brother of Death, and a son of Night, represented, he and Death, as two youths sleeping or holding inverted torches in their hands; near the dwelling of Somnus flowed the river of Lethe, which crept along over pebbles, and invited to sleep; he was attended by Morpheus, who inspired pleasing dreams.

SONATA, a musical composition chiefly designed for solo instruments, especially the pianoforte, and consisting generally of three or four contrasted movements—the allegro, adagio,ondo, minuetto, or scherzo; reaches its noblest expression in the sonatas of Beethoven.

SONDERBUND, the name given to the union of the Catholic cantons (Lucerne, Zug, Fribourg, and Valais) of Switzerland, which led to the civil disturbances of 1845-1846, and the war of 1847.

SONDRIO, province of Italy, part of Lombardy; adjoining Switzerland, it contains much of the Italian Alps; the wine and silk trades are the chief occupations.

SONNET, a form of poetical composition invented in the 13th century, consisting of 14 decasyllabic or hendecasyllabic iambic lines, rhymed according to two well-established schemes which bear the names of their two most famous exponents, Shakespeare and Petrarch. The Shakespearean sonnet consists of three four-lined stanzas of alternate rhymes clinched by a concluding couplet; the Petrarchan of two parts, an octave, the first eight lines rhymed abbaabba, and a sestet, the concluding six lines arranged variously on a three-rhyme scheme.

SONNING, BARON EDNEY, Italian politician. The son of an English mother, he first served in diplomacy, and in 1871 entered parliament, taking office ten years later; early this century he was prominent in financial reforms, and in 1906 and from 1909 to 1910 he was Prime Minister; during the Great War he was Foreign Secretary, being largely responsible for Italy's entry, and at the Peace Conference he was one of his country's representatives (1847-1922).

SONS OF THE PROPHETS. See **NERIDIM**.

SONTAG, HENRIETTA, COUNTESS ROSSI, a German

singer, born in Coblenz; made her debut at 15; had a brilliant career (1806-1854).

SOOCHOO, a large city in China, 50 m. NW. of Shanghai; is intersected by canals, walled all round, and manufactures fine silk.

SOPHERIM, THE, the name by which the Scribes (q.v.) are designated in Jewish literature.

SOPHIA, ELECTRESS OF HANOVER, youngest daughter of Elizabeth, queen of Bohemia (q.v.), and mother of George I. (1630-1714).

SOPHIA, ST., the personification of the Divine wisdom, to whom, as to a saint, many churches have been dedicated, especially the Church of Constantinople.

SOPHISTS, according to tradition, a sect of thinkers that arose in Greece, and whose radical principle it was that we have only a subjective knowledge of things, and that we have no knowledge at all of objective reality, that things are as they seem to us, and that we have no knowledge of what they are in themselves; "on this field," says Schwegler, "they disported, enjoying with boyish exuberance the exercise of the power of subjectivity, and destroying, by means of a subjective dialectic, all that had been ever objectively established," such as "the laws of the State, inherited custom, religious tradition, and popular belief. . . . They form, in short, the German Aufklärung, the Greek Illumination. They acknowledged only private judgment and ignored the existence of a judgment that is not private and has absolute rights irrespective of the sentiments of the individual." Later authorities, including Grote, discredit this view, maintaining that the sophists did not constitute a sect and propounded no exact philosophical doctrine, but were merely teachers and lecturers in culture and oratory.

SOPHOCLES, Athenian tragic poet, born in Colonus, a suburb of Athens; when but 16, such was his musical talent, he was selected to lead the choir that sang the song of triumph over the victory of Salamis; his first appearance as a dramatist was in 488 B.C., when he had *Æschylus* as his rival and won the prize, though he was seven years afterwards defeated by Euripides, but retrieved the defeat the year following by the production of his "Antigone." That same year one of the 10 *strategoi* (or generals) and he accompanied Pericles in his war against the aristocrats of Samos. He wrote a number of dramas, over 100 it is alleged, but only 7 survive, and these in probable order are "Ajax," "Antigone," "Electra," "Oedipus Tyrannus," "Trachiniae," "Oedipus Coloneus," and "Philoctetes." Thus are all his subjects drawn from Greek legend, and they are all alike remarkable for the intense humanity and sublime passion that inspires them and the humane and the high and holy resolves they stir up (497-405 B.C.).

SOPWITZ, THOMAS OCTAVE MURDOGH, British aeronaut. He first became known in 1910, when he won a prize for a Channel flight, and the following year he started an aviation works at Kingston, where he made the machines named after him, which were used with excellent results in the Great War (1888-).

SORATA, a volcanic peak in the Bolivian Andes, 21,470 ft. in height.

SORBONNE, a celebrated college of Paris, taking its name from its founder, Robert of Sorbon, chaplain to Saint Louis in the 13th century; was exclusively devoted to theology, and through the rigour of its discipline and learning of its professors soon exercised a predominant influence on the theological thought of Europe, which it maintained until the new learning of the Renaissance (16th century), together with its own dogmatic conservatism, left it hopelessly stuck in the "Sorbonnian bog" of desiccated scholastic theology; became an object of satiric attacks by Boileau, Voltaire, and others, and was suppressed in 1789 at the outburst of the Revolution; was revived by Napoleon in 1808; is at present the seat of the Académie Universitaire de Paris, with faculties of theology, science, and literature.

SORDELLO, a Provençal poet of the 13th century, whom Dante and Virgil met in Purgatory sitting solitary and with a noble, haughty mien, but who sprang up at sight of Virgil and embraced him and

accompanied him a part of his way; Browning used his name as the title of a poem showing the conflict a minstrel experiences in perfecting his craft.

SOREL, AGNES. See **AGNES SOREL**.

SOREL, ALBERT. French historian. Educated in Paris and Germany, he became a civil servant, but spent much of his spare time in literary work; his chief works were "The French Revolution" and "Europe" (1849-1906).

SORROW, SANCTUARY OF. Goethe's name for the fold of Christ, wherein, according to His promise (Matt. v. 4), the mourners "who might gather together there would find relief and be comforted, the path of sorrow leading up to the 'porch' of the sanctuary."

BORROWS OF THE VIRGIN. See **SEVEN DOLOURS**.

BORROWS OF WERTHER. A work by Goethe and one of his earliest, the production of which constituted a new era in the life of the poet, and marks a new era in the literature of Europe, "as giving expression to a class of feelings deeply important to modern minds, but for which our older poetry offered no exponent, and perhaps could offer none, because they are feelings that arise from passion incapable of being converted into action, and belong to an ignorant, uncultivated, and unbelieving age such as ours," feelings that Byronically: "in dark wayward mood, reflect a mere sense of the misery of human life."

BORTES VIRGILLIANÆ. consulting the pages of Virgil to ascertain one's fortune, by opening the book at random, putting the finger on a passage, and taking that for the oracle of fate of which one is in quest.

BOSTRATUS, architect of the Pharos of Alexandria, lived in the 3rd century B.C., and was patronized by Ptolemy Philadelphus.

BOTHERN, EDWARD ASKEW, comedian, born in Liverpool; at 23 went on the stage, and for some time was a member of the stock company of the Theatre Royal, Birmingham; afterwards acted in America, and made his mark in Tom Taylor's "Our American Cousin" (1858) in the small part of Lord Dundreary, which he gradually developed into an elaborate and phenomenally successful caricature of an English peer, and in which he appeared thousands of times in America and England, scored a great success also as David Garrick in Robertson's well-known comedy (1826-1881).

BOUBISE, DUC DE. French soldier; served first under Prince Maurice of Orange, and commanded the Huguenots against Louis XIII., but after some successes was compelled to take refuge in England; distinguished himself at the defence of Rochelle, but was defeated again and had to betake himself to England as before, where he died (1583-1642).

BOUBISE, PRINCE DE, marshal of France; was aide-de-camp to Louis XV. in Flanders, was favoured by Pompadour, held an important command in the Seven Years' War, but was defeated by Frederick the Great at Rossbach (1715-1787).

SOUDAN, or SUDAN, the cradle of the negro race, a vast tract of territory stretching E and W. across the African continent from the Atlantic (W.) to the Red Sea and Highlands of Abyssinia (E.), between the Sahara (W.) and the Gulf of Guinea and the central equatorial provinces (E.); divided into (a) Upper Soudan, embracing Senegambia, Sierra Leone, Ashanti, Dahomey, Liberia, and west coast-lands; (b) Lower Soudan, including the Fula States, Massina, Gando, Sokoto, &c.; (c) Egyptian Soudan, which in 1882 was subdivided into (1) West Soudan, including Dar-Fur, Kordofan, Bahr-el-Ghazal, and Dongola; (2) Central Soudan, comprising Khartoum, Sennar, Berber, Fashoda, and the Equatorial Provinces, &c.; (3) Eastern Soudan, bordering on the Red Sea, and embracing Taka, Suakin, and Massowah; (4) Harar, stretching E. of Abyssinia. The extension of Egyptian rule into this territory began in 1819 with the capture of Khartoum, which became the base of military operations, ending in the gradual conquest of the surrounding regions in 1874. A serious revolt, fanned by religious fanaticism, broke out in 1882, and, headed by the Mahdi (q.v.) and his lieutenant Osman Digna, ended in the utter rout of the Egyptian forces under Hicks Pasha and Baker Pasha; Gordon, after a vain attempt to relieve

him, perished in Khartoum; but Stanley was more successful in relieving Emin Bey in the Equatorial Province. Anarchy and despotism ensued until the victorious campaign of Kitchener (q.v.) again restored the lost provinces to Egypt under British protection. In 1899 an agreement was made between Great Britain and Egypt establishing the joint sovereignty of the two States in the Soudan, and in 1922, when Egypt was granted independence, the *status quo* in the Soudan was retained.

SOULT, NICOLAS-JEAN DE DIEU, duke of Dalmatia and marshal of France, born in St. Aniane-la-Baptiste, department of Tarn; enlisted as a private in 1785, and by 1794 was general of a brigade; gallant conduct in Swiss and Italian campaigns under Massena won him rapid promotion, and in 1804 he was created a marshal, served with the emperor in Germany, and led the deciding charge at Austerlitz, and for his services in connection with the Treaty of Tilsit received the title of Duc de Dalmatia; at the head of the French army in Spain he outmanoeuvred the English in 1808, conquered Portugal, and opposed to Wellington a skill and tenacity not less than his own, but was thwarted in his efforts by the obstinate incompetence of Joseph Bonaparte; turned Royalist after the abdication of Napoleon, but on his return from Elba rallied to the emperor's standard, and fought at Waterloo; was subsequently banished, but restored in 1819; became active in the public service, and was honoured as ambassador in England in 1838; retired in 1847 with the honorary title of "Marshal-General of France" (1769-1851).

SOUND, THE, a strait 50 m. long, between Sweden and Denmark, which connects the Cattegat with the Baltic Sea; dues at one time levied on ships passing through the channel were abolished in 1857, and over three millions paid in compensation, Britain contributing one-third and undertaking to superintend the navigation and maintain the lighthouses.

SOUTH, ROBERT, an English divine, born in Hackney; obtained several preferments in the Church, but refused a bishopric; was distinguished for his hostility to the Dissenters, and was never tired of heaping ridicule on them and their principles; wrote a book in defence of the Trinity which involved him in a furious controversy with Dr. Sherlock. (1634-1716)

SOUTH AFRICA, THE UNION OF. British dominion, extends from the Cape of Good Hope to the River Limpopo, with a total area of 794,500 sq. m. The Orange, the Vaal, and the Limpopo are the chief rivers, and Table Mountain, the Bergens, Drakensbergen, Nieuweveld, & Aggeveld, and Sneeuwbergen are the principal mountains. Originally discovered by Bartholomew Diaz, a Portuguese, in 1486, the Cape of Good Hope was visited eleven years later by Vasco da Gama. It was nearly 200 years later that the Dutch and the English began to settle, and in 1814 the Cape became a British colony, as did Natal in 1843. The Transvaal and Orange Free State were colonized by Dutch Boers (q.v.), and at the end of last century there was a clash with Britain that resulted in the Boer War (q.v.) and the ultimate establishment of the Union of South Africa as a British Dominion. Dominion status dates from 1909. The Union comprises Cape Province, Natal, the Orange Free State, and the Transvaal, and is governed by a Governor-General, an executive council, and two Houses of Parliament, which meet at Cape Town, though Pretoria is the seat of government. In addition, each province has its own Provincial Council. Agriculture is the main occupation of the people, wheat and fruit growing being the chief industries, though the tobacco crop increases yearly. Industries of all kinds are encouraged, and attempts are made to stimulate home production of iron and steel. Gold mining is the main source of wealth, and diamonds, silver, copper, and tin are also mined. There are good railway and telegraph communications.

SOUTH AFRICAN COMPANY, THE BRITISH, a chartered company founded by Cecil Rhodes in 1889 to administer Rhodesia. Besides supervising trade it was responsible for governing the district, and it

also rented land to settlers. When the charter expired in 1923 Rhodesia was granted responsible self-government under a governor.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, third largest of the provinces of Australia, stretches N. and S. in a broad band through the heart of the continent from the Southern Ocean to the Northern Territory, having Queensland, New South Wales, and Victoria on the E., Western Australia on the W., and the Northern Territory on the N. Until 1926 it included the last-named, which was then constituted a separate Territory subdivided into North Australia and Central Australia. (q.v.). South Australia begins about 26° S. latitude, and is traversed southwards by the Finke River as far as Kyre Lake (3708 sq. m.), by the Flinders Ranges, and the lower Murray River in the E., and diversified here and there by low ranges and Lakes Amadeus (NW.), Torrens and Gairdner (S.); the S. coast is penetrated by the great gulfs of Spencer and St. Vincent, round and to the N. and E. of which the bulk of the population is gathered in a region not much larger than Scotland; is the chief wheat-growing district, and other important industries are mining (chiefly copper), sheep-rearing, and wine-making; chief exports, wool, wheat, and copper; the railway and telegraph systems are well developed, the Overland Telegraph Line (1973 m.) stretching across the continent from Adelaide to Port Darwin being a marvel of engineering enterprise. Adelaide is the capital. The governor is appointed by the Crown, and there are a legislative council or upper house and an assembly or lower house. Began to be settled in 1836, and five years later became a Crown colony.

SOUTH SEA BUBBLE, the name given to the disastrous financial project set on foot by Harley (q.v.) to relieve the national debt and restore public credit, which produced an unparalleled rush of speculation, ending in the ruin of thousands of people. Through the efforts of Harley a company of merchants was induced in 1711 to buy up the floating national debt of £10,000,000 on a Government guarantee of 6 per cent. interest, and a right to a monopoly of trade in the South Seas. The shares rose by leaps and bounds as tales of the fabulous wealth of the far South Seas circulated, till, in 1720, £200 shares were quoted at £1000. earlier in the same year the company had taken over the entire national debt of upwards of 30 millions. In the craze for speculation which had seized the public hundreds of wild schemes were floated. At length the "Bubble" burst. The chairman and several directors of the company sold out when shares had reached £1000; suspicion followed, confidence vanished, stock fell, and in a few days thousands from end to end of the country were bewailing their ruin. The private estates of the fraudulent directors were confiscated for the relief of the sufferers. The Sir Robert Walpole belongs the credit of extricating the finances of the country from the muddle into which they had fallen. The South Sea Company continued to trade along legitimate business lines until 1750.

SOUTHAMPTON, an important seaport of South Hampshire, 79 m. SW. of London, situated on a small peninsula at the head of Southampton Water (a fine inlet, 11 m. by 2), between the mouths of the Itchen (E.) and the Test (W.); portions of the old town walls and four gateways still remain; is the headquarters of the Ordnance Survey; has splendid docks, and is an important steam-packet station for America, Canada, the West Indies, Brazil, and South Africa; yacht and ship building and engineering are flourishing industries.

SOUTHCOTT, JOANNA, a prophetess, born in Devon, of humble parents; became a Methodist; suffered under religious mania; gave herself out as the woman referred to in Revelation xii.; imagined herself to be with child, and predicted she would on a certain day give birth to the promised Prince of Peace, for which occasion great preparations were made, but all to no purpose; she died of drouse two months after the time predicted; she found numbers to believe in her even after her death; she traded in passports to heaven, which she called "seals," and persuaded numbers to purchase them. She left a box with instructions that it was to be

opened in time of national crisis in the presence of a number of bishops; her box was X-rayed in 1927 and found to contain only rubbish, though her followers declared that the box in question was not the genuine one (1760-1814).

SOUTHEAST, town in Essex on the Thames estuary, one of the largest and most frequented holiday resorts in England; within the borough borders are Westcliff, Leigh, and Thorpe Bay; its pier is the longest in the country.

SOUTHERN CROSS, a constellation of the southern heavens, the five principal stars of which form a rough and somewhat irregular cross, the shape of which is gradually changing; it corresponds in the southern heavens to the Great Bear in the northern. **SOUTHEY, ROBERT**, poet-laureate, born, the son of a linen-draper, in Bristol; was expelled from Westminster School for a satirical article in the school magazine directed against hogging; in the following year (1793) entered Balliol College, where he only remained one year, leaving it a Unitarian and a red-hot republican; was for a time enamoured of Coleridge's wild pantisocratic scheme; married (1795) clandestinely Edith Fricker, sister to Mrs. Coleridge, and in disgrace with his English relatives visited his uncle in Lisbon, where in six months he laid the foundation of his knowledge of Spanish history and literature; the Church and medicine, as possible careers, had already been abandoned, and on his return to England he made a half-hearted effort to take up law; still unsettled he again visited Portugal, and finally was relieved of pecuniary difficulties by the settlement of a pension on him by an old school friend, which he relinquished in 1807 on receiving a pension from Government; meanwhile had settled at Keswick, where he prosecuted with untiring energy the craft of authorship; "Joan of Arc," "Thalaba," "Madoc," and "The Curse of Kehama" won for him the laureateship in 1813, and in the same year appeared his prose masterpiece "The Life of Nelson"; of numerous other works mention may be made of his *Histories of Brazil* and the *Peninsular War*, *Lives of Bunyan and Wesley*, and "Colloquies on Society" devoted a barometery offered by Pest domestic affliction—the death of children, and the insanity and death of his wife—saddened his later years, which were brightened in the last by his second marriage (1839) with the poetess and his twenty years' friend, Caroline Bowles, as a poet Southey has few readers nowadays, full of miscellaneous interest, vigour of narrative, and spirited rhythm, his poems yet lack the finer spirit of poetry; but in prose he ranks with the masters of English prose style "of a kind at once simple and scholarly" (1774-1843).

SOUTHPORT, a watering-place of Lancashire, situated on the southern shore of the Ribbles estuary, 16 m. N. of Liverpool; is a town of quite modern growth and increasing popularity; has a fine sea-shore, esplanade, park, theatre, public library, and art gallery.

SOUTHWARK, or the Borough, a division of London, on the Surrey side of the Thames, opposite the City; it sends three members to Parliament, and among its principal buildings are St. Saviour's Cathedral and Guy's Hospital.

SOUTHWELL, city in Nottinghamshire, 16 m. from the county town; it is famous chiefly for its cathedral, mostly of 12th-century work; the nave is Norman; Southwell was made a separate diocese in 1884.

SOUTHWELL, ROBERT, poet, born in Norfolk; studied at Douay, and became a Jesuit priest; came to England as a missionary, was thrown into prison, tortured ten times by the rack, and at length executed at Tyburn as a traitor for disseminating Catholic doctrine; his poems are religious chiefly, and excellent, and were finally collected under the title "St. Peter's Complaint," "Mary Magdalen's Tears, and Other Works"; "The Burning Babe" is one of his best-known productions (c. 1560-1595).

SOUVESTRE, EMILE, French novelist and playwright, born in Morlaix; at 30 he established himself in Paris as a journalist, and became noted as a writer of plays and of charming sketches of Breton life, essays, and fiction; "Les Derniers Bretons" and

"Foyer Breton" are considered his best work (1806-1854).

SOUZA, MADAME DE (maiden name Adèle Marie Filieul), French novelist, born in Paris, and educated in a convent, on her leaving which she was married to the Comte de Plabaut, a man much older than herself, and with whom she lived unhappily; fled to Germany and then to England on the outbreak of the Revolution, when her husband was guillotined; afterwards returned to Paris, and as the wife of the Marquis de Souza Ribeiro presided over one of the most charming of salons, in which the chief attraction was her own bright and gifted personality; her novels, "Eugène et Rothelin," "Eugénie et Mathilde," and "Mademoiselle de Tournon," breathe the spirit of the old regime, and are full of natural and vivacious pictures of French life (1761-1836).

SOVIET, a Russian name for a workers' council, such as were first formed in the unsuccessful rising of 1905, and became the organ of government after the 1917 revolution. Every town and village has its soviet, which in turn selects workers to central committees.

BOWERBY BRIDGE, manufacturing town in West Riding of Yorkshire, 3 m. SW. of Halifax; cotton-spinning, woollen manufactures, and dyeing are the chief industries; it was the birthplace of Tillotson.

SOY, a sauce or condiment used in Japan and China; prepared from a bean which is extensively cultivated in those countries.

SOYER, ALEXIS, a famous cook, born in Meaux; turned aside from a tempting career as a vocalist and took up gastronomy as a profession; during the 1830 Revolution he narrowly escaped with his life, and went to London, where he rose to the position of cook to the Reform Club; rendered important services as a culinary expert in Ireland during the 1847 famine, and at the Crimea (1855); was the author of various highly popular works on the art of cooking, such as "The Modern Housewife" and "The Shilling Cookery Book" (1809-1858).

SPA, a watering-place in Belgium, 20 m. SE. of Liège; a favourite health and fashionable resort on account of its springs and its picturesque surroundings. For part of the Great War it was the general headquarters of the German army, and the residence of the Kaiser after the summer of 1918; it was in a hotel here that he abdicated on November 9, and it was from his château the following day that he escaped into Holland; here were conducted also negotiations for the Armistice, and in 1920 the international conference that arranged the system of reparations payments known as the Spa Percentages.

SPAHL, an Algerine cavalry soldier serving in the French army.

SPÄHLINGER, HENRY, Swiss scientist; devoted himself to the study of bacteriology, especially to tuberculosis and its treatment; director of the Geneva Bacteriological Institute (1882-).

SPAIN, a kingdom of South-West Europe, which with Portugal (less than one-fifth the size of Spain) occupies the entire Iberian Peninsula, and is divided from France on the N. by the Pyrenees Mountains, and on the E. and S. is washed by the Mediterranean; the NW. corner fronts the Bay of Biscay (N.) and the Atlantic (W.), while Portugal completes the western boundary; its area, three and one-third times the size of England and Wales, is, together with the Canaries and the Balearic Isles, divided into 49 provinces, although the more familiar names of the 14 old kingdoms, states, and provinces (New and Old Castile, Galicia, Aragon, &c.) are still in use; forms a compact square, with a regular, in parts precipitous coast-line, which is short compared with its area; is in the main a highland country, a vast plateau (2000 to 3000 ft. high) occupying the centre, buttressed and crossed by ranges (Sierra Nevada in the S., Sierra de Guadarrama, Sierra Morena, &c.), and diversified by the long valleys of the Ebro, Douro, Tago, Guadalquivir, and other lesser rivers, all of which are rapid, and only a few navigable; climate varies considerably according as one proceeds to the central plains, where extremes of heat and cold are experienced, but over all is the driest in Europe

agriculture, although less than a half of the land is under cultivation, is by far the most important industry, and Valencia and Catalonia the provinces where it is most successfully carried out, wheat and other cereals, the olive, and the vine being the chief products; other important industries are mining, the Peninsula being extremely rich in the useful minerals, merino sheep farming, anchovy and sardine fisheries, wine-making, and the manufacture of cotton, silk, leather, and paper; chief exports are wine, fruits, mineral ores, oil, and cork; Madrid, Barcelona, Valencia, Seville, and Malaga are the chief towns. The widest variety of character exists among the natives of the various provinces, from the hard-working, thrifty Catalan to the lazy, improvident Murcian, but all possess the southern love "of song, dance, and colour," and have an inherent grace and dignity of manner; Roman Catholicism is the national religion; and although systems of elementary and secondary schools are in vogue, education generally is in a backward condition; the Government is a hereditary and constitutional monarchy; the Cortes consists of the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies; universal suffrage and trial by jury are modern innovations. The outstanding fact in the history of Spain, after the downfall of the Roman Empire, of which she had long formed a part, is the national struggle with the Moors, who overran the peninsula in the 8th century, firmly established themselves, and were not finally overthrown till Granada, their last possession, was taken in 1492; sixteen years later the country became a united kingdom, and for a brief period, with its vast American colonies and wide European possessions, became in the 16th century the dominant power of Europe; since then she has lagged more and more in the race of nations, and her once vast colonial empire has gradually crumbled away till now, since the unsuccessful war with America in 1898, only an island or two remains to her.

SPALATO, a historic and flourishing town of Dalmatia, finely situated on a promontory on the E. side of the Adriatic, 160 m. SE. of Fiume, a place of considerable antiquity, and one of the great cities of the Roman world; is chiefly famed for the vast palace built by Diocletian, which became his residence after his abdication; subsidiary buildings and grounds were enclosed by walls, within which now a considerable part of the town stands; the noblest portions of the palace are still extant; the modern town carries on an active trade in grain, wine, and cattle; is noted for its liqueurs.

SPALDING, a market town in Lincolnshire, 34 m. NE. of Lincoln, in the heart of the Fens; has a 13th-century church and the ruined Wykeham Abbey in the vicinity; chief industries are agricultural produce and the raising of bulbs; is a railway centre.

SPALLANZANI, LAZZARO, a noted Italian scientist, born in Scandiano, in Modena, held chairs of Philosophy and Greek in the Universities of Reggio and Modena, but, more attracted to natural science, he left 1768 became professor of Natural History at Pavia; wrote elaborate accounts of expeditions to Sicily and elsewhere; overturned Buffon's theory of spontaneous generation, and in important works made some valuable contributions to physiological science (1729-1799).

SPAN, in linear measure, is half a cubit; it is a measure of natural origin, being the stretch of the fully opened hand from the little finger to the thumb, somewhere between 9 and 10 inches.

SPANDAU, an important town and fortress of Prussia, in Brandenburg, at the confluence of the Spree and Havel, 8 m. W. by N. of Berlin; in the "Julius Tower" of the powerful citadel the German war-chest of 48,000,000 was preserved; there are an arsenal and large Government cannon-foundries and powder-factories.

SPANHEIM, FRIEDRICH, a theological professor at Geneva (1631), and afterwards at Leyden (1641); author of a work on "Universal Grace" (1600-1648). His son, **Ezechieel Spanheim** (1629-1710) became professor of Eloquence in his native town, Geneva, and after acting as tutor to the sons of the Elector Palatine was employed on several important

diplomatic missions to Italy, England, and France; meanwhile devoted his leisure to ancient law and numismatics, publishing learned works on these subjects. Friedrich Spanheim, brother of preceding, was a learned Calvinistic professor of Theology at Heidelberg (1656), and afterwards at Leyden (1632-1701).

SPANISH MAIN (i.e. mainland), a name given at one time to the Central American provinces of Spain bordering on the Caribbean Sea, and also to the Caribbean Sea itself; was the scene of the activities of buccaners, whose refugees were in its many islands.

SPARKS, JARED, president of Harvard University (1849-1852), born in Connecticut; bred a carpenter, took to study, attended Harvard, where he graduated, studied theology, and became Unitarian, becoming a minister in that body, but retired from the ministry and settled in Boston; edited the *North American Review*; wrote and edited biographies of eminent Americans, and edited the writings of Benjamin Franklin and George Washington (1789-1866).

SPARTA, or LACEDEMON, the capital of ancient Laconia, in the Peloponnese, on the right bank of the Eurotas, 20 m. from the sea; was 6 m. in circumference, consisted of several distinct quarters, originally separate villages, never united into a regular town; was never surrounded by walls, its walls being the bravery of its citizens. Its mythical founder was Lacedæmon, who called the city Sparta from the name of his wife; one of its early kings was Menelaus, the husband of Helen; Lycurgus (q.v.) was its law-giver; its policy was aggressive, and its sway gradually extended over the whole Peloponnese, to the extinction at the end of the Peloponnesian War of the rival power of Athens, which for a time rose to the ascendancy, and its unquestioned supremacy thereafter for 30 years, when all Greece was overborne by the Macedonian power.

SPARTACUS, leader of the revolt of the slaves at Rome, which broke out about 73 B.C., was a Thracian by birth, a man of powerful physique, in succession a shepherd, a soldier, and a captain of banditti; was in one of his predatory expeditions taken prisoner and sold to a trainer of gladiators, and became one of his slaves; persuaded his fellow-slaves to attempt their freedom, and became their chief and that of other runaways who joined them; for two years they defied and defeated one Roman army after another sent to crush them, and laid Italy waste, till at the end of that time Lucius Crassus, taking up arms in earnest, overpowered them in a decisive battle at the river Silarius, in which Spartacus was slain.

SPARTANBURG, town and county in S. Carolina, U.S.A. The town is 95 m. N.W. of Columbia and has two big collieries; cotton is the chief industry, while it is also a lumber centre.

SPASMODIC SCHOOL, name given to a small group of minor poets about the middle of the 19th century, represented by Phillips, James Bailey, Sydney Dobell, and Alexander Smith, from their strenuous, overstrained, and unnatural style.

SPATHIC IRON, an iron ore consisting largely of ferrous carbonate.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, technically the only M.P. who is allowed to speak in Parliament proper. The House of Commons in origin is not Parliament; it deliberates by itself, and when the Commons are summoned into the presence of the King sitting in Parliament with the Lords it is the Speaker who informs that Parliament of the views and decisions of the Commons. His chief duties are to act as chairman of the House, and he can if necessary use a casting vote. The title was first borne by Sir Peter de la Mare in 1376.

SPECIAL CONSTABLES, in England men sworn in to help the police in times of emergency, a task in which all citizens are liable for employment, under penalties imposed by the 1831 Special Constables Act. This Act was passed at the time of the Reform riots, and special constables were enrolled then, during the Chartist riots, at other times of political unrest, and notably in the Great War and during the General Strike of 1926.

SPECIFIC GRAVITY, or relative density, the ratio of the mass of a substance to the mass of the same volume of water.

SPECTRAL TYPES, a system of classification of the stars, based upon their spectra; the work was initiated by Father Secchi at Rome and has been developed by a number of observers at the Harvard Observatory, especially Miss Cannon.

SPECTRUM, the name given to the coloured band, red at one end and violet at the other, which is produced when a ray of white light passes through a prism; white light appears to be a combination of light of all wave-lengths, consequently we get a continuous band of light from red to violet; if coloured light passes through a prism we get bright lines corresponding to the wave-lengths of the light present; it is possible to identify substances by the spectrum given off when they are red-hot, e.g. sodium compounds give two bright yellow lines; study of the spectra of the stars enables us to find out their composition; it is known that a substance when cold will absorb the rays of the same wave-length as those which it emits when hot; consequently white light in passing through certain substances is robbed of rays of some lengths, giving a bright spectrum with dark lines corresponding to the wave-lengths absorbed; this is known as an absorption spectrum, the study of the spectra of ionised and electrically excited gases has thrown much light on the structure of the atom.

SPECULATIVE, THE, that which we think and which as such goes no deeper than the intellect, which is but the eye of the soul, not the heart of it.

SPECULUM, an alloy of copper with 33 per cent. of tin, used for making metallic mirrors.

SPEDDING, JAMES, editor of Bacon, born in Mirehouse, near Kewick, son of a Cumberland squire; scholar and honorary Fellow of Cambridge, became in 1847 Under-Secretary of State with £2000 a year; devoted his life to the study of Bacon, the fruit of which was the "Letters and the Life of Francis Bacon, including all his Occasional Works, newly selected, and set forth with a Commentary, Biographical and Historical" in 7 vols. (1808-1881).

SPEE, MAXIMILIAN, COUNT VON, (German adl.) Born in Copenhagen, he was a pioneer of the German navy, and in November, 1914, he won the battle of Coronel against Cradock; the following month Admiral Sturdee met him off the Falkland Isles, the German squadron lost, and Von Spee went down on the *Scharnhorst* (1861-1914).

SPEGEL, HAQUIN, Swedish poet and archbishop of Upsala. He is chiefly known for his psalms, which are still sung in churches in Sweden, a history of the Swedish Church, and "God's Work and Rest" (1645-1714).

SPEKE, JOHN HANNING, African explorer, born in Somersetshire; became a soldier, and served in the Punjab; joined Burton in 1864 in an expedition into S. unalland, and three years after in an attempt to discover the sources of the Nile, and setting out alone discovered Victoria Nyanza, which he maintained was the source of the river, but which Burton questioned; on his return he published in 1863 an account of his discovery, which he was about to defend in the British Association when he was shot by the accidental discharge of his gun while he was out hunting (1827-1864).

SPENCE, JOSEPH, a miscellaneous writer, born in Haute; educated at and a Fellow of Oxford; his principal work, "Polymetis; or, an Inquiry into the Agreement between the Works of the Roman Poets and the Remains of Ancient Artists"; his "Anecdotes" are valuable from his acquaintance with the literary class of the time, and have preserved his name (1699-1788).

SPENCER, HERBERT, systematizer and unifier of scientific knowledge up to date, born in Derby, son of a teacher, who early inculcated him with an interest in natural objects, though he adopted at first the profession of a railway engineer, which in about eight years he abandoned for the work of his life by way of literature, his first effort being a series of "Letters on the Proper Sphere of Government" in the *Newcomenist* in 1842, and his first work "Social Statics," published in 1851, followed by "Principles of Psychology" four years after;

in 1861 he published a work on "Education," and his "First Principles" the following year, after which he began to construct his system of "Synthetic Philosophy," which fills a dozen large volumes, and has established his fame as the foremost scientific philosopher of the time. Following in the lines of Auguste Comte and John Stuart Mill he takes a wider sweep than either of them, fills the field he occupies with fuller and riper detail, resolves the whole of science into still more ultimate principles, and works the whole up into a more compact and comprehensive system. He is valiant before all for science, and releases everything and every interest to Agnosticism that cannot give proof of its scientific rights. "What a thing is itself," he says, "cannot be known, because to know it we must strip it of all that it becomes, of all that has come to adhere to it." The ultimate thus arrived at he finds to be, and calls, Energy, and that, therefore, he says, we do not and cannot know (1820-1903).

SPENCER GULF, a deep inlet on the coast of South Australia, 180 m. by 90 m.

SPENCER, JOHN ALFRED, British journalist. He became editor of the *Westminster Gazette* in 1896, and though relinquishing the editorial chair in 1922 he continued to write articles for it till it ceased publication in 1928; throughout his career as a leader writer he exercised great influence on Liberal politics (1862-).

SPENER, PHILIP JACOB, German Protestant theologian, founder of the *Pietists* (q.v.), born in Alsace, studied in Strasburg; in 1670 held a series of meetings which he called "Collegia Pietatis," whence the name of his sect; established himself in Dresden and in Berlin; but Halle was the centre of the movement; was an earnest and universally esteemed man (1635-1705).

SPENSER, EDMUND, author of the "Faerie Queene," and one of England's greatest poets; details of his life are scanty and often hypothetical; born in London, of poor but well-connected parents; entered Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, as a "sizar" in 1569, and during his seven years' residence there became an excellent scholar; took a master's degree, and formed an important friendship with Gabriel Harvey; three years of unsettled life followed, but were fruitful in the production of the "Shepherds' Calendar" (1579), which at once placed him at the head of the English poets of his day; had already taken his place in the best London literary and political circles as the friend of Sir Philip Sidney and Leicester, and in 1580 was appointed private secretary to Lord Grey, then proceeding to Ireland as the Lord Deputy, and, although his master soon returned to England, Spenser continued to make his home in Ireland, where he obtained some civil appointments, and in 1591 entered into possession of a considerable portion of the forfeited estates of the Earl of Desmond, adjacent to his house, Killybegs Castle, Co. Cork; seems to have been a pretty stern land-lord, and, as expounded in his admirable tract, "A View of the Present State of Ireland," the advocate of a policy of "suppression and repression"; consequently was little loved by the Irish, and on the outbreak of Tyrone's rebellion in 1598 his house was sacked and burned, and he himself forced to flee to London, where he died a few weeks later "a ruined and heart-broken man"; the rich promise of the "Shepherds' Calendar" had been amply fulfilled in the "Complaints," "Amoretti," "Colin Clouts Come Home Again," the "Epithalamium," the finest bridal song in any language, and above all in the six published books of "The Faerie Queene" (1590-1596), in which all his gifts and graces as a poet are at their best (1552-1599).

SPERMACEYL, a white waxy matter obtained in an oily state from the head of the sperm-whale inhabiting the Pacific and Indian Oceans; candles made of it yield a particularly steady and bright light.

SPEY, a river in the N. of Scotland which, rising in Badenoch, flows N.E. through Inverness, Elgin, and Banffshire, falls into the Moray Firth after a course of 107 miles; the salmon-fisheries are

valuable; it is the swiftest of the rivers of Great Britain.

SPEZIA, the chief naval station, "the Portofino" of Italy; occupies a strongly fortified site at the head of a bay on the W. side of Italy, 56 m. S.E. of Genoa; here are the naval ship-building yards, national arsenal, navy store-houses, besides schools of navigation; manufactures mostly of cables and sail-cloth.

SPHEROIDAL STATE, the phenomenon observed when a drop of water falls on a very hot metal; it remains on the surface as a small globe instead of evaporating at once; the formation of a layer of such globules explains how it is that a white hot iron may be licked without harm to the tongue and the arm plunged into molten lead, if moistened.

SPHINX, a fabled animal, an invention of the ancient Egyptians, with the body and claws of a lioness, and the head of a woman, or of a ram, or of a goat, all types or representations of the king, effigies of which are frequently placed before temples on each side of the approach; the most famous of the sphinxes was the one which waylaid travellers and tormented them with a riddle, which if they could not answer she devoured them, but which (Œdipus answered, whereupon she threw herself into the sea.

SPICE ISLANDS. See **MOLUCCAS**.

SPIELHAGEN, FRIEDRICH, German writer. A graduate of Berlin and Bonn, he took to journalism, spent some time in sociological studies, publishing a series of books dealing with working-class conditions, and in 1870 started writing novels with a sociological background (1829-1911).

SPILSBURY, SIR BERNARD, British pathologist, pathological expert to the Home Office.

SPINELLO, ARETINO, a celebrated Italian fresco-painter, born in Arezzo, where, with visits to Florence, his life was chiefly spent; was in his day the rival of Giotto, but few of his frescoes are preserved, and such of his paintings as are to be found in various galleries of Europe are inferior to his frescoes (1330-1410).

SPINET, or **VIRGINAL**, a musical instrument, with a keyboard, in vogue between 1500 and 1700.

SPINNING JENNY, an invention of James Hargreaves of Blackburn, embodying the first principles of machine spinning. It was worked by hand, and later improved by Arkwright and Crompton.

SPINOLA, AMBROSIO, MARQUIS OF, great Spanish general under Philip II. of Spain, born in Genoa; with a following of 9000, maintained at his own expense, took Ostend after a resistance of 3 years, in consequence of which feat he was appointed commander-in-chief, in which capacity he maintained a long struggle with Prince Maurice of Nassau, terminated only with the death of the latter; his services on behalf of Spain, in the interest of which he spent his fortune, were never acknowledged, and he died in poignant grief (1571-1650).

SPINOZA, BENEDICTUS DE, great modern philosopher, born in Amsterdam, of Jews of Portuguese extraction in well-to-do circumstances, and early trained as a scholar; began with the study of the Bible and the Talmud, but soon exchanged the study of theology in these for that of physics and the works of Descartes, in which inquiry he drifted farther and farther from the Jewish creed, and at length openly abandoned it; this exposed him to a persecution which threatened his life, so that he left Amsterdam and finally settled at The Hague, where, absorbed in philosophic study, he lived in seclusion, earning a livelihood by polishing optical glasses, which his friends disposed of for him; his days were short; he suffered from ill-health, and died of consumption when he was only 44; he was a man of tranquil temper, moderate desires, purity of motive, and kindly in heart; his great work, his "Ethics," was published a year after his death; he had held it back during his lifetime because he foresaw it would procure him the name of atheist, which he shrank from with horror; Spinoza's doctrine is summed up by Dr. Stirling thus, "Whatever is, is; and that is extension and thought. These two are all that is; and besides these there is naught. But these two are one; they are attributes of the single substance (that which, for its existence, stands in need of nothing else), very

God, in whom, then, all individual things and all individual ideas (modes of extension those, of thought these) are comprehended and take place"; thus we see that Spinoza includes under the term extension all individual objects, and under thought all individual ideas, and these two he includes in God, as He in whom they live and move and have their being,—a great conception and a pregnant, being the speculative ground of the being of all that lives and is; not without good reason does Novallis call him "Der Gott-ertrunkene Mensch," the God-intoxicated man (1632-1677).

SPINOZISM, the pantheism of Spinoza (q.v.), which regards God as the one self-subsistent substance, and both matter and thought attributes of Him.

SPION KOP, a battle in the Boer war fought in January, 1900, and resulting in heavy British losses.

SPIRES, or **SPEYER**, an old German town on the left bank of the Rhine, in the Palatinate, 14 m. SW. of Liedelsberg, the seat of a bishop and with a cathedral, of its kind one of the finest in Europe, and the remains of the Retscher, or Imperial palace, where in 1529 the Diet of the Empire was held at which the Reformers first got the name of Protestants, because of their protestation against the Imperial decree issued at Worms prohibiting any further innovations in religion.

SPIRIT (lit. breath of life), in philosophy and theology is the Divine mind incarnating itself in the life of a man, and breathing in all he thinks and does, and so is as the life-principle of it, employed also to denote any active dominating and pervading principle of life inspired from any quarter whatever and coming to light in the conduct.

SPIRIT, THE HOLY, the Divine Spirit manifested in Christ which descended upon His disciples in all its fulness when, shortly after His decease, their eyes were opened to see the meaning of His life and their hearts to feel the power of it.

SPIRITUALISM, a term that has two very different meanings, denoting at one time the doctrine that the only real is the spiritual, and at another time a belief in the existence of spirits with whom we, by means of certain media, can hold correspondence, and who, whether we are conscious of it or not, exercise in some cases an influence over human destiny; more particularly of the spirits of dead men with whom in their disembodied state we can by means of certain media hold correspondence, and who, from their continued interest in the world, do in that state keep watch and ward over its affairs as well as mingle in them, forming a world of spirits gone from hence, yet more or less active in the sense world.

SPITALFIELDS, a district of Stepney, London, with a famous church and fruit and vegetable market dating from the time of Charles II. The name is derived from the fields that used to surround the 13th-century priory of St. Mary Spital. French Huguenots started a local weaving industry in the district towards the end of the 17th century.

SPITHEAD, the eastern portion of the strait which separates the Isle of Wight from the Hampshire coast, 14 m. long, with an average breadth of 4 m.; is a sheltered and safe riding for ships, and as such is much used by the British navy; receives its name from a long "spit" of sandbank jutting out from the mainland. See the **SOLENT**.

SPITSBERGEN, the name of an Arctic archipelago lying 400 m. N. of Norway, embracing West Spitzbergen (15,260 sq. m.), North-East Land, Stans Foreland, King Charles Land or Wiche Island, Barents Land, Frize Charles Foreland, besides numerous smaller islands; practically lies under great fields of ice, enormous glaciers, and drifts of snow, pierced here and there by mountain peaks, hence the name Spitzbergen; the home of vast flocks of sea-birds, of polar bears, and Arctic foxes, while herds of reindeer are attracted to certain parts by a scanty summer vegetation; there are no permanent inhabitants, but the hard-cut shores are frequented in summer by Norwegian seal and walrus hunters. It was discovered in 1596 by Barents (q.v.), and has been the starting point of many expeditions to the North Pole.

SPLUGEN, an Alpine pass in the Swiss canton of the Grisons; the roadway 24 m. long, opened in 1822,

crosses the Rhaetian Alps from Chur, the capital of Grisons, to Chiavenna, in Lombardy, and reaches a height of 6595 ft.

SPOER, LUDWIG, musical composer and violinist, born in Brunswick; produced both operas and oratorios, "Faust" among the former, the "Last Judgment" and the "Fall of Babylon" among the latter; his violin-playing was admirable, producing from the tones of the instrument the effects of the human voice; wrote a handbook for violinists (1784-1859).

SPOLETO, an ancient city of Central Italy, built on the NE. slopes of a hill, in the province of Umbria, 75 m. N.E. of Rome; is protected by an ancient citadel, and has an interesting old cathedral with frescoes by Lippo Lippi, and an imposing 7th-century aqueduct; was capital of a Lombard duchy, and in 1220 was joined to the Papal States.

SPONGES, aquatic animals, the outer coating of whose bodies is perforated to allow the entrance of water, which provides the animal with food and oxygen; sponges are always attached to some external object and are not free-swimming animals.

SPONTINI, GASPARO, Italian operatic composer, born in Majolati; settled in Paris in 1803, and a year later made his mark with the little opera "Milton," and subsequently established his fame with the three grand operas, "La Vestale," "Ferdinand Cortez," and "Olympia"; from 1820 to 1842 was stationed at Berlin under court patronage, and in the face of public and press opposition continued to write in a strain of exalted and melodious music various operas, including his greatest work "Agnes von Hohenstaufen" (1774-1851).

SPORADES, a group of islands in the Greek Archipelago, in the Aegean Sea, of which the largest is Mitylene.

SPOTTISWOODE, JOHN, archbishop of St. Andrews; accompanied James VI. to London, was zealous for the establishment of Episcopacy in Scotland; was archbishop of Glasgow before he was translated to St. Andrews, officiated at coronation of Charles I. at Holyrood in 1633, and was two years after made Chancellor of Scotland; wrote a "History of the Church of Scotland"; was buried in Westminster (1565-1639).

SPOTTISWOODE, WILLIAM, mathematician and physician, born in London; was Queen's printer, as his father had been before him; published numerous important papers on scientific subjects, his greatest work "The Polarization of Light," a subject on which he was a great authority; he was president of the British Association in Dublin in 1878, and carried out experiments on electrical discharges in gases (1825-1883).

S.P.Q.R., Roman official initials standing for *Senatus Populusque Romanus* (the Senate and Roman People); were inscribed on the Roman military standards.

SPRAT, THOMAS, English divine and writer. Born in Reamington, Dorset, and educated at Oxford, he entered the Church in 1660, after making a name as a wit and writer of verse. He was dean of Westminster in 1683, and the following year was made Bishop of Rochester, speedily winning a reputation with his sermons. Among his writings the best is his "Life of Abraham Cowley" (1635-1713).

SREE, a river of Prussia, rises in East Saxony close to the Czechoslovakian border, follows a winding and generally N. and NW. course of 227 m. till its junction with the Havel at Spandau; chief towns on its banks are Bautzen, Kottbus, Lübben, and Berlin; is connected with the Oder by the Frederick William Canal.

SRENDEL, KURT, physician and botanist, born in Pomerania; held professorship in Halle; wrote on the history of both medicine and botany (1766-1833).

SPRENGER, ALOYS, eminent Orientalist, born in the Tyrol; studied in Vienna; went to India in 1843, where he diligently occupied his mind in study, and on his return in 1857 was appointed professor of Oriental Languages at Berne, from which he was translated to Heidelberg; edited Persian and Arabic works, and wrote the "Life and Doctrine of Mohammed" (1813-1893).

SPRIGG, SIR JOHN GORDON, South African politician. Born in Ipswich, the son of a minister, he emigrated to the Cape when 28, took to journalism, and in 1873 entered Parliament. In 1878 he became Prime Minister of Cape Colony, a post he again held in 1886, 1896, and 1900, finally retiring in 1904 after electoral defeat; he was knighted in 1902 (1830-1913).

SPRINGFIELD, (1) capital of Illinois, situated in a flourishing coal district, 185 m. SW. of Chicago; has an arsenal, two colleges, and a handsome marble capital; coal-mining, foundries, and flour, cotton, and paper mills are the chief industries; the burial-place of Abraham Lincoln. (2) A flourishing city of Massachusetts, capital of Hampden County, on the Connecticut River (spanned here by five bridges), 99 m. W. by S. of Boston; settled in 1635; has important manufactures of cottons, woollens, paper, and a variety of other articles, besides the United States armoury. (3) Capital of Greene County, Missouri, 232 m. WSW. of St. Louis, has rapidly increasing manufactures of cottons, woollens, and machinery; in the vicinity was fought the battle of Wilson's Creek, August 10, 1861. (4) Capital of Clark County, Ohio, on Lagonda Creek and Mad River, 80 m. NE. of Cincinnati; is an important railway centre, and possesses numerous factories of machinery, bicycles, and paper.

SPURGEON, CHARLES HADDON, a great preacher, born in Kelvedon, Essex; had no college training; connected himself with the Baptists; commenced as an evangelist at Cambridge when he was but a boy, and was only 17 when he was appointed to a pastorate; by-and-by on invitation he settled in Southwark, and held meetings which were always requiring larger and larger accommodation; at length in 1861 the Metropolitan Tabernacle, capable of accommodating 6000, was opened, where he drew about him large congregations, and round which he, in course of time, established a number of institutions in the interest at once of humanity and religion; his pulpit addresses were listened to by thousands every Sunday, and were one and all printed the week following, and circulated all over the land and beyond it till they filled volumes; no preacher of the time had such an audience, and none such a wide popularity; he preached the old Puritan gospel, but it was presented in such a form and in such simple, idiomatic phrase, as to commend it as no less a gospel to his own generation; besides his sermons as published, other works were also widely circulated, among them being "John Ploughman's Talk" (1834-1892).

SPURZHEIM, JOHANN GASPAR, phrenologist, born near Treves; went to study medicine at Vienna; attended the lectures of Gall and became a disciple, accompanying him on a lecturing tour through Central Europe, and settling with him in 1807 in Paris; in 1813 he separated from Gall, and went to lecture in England with much acceptance; in 1832 he proceeded to America with the same object, but he had hardly started on his mission when he died at Boston; he wrote numerous works bearing on phrenology and education (1776-1832).

SPY, a pseudonym adopted by Sir Leslie Ward, the famous cartoonist, whose work appeared in the pages of *Punch* and *Lady Fair*.

SQUEERS, WACKFORD, headmaster of Dotheboys Hall in Dickens's "Nicholas Nickleby," a type of avaricious, bullying schoolmaster.

SRUTI, the name given to sacred and revealed tradition, or revelation generally, among the Hindus.

STAAL, MARGUERITE JEANNE, BARONESS DE, a French lady of humble circumstances, of metaphysical turn; skilled in the philosophies of Descartes and Malebranche; was in the Bastille for two years for political offences; was a charming woman, and in 1735 married the Baron de Staal; left Memoirs and Letters (1684-1750).

STABAT MATER, a Latin hymn on the dolours of the Virgin, beginning with these words, and composed in the 13th century by Jacobone da Todì, a Franciscan monk; was set to music by several composers, the most popular setting being Rossini's.

STACE, SIR LEE OLIVER FITZMAURICE, British general, who in 1919 became Governor-General of the Sudan and Sirdar of the Egyptian army, and who

was murdered in Egypt in November, 1924 (1868-1924).

STADIUM, the course on which were celebrated the great games (foot-racing, wrestling, &c.) of ancient Greece, held at Olympia, Athens, and other places; the most famous was that laid out at Olympia; length 600 Greek feet, which was adopted as the Greek standard of measure, and equalled 606½ English feet.

STADTHOLDER, an anglicised form of the Dutch "stadhouder" (i.e. stead holder), a title conferred on the governors of provinces in the Low Countries, but chiefly associated with the rulers of Holland, Zealand, and Utrecht; in 1544 the title was held by William the Silent and continued to be the designation of the head of the new republic of the United Provinces of the Netherlands until 1802, when William V. was compelled to resign his stadtholdership to France, the country afterwards assuming a monarchical government.

STAEL, ANNE LOUISE, MADAME DE, a distinguished French lady, born in Paris, daughter of Neckers (q.v.), and only child; a woman of eminent ability, and an admirer of Rousseau; wrote "Letters" on his character and works; married a man ten years older than herself, the Baron de Staël-Holstein, the Swedish ambassador in Paris, where she lived all through the events of the Revolution in sympathy with the royal family; wrote an appeal in defence of the queen, and quitted the city during the Reign of Terror; on her return in 1795 her salon became the centre of the literary and political activity of the time; the ambition of Napoleon excited her distrust, and forced her into opposition so expressed that in 1801 she was ordered to leave Paris within 24 hours, and not to come within 40 leagues of it; in 1802 she was left a widow, and soon after she went first to Weimar, where she met Goethe and Schiller, and then to Berlin; by-and-by she returned to France, but on the publication of her "Gertrude," was ordered out of the country; after this appeared her great epoch-making work on Germany, "L'Allemagne," which was seized by the French censors; after this she quitted for good the soil of France, to which she had returned; settled in Switzerland, at Coppet, where she died (1766-1817).

STAFFA ("pillar island"), an uninhabited islet of basaltic formation off the W. coast of Scotland, 54 m. W. of Oban; 14 m. in circumference, and girt with precipitous cliffs, except on the sheltered N.E., where there is a shelving shore; is remarkable for its caves, of which Fingal's Cave is the most famous, having an entrance 4½ ft. wide and 66 ft. high, and penetrating 227 ft.

STAFFORD, county to the N. of Staffordshire, on the Row, 29 m. NNW. of Birmingham; has two fine old churches, St. Mary's and St. Chad's, interesting architecturally, King Edward's grammar school, and Stafford Castle finely situated on the outskirts; is an important railway centre, and noted for its bow and arrow manufactures.

STAFFORD HOUSE, a mansion just off the Mall, London, now known as Lancaster House and converted into the London Museum; was presented to the nation for the latter purpose by Lord Leverhulme (q.v.).

STAFFORDSHIRE, a midland mining and manufacturing county of England, wedged in on the N. between Cheshire (W.) and Derby (N.), and extending southward to Worcester, with Shropshire on the W., and Leicester and Warwick on the E.; with the exception of the wild and hilly "moorland" in the N., consists of an undulating plain crossed by the Trent, and intersected in all directions by canals and railways; embraces two rich coal-fields, one in the "Black Country" of the S., where rich deposits of ironstone are also worked, and one in the N., embracing the district of the "Potteries"; famous breweries exist at Burton; Wolverhampton is the largest town.

STAGIRITE, THE, Aristotle (q.v.), so called from his native place, Stagira.

STAHL, FRIEDRICH JULIUS, writer of jurisprudence, born in Munich, of Jewish parents; embraced Christianity; wrote "The Philosophy of Law"; became professor thereof at Berlin; was a staunch

Lutheran, and a Conservative in politics (1802-1861).

STAHL, GEORG ERNST, a German chemist, born in Ansbach; was professor of Medicine at Halle; developed the theory of phlogiston (q.v.) and of anilism (q.v.) (1660-1734).

STAINCLIFFE, a district in Batley, West Riding, busily engaged in the blanket manufacturing industry.

STAINER, SIR JOHN, musical composer, born in London; professor of music at Oxford; wrote the oratorio, "The Crucifixion" and two sacred cantatas, "The Daughter of Jairus" and "Jedary Magdalen" (1840-1901).

STAINES, a pretty little town of Middlesex, on the Thames (spanned here by a fine granite bridge), 6 m. S.E. of Windsor; St Mary's church has a tower designed by Inigo Jones; has breweries, mustard-mills, and other factories; in the neighbourhood are Runnymede and Cooper's Hill.

STAINLESS STEEL, steel containing about 15 per cent. of chromium and, in some cases, some nickel, which does not rust; it was invented in Sheffield in 1913.

STAIR, JOHN DALRYMPLE, 1ST EARL OF, eldest son of James Dalrymple (1619-1695) of Stair (a distinguished lawyer in his day, who rose to be President of the Court of Session; wrote a well-known work, "Institutes of the Law of Scotland"; as a Protestant supported the Prince of Orange, and by him was raised to the peerage as viscount in 1690); adopted law as a profession, and was called to the bar in 1672; got into trouble with Claverhouse, and was fined and imprisoned, but in 1687 was received into royal favour, became Lord Advocate, a Lord Ordinary in the Court of Session, and subsequently as Secretary of State for Scotland was mainly responsible for the massacre of Glencoe (q.v.). was created an earl in 1703, and later was active in support of the union of the English and Scottish Parliaments (1648-1707).

STAIR, JOHN DALRYMPLE, 2ND EARL OF, second son of preceding; entered the army at 19, and fought with his regiment, the Cameronians, at Steinkirk; studied law for some time at Leyden, but went back to the army, and by 1701 was a lieutenant-colonel in the Scots Foot Guards, and in 1706 colonel of the Cameronians; fought with distinction under Marlborough at Venlo, Ramillies, Oudenarde, and, as commander of a brigade, at the siege of Lille and at Malplaquet; was active in support of the Hanoverian succession, and subsequently in the reigns of George I. and II. filled important diplomatic and military posts (1673-1747).

STALACTITE, a cone of carbonate of lime attached like an icicle to the roof of a cavern, and formed by the dripping of water charged with the carbonate from the rock above; stalagmite being the name given to the cone formed on the floor by the dripping from a stalactite above.

STALIN, IOSIPH, Russian politician. The son of a peasant shoemaker, he was born in Georgia, destined for the Church and trained at a theological college; his inclinations, however, were all political and he launched out on a career as a revolutionary propagandist. He was one of the leaders of the plot to overthrow Kerensky in November, 1917, but for some years he remained in the political background, though he was secretary of the Russian Communist Party and Commissioner for Outer Nationalities. When Lenin died he began to take more power on his shoulders, and ruthlessly expelled from the party any who opposed him, even the once redoubtable Trotsky he was strong enough to force into exile, and even banishment from the country. Finally he became autocratic dictator of Soviet Russia. A man of few words, he gained the name of "the man of steel" (1879-).

STALYERIDGE, a manufacturing town of Cheshire and Lancashire, on both banks of the Tame, 7½ m. E. by N. of Manchester; is of modern growth, and noted for its large cotton-yarn and calico factories, iron-foundries, and machine-shops.

STAMBOUL or STAMBUL, modern Turkish name for Constantinople (q.v.).

STAMFORD, an interesting old town, partly in Lincolnshire and partly in Northamptonshire, on the Welland, 12 m. W.N.W. of Peterborough; was one of the five Danish burghs, and is described in Domesday Book (q.v.); a massacre of Jews occurred here in 1140, and in Plantagenet times it was a place of ecclesiastical, parliamentary, and royal importance; figures in the Wars of the Roses and the Civil War of Charles I.'s time; has three fine Early English churches, a corn exchange, two handsome schools, Browne's Hospital, founded in Richard III.'s reign, and Burchley House, a noble specimen of Renaissance architecture; the *Stamford Mercury* (1695) is the earliest provincial newspaper; the district is mainly agricultural.

STAMFORD, a town of Connecticut, situated amid surrounding hills in Long Island Sound, 33 m. N.E. of New York; is a summer resort, and has iron and bronze foundries, &c.

STAMFORD BRIDGE, a village of Yorkshire, on the Derwent, 9½ m. N.E. of York; the scene of Harold's victory over the invading forces of Harold Hardrada on September 25, 1066.

STAMP ACT, a measure passed by Grenville's Ministry in 1765 enacting that all legal documents used in the colonies should bear Government stamps. The Americans resisted on the ground that taxation without representation in Parliament was unjust. Riots broke out, and the stamped paper was carefully avoided. In 1766 Pitt championed the cause of the colonists, and largely through his eloquence Government in that year was induced to repeal the Act.

STANDING STONES, rude unhewn stones standing singly or in groups in various parts of the world, and erected at remote periods, presumably in memory of some great achievement or misfortune, or as having some monumental or religious reference. Examples are those at Stonehenge, and at Carnac in Brittany.

STANDISH, MILES, one of the Puritan Fathers, of Lancashire birth, and a cadet of a family of slightly rank in the county; served in the Netherlands as a soldier, and went to America in the *Mayflower* in 1620, and was helpful to the colony in its relations both with the Indians and the mother-country; is the hero of a poem by Longfellow (c. 1584-1656).

STANE STREET, a name often applied to Roman roads, but chiefly to one in Sussex and Surrey running from Chichester to London, and still traceable for a great part of the way.

STANFIELD, CLARKSON, English landscape painter born in Sunderland, of Irish descent; began as a scene painter; his first picture, "Market-boats on the Scheldt," proving a success, he devoted himself to easel-painting, and his principal works were: "Wreckers off Fort Rouge," "A Calm at Sea," "The Abandoned," "The Bass Rock"; his frequent visits to the Continent supplied him with fresh subjects, in which considerable technical knowledge is displayed; Ruskin says of one of his pictures, "It shows as much concentrated knowledge of the sea and sky as, diluted, would have lasted any of the old masters for life" (1793-1867).

STANHOPE, LADY HESTER LUCY, born in Chevening, Kent, the eldest daughter of the third Earl of Stanhope, and niece of William Pitt; a woman of unusual force of character and attractiveness; from 1803 to 1806 was, as the confidant and housekeeper of her uncle William Pitt, a leader of society; retired with a Government pension after Pitt's death, but impelled by her restless nature led an unsettled life in Southern Europe, and finally settled in Syria in 1814, making her home in the old convent of Mar Elias, near Mount Lebanon, where, cut off from Western civilisation, for 25 years she exercised a remarkable influence over the rude tribes of the district; assumed the dress of a Mohammedan chief, and something of the religion of Islam, and in the end came to look upon herself as a sort of prophetess; interesting accounts of her strange life and character have been published by her English physician, Dr. Madden, and others (1776-1839).

STANHOPE, PHILIP HENRY, EARL, historian, born in Walmer, only son of the fourth Earl of Stanhope

graduated at Oxford in 1827, and three years later entered Parliament as a Conservative; held office as Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs in Peel's Ministry of 1834-1835, and as Secretary to the Indian Board of Control during 1845-1846; succeeded his father in 1865, before which he was known by the courtesy title of Lord Mahon; literature was his chief interest, and as a historian and biographer he has a deservedly high reputation for industry and impartial judgment; a "History of England from 1713 to 1783," a "History of Spain under Charles II.," "Historical and Critical Essays," and "Lives of Pitt, Condé, and Bellars," are his most important works (1805-1875).

STANISLAS I., LEZINSKI, king of Poland, born in Lemberg; afterwards sovereign of the Duchies of Bar and Lorraine; became the father-in-law of Louis XV. (1677-1766).

STANISLAU, a town in Polish Galicia on the Bistritza, 75 m. SE. of Lemberg. It is noted chiefly for a battle in the Great War in August, 1916, between Russia and the armies of Germany and Austria, which the former won.

STANLEY, ARTHUR PENRHYN, widely known as Dean Stanley, having been dean of Westminster, born in Alderley, in Cheshire, son of the rector, who became bishop of Norwich; was educated at Rugby under Dr. Arnold, and afterwards at Balliol College, Oxford; took orders, and was for 12 years tutor in his college; published his "Life of Dr. Arnold" in 1844, his "Sinai and Palestine" in 1865, after a visit to the East; held a professorship of Ecclesiastical History in Oxford for a time, and published lectures on the Eastern Church, the Jewish Church, the Arianism Creed, and the Church of Scotland; accompanied the Prince of Wales to the East in 1862, and became dean of Westminster next year in succession to Trench, wrote "Historical Monuments of Westminster Abbey" and "Christian Institutions"; he had been married to Lady Augusta Bruce, and her death deeply affected him and accelerated his own; he was buried beside her in Henry VII.'s chapel; he was an amiable man, an interesting writer, and a broad churchman of very pronounced views (1815-1881).

STANLEY, SIR HENRY MORTON, African explorer, born in Denbigh, Wales, in poor circumstances, his parental name being Rowlands, he having assumed the name of Stanley after that of his adopted father, Mr. Stanley, New Orleans; served in the Confederate army; became a newspaper foreign correspondent, representing the *New York Herald* at length; was summoned by Mr. Gordon Bennett, its proprietor, to go and "find Livingstone"; after many an impediment found Livingstone on November 10, 1871, at Ujiji, Lake Tanganyika, and after staying with him, and accompanying him in explorations, returned to England in August next year; in 1874 he set out again at the head of an expedition across Central Africa, traversing the lakes and tracing the course of the Congo, returning home to publish "Congo and its Free State," and "In Darkest Africa"; made his last visit to Africa in 1887 at the head of the Emin Pasha relief expedition, and discovered Mt. Ruwenzori and the Albert Edward Nyanza; in 1884 married Dorothy Tennant, distinguished as an artist; represented Lambeth, North in Parliament from 1895 to 1900 (1841-1904).

STANNARY, a general term used to cover the tin mines of a specified district, the miners themselves, and such customs and privileges as appertain to the workers and the mines. In England the term is specially associated with the stannaries of Devon and Cornwall, which by an Act of Edward III. were conferred in perpetuity upon the Prince of Wales as Duke of Cornwall, who holds the title of Lord Warden of the Stannaries. Special Stannary Courts for the administration of justice amongst those connected with the mines are held in the two counties, and are each presided over by a warden and a vice-warden. Up to 1752 representative assemblies of the miners, called Stannary Parliaments, were held. Appeals from the Stannary Courts may be made now to the higher courts of England.

STANFELD, SIR JAMES, British politician. Born

in Halifax and educated at London University, he made a name as a Radical speaker and became M.P. for Halifax in 1859; later he became a lord of the Admiralty and Under-Secretary for India. His chief work was in local government matters and poor law, being in 1871 President of the Poor Law Board, and in 1872 first President of the Local Government Board on its formation (1820-1898).

STARCH, a carbohydrate found in many plants, especially rice, cereals, and potatoes; the action of certain enzymes changes it into sugars.

STAR-CHAMBER, a court which originated in the reign of Edward III., and consisted practically of the king's ordinary council, meeting in the Starred Chamber, and dealing with such cases as fell outside the jurisdiction of the Court of Chancery; was revived and remodelled by Henry VII., and in an age when the ordinary courts were often intimidated by powerful offenders, rendered excellent service to the cause of justice; was further developed and strengthened during the chancellorship of Wolsey, and in the reign of James I. had acquired jurisdiction as a criminal court over a great variety of misdemeanours—perjury, riots, conspiracy, high-treason, &c. Already tending to an exercise of unconstitutional powers, it in the reign of Charles I. became an instrument of the grossest tyranny, supporting the king in his absolutist claims, and in 1641 was among the first of the many abuses swept away by the Long Parliament.

STAR OF INDIA, THE MOST EXALTED ORDER OF THE, instituted in 1861; (Grand Master, the Viceroy of India; ribbon, light blue with white edges; motto, "Heaven's Light our Guide"; G.C.S.I., Knight Grand Commander, K.C.S.I., Knight Commander, C.S.I., Companion).

STARS AND STRIPES, the flag of the United States, the stripes representing the original States of the Union, and stars the present States.

STARS, THE, are suns at great distances from the earth, the nearest being more than 81 light years away; they are of unequal brightness, and are, according to this standard, classified as the first, second, down to the sixteenth magnitude; those visible to the naked eye include stars from the first to the sixth magnitude, and number 10,000, while several million are visible by the telescope; of these in the Milky Way (q.v.) alone there are 18,000,000; they are distinguished by their colours as well as their brightness, being white, orange, red, green, and blue according to their temperature and composition; they have from ancient date been grouped into constellations of the northern and the southern hemispheres and of the zodiac (q.v.), the stars in each of which are noted by the Greek letters, α, β , according to their brightness; they all move more or less, and some go round each other and are called double; besides stars singly visible there are others called clusters or nebulae (q.v.).

STATEN ISLAND, (1) belonging to New York State, and comprising the county of Richmond; is a picturesque island (14 m. long), 5 m. SW. of New York, separated from Long Island by the Narrows and from New Jersey by the Kill van Kull and Staten Island Sound; pretty watering-villages skirt its shores, and Forts Richmond and Wadsworth guard the entrance to the Narrows. (2) A lofty, precipitous, and rugged island, snow-clad most of the year, belonging to Argentina, lying to the SE. of Tierra del Fuego, from which it is separated by Le Maire Strait (40 m.).

STATES-GENERAL, name given to an assembly of the representatives of the three estates of nobles, clergy, and bourgeoisie, or the *Tiers Etat* as it was called in France prior to the Revolution of 1789; first convoked in 1302 by Philip IV.; they dealt chiefly with taxation, and had no legislative power; they were convoked by Louis XIII. in 1614, and dismissed for looking into finance, and not convoked again till the last time in 1789; for their history see Carlyle's "French Revolution."

STATES-RIGHTS, doctrine of the contention of the Democrats in the United States that the several States of the Union have all the rights, powers, and privileges not expressly made over to the central government, and of extremists that they have even the right of secession.

STATIONERS' HALL, the hall of the old Company of London Stationers, incorporated in 1557, who enjoyed till the Copyright Act of 1842 the sole right of having registered at their offices every pamphlet, book, and ballad published in the kingdom. Although no longer compulsory, the practice of entering books at Stationers' Hall was found useful for copyright purposes. The register-rolls of books entered at Stationers' Hall have been carefully preserved, and are of the highest value to the literary historian.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS, steps in the passage of Jesus from the Judgment-hall to Calvary, or representations of these, before each one of which the faithful are required to kneel and offer up a prayer.

STATIUS, PUBLIUS PAPINUS, a Latin poet, born in Naples; lived at Rome, flourished at court, particularly that of Domitian, whom he flattered, but retired to his native place after defeat in a competition, his chief work is the "Thebais," an epic in 12 books, embodying the legends connected with the war against Thebes; he ranks first among the poets of the silver age; a collection of short pieces of his named "Silva" have been often reprinted (61-98).

STAUBACH (dust stream), a famous waterfall near Lauterbrunnen, 8 m. S. of Interlaken, with a sheer descent of 980 ft.; in the sunlight it has the appearance of a rainbow-hued transparent veil, and before it reaches the ground it is dissipated in silvery spray.

STAUNTON, HOWARD, a famous chess-player; was an Oxford man, and led a busy life as a journalist and miscellaneous writer in London; won the chess championship in 1843, and did much to extend the scientific study of the game by various publications, "The Chess-Player's Handbook," &c.; was also held in high repute as a Shakespearean scholar; published well-annotated editions of Shakespeare's works and a facsimile of the first folio (1810-1874).

STAVANGER, a flourishing port of Norway, on a fiord on the SW. coast, 100 m. S. of Bergen, is of modern aspect, having been largely rebuilt; has two excellent harbours, a fine 11th-century Gothic cathedral, and is the centre of important coast fisheries.

STAVROPOL, a Russian government on the Caspian Sea, the inhabitants of which are chiefly nomads and breed horses, with a capital of the same name on a hill, a modern town and a prosperous, both in manufacture and trade.

STEAD, WILLIAM THOMAS, British journalist. He was editor of the *Northern Echo* at Darlington in 1871, and succeeded Morley in the editorship of the *Pall Mall Gazette* in 1883. For 16 years he held that position, starting London with sensational news stories, and landing himself in trouble by conspiring with General William Booth of the Salvation Army to procure a girl of 13 and transport her to the Continent, where she was placed in safe hands, in order to show how lax were the regulations against the white slave traffic; in his paper he gave the story as "The Maiden Tribute," and although he was sentenced to gaol his action led to the Criminal Law Amendment Act. Founded the *Review of Reviews* in 1890; wrote among other books "The Truth about Russia," "If Christ came to Chicago," and "Satan's Invisible World." He was drowned when the *Titanic* sank (1849-1912).

STEDMAN, EDMUND CLARENCE, American poet and critic. Educated at Yale, he began his career as a journalist, and in 1881 acted as war correspondent in the Civil War for *The New York World*. His first collected volume of poems was published in 1890; he also brought out several critical books, "Poets of America" and "Victorian Poets" among them (1833-1908).

STEEL, iron containing between 2.0 and 0.1 per cent of carbon; a small change in the carbon content gives rise to a large change in the properties of the steel, which also depend upon the method by which it is cooled; sudden cooling or chilling produces a hard, brittle metal, whilst if it is slowly cooled, or annealed, ductile steel is produced; properties intermediate between the two extremes may be obtained by tempering the steel; steel for certain

purposes contains manganese, chromium, tungsten, or nickel.

STEEL, FLORA ANNIE, British novelist. Marrying a Bengal civil servant in 1867, she spent many years in India, taking the country as a setting for many of her books, of which "On the Face of the Waters," "The Roofs of the Lord," "Kins-Errant," and "The Potter's Thumb" are among the best-known; was at one time an inspectress of schools in the Punjab (1847-1929).

STEEL, SIR JOHN, sculptor, born in Aberdeen; studied at Edinburgh and Rome; made his mark in 1832 by a model of a statue, "Alexander and Bucephalus," and soon took rank with the foremost and busiest sculptors of his day; his works are mostly to be found in Edinburgh, and include the equestrian statue of Wellington, statues of Sir Walter Scott (in the Scott Monument), Professor Wilson, Dr. Chalmers, Allan Ramsay, &c.; the splendid figure of Queen Victoria over the Royal Institution gained him the appointment (1844) of sculptor to Her Majesty in Scotland, and on the unveiling of his fine equestrian statue of Prince Albert in 1876 he was created a knight (1804-1891).

STEVE, SIR RICHARD, a famous English essayist, born, the son of an attorney, in Dublin; educated as a foundationer at the Charterhouse and at Oxford; enamoured of a soldier's life enlisted (1804) as a cadet in the Life Guards; in the following year received an ensigncy in the Coldstream Guards, and continued in the army till 1708, by which time he had attained the rank of a captain; a good deal of literary work was done during his soldiering, notably "The Christian Hero" and several comedies; appointed Gazetteer (1707), and for some two years was in the private service of the Prince Consort, George of Denmark; began in 1709 to issue the famous, tri-weekly paper, the *Tatler*, in which, with little assistance, he played the part of social and literary censor about town, couching his remarks in light and graceful essays, which constituted a fresh departure in literature; largely aided by Addison, his old school companion, he developed this new form of essay in the *Spectator* and *Guardian*; sat in Parliament as a zealous Whig, and in George I.'s reign was knighted and received various minor court appointments; continued a busy writer of pamphlets, &c., but withal mismanaged his affairs, and died in Wales, secured from actual penury by the property of his second wife, as a writer shares with Addison the glory of the Queen Anne Essay, which in their hands did much to purify, elevate, and refine the mind and manners of the time (1672-1729).

STEEN, JAN, Dutch painter, born in Leyden; was a *genre* painter of the style of Rembrandt; and his paintings display severity with sympathy and a playful humour; he is said to have led a dissipated life, and to have left his wife and a large family in extreme destitution (1626-1679).

STER, P. WILSON, British artist. Born in Birkenhead he studied in Paris, and returned to England an ardent Impressionist and disciple of Degas and Renoir, but he later developed a style of his own in which English traditions were blended with French; landscapes are his forte, though he is a fine portrait painter as well, and his work is found in several galleries of Europe (1860-).

STEEVENS, GEORGE, commentator on Shakespeare, born in Stepney; in 1736 edited 20 of Shakespeare's plays carefully reprinted from the original quartos, and in 1731 his notes with those of Johnson in another edition; a further edition, with a number of gratuitous alterations of the text, was issued by him in 1793, and that was the accepted one till the publication of Knight's in 1838 (1736-1800).

STEFANSSON, VILHEJLMAR, explorer. Of Icelandic parentage, he was born in Canada and educated in the United States; his first expedition was in 1908, when he discovered Victoria Land; between 1913 and 1918 he was again in the Arctic, discovering Prince Patrick Land (1879-).

STEGOSAURUS, a species of dinosaur found in the upper Jurassic beds of North America; their backs were covered with heavy bony plates; like the Brontosaurus, they were herbivorous.

STEIN, BARON VON, Prussian statesman, born in Nassau; rose rapidly in the service of the State, and became Prussian Prime Minister under William III. In 1807, in which capacity he effected important changes in the constitution of the country to its lasting benefit, till Napoleon procured his dismissal, and he withdrew to Austria, and at length to St. Petersburg, where he was instrumental in turning the general tide against Napoleon (1787-1831).

STEIN, CHARLOTTE VON, a lady friend of Goethe, born in Weimar; Goethe's affection for her cooled on his return from Italy to see her so changed; she never forgave him for marrying a woman beneath him; letters by Goethe to her were published in successive editions, but hers to him were destroyed by her (1742-1827).

STEINMETZ, CARL FRIEDRICH VON, Prussian general, born in Eisenach; distinguished himself in the war of 1813-1814, and inflicted crushing defeats on the Austrians in 1866; fell below his reputation in the Franco-German War, and was deprived of his command after the battle of Gravelotte, but was elected Governor-General of Posen and Silesia (1796-1873).

STEINTHAL, HEYMANN, German philologist, born in Gröbzig, in Anhalt; studied at Berlin, where in 1863 he became professor of Comparative Philology, and in 1872 lecturer at the Jewish High School on Old Testament Criticism and Theology; author of various learned and acute works on the science of language (1823-1899).

STELLA, the name under which Swift has immortalised Hester Johnson, the story of whose life is inseparably entwined with that of the great Dean; was the daughter of a lady-companion of Lady Gifford, the sister of Sir William Temple, who, it is conjectured, was her father. Swift first met her, a child of seven, when he assumed the duties of amanuensis to Sir William Temple in 1688, and during his subsequent residence with Sir William (1696-1699) stood to her in the progressive relationship of tutor, friend, and lover; but for some unaccountable reason it would seem they never married, although their mutual affection and intimacy endured till her death; to her was addressed, without thought of publication, the immortal "Journal to Stella," "the most faithful and fascinating diary the world has ever seen," which throws an invaluable flood of light on the character of Swift, revealing unsuspected tendernesses and affections in the great satirist (1681-1728).

STELLAR EVOLUTION, the modern theory of the development of the stars from the giant to the dwarf stage; the process appears to be accompanied by a gradual change of spectrum, a shrinkage in volume, and an increase in density as well as a loss of mass; it is now considered that the supply of energy of a star is kept up by annihilation of matter.

STENCILLING, a cheap and simple process of printing on various surfaces letters or designs; the characters are cut out in thin plates of metal or card-board, which are then laid on the surface to be imprinted, and the colour, by means of a brush, rubbed through the cut spaces.

STENO, NICHOLAS, a noted anatomist, born in Copenhagen, where he studied medicine and kindred sciences with great enthusiasm; became widely known in European medical circles by his important investigations into the natural functions of glands (salivary and parotid), the heart, brain, &c.; in 1687 became physician to the Grand-Duke of Tuscany, residing at Florence, where he renounced Lutheranism for Catholicism; made valuable geological investigations, but finally gave himself up to a religious life; was created a bishop, and in 1677 Vicar-Apostolic of North Germany; chiefly remembered for his contributions to anatomical science (1638-1686).

STENTOR, a Grecian herald who accompanied the Greeks in the Trojan War, and whom Homer describes as "the great-hearted, braven-voiced Stentor, whose shout was as loud as that of fifty other men," hence the epithet stentorian.

STEPHEN, king of England from 1135 to 1154, nephew of Henry I., his mother being Adela, daughter of William I.; acquired French possessions through the favour of his uncle and by his marriage; in

1127 swore fealty to his cousin Matilda, daughter of Henry I., as his future sovereign, but on the death of his uncle usurped the throne, an action leading to a violent civil war, which brought the country into a state of anarchy; the Scots invaded on behalf of Matilda, but were beaten back at Northallerton (the Battle of the Standard, 1138); foreign mercenaries introduced by the king only served to embitter the struggle; the clergy, despoiled by the king, turned against him, and in the absence of a strong central authority the barons oppressed the people and fought with one another; "Adulterine Castles" sprang up over the country, and "men said openly that Christ and His saints were asleep"; in 1141 Matilda won the battle of Lincoln and for a few months ruled the country, but, "as much too harsh as Stephen was too lenient," she rapidly became unpopular, and Stephen was soon again in the ascendant; the successes of Henry, son of Matilda, led in 1153 to the treaty of Wallingford, by which it was arranged that Stephen should retain the crown for life, while Henry should be his heir; both joined in suppressing the turbulent barons and the "Adulterine Castles"; more fortunately circumstanced, Stephen had many qualities which might have made him a popular and successful king (*c.* 1094-1154).

STEPHEN, the name of nine Popes: **S. I.**, Pope from 253 to 257, signalled by his zeal against the heresies of his time; **S. II.**, Pope from 752 to 757, in whose reign, under favour of Pope le Bref, began the temporal power of the Popes; **S. III.**, Pope from 768 to 772, sanctioned the worship of saints and images; **S. IV.**, Pope from 816 to 817; **S. V.**, Pope from 885 to 891, distinguished for his charity; **S. VI.**, Pope from 896 to 897, strangled after a reign of 18 months; **S. VII.**, Pope from 829 to 851, entirely under the control of his mistress; **S. VIII.**, Pope from 939 to 942; **S. IX.**, Pope from 1057 to 1058, vigorously opposed the sale of benefices and the immorality of the clergy.

STEPHEN, JAMES, slavery abolitionist, born in Dorsetshire; held a post in the West Indies; wrote "Slavery in the British West Indies," an able book; had some more or less distinguished in law and law practice (1758-1832).

STEPHEN, SIR JAMES, British judge. He is chiefly remembered for the valuable books he wrote on criminal law and his famous "Digest of the Laws of England" (1829-1844).

STEPHEN, SIR LESLIE, man of letters, born in Kensington, educated at Eton and Trinity Hall, Cambridge, of which he became a Fellow; became editor of the *Cornhill* and of the first 26 volumes of the "Dictionary of National Biography"; is the author of "Hours of a Library" and "History of English Thought in the Eighteenth Century," books that produced a deep impression; he also produced several biographies, distinguished at once by accuracy, elegance, and critical acumen (1832-1904).

STEPHEN, ST., protomartyr of the Christian Church, who (as it is supposed) died in A.D. 32; his death is a frequent subject of the old ballads, the saint himself being less frequently depicted, but when so he is represented usually in a demon's dress, bearing a stone in one hand and a palm-branch in the other, or both hands full of stones.

STEPHENS, GEORGE, archaeologist, born in Liverpool; settled in Sweden, and became professor of English in Copenhagen; his great work entitled "Old Northern Runic Monuments of Scandinavia and England" (1818-1895).

STEPHENS, JAMES, Fenian conspirator, born in Kilkenny; became "Head Centre," and zealous in the Fenian cause both in Ireland and America; was arrested in Dublin, but escaped; found his way to New York, but was deposed, and sank out of sight (1824-1901).

STEPHEN'S, ST., the Parliament House of Westminster, distinguished from St. James's, which denotes the Court, as Downing Street does the Government.

STEPHENSON, GEORGE, improver of the locomotive, born, the son of a poor colliery engineer, in Wylam, near Newcastle; was early set to work, first as a cowherd and then as a turnip-hoer, and by 15 was

earning 12s a week as fireman at Throckley Bridge Colliery, diligently the while acquiring the elements of education; married at 21, and supplemented his wage as brakeman at Killingworth Colliery by mending watches and shoes; in 1815 invented a safety-lamp for miners, which brought him a public testimonial of £1000; while at Killingworth turned his attention to the application of steam to machinery, and thus constructed his first locomotive in 1814 for the colliery tram-road; railway and locomotive construction now became the business of his life; superintended the construction of the Stockton and Darlington Railway (1821-1825), the Liverpool and Manchester Railway (1825-1829), over which he ran his locomotive, the "Rocket," at a maximum rate of 25 m. an hour; in the outburst of railway enterprise which now ensued, Stephenson's services were in requisition all over the country; became principal engineer on many of the new railways; bought the country-seat of Tipton, near Chesterfield, to which he retired for much-needed rest; a man of character, gentle and simple in his affections, strong and purposeful in his labours (1781-1845).

STEPHENSON, ROBERT, son of preceding, born in Willington Quay, was well educated at Newcastle, and for a session at Edinburgh University; began in 1823 to assist his father, and from 1824 to 1827 fulfilled an engineering engagement in Colombia, South America; rendered valuable service in the construction of the "Rocket," and as joint-engineer with his father of the London and Birmingham line was mainly responsible for its construction; turning his attention especially to bridge-building, he constructed the Britannia and Conway Tubular bridges, besides many others, including those over the Nile, St. Lawrence, &c.; was returned to the House of Commons in 1847; received the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour from the French emperor, and many other distinctions at home and abroad; was buried in Westminster Abbey (1803-1859).

STEPNIAK, SERGIUS, Russian Nihilist and apostle of freedom; exiled himself to England; author of "Underground Russia" (1852-1896).

STEPES, the name given to wide, treeless plains, barren except in spring, of the SE. of Russia and SW. of Siberia.

STEREOMETER, a scientific instrument for ascertaining the specific gravity of liquids, invented by a Frenchman named Say in 1796.

STEREOSCOPE, a simple optical apparatus which, when two photographs of an object taken from slightly different standpoints (so as to secure the appearance it presents to either eye singly) are placed under its twin magnifying lenses, presents to the eyes of the looker a single picture of the object standing out in natural relief.

STERNE, LAURENCE, English humorist, born in Clonmel, Ireland, son of Roger Sterne, captain in the army; his mother an Irishwoman; was educated at Halifax and Cambridge by-and-by took orders and received living in Sutton and Shillington, became a prebend at York, and finally got a living at Oxford; in 1759 appeared the first two volumes of "Tristram Shandy," and in 1767 the last two; in 1768 his "Sentimental Journey," and in the interim his "Sermons," equally characteristic of the man as the two former productions. Stopford Brooke says, "They have no plot, they can scarcely be said to have any story. The story of 'Tristram Shandy' wanders like a man in a labyrinth, and the humour is as labyrinthine as the story. It is carefully invented, and whimsically subtle; and the sentiment is sometimes true, but mostly affected. But a certain unity is given to the book by the admirable consistency of the characters, of whom 'Uncle Toby' is the masterpiece," the author died in London of pulmonary consumption (1713-1768).

STERNHOLD, THOMAS, principal author of the first English metrical version of the Psalms, originally attached to the Prayer-Book as augmented by John Hopkins; continued in general use till Tate and Brady's version of 1696 was substituted in 1717; was a Hampshire man, and held the post of Groom of the Robes to Henry VIII. and Edward VI. (1500-1549).

STEROPES, one of the three Cyclopes (q.v.).

STERICHORUS, a celebrated Greek lyric poet, born in Sicily; contemporary of Sappho, Alcaeus, and Pindarus; at his birth it is said a nightingale alighted on his lips and sang a sweet strain (652-652 B.C.).

STETHOSCOPE, a medical instrument used to listen to the action of the heart and chest organs, invented by Dr. Laennec in France in 1816.

STETTIN, capital of Pomerania, and a flourishing river-port on both banks of the Oder, 30 m. from its entrance into the Baltic, and 60 m. N.E. of Berlin; lies contiguous to, and is continuous with, the smaller towns of Bredow, Grabow, and Züllichow; principal buildings are the royal palace (18th century), the Gothic church of St. Peter (12th century), and St. James's (14th century); is a busy hive of industry, turning out ships, cement, sugar, and spirits, and carrying on a large export and import trade.

STEUEN, BARON VON, general in the American War of Independence, born in Magdeburg; originally in the Prussian service under Frederick the Great, and had distinguished himself at the siege of Prague and at Rossbach, emigrating to America at the end of the Seven Years' War, he offered his services, which were readily welcomed, and contributed to organise and discipline the colonists' army, to the success of the revolution (1730-1794).

STEVENSON, ROBERT, an eminent Scottish engineer, born in Glasgow, the son of a West India merchant; adopted the profession of his stepfather, Thomas Smith, and in 1796 succeeded him as first engineer to the Board of Northern Lighthouses, a position he held for 47 years, during which he planned and erected as many as 23 lighthouses round the coasts of Scotland, his most noted erection being that on the Bell Rock; introduced the catoptric system of illumination and other improvements; was also much employed as a consulting engineer in connection with bridges, harbours, canal, and railway construction (1772-1850).

STEVENSON, ROBERT LOUIS BALFOUR, novelist and essayist, grandson of the preceding, born in Edinburgh, where in 1875 he was called to the bar, after disappointing his father by not following the family vocation of engineering; had already begun to write for the magazines, and soon abandoned law for the profession of letters, in which he rapidly came to the front. In 1878 appeared his first book, "An Inland Voyage," quickly followed by "Travels with a Donkey," "Virginitas Puerique," "Familiar Studies"; with "Treasure Island" (1883) found a wider public as a writer of adventure and romance, and established himself permanently in the public favour with "Kidnapped" (1886), "The Master of Ballantrae," "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," &c., his versatility in letters was further revealed in his charming "A Child's Garden of Verse," "Ballads," "Memories and Portraits," and "A Footnote to History" (on Samoan politics); in 1890 falling health induced him to make his home in the island of Samoa, where he wrote "The Bottle Imp" and other South Sea stories, "The Ebb Tide," "The Wrecker," and the unfinished "St. Ives," and where he died (1850-1894).

STEVINUS DE BRUGES, Flemish scientist, an early experimenter who helped to lay the foundations of mechanics, especially in connection with the pulley and lever and their practical applications.

STEWART, LORD HIGH, in early times the highest office of state in England, ranking in power next to the sovereign; hereditary during many centuries, the office lapsed in the reign of Henry IV., and since has been revived only on special occasions, e.g. a coronation, a trial of a peer, at the termination of which the office is demitted, the Lord High Steward himself breaking in two his wand of office.

STEWART, BALFOUR, physicist, born in Edinburgh; after finishing his university curriculum went to Australia and engaged for some time in business; returned to England; became director at Kew Observatory, and professor of Natural Philosophy at Owens College, Manchester; made discoveries in radiant heat, and was one of the founders of spectrum analysis (q.v.); published text-books on physics, in wide repute (1828-1887).

STEWART, DUGALD, Scottish philosopher, born in Edinburgh, son of Matthew Stewart; attended the High School and the University; studied one session at Glasgow under Dr. Reid; assisted his father in conducting the mathematical classes in Edinburgh, and succeeded Adam Ferguson in the Moral Philosophy chair in 1785, a post, the active duties of which he discharged with signal success for twenty-five years, lecturing on a wide range of subjects connected with metaphysics and the science of mind; he wrote "Elements of the Philosophy of the Human Mind," "Philosophical Essays," &c. (1758-1828).

STEWART, HOUSE OF. See **STUART**.

STEWART, MATTHEW, mathematician, born in Rothsay; bred for the Church, was for a time minister of Rosemest, and succeeded MacLaurin as professor of Mathematics in Edinburgh in 1747; was the author of a mathematical treatise or two, and the lifelong friend of Robert Simson (1717-1785).

STEYER, a manufacturing town of Upper Austria, at the junction of the Steyer and Enns, 20 m. N.E. of St. Valentin; noted for its flourishing iron and steel manufactures, of which it is the chief seat in Austria.

STHENO, one of the three Gorgons (q.v.).

STIBNITE, a mineral from which antimony is obtained.

STIEGLER, ADOLF, a celebrated German cartographer, born in Gotha; his atlases are deservedly held in high esteem for their excellence (1775-1836).

STIER, BUDOLF EWALD, German theologian; was a devout student of the Bible as the very Word of God, and is best known as the author of the "Words of the Lord Jesus" (1890-1892).

STIGAND, archbishop of Canterbury and favourite of Edward the Confessor, who advanced him to the bishoprics of Elmham and Winchester and to the Primacy in 1052; his appointment was popularly regarded as uncanonical, and neither Harold nor William the Conqueror allowed him to perform the ceremony of coronation; through William's influence was by the Pope deprived of his office and condemned to imprisonment; d. 1072.

STIGMATA, impressions of marks corresponding to certain wounds received by Christ at His crucifixion, with which certain of the saints are said to have been supernaturally marked in memory of His St. Francis in particular showed such marks.

STILICHO, FLAVIUS, a Roman general, son of a Vandal captain under the emperor Valens; on the death of Theodosius I., under whom he served, became the ruler of the West, and by his military abilities saved the Western Empire; defeated Alaric the Goth in a decisive battle and compelled him to retire from Italy, as he did another horde of invading barbarians afterwards; aspired to be master of the Roman empires, but was assassinated at Ravenna in 408.

STILL, JOHN, bishop of Bath and Wells, born in Grantham; rose in the Church through a succession of preferments; is credited with the authorship of one of the oldest comedies in the English language, "Gammer Gurton's Needle," turning on the loss and recovery by her of the needle with which she was mending her goodman's breeches (1543-1608).

STILLINGFLEET, EDWARD, bishop of Worcester, born in Dorsetshire; was a scholarly man, wrote on apologetics, in defence of the Church of England as a branch of the Church Catholic, in support of the doctrine of the Trinity, and in advocacy of harmony in the Church; was an able controversialist and a generous-minded; was a handsome man, and popularly called the "Beauty of Holiness" (1635-1699).

STIMMER, HUGO, German industrialist and financier. Inheriting a fortune from his father, he was an official government contractor in the Great War, and subsequently acquired control of the coal, iron, and steel industries, besides several newspapers and shipping companies, making himself the most powerful man in the country (1870-1924).

STIFFLE, a mode of engraving by dots instead of lines, each dot when magnified showing a group of small ones.

STIRLING, JAMES HUTCHISON, master in philosophy, born in Glasgow; bred to medicine and

practised for a time in South Wales; went to Germany to study developments in philosophy there, on his return to Scotland published, in 1853, his "Secret of Hegel; being the Hegelian System in Origin, Principle, Form, and Matter," which has proved epoch-making, and has for motto the words of Hegel, "The Hidden Secret of the Universe is powerless to resist the might of thought! It must disclose before it, revealing to sight and bringing to enjoyment its riches and its depths." It was followed in 1881 by his "Text-book to Kant," an exposition which his "Secret" presupposes, and which he advised the students of it to expect, that they might be able to construe the entire Hegelian system from its root in Kant. He was elected to be the first Clifford Lecturer in Edinburgh University, and his admirers had to content themselves with that modicum of acknowledgment. He was the author of a critique on Sir William Hamilton's theory of perception, on Huxley's doctrine of protoplasm, and on Darwinianism, besides a translation of Schwegler's "History of Philosophy," with notes, a highly serviceable work (1820-1909).

STIRLING, WILLIAM ALEXANDER, EARL OF, poet, born in Menstrie, near Alloa; was for a time tutor to the family of Argyll; was the author of sonnets called "Aurora," some curious tragedies, and an "Elegy on the Death of Prince Henry"; he was held in high honour by James VI. and followed him to London, obtained a grant of Nova Scotia, and was made Secretary of State for Scotland; he has been ranked as a poet with Drummond of Hawthornden, who was his friend (1587-1640).

STIRLING, the county town of Stirlingshire, and one of the most ancient and historically interesting cities of Scotland; occupies a fine site on the Forth, 36 m. N.W. of Edinburgh and 20 m. N.E. of Glasgow; most prominent feature is the rocky castle hill, rising at the westward end of the town to a height of 420 ft., and crowned by the ancient castle, a favourite Stuart residence and associated with many stirring events in Scottish history, but utilised now as a garrison station; interesting also are Argyll's Lodgings, Greyfriars Church (Dedicated Gothic of the 15th century), the fine statue of Bruce, &c.; has manufactures of tartans, tweeds, carpets, &c., and a trade in agricultural and mining products.

STIRLINGSHIRE, a midland county of Scotland, stretching E. and W. from Dumbarton (W.) to the Forth (E.); between Lanark (N.) and Perth (N.). It forms the border-land between the Lowlands and the Highlands; Loch Lomond skirts the western border, and on the northern Loch Katrine, stretching into Fife; Ben Lomond and lesser heights rise in the N.W.; main streams are the Avon, Carron, Bannock, &c.; between Alloa and Stirling stretches the fertile and well-cultivated plain, "The Carse of Stirling"; in the W. lies a portion of the great western coal-field, from which coal and ironstone are largely extracted; principal towns are Stirling (q.v.), Falkirk, and Kilmarnock; interesting remains of Antonine's Wall, from Forth to Clyde, still exist; within its borders were fought the battles of Bannockburn, Sauchieburn, Stirling Bridge, and Falkirk.

STIRRUP CUP, a "parting cup" given by the Highlanders to guests when they are leaving and have their feet in the stirrups.

STOBÆUS, JOANNES, a native of Stobi, in Macedonia; flourished at the end of the 5th and beginning of the 6th centuries; celebrated as the compiler (about 500 A.D.) of a Greek Anthology, through which many valuable extracts are preserved to us from works which have since his day been lost.

STOCK EXCHANGE, a mart for the buying and selling of Government stocks, company shares, and various securities, carried on usually by the members of an associated body of brokers having certain rules and regulations. Such associations exist now in most of the important cities of the United Kingdom and commercial world generally (on the Continent are known as *Bourses*). The London Stock Exchange, transacting business in handsome buildings in Capel Court, facing the Bank of England, was established in 1801, stock-exchange transactions previous to then being carried on in a loose, ill-regulated fashion

by private parties chiefly in and around Change Alley, the scene of the memorable South Sea Bubble (q.v.) speculation. The great development in stock exchange business in recent times is due chiefly to the sale of foreign and colonial bonds, and the remarkable growth and spread of joint-stock companies since the Joint-Stock Company Act of 1862.

STOCKHOLM, capital of Sweden; occupies a charming site on the channel leading out of Lake Mälaren into a bay of the Baltic; stands partly on the mainland and partly on nine islands, communication between which is facilitated by handsome bridges and a busy service of boats. Its wooded and rocky islands, crowned with handsome buildings, its winding water-ways, pebbly shores, crowded wharves, and outlook over the belated lake, combine to make it one of the most picturesque cities of Europe; Town Island, the nucleus of the city, is occupied by the royal palace, House of Nobles, principal wharf, &c., while on Rindögns Island stand the Houses of Parliament, law-courts, and other public buildings, Norrmalm, with the Academy of Science, National Museum, Academy of Fine Arts, Hop Garden, &c., is the finest quarter of the city, manufactures embrace sugar, tobacco, silks, linen, and cotton, besides which there are flourishing ironworks and a busy export trade in iron and steel, oats, and tar, despite the hindrance caused by the ice during three or four months in winter, founded in 1256 by Birger Jarl.

STOCKMAR, BARON VON, statesman, born in Coburg; bred to medicine, became physician to Leopold I. of Belgium, and at length his adviser; was adviser also of Queen Victoria before her accession; accompanied Prince Albert to Italy before his marriage, and joined him thereafter in England as the trusted friend of both the Queen and him. He had two political ideals—a united Germany under Prussia, and unity of purpose between Germany and England (1787-1863).

STOCKPORT, a cotton town of East Cheshire, occupies a site on the slopes of narrow gorge overlooking the confluence of the Thame and troyt (forming the Mersey), 37 m. E. of Liverpool; a handsome viaduct spans the river; has an old grammar-school, free library, technical school, &c.; during last century grew to be a busy centre of cotton manufactures, and has besides flourishing iron and brass foundries, machine-shops, and breweries.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES, a prosperous manufacturing town and port of Durham, on the Tees, 4 m. from its mouth; an iron bridge spanning the river connects it with Thornaby-on-Tees; has several fine public buildings; steel and iron shipbuilding, potteries, foundries, machine-shops are flourishing industries; iron and earthenware are the chief exports, and with imports of corn and timber give rise to a busy and increasing shipping, facilitated by the excellent river-way.

STOICS, from the disciples of Zeno; derived their name from the *stoa* or portico in Athens where their master taught and founded the school in 340 B.C. The doctrines of the school were completely antagonistic to those of Epicurus, and among the disciples of it are to be reckoned some of the noblest spirits of the heathen world immediately before and after the advent of Christ. These appear to have been attracted to it by the character of its moral teachings, which were of a high order indeed. The principle of morality was defined to be conformity to reason, and the duty of man to lie in the subduing of all passion and a composed submission to the will of the gods. It came short of Christian morality, as indeed all Greek philosophy did, in not recognising the Divine significance and power of humility, and especially in its failure to see, still more to conform to, the great doctrine of Christ which makes the salvation of a man to depend on the interest he takes in, as well as in the fact of the salvation of, other men. The Stoic morality is selfish; the morality of Christ is brotherly.

STOKE-UPON-TRENT, chief seat of the "Potteries," in Staffordshire, on the Trent and the Trent and Mersey Canal, 15 m. SE. of Crewe; is of modern growth, with free library, infirmary, public baths, and a statue to Wedgwood, and is busily engaged

in the manufacture of all sorts of porcelain ware, earthenware, encaustic tiles, &c., besides which there are flourishing iron-works, machine-shops, and coal-mines.

STOKES, SIR GEORGE GABRIEL, British mathematician and physicist, born in Skreen, co. Sligo, Ireland; carried out many researches in theoretical physics, and was specially devoted to the study of hydrodynamics and wave motion, and the theory of light; he opened up new fields of investigation and supplied later experimenters with valuable hints; he was one of the foremost physicists of his day; president of the British Association, at Exeter in 1869 (1819-1903).

STOLBERG, CHRISTIAN, COUNT OF, German poet of the Göttingen school, to which Bürger and Voss belonged, born in Hamburg; with his brother was a friend of Goethe, and held a civil appointment in Holstein (1748-1821).

STOLBERG, FRIEDRICH LEOPOLD, COUNT OF, German poet, born in Holslein, brother of preceding; held State appointments in Denmark; joined the Roman Church, and showed a religious and ascetic temper (1750-1819).

STOLE, a long scarf worn by bishops and priests in the administration of the sacraments of the Church, and sometimes when preaching, as well as in symbol of authority.

STOLYPIN, PETER ARKADZHEVIC, Russian politician. He held several important administrative posts, and in 1906, one of the most troubled years in Russian history, he became Prime Minister; in 1911 he was assassinated at Kieff (1863-1911).

STONE AGE, the name given to that period in the history of civilisation when the weapons of war and the chase and the implements of industry were made of stone, prior to employment for these purposes of bronze, characteristic of the age succeeding; is divided into two periods, the Palæolithic, or Early Stone Age, and Neolithic, or Later Stone Age (q.v.).

STONE CIRCLES, circles of standing stones (q.v.) found in various parts of Great Britain, North Europe generally, and also, but of more recent origin, in North India; were certainly, in most cases, set up to mark the circular boundary of a place of burial; erroneously ascribed in this country to the Druids; from the character of numerous cinerary urns exhumed, seem to have belonged to the bronze age in Great Britain; most interesting are those of Stennik, in Orkney, with a circumference of 340 ft., Avebury, in Wiltshire, and Stonehenge (q.v.).

STONEHAVEN, fishing port and county town of Kincardineshire, situated at the entrance of Carron Water (dividing the town) into South Bay, 16 m. SSW. of Aberdeen; has a small harbour, and is chiefly engaged in herring and haddock fishing.

STONEHENGE, the greatest and best preserved of the stone circles (q.v.) of Britain, situated in Salisbury Plain, Wiltshire, 7 m. N. of Salisbury; "consists of two concentric circles, enclosing two ellipses"; the diameter of the space enclosed is 100 ft.; the stones are from 13 ft. to 28 ft. high; is generally regarded as an exceptional development of the ordinary stone circle, but the special purpose of its unusual construction is still a matter of uncertainty.

STONYHURST, a celebrated Roman Catholic college in East Lancashire, 10 m. N. of Blackburn; established in 1794 by certain Jesuit fathers who, after the suppression of their seminary at St. Omer, in France, by the Bourbons, took up their residence at Bruges and then at Liège, but fled thence to England during the Revolution, and accepted the shelter offered them at Stonyhurst by Mr. Weld of Lulworth; there are several hundreds of students, and upwards of 30 masters; a preparatory school has been established at Hodder, a mile distant; in 1840 was affiliated to the University of London, for the degrees of which its students are chiefly trained; retains in its various institutions many marks of its French origin.

STOOL-BALL, an old-time sport which survives in Sussex, where it is a popular pastime for girls; is a primitive form of cricket, the bat having a short handle and a short, broad blade, and the wicket being an upright stick with a square of wood at top.

STOOL OF REPENTANCE, in Scotland in former times an elevated seat in a church on which for

offences against morality people did penance and suffered rebuke.

STOREY, GEORGE, British painter. First exhibiting at the Royal Academy at the age of 18, he became an A.R.A. in 1876 and an R.A. in 1914; homeliness was the keynote of his paintings; he also made a name as a portrait painter (1834-1919).

STORM, THEODORE WALDEN, German poet and story-teller, born in Sleswig; was a magistrate and judge in Sleswig-Holstein (1817-1888).

STORM-AND-STRESS PERIOD, name given in the history of German literature to a period at the close of the 18th century, when the nation began to assert its freedom from artificial literary restraint, a period to which Goethe's "Götz von Berlichingen" and Schiller's "Robbers" belong, and the spirit of which characterized it; the representatives of the period were called *Kraftmänner* (Power-men), who "with extreme animation rallied against Fate in general, because it enthralled free virtue, and with clenched hands or sounding shields hurled defiance towards the vault of heaven."

STORMS, CAPE OF, name originally given in 1486 to the Cape of Good Hope by the Portuguese navigator Bartholomew Dias.

STORMS, MAGNETIC, Irregular variations in the earth's magnetic field, believed to be connected with the spots on the sun's surface.

STORNOWAY, a fishing-port, the capital of Lewis, and the chief town in the Outer Hebrides, with Stornoway Castle adjoining.

STORTHING (i.e. great court), the national Parliament of Norway, composed of two chambers, the Lagthing or Upper Chamber, and the Odelthing or Lower.

STORY, JOSEPH, American jurist and judge, born in Massachusetts; author of several Commentaries on Jurisprudence (1779-1845).

STORY, WILLIAM WETMORE, poet and sculptor, son of preceding (1819-1895).

STOTHEARD, THOMAS, artistic designer and book illustrator, as well as painter, born in London, son of an innkeeper; illustrated, among other works, "Piercing Progress," and, with Turner, Rogers' "Italy" (1755-1834).

STOURBRIDGE, manufacturing town in Worcestershire; its staple manufactures are glass and pottery.

STOW, JOHN, English antiquary, born in London; bred a tailor; took to antiquarian pursuits, which he prosecuted with the zeal of a devotee that spared no sacrifice; wrote several works on antiquities, the chief and most valuable being his "Survey of London and Westminster"; he ended his days in poverty (1525-1605).

STOWE, HARRIET BEECHER, American authoress, whose fame rests on one book, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," a novel that did a great deal to awaken American public opinion to the evils of the slave trade in the southern cotton plantations (1811-1896).

STOWELL, WILLIAM SCOTT, BARON, English judge, born in Heworth, brother of Lord Eldon; famed for his judicial decisions (1745-1836).

STRABO, ancient geographer, born in Amasia, in Pontus; flourished in the reign of Augustus, and the early part of that of Tiberius; was a learned man, lived some years in Rome, and travelled much in various countries; wrote a history of 43 books, all lost, and a work on geography, in 17 books, which has come down to us entire all to the 7th; the work is in general not descriptive; it comprehends principally important political events in connection with the countries visited, with a notice of their illustrious men, or whatever seemed to him characteristic in them or was of interest to himself; born about 63 B.C.

STRACHEY, GILES LYTON, British author. Son of Sir Richard Strachey, he was educated at Cambridge and took to reviewing and writing books on literary subjects; "Queen Victoria" and "Eminent Victorians" are his best-known books; in 1922 he was awarded the Royal Society of Literature's Benson Medal (1880-).

STRACHEY, JOHN ST. LOE, British writer. After leaving Oxford he edited the *Cornhill Magazine*, and in 1897 became editor of the *Spectator*; has written books on social and religious questions (1860-).

STRADDHA, the funeral rites and funeral offerings for the dead among the Hindus.

STRADIVARI, ANTONIO, Italian musician. Born in Cremona, he studied under Amati, and is famous as a maker of violins (1644-1730).

STRAFFORD, THOMAS WENTWORTH, EARL OF, English statesman, born in London, of an old Yorkshire family; studied at Cambridge; after some months' travel on the Continent entered Parliament in 1614, but took no active part in affairs till 1621; he took sides at first with the party for freedom, but in 1622 felt compelled to side with the king, to his elevation of greater and greater influence as his counsellor; his policy, named "Thorough," was to establish a strong Government with the king at the head, and to put down with a firm hand all opposition to the royal authority; appointed Lord-Deputy in Ireland in 1633, he did all he could to increase the royal resources, and was at length, in 1640, exalted to the Lord-Lieutenancy, being at the same time created Earl of Strafford; he had risen by this time to be the chief adviser of the king, and was held responsible for his arbitrary policy; after the meeting of the Long Parliament he was impeached for high treason, the impeachment seemed likely to fail, when a Bill of Attainder was produced; to this the king refused his assent, but he had to yield to the excitement his refusal produced, and as the result Strafford was beheaded on Tower Hill (1593-1641).

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, British colony in the East Indies, embracing the British possessions in the Malay Peninsula (on the Strait of Malacca), Singapore, Malacca, Penang, and the Keeling Islands and Christmas Island; were under the jurisdiction of the Governor-General of India till 1867, in which year they passed under the control of the Colonial Office at home.

STRALSUND, a fortified seaport of North Prussia, on Strela Sound, opposite the island of Rügen, in the Baltic, and 66 m. N.W. of Stettin, forms of itself an islet, and is connected with the mainland (Pomerania) by bridges; is a quaint old town, dating back to the 13th century; figures often in the wars of Prussia, and is now a place of considerable commercial importance.

STRANG, WILLIAM, British artist. Born in Dumbarton, he came to London as a boy of 16 and studied under Leckwatt the Slade School, where his drawings attracted attention; portraits and imaginative book illustrations were his chief work, but he also painted bright scenes (1859-1921).

STRANGFORD, PERCY CLINTON SYDNEY SMYTHE, VISCOUNT, diplomatist; graduated at Trinity College, Dublin, in 1800; entered the diplomatic service, and in the following year succeeded to the title; was ambassador to Portugal, Sweden, Turkey, and Russia; translated the "Rimas" of Camoens (1780-1855).

STRANGFORD, PERCY E. F. W. SMYTHE, son of preceding, diplomatist and noted philologist, born in St. Petersburg, passed through Harrow and Oxford; entered the diplomatic service; became attaché at Constantinople, and during the Crimean War served as Oriental Secretary, acquiring the while a profound grip of the Eastern Question and an unrivalled knowledge of European and Asiatic languages—Turkish, Persian, Arabic, Slavonic, Afghan, Basque, &c.; succeeded to the title in 1855, and henceforth resided chiefly in London; was President of the Asiatic Society, and was considered by Freeman "our greatest English philologist"; author of various articles on political, geographical, and philological subjects (1825-1869).

STRANRAER, a royal burgh and seaport of Wicktownshire, finely situated at the southern extremity of Loch Ryan, 73 m. W. of Dumfries; has an interesting 16th-century castle, a handsome town hall and court-house; there is some shipping in agricultural produce, and steamers ply daily between Stranraer and Larne, in Ireland.

STRAPAROLA, GIOVANNI FRANCESCO, author of a famous collection of stories after the style of Boccaccio's "Decameron," partly borrowed and partly genuine folk-stories, which ranks as an Italian

classic and has been translated into various European languages; flourished in the 16th century. **STRAP, HUGH**, a simple-hearted friend and adherent of *Roderick Random* in Smollett's novel of that name.

STRAPPADO, an obsolete military punishment which took the form of drawing a culprit to the top of a beam and then letting him drop the length of the rope.

STRASBURG, capital, since 1871, of Alsace-Lorraine, on the Ill, a few miles above its confluence with the Rhine, 89 m. N. of Basel; a place of great strategic importance, and a fortress of the first class; a city of Roman origin, and contains a magnificent Gothic cathedral (11th century) with a famous astronomical clock, an imperial palace, and university; manufactures embrace beer, leather, cutlery, and jewellery; there is also a busy transit trade; a free town of the German empire in the 13th century; fell into the hands of the French in 1681, and was captured by the Germans, after a seven weeks' siege, on September 28, 1870, after which it became German by the peace of Frankfurt, May, 1871, and was restored to France by the Treaty of Versailles in 1919.

STRATFORD, manufacturing town in Essex, on the Lee, 4 m. N.E. of London.

STRATFORD DE REDCLIFFE, SIR STRATFORD CANNING, 1ST VISCOUNT, a distinguished ambassador, born in London, son of a well-connected merchant, and cousin to Canning the statesman; passed from Cambridge to the Foreign Office in 1807 as a press-writer to his cousin; in three years had risen to the post of minister-plenipotentiary at Constantinople, where he speedily gave evidence of his remarkable powers as a diplomatist by arranging unaided the treaty of Bucharest (1814) between Russia and Turkey, and so setting free the Russian army to fall upon Napoleon, then retreating from Moscow; as minister to Switzerland aided the Republic in drawing up its constitution, and in the same year (1815) acted as commissioner at the Congress of Vienna; was subsequently employed in the United States and various European capitals, but his unrivalled knowledge of the Turkish question brought him again, in 1842, to Constantinople as ambassador, where his remarkable power and influence over the Turks won him the title of "Great Eichl"; exerted in vain his diplomatic skill to prevent the rupture between Turkey and Russia, which precipitated the Crimean War; resigned his embassy in 1858; was raised to the peerage in 1852; sat in Parliament for several years previous to 1842, but failed to make his mark as a debater; ranks among the great ambassadors of England (1786-1880).

STRATFORD-ON-AVON, a pleasant old market town of Warwickshire, on the right bank of the Avon, 8 m. SW. of Warwick and 110 m. NW. of London; far ever famous as the birth and burial place of Shakespeare, with whom all that is of chief interest in the town is associated, the house he was born in, his old school, Anne Hathaway's cottage on the outskirts, the fine Early English church (14th century), where he lies buried, the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre, museum, &c.; is visited annually by some 20,000 pilgrims; is an important agricultural centre.

STRATHOLYDE, or NORTHERN CUMBRIA, an ancient kingdom of the Britons, which originated in the 8th century, and comprised the W. side of Scotland between the Solway and the Clyde; Alclyde or Dumbarton was the capital; was permanently annexed to Scotland in 1124 under David I.

STRATHCONA AND MOUNT ROYAL, 1ST BARON (Donald A. Smith), Canadian politician and business man. Born in Scotland, he emigrated to Canada as a young man and served with the Hudson Bay Company, of which he later became general manager and finally governor. He took a hand in quelling a rebellion in Red River territory in 1869, and later sat in the Dominion Parliament. He was a pioneer of the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1881, and in 1886 was knighted. In 1896 he became Canada's High Commissioner in London and was raised to the peerage (1820-1914).

STRATHFIELDBAYE, an estate in Hampshire with a

fine Queen Anne mansion, 7 m. N.E. of Basingstoke, purchased by Parliament for £283,000, and presented to the Duke of Wellington in 1817.

STRATHMORE ("Great Valley"), the great plain of Scotland stretching for 100 m. (5 to 10 m. broad), in a north-easterly direction from Dumbartonshire to Stonehaven, in Kincardineshire, between the great mountain barrier of the Highlands, the Grampians, and the Southern Lennox, Ochil, and Midlaw Hills; in a more restricted sense denotes the plain between Perth and Brechin.

STRATHPEFFER, a watering-place in Ross and Cromarty, 5 m. W. of Dingwall, a great health resort, and much frequented on account of its mineral waters and bracing air and other attractions.

STRAUSS, DAVID FRIEDRICH, German theological and Biblical critic, born in Ludwigsburg, in Württemberg; studied in the Theological Institute of Tübingen under Baur, was ordained in 1830, and went to Berlin in order to attend the lectures of Hegel and Schleiermacher, and returning to Tübingen gave lectures on Hegel in 1832, he the while maturing his famous theory which, published in 1835, made his name known over the whole theological world; this was his "Leben Jesu," the first volume of which appeared that year, in which he maintained that, while the life of Christ had a historical basis, all the supernatural element in it and the accounts of it were simply and purely mythical, and the fruit of the idea of his person as by line which at the foundation of the Christian religion took possession of the mind of the Church (1808-1874).

STRAUSS, JOHANN, musical composer, born in Vienna, was a musical conductor, but is known chiefly for his compositions, largely of waltz music (1804-1849).

STRAUSS, JOHANN, composer and son of the preceding, chiefly famous as composer of the "Blue Danube" waltz; he had two brothers who also composed music (1825-1899).

STRAUSS, RICHARD, German composer. He inherited musical ability from his father who played in the orchestra at Munich opera house, a theatre where he himself was afterwards conductor, as he was also at Berlin. Among the operas, symphonies, and songs he composed are "Ein Heldenleben" and "Rosenkavalier." His work is often called discordant by critics and is on unconventional lines (1864-).

STREATHAM, a Surrey suburb of London, 61 m. SW. of St. Paul's.

STREET, GEORGE EDMUND, architect, born in Essex, was the architect of the Law Courts in London; had been trained under Gilbert Scott (1824-1881).

STRELTZES, the name given to the life-guards of the Czar, which at one time numbered 40,000; became so unruly and dangerous to the State that they were dissolved by Peter the Great, and dispersed in 1705.

STRESEMANN, GUSTAV, German politician. He entered the Reichstag at the age of 29 as a National Liberal, throughout the early days of the Great War was a supporter of ruthlessness, and in 1917 became leader of his party. In 1918 he founded the People's Party, and in 1923 became Chancellor of Germany. The same year he was made Foreign Minister, a post he held till his death, and his tenure of which was marked by efforts for international peace, notably the Locarno Pact and the entry of Germany into the League of Nations (1878-1929).

STRETTON, HERBA, the *nom de plume* of Sarah Smith, daughter of a Shropshire bookseller, whose semi-religious stories, chiefly for the young, won wide acceptance in English homes after the publication of "Jessica's First Prayer" in 1867; was a regular contributor to *Household Words* and *All the Year Round* during Dickens' editorship; wrote upwards of 40 volumes (1832-1911).

STRICKLAND, AGNES, biographer of the queens of England, born at Roydon Hall, near Southwold, Suffolk; had already published poems and some minor works before she conceived the plan of writing a series of biographies of the queens of England; these appeared in 12 vols. during 1840-1848, and such was their popularity that a similar work dealing with the queens of Scotland was im-

mediately undertaken; was aided in these by her sister Elizabeth (1794-1875); was the author of various other works, "Lives of the Seven Bishops," "Bachelor Kings of England," &c.; her writings do not rank high as history, but are full of entertaining details (1798-1874).

STRIKES, the withdrawal of men from their work in order to enforce claims for increased pay or better conditions. Until Trade Unions grew up early last century strikes were confined to localities; but later they grew to national dimensions, and the government had to intervene to set up machinery for arbitration, and frequently to see that the essential national services were carried on. In 1926 there was general strike (or) in England, and the following year an Act was passed rendering such strikes illegal.

STRINDBERG, JOHAN AUGUST, the most noted of modern Swedish writers, born in Stockholm; accumulated stores of valuable experience during various early employments, which he utilised in his first successful work, "The Red Room" (1879), a satire on social life in Sweden; "The New Kingdom" (1882), equally bitter in its attack on social conventions, got him into trouble, and after that his life was spent abroad; "Married Life," a collection of short stories, brought upon him a charge of "outraging Christianity," but after trial at Stockholm, in which he eloquently defended himself, he was acquitted; a prolific writer in all kinds of literature, and imbued with modern scientific and socialistic ideas, his writings lack the repose necessary to the highest literary achievement (1849-1912).

STROMBOLI, one of the Lipari Islands; has an active volcano, the cone 3022 ft., which erupts what happens to be little else than steam; it is 12 m. in circuit, and contains about 1000 inhabitants.

STROMKARL, a Norwegian spirit who has 11 different musical strains, to 10 of which people may dance, the 11th being his night strain, to the tune of which every one and everything begins to dance.

STROMNESS, a seaport on the Orkney island of Pomona.

STRONTIUM, one of the alkaline earth group of metallic elements, allied to calcium and barium.

STROUD, a busy manufacturing town of Gloucestershire; stands on rising ground overlooking the confluence of the Frome and Glade, which unite to form the Frome or Stroud Water, 10 m. SE. of Gloucester; numerous cloth and dye works are built along the banks of the river; in the town are several woollen factories.

STUCK JURY, a jury of men who possess special qualifications to judge of the facts of a case.

STRUENSEE, JOHANN FRIEDRICH, COUNT, Danish statesman, bred to medicine; became minister of Christian VII., took advantage of the latter's imbecility and directed the affairs of government, roused the jealousy of the nobles, and was arrested, tried on false charges, and beheaded (1737-1772).

STRUTT, JOSEPH, antiquary, born in Essex; wrote the "Regal and Ecclesiastical Antiquities of England," followed by other works on the manners and customs of the English people, that on their "Sports and Pastimes" the chief (1742-1802).

STRYPE, JOHN, historian and biographer, born in London; was a voluminous writer, wrote Lives of eminent English Churchmen and upon the English Reformation (1643-1727).

STUART, LADY ARABELLA, daughter of the Earl of Lennox, and, as descended from Margaret Tudor, heiress to the English throne in default of James VI. of Scotland and his family, and towards whom James I. along cherished a jealous feeling; was subjected to persecution at his hands; when she chose to marry contrary to his wish he confined her in the Tower, where she went mad and died (1576-1615).

STUART, GILBERT CHARLES, American portrait-painter, born in Narragansett, Rhode Island; was taken up by a Scottish painter named Alexander, whom he accompanied to Edinburgh, but was set adrift by the death of his patron, and for some years led a wandering life in America and London till his great gift of portrait-painting was recognised; in 1792 returned to America, and there painted

portraits of Washington, Jefferson, and other noted Americans (1756-1828).

STUART, JOHN, Scottish antiquary; author of "The Sculptured Stones of Scotland," "The Book of Deer," and frequent contributor to the *Proceedings of the Scottish Society of Antiquaries*; held a post in the Register House, Edinburgh, for 24 years (1813-1877).

STUART DYNASTY, a dynasty of Scottish and finally English kings, commenced with Robert II., who was the son of Marjory, Robert the Bruce's daughter, who married Walter, the Lord High Steward of Scotland, hence the name, his successors being Robert III., James I., James II., James III., James IV., and James V., Mary Queen of Scots, and James VI. in Scotland, and ended with James II. of England, who was expelled from the throne for an obstinacy of temper which characterized all the members of his house; an unfortunate dynasty, being appointed at length to rule at a time and over a people that thought kings were born for the country and not the country for kings, a dictum which they stubbornly refused to concede, thinking that the nation existed for them and not they for the nation. The line became extinct by the death of Cardinal York in 1807, who survived his brother Charles Edward 19 years.

STUBBS, CHARLES WILLIAM, Bishop of Truro, born in Liverpool; held several incumbencies; rector at Waverley, near Liverpool, and took a great interest in the working-classes and in social subjects; liberal both in his political and theological opinions; wrote on questions of the day in a Christian reference, a history of Ely Cathedral, "Cambridge and its Story," and other works (1845-1912).

STUBBS, WILLIAM, historian, born in Knarborough; studied at Oxford; became a Fellow of Trinity and of Oriel, professor of Modern History at Oxford, and finally bishop; was author of "Constitutional History of England," an epoch-making book in three volumes, and editor of a collection of mediæval chronicles, with valuable prefaces accompanying; his writings are distinguished by their learning and accuracy (1825-1901).

STUCCO, building material of cement or plaster used as a facing material for walls, and sometimes for ceilings. In vogue in Italy in the 16th century. It was copied in England later, the Adam brothers using it freely; Nash's Regent Street, London, demolished this century, was a notable example of the use of stucco.

STUHLWEISSENBURG, an old historic Hungarian town, 42 m. SW. of Pesth; was for long the residence of the Hungarian kings, who were crowned and buried in the cathedral.

STUKELEY, WILLIAM, antiquary, born in Holbeach, Lincolnshire; graduated in medicine at Cambridge, and practised in London and elsewhere till 1729, when he took holy orders, and, after holding livings at Stamford and Somerville, was presented in 1747 to the rectory of St. George's the Martyr, London; maintained a lifelong interest in antiquarian research, and published many volumes on British and Roman antiquities, in which he displays unflagging industry and an exuberant fancifulness; his credulous works on the supposed Druidical remains at Stonehenge and elsewhere gained him the title of the "Arch-Druid" (1687-1765).

STURDEE, SIR FREDERICK CHARLES DOVETON, British admiral. He entered the navy in 1871, and first saw service in the Egyptian War. At the start of the Great War he was made chief of the war staff, and he was in charge of the British vessels in the battle off the Falkland Islands in December, 1914, when the Germans suffered a heavy defeat; at Jutland he was in charge of the 4th battle cruiser squadron. He was created a baronet in 1914, and made an Admiral of the Fleet in 1921 (1859-1925).

STURE, STEN, Swedish patriot. A nephew of Charles VIII., he became regent on the death of the latter in 1470, and adopted a nationalist policy, defeating the Danes at Brunkeberg, though later forced to submit to their suzerainty; he founded a university at Upsala, and is said to have introduced printing into Sweden (1440-1503).

STURM, JOHANNES, educational reformer, born in Luxembourg; settled in Paris; established a school

there for dialectics and rhetoric for a time, but left it on account of his Protestantism for Strasbourg at the invitation of the civic authorities, and became rector of the gymnasium there, which under him acquired much repute; that the Emperor Maximilian constituted it a university with him at the head; his adoption of the theological views of Zwingle in opposition to those of Luther made him many enemies, and he was dismissed from office, but was allowed a pension; he was a great student of Cicero, and wrote many works in Latin in a style so pure and elegant that he was named the German Cicero (1507-1580).

STURT, CHARLES, a noted Australian explorer, and a captain in the army; during 1828-1845 was the determined leader of three important exploratory expeditions into Central Australia, the results of which he embodied in two works; became colonial secretary of South Australia, but failing health and eyesight led to his retirement, and he was pensioned by the first Parliament of South Australia; he returned to England totally blind (1795-1869).

STUTTGART, capital of Württemberg, stands amid beautiful vine-clad hills in a district called the "Arabian Paradise," on an affluent of the Neckar, 127 m. S.E. of Frankfurt. is a handsome city with several royal palaces, a 16th-century castle, interesting old churches, a royal library, a museum, a splendid royal park, conservatory of music, picture gallery, and various educational establishments; ranks next to Leipzig as a book mart, and has flourishing manufactures of textiles, beer, pianofortes, and chemicals.

STYLITES. See **PILLAR-SAINTS**.

STYMPHALIAN BIRDS, fabulous birds with brazen claws, wings, and beaks, that used their feathers as arrows, ate human flesh, and infested Arcadia. Hercules started them with a rattle, and with his arrows either shot them or drove them off.

STYR, Polish river rising near Brody, Galicia, and having a length of 248 m. It was the scene of severe fighting in the Great War, battles taking place between the Russians and the Austro-German armies in 1915 and 1916.

STYRIA, a district in Juco-Slavia stretching in a semicircle from Upper Austria and Salzburg on the N.W. to Croatia and Slavonia on the S.E. and flanked by Hungary on the E.; a mountainous region crossed by various eastern ranges of the Alpine system, and drained by the Drave, Save, Inn, and other rivers; more than half lies under forest; agriculture flourishes, but mineral products, iron, salt, coal, &c., constitute the chief wealth; the principal manufactures are connected therewith; was joined to the Austrian crown in 1102, and separated from it in 1919.

STYX, name (from the Greek verb signifying "to abhor") of the principal river of the nether world, which it flows sluggishly round seven times; is properly the river of death, which all must cross to enter the unseen world, and of which, in the Greek mythology, Charon was the ferryman. In their solemn engagements it was by this river the gods took oath to signify that they would forego their godhood if they swore falsely. The Styx was a branch of the Great Ocean which girds the universe. See **OCEANUS**.

SUAKIN, a seaport under Egyptian control, and since the Mahdi's revolt garrisoned by the English, on the Nubian coast of the Red Sea; stands on a rocky islet, and is connected with El Kedi on the mainland by a causeway. is the starting-point of caravans to Berber and Khartoum, and as such has a large transit trade, exporting silver ornaments, ivory, gums, hides, gold, &c.; here African pilgrims to Mecca embark to the number of 6000 or 7000 annually.

SUAREZ, FRANCISCO, scholastic philosopher, born in Grenada; after joining the Jesuit body became professor of Theology at Coimbra, attempted to reconcile realism with nominalism, and adopted in theology a system called "Congruism," being a modification of Molinism; wrote a "Defence of the Catholic Faith against the Errors of the Anglican Sect" at the instance of the Pope against the claims of James I. in his oath of allegiance (1548-1617).

SUBAHDAR, a title given to governors of provinces

in the times of the Mogul dynasty, now bestowed upon native officers in the Indian army holding rank equivalent to an English captaincy.

SUBIACO, an ancient and interesting town of Central Italy; occupies a pleasant site amid encircling hills on the Teverone, 32 m. E. by N. of Rome; has a quaint, medieval appearance, and is overlooked by an old castle, a former residence of the Popes; there are two Benedictine monasteries dating from the 6th century, and in a grove near by St. Benedictine lived, in his youth, a hermit life for three years.

SUBJECTIVE, **THE**, that, in contrast to "objective," which rests on the sole authority of consciousness, and has no higher warrant.

SUBJECTIVISM, the doctrine of the pure relativity of knowledge, or that it is purely subjective.

SUBLIMATION, the vaporisation of a solid body and its resumption thereafter of the solid form.

SUBLIME PORTE, a name given to the Ottoman Government, so called from a lofty gateway leading into the residence of the Vizier.

SUBMARINES, fighting vessels able to move out of sight under water; their chief weapon is the torpedo, and they are guided by means of a periscope. The first British submarine was launched in 1901, and they were used extensively in the Great War, particularly by Germany, in a ruthless campaign against enemy and neutral shipping. Experiments in submarine navigation were made in the 18th century, but the modern type has been evolved from Nordflet's vessel of 1887 and those constructed by Goulet and Zédé in France in 1888 and 1890. See **FULTON**.

SUBSTITUTION, in theology the doctrine that Christ in His obedience and death stood in the place of the sinner, so that His merits on their faith in Him are imputed to them.

SUBTLE DOCTOR, name given to Duns Scotus (q.v.) for his hairsplitting acuteness and extreme subtlety of distinction.

SUCCESSION WARS, the general title of several European wars which arose in the 18th century consequent on a failure of issue in certain royal lines, most important of which are (1) War of the Spanish Succession (1701-1713). The death (1700) of Charles II. of Spain without direct issue caused Louis XIV. of France and the Emperor Leopold I. (the former married to the elder sister of Charles, the latter to the younger sister, and both grandsons of Philip III. of Spain) to put forth claims to the crown, the one on behalf of his grandson, Philip of Anjou, the other for his second son, the Archduke Charles. War broke out on the entry of Philip into Madrid and his assumption of the crown, England and the United Netherlands uniting with the emperor to curb the ambition of Louis. During the long struggle the transcendent military genius of Marlborough asserted itself in the great victories of Blenheim, Ramillies, and Oudenarde, but the hawkwariness of England in the struggle, the political fall of Marlborough, and the Tory vote for peace prevented the allies from reaping the full benefit of their successes. The Treaty of Utrecht left Philip in possession of his Spanish kingdom, but the condition was exacted that the crowns of Spain and France should not be united. The emperor (the Archduke Charles since 1711) attempted to carry on the struggle, but was forced to sign the Treaty of Rastadt (1714), acknowledging Philip king of Spain. Spain, however, ceded her Netherlands, Sardinia, &c., to the emperor, while Gibraltar, Minorca, and parts of North America fell to England. (2) War of the Austrian Succession (1740-1748) followed on the death (1740) of the Emperor Charles VI. without male issue. His daughter, Maria Theresa, entered into possession of Bohemia, Hungary, and the Archduchy of Austria, but was immediately attacked by the Elector Charles Albert of Bavaria and Augustus of Saxony and Poland, both rival claimants for the imperial crown, while Frederick II. of Prussia seized the opportunity of Maria's embarrassment to annex Silesia. France, Spain, and England were drawn into the struggle, the last in support of Maria. Success oscillated from side to side, but the Treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle, which brought the war to a close, left Maria pretty

well in possession of her inheritance save the loss of Silesia to Frederick.

SUCHET, LOUIS GABRIEL, DUC D'ALSUFERA, marshal of France, born in Lyons; distinguished himself in Italy, Egypt, Austria, and Prussia, and became general in command in Aragon, by his success in ruling which he gained the marshal's baton and a dukedom; he rejoined Napoleon during the Hundred Days; after Waterloo he lost his peerage, but recovered it in 1819 (1770-1826).

SUCKLING, SIR JOHN, poet, born, of good parentage, in Whitchin, Middlesex; quitted Cambridge in 1628 of travel on the Continent, and for a time served in the army of Gustavus Adolphus in Germany; returning to England about 1632, he became a favourite at Court, where he was noted for his wit, proclivity, and verses, supported Charles in the Bishops' Wars against the Scots; sat in the Long Parliament; was involved in a plot to rescue Strafford, and to bring foreign troops to the aid of the king, but, discovered, had to flee the country; died, probably by his own hand, in Paris; wrote several forgotten plays, a prose treatise on "Religion by Reason," and miscellaneous poems, amongst which are his charming songs and ballads, his title to fame (1609-1642).

SUDOROSE, the chemical name for cane sugar.

SUDARIUM, the handkerchief given by St. Veronica (q.v.) to Christ as He was passing to crucifixion, and on which His face was miraculously impressed as He wiped the sweat off it.

SUDBURY, a borough of Suffolk, on the Stour, where it crosses the Essex border, 58 m. N.E. of London; has three old churches (Perpendicular style), a grammar-school founded in the 15th century, a corn-exchange, and remains of a 13th century friary; manufactures embrace coco-nut matting, silk, and brewing.

SUDETIC MOUNTAINS stretch in irregular broken masses and subsidiary chains for 120 m. across S.E. Germany, separating Czechoslovakia from Saxony and Prussian Silesia, and forming a link between the Carpathians and mountains of Franconia; highest and central position is known as the Rieser Gebirge (q.v.). Schneekoppe is the culminating point of the range.

SUDRAS, the fourth and lowest of the Hindu castes (q.v.); are by some alleged to be of the aboriginal race of India who, to retain their freedom, adopted Brahmanism.

SUE, MARIE-JOSEPH-EUGÈNE, a writer of sensational novels, born in Paris, was for some years an army surgeon, and served in the Spanish campaign of 1823; his father's death (1829) bringing him a handsome fortune, he retired from the army to devote himself to literature, his reputation as a writer rests mainly on his well-known works "The Mysteries of Paris" (1842) and "The Wandering Jew" (1845), which, displaying little skill on the artistic side, yet rivet their readers' attention by a wealth of exciting incident and plot; was elected to the Chamber of Deputies in 1850, but the coup d'état of 1852 drove him an exile to Annecy, in Savoy, where he died (1804-1859).

SUETONIUS, TRANQUILLUS, Roman historian; practised as an advocate in Rome in the reign of Trajan; was a friend of the Younger Pliny, became private secretary to Hadrian, but was deprived of this post through an indiscretion; wrote several works, and of those extant the chief is the "Lives of the Twelve Cæsar," beginning with Julius Cæsar and ending with Domitian, a work which relates a great number of anecdotes illustrating the characters of the emperors (c. 75-160).

SUEZ, a town of Egypt, stands at the edge of the desert at the head of a gulf of the same name and at the S. end of the Suez Canal, 75 m. E. of Cairo, with which it is connected by railway; as a trading place, dating back to the times of the Ptolemies, has had a fluctuating prosperity, but since the completion of the canal is growing steadily in importance; is still for the most part an ill-built and ill-kept town; has a large English hospital and ship-stores.

SUEZ CANAL, a great artificial channel cutting the isthmus of Suez, and thus forming a waterway between the Mediterranean and the Red Sea; was

planned and undertaken by the French engineer Lesseps, through whose untiring efforts a company was formed and the necessary capital raised; occupied 10 years in the construction (1859-1869), and cost some 20 million pounds; from Port Said on the Mediterranean to Suez at the head of the Red Sea the length is about 100 m., a portion of which lies through Lakes Menzaleh, Ballah, Timah, and the Bitter Lakes; as widened and deepened in 1886 it has a minimum depth of 28 ft., and varies from 150 to 300 ft. in width; traffic is facilitated by electric light during the night, and the passage occupies little more than 24 hours; has been neutralised and exempted from blockade, vessels of all nations in peace or war being free to pass through; now the highway to India and the East, shortening the voyage to India by 7600 m.; three-fourths of the ships passing through are English; an annual toll is drawn of close on three million pounds, the net profit of which falls to be divided amongst the shareholders, of whom since 1875 the British Government has been one of the largest. The Canal was attacked by the Turks in January, 1916, during the Great War.

SUFFOLK, easternmost county of England, fronts the North Sea between Norfolk (N.) and Essex (S.); is a pleasant, undulating county with pretty woods and a fast-flowing stream (Waveney, Ake, Orwell, Bourn, &c.), long tracts of heathland skirt the coast; agriculture is still the staple industry, wheat the principal crop; is famed for its antiquities, architecture, historic associations, and long list of worthies. Ipswich is the county town.

SUFFRAGETTES, feminists who agitated early this century for the extension of the franchise in England to women. Led by the Women's Social and Political Union, and the Pankhursts (q.v.), they tried militant methods when peaceful ones failed; Aquilith was publicly assaulted, an attempt was made to stop the Derby, women chained themselves up in public places, and pillar-boxes were destroyed. Several leaders were imprisoned and went on hunger strike. The Great War put an end to the campaign.

SUFFREN, BAILLI DE, a celebrated French admiral, who entered the navy, a boy of 14, during the wars with England, and rose to be one of his country's greatest naval heroes, especially distinguishing himself as commander of a squadron in the West Indies, proving himself a master of naval tactics in more or less successful engagements with the English; is regarded by Professor Laughton as "the most illustrious officer that has ever held command in the French navy"; sprang from good Provence stock (C. 1748).

SUFISM, the doctrine of the Sufis, a sect of Mohammedan mystics; imported into Mohammedanism the idea that the soul is the subject of ecstasies of Divine inspiration in virtue of its direct emanation from the Deity, and this in the teeth of the fundamental article of the Mohammedan creed, which exalts God as a being possessing all comprehension and ruling it by a law which is equally mysterious, which we have only to obey; this doctrine is associated with the idea that the body is the soul's prison, and death the return of it to its original home, a doctrine of the dervish fraternity, of which the Mahdi is high-priest.

SUGER, ABBÉ, abbot of St. Denis, minister of Louis VI. and Louis VII.; reformed the discipline in his abbey, emancipated the serfs connected with it, maintained the authority of the king against the great vassals; he was regent of the kingdom during the second Crusade, and earned the title of Father of his Country; he wrote a Life of Louis VI. (1082-1152).

SUIDAS, name of a grammarian and lexicographer of the 10th or 11th century; his (Greek "Lexikon") is a kind of encyclopedic work, and is valuable chiefly for the extracts it contains from ancient writers.

SUIR, a river of Ireland which rises in Tipperary and joins the Barrow after a course of 100 m.

SUKKUR, a town on the Indus (here spanned by a fine bridge), 28 m. N.E. of Shikarpur; has rail communication with Karachi and Afghanistan, and considerable trade in various textiles, opium, saltpetre, and sugar; 1 m. distant is Old Sukkur;

the island of Bikkur, in the river-channel and affording support to the bridge, is occupied and fortified by the British.

SULEIMAN PASHA, a distinguished Turkish general, born in Roumelia; entered the army in 1854, fought in various wars, became director of the Military Academy at Constantinople; distinguished himself in the Serbian War of 1876, and was elected governor of Bosnia and Herzegovina; during the Russian-Turkish War made a gallant attempt to clear the enemy from the Shipka Pass, but as commander of the Danube army was defeated near Philippopolis (1877), and subsequently court-martialled and sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment, but was pardoned by the sultan (1883-1892).

SULIMAN, or **SULEIMAN MOUNTAINS**, a bare and rugged range, stretching N. and S. for upwards of 350 m. from the Khyber Pass almost to the Arabian Sea, and forming the boundary between Afghanistan and the Punjab, India.

SULIOTES, a Græco-Albanian race who in the 17th century, to escape their Turkish oppressors, fled from their old settlement in Epirus to the mountains of Sull, in South Albania, where they prospered in the following century in independence; driven out by the Turks in 1803, they emigrated to the Ionian Islands; came to the aid of Ali Pasha against the sultan in 1820, but, defeated and scattered, found refuge in Cephalonia, and later gave valuable assistance to the Greeks in their struggle for independence. The treaty of 1829 left their district of Sull in the hands of the Turks, and since then they have dwelt among the Greeks, many of them holding high government rank.

SULLA, LUCIUS CORNELIUS, a Roman of patrician birth; leader of the aristocratic party in Rome, and the rival of Marius (*q.v.*), under whom he got his first lessons in war; rose to distinction in arms afterwards, but during his absence the popular party gained the ascendancy, and Marius, who had been banished, was recalled; the blood of his friends had been shed in torrents, and himself proscribed; on the death of Marius he returned with his army, glutted his vengeance by the sacrifice of thousands of the opposite faction, celebrated his victory by a triumph of unprecedented splendour, and caused himself to be proclaimed Dictator, 81 B.C.; he ruled with absolute power two years after, and then, resigning his dictatorship, retired into private life (138-78 B.C.).

SULLAN PROSCRIPTIONS, sentences of proscription issued by Sulla against Roman citizens in 81 B.C. under his dictatorship.

SULLIVAN, SIR ARTHUR SEYMOUR, English composer, born in London; won the Mendelssohn scholarship at the Royal Academy of Music, and by means of it completed his musical education at Leipzig; in 1862 composed incidental music for "The Tempest," well received at the Crystal Palace; then became prolific writer of all kinds of music, ranging from hymns and oratorios to popular songs and comic operas; his oratorios include "The Prodigal Son" (1868), "The Light of the World," and "The Golden Legend"; but it is as a writer of light and tuneful operas (librettos by Sir W. S. Gilbert, *q.v.*) that he is best known; these began with "Cox and Box" (1866), and include "Trial by Jury," "The Sorcerer" (1877), "Pinafore," "Patience" (1881), "Mikado" (1885), "Yeomen of the Guard" (1888), and "The Gondoliers" (1890), in all of which he displays great gifts as a melodist, and wonderful resource in clever piquant orchestration; received the Legion of Honour in 1878, and was knighted in 1883 (1842-1900).

SULLIVAN, BARRY, Irish actor. Born in Birmingham, he went on the stage at the age of 19, and made his London debut in 1852 as Hamlet; he toured America and Australia and then settled in London, for some time playing leading tragic rôles at Drury Lane (1821-1891).

SULLIVAN'S ISLAND, a long and narrow island, a favourite sea-bathing resort, on the N. of the entrance to Charleston Harbour, South Carolina, U.S.

SULLY, MAXIMILIEN DE BÉTHUNE, DUKE OF, celebrated minister of Henry IV. of France, born

at the Château of Romy, near Mantes, whence he was known at first as the Baron de Rosny; at first a ward of Henry IV. of Navarre, he joined the Huguenot ranks along with him, and distinguished himself at Coutras and Ivry, and approved of Henry's policy in changing his colours on his accession to the throne, remaining ever after by his side as most trusted adviser, directing the finances of the country with economy, and encouraging the peasantry in the cultivation of the soil; used to say, "Tillage and cattle-tending are the two paps whence France sucks nourishment; these are the true mines and treasures of Peru"; on the death of the king he retired from court, and occupied his leisure in writing his celebrated "Mémoires," which, while they show the author to be a great statesman, give no very pleasant idea of his character (1559-1641).

SULLY-PRUDHOMME, RENÉ FRANÇOIS ARMAND, French poet, born in Paris; published a volume of poems in 1865 entitled "Stances et Poèmes," which commanded instant regard, and were succeeded by others which deepened the impression, entitling him to the highest rank as a poet; they give evidence of a serious mind occupied with serious problems; was elected to the Academy in 1881 (1839-1907).

SULPHONAL, a synthetic narcotic drug, similar in its action to morphia but of a different chemical composition.

SULPICIUS SEVERUS, an ecclesiastical historian, born in Aquitaine; wrote a "Historia Sacra," and a Life of St. Martin (363-406).

SULTAN, the title of a Mohammedan sovereign, Sultana being the feminine form.

SULU ISLANDS, an archipelago of 162 islands in Asiatic waters, lying to the N.E. of Borneo, and extending to the Philippines; belong to the Spaniards who, in 1876, subdued the piratical Malay inhabitants; the trade in pearls and edible nests is mainly carried on by Chinese.

SUMATRA, after Borneo the largest of the East Indian islands, stretches E.E. across the Equator between the Malay Peninsula from whose S.W. coast it is separated by the Strait of Malacca to Java (Strait of Sunda separating them); has an extreme length of 1115 m. and an area more than three times that of England; is mountainous, volcanic, covered in central parts by virgin forest, abounds in rivers and lakes, and possesses an exceptionally rich flora and peculiar fauna; rainfall is abundant; some gold and coal are worked, but the chief products are rice, sugar, coffee, tobacco, petroleum, pepper, &c.; the island is mainly under Dutch control, but much of the unexplored centre is still in the hands of savage tribes who have waged continual warfare with their European invaders. Padang is the official Dutch capital.

SUMBAWA, one of the Sunda Islands, lying between Lombok (W.) and Flores (E.); mountainous and dangerously volcanic; yields rice, tobacco, cotton, &c.; is divided among four native rulers under Dutch authority.

SUMMER TIME, the practice adopted in Great Britain, France, and Belgium, of putting the clock on an hour in Spring and back an hour in Autumn, thus adding one hour of daylight to the evening during the summer months at the expense of the early morning when it is less appreciated. The reform, known as Daylight Saving, was advocated in 1907 by William Willett, but did not become law till 1916, when the necessity for saving gas and electricity was realised.

SUMNER, CHARLES, American statesman and abolitionist, born in Boston; graduated at Harvard (1830), and was called to the bar in 1834, but found a more congenial sphere in writing and lecturing; during 1837-1840 pursued his favourite study of jurisprudence in France, Germany, and England; was brought into public notice by his July 4 oration (1845) on "The True Grandeur of Nations," an eloquent condemnation of war; became an uncompromising opponent of the slave-trade; was one of the founders of the Free Soil Party, and in 1851 was elected to the National Senate, a position he held until the close of his life, and where he did much by his eloquent speeches to prepare the way for emancipation, and afterwards

to win for the blacks the rights of citizenship (1811-1874).

SUMNER, JOHN BIRD, archbishop of Canterbury: rose by a succession of preferments to the Primacy, an office which he discharged with discretion and moderation; author of "Evidences of Christianity" and "Apostolic Preaching" (1780-1862).

SUMNER'S LINE, in navigation, the line used in Sumner's Method in obtaining geographical position; so called from Thomas H. Sumner, an American Seaman.

SUMPTUARY LAWS, passed in various lands and ages to restrict excess in dress, food, and luxuries generally; are to be found in the codes of Solon, Julius Caesar, and other ancient rulers; Charles VI. of France restricted dinners to one soup and two other dishes; appear at various times in English statutes down to the 16th century against the use of "costly meats," furs, silks, &c., by those unable to afford them; were issued by the Scottish Parliament against the extravagance of ladies in the matter of dress to relieve "the poor gentlemen their husbands and fathers"; were repealed in England in the reign of James I.; at no time were they carefully observed.

SUMTER, FORT, a fort on a shoal in Charleston harbour, 34 m. from the town; occupied by Major Anderson with 80 men and 62 guns in the interest of the secession of South Carolina from the Union, and the attack on which by General Beauregard on April 12, 1861, was the commencement of the Civil War; it held out against attack and bombardment till the month of July following.

SUN, THE, the centre of the solar system, round which the earth and all the planets revolve; it is a globe of incandescent vapour about 500 times as large as all the planets put together; it is ninety-two and a half million miles from the earth; the bright surface of the sun is called the photosphere, and its temperature is estimated at 6000° C.; this surface is marked by dark spots called *sunspots* (*q.v.*), and by watching these as they move over the sun's disc it was found that it revolves on its axis once in 25 days; the spectroscopic shows that the sun is composed of hydrogen and a number of vaporized metals. See also **REVERSING LAYER** and **FRAUNHOFER LINES**.

SUN, CHUAN-FANG, Chinese general. By birth a Shantung man, he came to the fore in 1923 as Inspector-General of Fukien and Chekiang; for the Peking government he fought for a while in the civil war, but eventually set himself up as an independent general, and became ruler of all five provinces around Shanghai; defeated by other generals in 1927 he retired to Japan taking a fortune with him (1888-).

SUN YAT SEN, Chinese politician. Born near Canton, he became a doctor, and taking to politics was a leader of the 1905 rising in his native city; afterwards he was an exile in Japan, England, and America, but after the success of the 1911 revolution he became China's first President, resigning the following year; he again retired from the country and was behind revolutions in 1912 and 1915; on the formation of the Cantonese government in 1917 he held the Presidency till 1918, was out of office for three years, but in 1921 again was President, and began actively to oppose the Peking government (1866-1925).

SUNDA ISLANDS, a name sometimes applied to the long chain of islands stretching S.E. from the Malay Peninsula to North Australia, including Sumatra and Timor, but more correctly designates the islands Bali, Lombok, Sumbawa, Flores, and Sundaewol Island, which lie between Java and Timor, are under Dutch suzerainty, and produce the usual East Indian products. See various islands named.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS were started in England in 1780 by the Revs. D. Blair and J. Altheim, and were soon copied by churches in all parts of the country; the system of religious education was overhauled and improved later by Robert Baileys in 1780.

SUNDERBUNDS, or **SUNDARBANS**, a great tract of jungle, swamp, and alluvial plain, forming the lower portion of the Ganges delta; extends from the Hooghly on the W. to the Meghna on the E.,

a distance of 165 m.; rice is cultivated on the upper part by a sparse population; the lower part forms a dense belt of wild jungle reaching to the sea, and is infested by numerous tigers, leopards, rhinoceroses, pythons, and crocodiles.

SUNDERLAND, a flourishing seaport of Durham, situated at the mouth of the Wear, 12 m. S.E. of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, embraces some very old parishes, but as a commercial town entirely developed within the last century, and is of quite modern appearance, with the usual public buildings; owes its prosperity mainly to neighbouring coal-fields, the product of which it exports in great quantities; has four large docks covering 50 acres; also famous ship-building yards, large ironworks, glass and bottle works, and breweries.

SUNDERLAND, CHARLES SPENCER, 3RD EARL OF, son of succeeding, and son-in-law of the Duke of Marlborough; was a Secretary of State in Queen Anne's reign during 1706-1710, and in the following reign, as leader of the Whigs, exercised unbounded influence over George I.; narrowly escaped, chiefly through Walpole's help, being found guilty of accepting heavy bribes from the South Sea Company; lost office, and was displaying his father's propensity to underhand scheming by intriguing with the Tories and the Pretender's party when death cut short his career (1676-1752).

SUNDERLAND, ROBERT SPENCER, 2ND EARL OF, an English statesman prominent in the reign of Charles II., James II., and William III.; was for some years engaged in embassies abroad before being appointed Secretary of State in 1679; adroit and insinuating, and with great capacity for business, he soon became a leading minister; attached himself to the Duchess of Portsmouth, and in the corrupt politics of the two Stuart kings played his own hand with consummate if unscrupulous skill, standing high in King James's favour as Prime Minister, although he had formerly intrigued in favour of Monmouth; supported the Exclusion Bill, and even then was in secret communication with the Prince of Orange; after the Revolution rose to high office under William; was instrumental in bringing the Whigs into power, and during 1690-1697 was acknowledged head of his Government (1640-1702).

SUNGARI, Chinese river, a tributary of the Amur; rising in the White Crested Mountains on the Korea border, it has a length of 800 m.; it is joined by the Nonni, and for half the year is navigable to Kirin.

SUNNITES, the orthodox Mohammedans, a name given to them because they accept the *Sunna*, i.e. traditional teachings of the Prophet, as of the same authority as the Koran, in the matter of both faith and morals, agreeably to a fundamental article of Mohammedanism, that not only the rule of life, but the interpretation of it, is of divine dictation.

SUNSPOTS, dark, irregular markings upon the sun's disc, showing a distinct periodicity of about 11 years. It has been found that magnetic storms are more frequent at periods of sunspot maximum and that there is a relation between sunspots and the Aurora Borealis; attempts have been made to connect the sunspot cycle with the variations in the weather.

SUN-WORSHIP, the worship of the sun is conceived of as an impersonation of the deity, and originated among races so far advanced in civilisation as to recognise what they owed to its benignant influence, in particular as tillers of the soil; it is associated with advance, as the worship of Bacchus was, which could not originate prior to cultivation of the vine.

SUONADA, the Inland Sea of Japan, separating Kyushu and Shikoku from the Main Island, Honshu, a fine sheet of water (250 m. by 50), picturesquely studded with islands which, however, render navigation difficult.

SUPEREROGATION, WORKS OF, name given in the Roman Catholic theology to works or good deeds performed by saints over and above what is required for their own salvation, and the merit of which is held to be transferable to others in need of indulgence.

SUPER-GRAMMATICAM (above grammar), name given to Siegmund, emperor of Germany, from his rejoinder to a cardinal who one day on a high occasion mildly corrected a grammatical mistake

he had made in a grand oration: "I am king of the Romans, and above grammar," he said.

SUPERIOR LAKE, largest fresh-water lake on the globe, lies between the United States and Canada, the boundary line passing through the centre; area, 31,200 sq. m., almost the size of Ireland; maximum depth, 1008 ft.; St. Mary's River, the only outlet, a short rapid stream, carries the overflow to Lake Huron; receives upwards of 200 rivers, but none of first-class importance, largest being the St. Louis; is dotted with numerous islands; water is singularly clear and pure, and abounds with fish; navigation is hindered in winter by shore-ice, but the lake never freezes over.

SUPERPHOSPHATES, artificial manures obtained by the action of sulphuric acid on phosphate of lime; it was first prepared by Lawes in 1842.

SUPRALAPSARIANISM, the doctrine of the extreme Calvinists, that the decree of God as regards the eternal salvation of some and the eternal reprobation of others is unconditional.

SUPREMACY, ROYAL, the supremacy of the sovereign in matters ecclesiastical and matters of civil right to the exclusion of matters spiritual and the jurisdiction in the former claimed by the Pope.

SUPREME COUNCIL, an organization set up by the Allied powers in the Great War after the defeat at Caporetto in November, 1917; it consisted of military and political representatives of the Allies, and met at Versailles with the aim of co-ordinating and unifying plans of campaign. After 1919 it existed for a time to enforce the Peace treaties.

SURABAYA, a seaport on the N.E. coast of Java, is the headquarters of the Dutch military, and exports tropical products.

SURAT, a city of India, Bombay Presidency, on the Tapti, 14 m. from its entrance into the Gulf of Bombay; stretches along the S. bank of the river, presenting no architectural features of interest save some Mohammedan, Parsee, and Hindu temples, and an old castle or fortress, chief exports are cotton and grain; the English erected here their first factory on the Indian continent in 1612, and, with Portuguese and Dutch traders added, it became one of the principal commercial centres of India; in the 18th century the removal of the English East India Company to Bombay drew off a considerable portion of the trade of Surat, which it has never recovered.

SURCOUF, ROBERT, a French privateer, born in St. Malo, who figured in several notable exploits, capturing the British vessels *Tridon* and *Kent* in 1785 and 1800 (1773-1827).

SURGEONS, ROYAL COLLEGE OF, formed in 1800 and chartered in 1843, has its headquarters in Lincoln's Inn Fields, London; it was built in 1813 and contains the famous Hunterian Museum. The College is the successor of a surgical guild dating back to the 14th century.

SURINAM. See **GUAYANA, DUTCH**.

SURPLICE, a linen robe with wide sleeves worn by officiating clergymen and choristers, originating in the ruchet or alb of early times.

SURREY, an inland county, and one of the fairest of England, in the SE. between Kent (E.) and Hampshire (W.), with Sussex on the S., separated from Middlesex on the N. by the Thames; the North Downs traverse the county E. and W., slope gently to the Thames, and precipitously in the S. to the level Weald; generally presents a beautiful prospect of hill and heather-land adorned with splendid woods; the Wey and the Mole are the principal streams; hops are extensively grown round Farnham; largest town is Croydon; the county town is Kingston-on-Thames, but the assizes are held at Guildford.

SURREY, HENRY HOWARD, EARL OF, poet, son of the Duke of Norfolk; early attached to the court of Henry VIII., he attended his royal master at the "Field of the Cloth of Gold," and took part in the coronation ceremony of Anne Boleyn (1533); was created a Knight of the Garter in 1542, and two years later led the English army in France with varying success; imprisoned along with his father on a charge of high treason, for which there was no adequate evidence, he was condemned and executed; as one of the early leaders of the poetic

renaissance, and introducer of the sonnet and originator of blank verse, he deservedly holds a high place in the history of English literature (1516-1547).

SURYA, in the Hindu mythology the sun conceived of as a female deity.

SUSA (the Shushan of Daniel, Esther, &c.), an ancient city of Persia, now in ruins, that spread over an area of 3 sq. m., on the Kerkha, 250 m. SE. of Bagdad; was for long the favourite residence of the Persian kings, the ruins of whose famous palace, described in Esther, are still extant.

SUSAN, ST., the patron saint and guardian of innocence and saviour from infamy and reproach. See **SUSANNA**.

SUSANNA, THE HISTORY OF, a story in the Apocrypha, evidently conceived to glorify Daniel as a judge, and apparently originally written by a Jew in Greek. She had been accused of adultery by two of the elders and condemned to death, but was acquitted on Daniel's examination of her accusers to their confusion and condemnation to death in her stead. The story has been aliorized by the Church, and Susanna made to represent the Church, and the two elders her persecutors.

SUSQUEHANNA, a river of America, formed by the junction at Northumberland, Pennsylvania, of the North Branch (350 m.) flowing out of Schuylers Lake, central New York, and the West Branch (250 m.) rising in the Alleghany Mountains; flows in a shallow, rapid, partly navigable course S. and SE. through beautiful scenery to Fort Deposit, at the N. end of Chesapeake Bay; length, 350 m.

SUSSEX, a S. maritime county of England, fronts the English Channel between Hampshire (W.) and Kent (E.), with Surrey on its northern border; is traversed E. and W. by the South Downs, which afford splendid pasturage for half a million sheep, and terminate in Beachy Head; in the N. lies the wide, fertile, and richly-wooded plain of the Weald, chief rivers are the Arun, Adur, Ouse, and Rother, of no great size; is a fine agricultural county, more than two-thirds of its area being under cultivation; was the scene of Caesar's landing (55 B.C.), of Ella's, the leader of the South Saxons (whence the name Sussex), and of William the Conqueror's (1066); throughout the county are interesting antiquities, largest town, Brighton; county town, Lewes.

SUTHERLAND, a maritime county of N. Scotland, presents a N. and a W. shore to the Atlantic, between Ross and Cromarty (S.) and Caithness (E.), and faces the North Sea on the SE., whence the land slopes upwards to the great mountain region and wild, precipitous loch-indented coasts of the W. and N.; scarcely 3 per cent. of the area is cultivated, but large numbers of sheep and cattle are raised; the Oykel is the longest (35 m.) of many streams, and Loch Shin the largest of 300 lochs; there are extensive deer forests and grouse moors, while valuable salmon and herring fisheries exist round the coasts; is the most sparsely populated county in Scotland; Dornoch is the county town.

SUTLEJ, the easternmost of the five rivers of the Punjab; its head-waters flow from two Tibetan lakes at an elevation of 15,200 ft., whence it turns NW. and W. to break through a wild gorge of the Himalayas, thence bends to the SW., forms the eastern boundary of the Punjab, and joins the Indus at Mithankot after a course of 900 m.

SUTRAS, name given to a collection of aphorisms, summaries of the teachings of the Brahmins, and of rules regulative of ritual or religious observances, and also given to these aphorisms and rules themselves.

SUTRO, ALFRED, British playwright, chiefly famous for "The Walls of Jericho," "John Gladys's Honour," and his translations of *Masterlinck* (1841).

SUTTEE, a Hindu widow who immolates herself on the funeral pile of her husband, a term applied to the practice itself. The practice was of very ancient date, but the custom was proclaimed illegal in 1829 under Lord William Bentinck's administration, and it is now very seldom that a widow seeks to violate the law. In 1823, in Bengal alone, 575 widows gave themselves to be so burned, of whom 109 were above sixty, 226 above forty, 209 above twenty, and 32 under twenty.

SUTTON, a town in Surrey 11 m. S. of London, of which it is virtually a suburb. The place is mentioned in the Domesday Book, and in modern times grew in importance on account of its being on the Brighton main road.

SUVLA BAY, the bay of Gallipoli on W. side of the Dardanelles, where British troops under the command of Sir F. W. Stopford landed in August, 1915.

SUWARROW, or **SUVOROFF**, **ALEXANDER VASILEVITCH**, Russian field-marshal, born in Moscow; entered the army as a private soldier, distinguished himself in the Seven Years' War, and after 20 years' service rose to command; in command of a division he in 1773 routed an army of the Turks beyond the Danube, and in 1783 he reduced a tribe of Tartars under the Russian yoke; his greatest exploit perhaps was his storming of Ismail, which had resisted all attempts to reduce it for seven months, and which he, but with revolting barbarities, took in three days, mainly by an indiscriminate massacre of 40,000 of the inhabitants; he after this conducted a cruel campaign in Poland, which ended in its partition, and a campaign in Italy to the disaster of the French and his elevation to the peerage as a prince, with the title of Italinski; he was all along the agent of the ruthless purposes of Potemkin (q.v.) (1729-1800).

SVENSBORG, a strong fortress in Finland, protecting Helsinki, in the Baltic, 3 m. distant from that town, and called the "Gibraltar of the North."

SVERDRUP, **OTTO**, Norwegian Arctic explorer, born in Heligoland; accompanied Nansen in the *Fram* expedition to North Pole, 1895; led second expedition, 1898-1901, and made important discoveries (1865-).

SVIR, a Russian river that flows into Lake Ladoga.

SWABIA, an ancient duchy in the SW. of Germany, and most fertile part, so called from the Suevi, who in the 1st century displaced the aboriginal Celts; along with Bavaria, it formed the nucleus of the Fatherland, was separated by the Rhine from France and Switzerland, having for capital Augsburg, and is divided now into Württemberg, Bavaria, Baden, and Lichtenstein.

SWAHILI (i.e. coast people), a people of mixed Hantu and Arab stock occupying Zanzibar and the adjoining territory from nearly Mozambique to Mozambique; they are an enterprising race, and are dispersed as traders, hunters, carriers, &c., far and wide over Central Africa; their language is spoken freely throughout East Central Africa.

SWALE, a river in the North Riding of Yorkshire, uniting, after a course of 60 miles, with the Ure to form the Ouse.

SWAMMERDAM, **JAN**, a Dutch entomologist, born in Amsterdam, where he settled as a doctor, but turning with enthusiasm to the study of insect life, made important contributions to, and practically laid the foundations of, entomological science (1637-1680).

SWAN OF AVON, name given by Ben Jonson to Shakespeare.

SWAN OF MANTUA, name given to Virgil, as born in Mantua.

SWANSEA, a flourishing and progressive seaport of Glamorganshire, at the entrance of the Tawe into Swansea Bay; has a splendid harbour, some 60 acres of docks, a castle, old grammar-school, &c.; is the chief seat of the copper-smelting and of the tinplate manufacture of England, and exports the products of these works, as well as coal, zinc, and other minerals, in large quantities.

SWARAJISTS, a political party in India advocating national independence. The word "swara" means "government of self," and was originally used as an ethical term for self-control. Politically the term started in a presidential address of Dadabhai Naoroji to the Indian National Congress in 1906, but Gandhi was largely responsible for its adoption by the Indian native party in 1919, and the formation in 1923 of the Swarajist Party under the leadership of C. E. Das and Pandit Moti Lal Nehru. Complete independence became the party slogan, and non-co-operation with the British one of the methods of securing it.

SWATOW, a seaport of China, at the mouth of the

Han, 225 m. E. of Canton; has large sugar-refineries, factories for bean-cake and grass-cloth; since the policy of "the open door" was adopted in 1867 has had a growing export trade.

SWAZILAND, a small South African native State to the E. of the Transvaal, of which in 1893 it became a dependency, retaining, however, its own laws and native chief; is mountainous, fertile, and rich in minerals; the Swazis are of Zulu stock, jealous of the Boers, and friendly to Britain.

SWEATING SICKNESS, an epidemic of extraordinary malignity which swept over Europe, and especially England, in the 15th and 16th centuries, attacking with equal virulence all classes and all ages, and carrying off enormous numbers of people; was characterized by a sharp sudden seizure, high fever, followed by a fetid perspiration; first appeared in England in 1485, and for the last time in 1551.

SWEATING SYSTEM, a term which began to be used about 1848 to describe an iniquitous system of sub-contracting in the tailoring trade. Orders from master-tailors were undertaken by sub-contractors, who themselves farmed the work out to needy workers, who made the articles in their own crowded and fetid homes, receiving "starvation wages." The term is now used in reference to all trades in cases where the conditions imposed by masters tend to grind the rate of payment down to a bare living wage and to subject the workers to insanitary surroundings by overcrowding, &c., and to unduly long hours. Kingsley's pamphlet, "Cheap Clothes and Nasty," and novel, "Alton Locke," did much to draw public attention to the evil. In 1890 an elaborate report by a committee of the House of Lords was published, and led in the following year to the passing of the Factory and Workshops Act and the Public Health Act, which have greatly mitigated the evil.

SWEDEN, a kingdom of Northern Europe, occupying the eastern portion of the great Scandinavian Peninsula, bounded W. by Norway, E. by Finland, Gulf of Bothnia, and the Baltic, and on the N. stretches across the Arctic Circle between Norway (NW.) and Russia (NE.), while its southern separated shores are washed by the Skagerrack, Kattegat, and Baltic. From the mountain-barrier of Norway the country slopes down in broad terrace-like plains to the sea, intersected by many useful rivers and diversified by numerous lakes, of which Lakes Wenner, Wetter, and Mälär (properly an arm of the sea) are the largest, and lying under forest to the extent of nearly one-half its area; is divided into three great divisions: (1) Norrland in the N., a wide and wild tract of mountainous country, thickly forested, infested by the wolf, bear, and lynx, in summer the home of the wood-outter, and sparsely inhabited by Lapps; (2) Svealand or Sweden proper occupies the centre, and is the region of the great lakes and of the principal mineral wealth (iron, copper, &c.) of the country; (3) Gothland, the southern portion, embraces the fertile plains sloping to the Kattegat, and is the chief agricultural district, besides possessing iron and coal. Climate is fairly dry, with a warm summer and long, cold winter. Agriculture (potatoes, grain, rye, beet), although scarcely 8 per cent. of the land is under cultivation, is the principal industry, and with dairy-farming, stock-raising, &c., gives employment to more than one-half of the people; mining and timber-felling are only less important; chief industries are iron-works, sugar-refineries, cotton-mills, &c.; principal exports timber (much the largest), iron, steel, and butter, while textiles and dry-goods are the chiefly needed imports. Transit is greatly facilitated by the numerous canals and by the rivers and lakes. Railways and telegraphs are well developed in proportion to the population. As in Norway, the national religion is Lutheranism; education is free and compulsory. Government is vested in the king, who with the advice of a council controls the executive, and two legislative chambers which have equal powers, but the members of the one are elected for nine years by provincial councils, while those of the other are elected by the suffrages of the people, receive salaries, and sit only for three years. In the 14th century the country became an appanage of the Danish crown, and continued

as such until freedom was again won in the 16th century by the patriot king, Gustavus Vasa. By the 17th century had extended her rule across the seas into certain portions of the empire, but selling there in the beginning of the 18th century, fell from her rank as a first-rate power. In 1814 Norway was annexed, the two countries, each enjoying complete autonomy, but the union was dissolved in 1905, and Norway became independent.

SWEDENBORG, EMMANUEL, a mystic of the mystics, founder of the "New Church," born in Stockholm, son of a bishop, a boy of extraordinary gifts and natural seriousness of mind; carefully educated under his father, attended the university of Upsala and took his degree in philosophy in 1709; in eager quest of knowledge visited England, Holland, France, and Germany; on his return, after four years, was at 28 appointed by Charles XII. assessor of the Royal College of Mines; in 1721 went to examine the mines and smelting-works of Europe; from 1716 spent 20 years in the composition and publication of scientific works, when of a sudden he threw himself into theology; in 1743 his period of illumination began, followed by the publication of many theological treatises; the Swedish clergy interfered a little with the publication of his works, but he kept the friendship of people in power. He was never married, his habits were simple, he lived on bread, milk, and vegetables, and occupied a house situated in a large garden; visited England several times, but attracted no attention; died in London of apoplexy in his eighty-fifth year. He is described, in London, as "a man of quiet, clerical habit, not averse to tea and coffee, and kind to children. He wore a sword when in full velvet dress, and whenever he walked out carried a gold-headed cane." This is Emerson's account in brief of his outer man, but for a glimpse or two of his ways of thinking and his views the reader is referred to Emerson's "Representative Men." The man was a seer: what he saw only himself could tell, and only those could see, he would say, who had the power of transporting themselves into the same spiritual centre; to him the only real world was the spirit-world and the world of sense only in as far as it reflected to the soul the great invisible (1688-1772).

SWEDENBORGIANs, the members of the "New Jerusalem Church," founded on the teaching of Emmanuel Swedenborg (q.v.) on a belief in direct communion with the world of spirits, and in God as properly incarnate in the divine humanity of Christ.

SWEDISH NIGHTINGALE, name popularly given to Jenny Lind (q.v.).

SWERGA, or **SVARGA**, the summit of Mount Meru, the Hindu Olympus, the heaven or abode of Indra (q.v.) and of the gods in general.

SWETCHINE, MADAME, a Russian lady, Anne Sophie Soymanoff, born in Moscow, who married General Swetchine, and, after turning Catholic, became celebrated in Paris during 1817-1851 as the gracious hostess of a salon where much religious and ethical discussion went on; plain and unimposing in appearance, she yet exercised a remarkable fascination over her "coterie" by the elevation of her character and eager spiritual nature (1782-1857).

SWEYN, King of Denmark and father of Canute the Great. By nature a fighter, he conquered parts of Norway and Sweden, and his raids on the British coast were so successful that Ethelred the Unready paid him tribute. He died in 1014 at Gainborough, Lincolnshire, after conquering large tracts of England.

SWIFT, JONATHAN, born in Dublin, a posthumous son, of well-connected parents; educated at Kilkenny, where he had Congreve for companion, and at Trinity College, Dublin, where he was a somewhat riotous and a by no means studious undergraduate, only receiving his B.A. by "special grace" in 1686; two years later the Revolution drove him to England; became amanuensis to his mother's distinguished relative Sir William Temple, whose service, however, was uncongenial to his proud independent nature, and after taking a Master's degree at Oxford he returned to Dublin, took orders, and was presented to the canonry of

Kilroot, near Belfast; the quiet of country life palling upon him, he was glad to resume secretarial service in Temple's household (1696), where during the next three years he remained, mastering the craft of politics, reading enormously, and falling in love with Stella (q.v.); was set adrift by Temple's death in 1699, but shortly afterwards became secretary to Lord Berkeley, one of the Lord-Deputies to Ireland, and was soon settled in the vicarage of Laracor, West Meath; in 1704 appeared anonymously his famous satires, the "Battle of the Books" and the "Tale of a Tub," masterpieces of English prose; various squibs and pamphlets, followed; "On the Inconvenience of Abolishing Christianity," &c.; but politics more and more engaged his attention; being neglected by the Whigs and hating their war policy, he turned Tory, attacked with deadly effect, during his editorship of the *Examiner* (1710-1711), the war party and its leader Marlborough, crushed Steele's defence in his "Public Spirit of the Whigs," and after the publication of "The Conduct of the Allies" stood easily the foremost political writer of his time; disappointed of an English bishopric, in 1713 reluctantly accepted the deanery of St. Patrick's, Dublin, a position he held until the close of his life; became loved in the country he despised by eloquently voicing the wrongs of Ireland in a series of tracts, "Drapier's Letters," &c., fruitful of good results; crowned his great reputation by the publication (1726) of his masterpiece "Gulliver's Travels," the most daring, savage, and amusing satire contained in the world's literature; "Stella's" death and the slow progress of a brain disease, ending in insanity, cast an ever-deepening gloom over his later years (1667-1745).

SWILLY, LOUGH, a narrow inlet of the Atlantic, on the coast of Donegal, North Ireland, running in between Dunaff Head (E.) and Fanad Point (W.), a distance of 25 m.; is from 3 to 4 m. broad; the entrance is fortified.

SWINBURNE, ALGERNON CHARLES, poet and prose writer, born in London, son of Admiral Swinburne; educated at Balliol College, Oxford, went to Florence and spent some time there; his first productions were plays, two of them tragedies, and "Poems and Ballads," his later "A Song of Italy," essay on "William Blake," and "Songs before Sunrise" instinct with pantheistic and republican ideas, besides "Studies in Song," "Studies in Prose and Poetry," &c.; he ranks as the successor of Landor, of whom he was a great admirer, stood high both as a poet and a critic, and was a man of broad and generous sympathies (1837-1909).

SWINDON, a town in Wiltshire, 77 m. W. of London; contains the Great Western Railway Company's engineering works, which cover 200 acres and employ 10,000 men.

SWINEMUNDE, a fortified seaport on the island of Usedom, in the Baltic, near the mouth of the Swine, one of the outlets of the Oder.

SWISS CONFEDERATION, a league of the several Swiss cantons to resist, on attempt on the part of the Emperor Albrecht to incorporate certain of the free towns into his family possessions.

SWISS GUARDS. See **GARDES SUISSES**.

SWITHIN, ST., bishop of Winchester from 852 to 862; was buried by his own request in Winchester Churchyard, "where passers-by might tread above his head, and the dews of heaven fall on his grave." On his canonisation, a century after, the chapter resolved to remove his body to a shrine in the cathedral, but their purpose was hindered on account of a rain which lasted 40 days from July 15; hence the popular notion that if it rained that day it would be followed by rain for 40 days after.

SWITZERLAND, a republic of Central Europe, bounded by Germany (N.), France (W.), Italy (S.), and Austria and Germany (E.); in size is slightly more than one-half of Scotland, of semicircular shape, having the Jura Alps on its French border, and divided from Italy by the great central ranges of the Alpine system, whence radiate the Swiss Alps—Pennine, Lepontine, Bernese, &c.—covering the E. and S., and occupying with intervening valleys two-thirds of the country; the remaining third is occupied by an elevated fertile plain, extending between Lakes of Constance and Geneva

(largest of numerous lakes), and studded with picturesque hills; principal rivers are the Upper Rhone, the Aar, Ticino, and Inn; climate varies with the elevation, from the high regions of perpetual snow to warm valleys where ripen the vine, fig, almond, and olive; about one-third of the land surface is under forest, and one-quarter arable, the grain grown forming only one-half of what is required; flourishing dairy farms exist, prospered by the fine meadows and mountain pastures which, together with the forests, comprise the country's greatest wealth; minerals are exceedingly scarce, coal being entirely absent. Despite its restricted arable area and lack of minerals the country has attained a high pitch of prosperity through the thrift and energy of its people, who have skillfully utilised the inexhaustible motive-power of innumerable waterfalls and mountain streams to drive great factories of silks, cottons, watches, and jewellery. The beauty of its mountain, lake, and river scenery has long made Switzerland the sanatorium and recreation ground of Europe; more than 600 health resorts exist, and the country has been described as one vast hotel. The Alpine barriers are crossed by splendid roads and railways, the great tunnels through St. Gothard and the Simplon being triumphs of engineering skill and enterprise. In 1848, after the suppression of the Sonderbund (q.v.), the existing league of 22 semi-independent States (constituting since 1798 the Helvetic Republic) formed a closer federal union, and a constitution (issued in 1874) was drawn up conserving as far as possible the distinctive laws of the cantons and local institutions of their communes. The President is elected annually by the Federal Assembly (which consists of two chambers constituting the legislative power), and is assisted in the executive government by a Federal Council of seven members. By an institution known as the "Referendum" all legislative acts passed in the Cantonal or Federal Assemblies may under certain conditions be referred to the mass of the electors, and this is frequently done. The national army is maintained by conscription: 71 per cent. of the people speak German, 22 per cent. French, and 6 per cent. Italian; 69 per cent. are Protestants, and 41 per cent. Catholics. Education is splendidly organised, free, and compulsory; there are five universities, and many fine technical schools.

SYBARIS, an ancient city of Magna Græcia, on the Gulf of Tarentum, flourished in the 17th century B.C., but in 510 B.C. was captured and totally obliterated by the rival colonists of Crotona; at the height of its prosperity the luxury and voluptuousness of the inhabitants was such as to become a byword throughout the ancient world, and henceforth a Sybarite city is a city of luxurious indulgence, and Sybarite a devotee of pleasure.

SYBEL, HEINRICH VON, German historian, born in Düsseldorf; was a pupil of Ranke, and became professor of History at Munich and Bonn; he was a Liberal in politics; his great works are a "History of the Period of the French Revolution from 1789 to 1795, and then to 1800," in five volumes, and the "History of the Founding of the German Empire under William I.," in five volumes; he also wrote a "History of the First Crusade" (1817-1895).

SYELL, a novel with a political background, written by Benjamin Disraeli and published in 1845.

SYCORAX, a hag in the "Tempest," the dam of Caliban.

SYDENHAM, a district of Kent and suburb of London, to the S.E. of which it lies 7 m., where in 1662-1664 the Crystal Palace was erected and still stands, a far-famed sight of London, containing valuable collections illustrative of the arts and sciences, and surrounded by a park and gardens.

SYDENHAM, 1ST BARON (Charles Edward Poulett Thomson), British politician. Born in London, he spent several years in business, before becoming M.P. for Dover in 1826; in 1834 he became President of the Board of Trade, and in 1839 Governor-General of Canada, where he took an active part in centralising government and unifying the country; raised to the peerage in 1840, he died the following year as the result of a riding accident (1799-1841).

SYDENHAM, FLOYER, Greek scholar; translated some of the Dialogues of Plato into English, and wrote a dissertation on Heraclitus, which failed of being appreciated, and involved in embarrassment he was thrown into prison because he could not pay a small bill for provisions, and there died; his end fate led to the foundation of the Literary Fund (1710-1787).

SYDENHAM, THOMAS, the "English Hippocrates," born in Dorsetshire, educated at Oxford, and a Fellow of All Souls; practised medicine in London, where, though regarded with disfavour by the faculty, he stood in high regard, and had an extensive practice, from his study of the symptoms of disease, and the respect he paid to the constitution of the patient; he used his own sense and judgment in each case, and his treatment was uniformly successful; he commanded the regard of his contemporaries Locke and Boyle, and his memory was revered by such experts as Boerhaave, Stahl, Pinel, and Haller; he ranks as a great reformer in the healing art (1624-1689).

SYDNEY, the capital of New South Wales, the oldest and largest city in Australia, is situated on one of the most beautiful harbours (Port Jackson) in the world. The harbour bridge is one of the largest engineering schemes of its kind ever undertaken, and links up the north and south shores. The city contains many very fine buildings, including the university, art gallery, museum, two cathedrals, libraries, and hospitals. Its manufactures are numerous and its commercial interests very large. It is a very important railway centre, and the extensive and modern plant for dealing with shipping and storing and loading grain in bulk is second to none in the southern hemisphere. A city underground electric railway is in course of construction at an estimated cost of £10,000,000.

SYLLOGISM, an argument consisting of three propositions, of which two are called premises, major and minor, and the one that necessarily follows from them the conclusion.

SYLPHS, elemental spirits of the air, as salamanders are of fire, of light figure with gliding movements and protective power.

SYLT, one of the N. Frisian Islands in Sleswig-Holstein, 22 m. in length and under half a mile wide in most places; the chief village is Westerland, in the middle of the island, while there are good harbours at both ends; it is a popular holiday resort for Germans.

SYLVESTER, JAMES JOSEPH, British mathematician. Born in London, he was educated at Liverpool and Cambridge, where he was second wrangler in 1837; he lectured most of his life, being successively professor at University College, London, Virginia University, U.S.A., the Woolwich Royal Military Academy, Baltimore University, and finally Oxford, where he was appointed Savilian professor of geometry (1814-1897).

SYLVESTER, ST., the name of three Popes: S. I., Pope from 314 to 336; S. II., Pope from 990 to 1003, alleged, from his recalcitrant knowledge as an alchemist, to have been in league with the devil; and S. III., anti-Pope from 1041 to 1046.

SYLVESTER, ST., the first Pope of the name, said to have converted Constantine and his mother by restoring a dead ox to life which a magician for a trial of skill killed, but could not restore to life, is usually represented by an ox lying beside him, and sometimes as baptising Constantine.

SYMBIOSIS, name given to the relation between two different organisms which live together to their mutual benefit.

SYMBOLISM has been divided into two kinds, symbolism of colour and symbolism of form. Of colours, black typifies grief and death; blue, hope, love of divine works, divine contemplation, piety, sincerity; pale blue, power; Christian prudence, love of good works, serene concordance; gold, glory and power; green, faith, immortality, resurrection, gladness; pale green, baptism; grey, tribulation; purple, justice, royalty; red, martyrdom for faith, charity, divine love; rose-colour, martyrdom; saffron, confession; scarlet, fervour and glory; silver, chastity and purity; violet, penitence; white, purity, temperance, innocence, charity, and faith in God. Instances of form: Anchor typifies hope; palm, victory; sword, death or martyrdom; the

lamb, Christ, unicorn, purity. Of stones, moreover, the amethyst typifies humility; diamond, invulnerable faith, sardonyx, sincerity; sapphires, hope, &c.

SYME, JAMES, a great surgeon, born in Edinburgh; was demonstrator under Liston; was elected to the chair of Clinical Surgery in 1833; gave up the chair to succeed Liston in London in 1848, but returned a few months after; was re-elected to the chair he had vacated; he was much honoured by his pupils, and by none more than Dr. John Brown, who characterised him as "the best, ablest, and most beneficent of men"; he wrote treatises and papers on surgery (1790-1870).

SYMINGTON, WILLIAM, British inventor, devised an early form of steam engine for ships and for road locomotion (1783-1831).

SYMONDS, JOHN ADDINGTON, English man of letters, born in Bristol; educated at Harrow and Oxford; author of "The Renaissance in Italy," a work which shows an extensive knowledge of the subject, and is written in a finished but rather flowery style, and a number of other works of a kindred nature showing equal ability and literary skill; his translation of Benvenuto Cellini's autobiography is particularly noteworthy; was consumptive, and spent his later years at Davos, in the Engadine (1840-1893).

SYMPLAGADES, two fabulous floating rocks at the entrance of the Euxine, which, when driven by the winds, crushed every vessel that attempted to pass between them; the ship Argo (q.v.) managed to pass between them, but with the loss of part of her stern, after which they became fixed.

SYMPHONY, an elaborate orchestral composition consisting usually of four contrived and related movements; began to take distinctive shape in the 17th century, and was for long merely a form of overture to operas, &c., but as its possibilities were perceived was elevated into an independent concert-piece, and as such exercised the genius of Mozart and Haydn, reaching its perfection of form in the symphonies of Beethoven.

SYNAGOGUE, a Jewish institution for worship and religious instruction which dates from the period of the Babylonian captivity, especially to keep alive in the minds of the people a knowledge of the law. The decree ordaining it required the families of a district to meet twice every Sabbath for this purpose, and so religiously did the Jewish people observe it that it continues a characteristic ordinance of Judaism to this day. The study of the law became henceforth their one vocation, and the synagogue was instituted both to instruct them in it and to remind them of the purpose of their separate existence among the nations of the earth. High as the Temple and its service still stood in the esteem of every Jew, from the period of the captivity it began to be felt of secondary importance to the synagogue and its service. With the erection and extension of the latter the people were being slowly trained into a truer sense of the nature of religious worship, and gradually made to feel that to know the will of God and do it was a more genuine act of homage to Him than the offering of sacrifices upon an altar or the observance of any religious rite. Under such training the issue between the Jew and the Samaritan became of less and less consequence, and he and not the Samaritan was on the pathway which led direct to the final worship of God in spirit and in truth (John iv. 22).

SYNAGOGUE, THE GREAT, the name given to a council at Jerusalem, consisting of 120 members, there assembled about the year 410 B.C. to give final form to the service and worship of the Jewish Church. A Jewish tradition says Moses received the law from Sinai; he transmitted it to Joshua, Joshua to the elders, the elders to the prophets, to the men of the Great Assembly, who added thereto these words: "Be circumspect in judgment, make many disciples, and set a hedge about the law." To them belong the final settlement and arrangement of the Jewish Scriptures, the introduction of a new alphabet, the regulation of the synagogue worship, and the adoption of sundry liturgical forms, as well as the establishment of the Feast of Purim (q.v.), and probably the "schools" of the Scribes.

SYNCPATION, a musical term denoting an alteration

of accent by means of prolonging a sound from a weak place in the bar to a stronger one. The practice became popular in America, and was introduced into England about the time of the Great War, when it became the basis of subsequent dance music.

SYNCRETISM, name given to an attempted blending of different, more or less antagonistic, speculative or religious systems into one, such as Catholic and Protestant or Lutheran and Reformed.

SYNDICATE, in commercial parlance is a name given to a number of capitalists associated together for the purpose of carrying through some important business scheme usually having in view the controlling and raising of prices by means of a monopoly or "corner."

SYNERGISM, the theological doctrine that divine grace requires a correspondent action of the human will to render it effective, a doctrine defended by Melancthon when he ascribes to the will the "power of seeking grace," the term "synergy" meaning co-operation.

SYNESIUS, BISHOP PTOLEMAIS, born in Cyrene; became a pupil of Hypatia (q.v.), and was to the last a disciple, "a father of the Church without having been her son," and is styled by Kingsley "the squire bishop," from his love of the chase; "looks and the chase," on one occasion he writes, "make up my life"; wrote one or two curious books, and several hymns expressive of a longing after divine things (875-414).

SYNOD, name given to any assembly of bishops and clergy in council, and in the Presbyterian Church to an assembly of a district or a general assembly.

SYNOPTIC GOSPELS, the first three Gospels, so called because they are summaries of the chief events in the story, and all go over the same ground, while the author of the fourth follows lines of his own.

SYRA, an island of the Cyclades group, in the Ægean Sea, 10 m. by 5 m., with a capital of the same name, called also Hermoupolis, on the E. coast; is the seat of the government of the islands, and the chief port.

SYRACUSE, (1) one of the great cities of antiquity, occupied a wide triangular tableland on the S.E. coast of Sicily, 80 m. S.W. of Messina, and also the small island Ortygia, lying close to the shore; founded by Corinthian settlers about 733 B.C.; amongst its rulers were the tyrants Dionysius the Elder and Dionysius the Younger (q.v.) and Hiero, the patron of Æschylus, Pindar, &c.; successfully resisted the long siege of the Athenians in 414 B.C. and rose to a great pitch of renown after its struggle with the Carthaginians in 397 B.C., but, siding with Hannibal in the Punic Wars, was taken after a two years' siege by the Romans (212 B.C.), in whose hands it slowly declined, and finally was sacked and destroyed by the Saracens in 878 A.D. Only the portion on Ortygia was rebuilt, and this constitutes the modern city, which has interesting relics of its former greatness, but is otherwise a crowded and dirty place, surrounded by walls and fortified; exports fruit, olive-oil, and wine. (2) A city of New York State, United States, 148 m. W. of Albany, in the beautiful valley of Onondaga; is a spacious and handsomely laid-out city, with university, &c.; has flourishing steel-works, foundries, rolling-mills, &c., and enormous salt manufactures.

SYRIA, a former division of Asiatic Turkey, it is now mandated to France; slightly larger than Italy, it forms a long strip of mountains and tableland intersected by fertile valleys, lying along the eastern end of the Mediterranean from the Taurus range in the N. to the Egyptian border on the S., and extending inland (N.E. and E.) to the Euphrates and Arabian desert. The coastal strip and waters fall within the Levant (q.v.). In the S. lies Palestine, embracing Jordan, Dead Sea, Lake of Tiberias (Sea of Galilee), Jerusalem, Gaza, &c.; in the N., between the parallel ranges of Lebanon and Anti-Lebanon, lies the valley of Coele-Syria, through which flows the Orontes. Important towns are Aleppo, Damascus, Beyrout (chief port), &c.; principal exports are silk, wool, olive-oil, and fruits. Four-fifths of the people are Mohammedans of Aramean (ancient Syrian) and Arabic stock. Once a portion of the Assyrian empire (q.v.), it became a

possession successively of the Persians, Greeks, Romans, Arabs, Egyptians, and fell into the hands of the Ottoman Turks in 1516, under whose rule it languished till 1918. For further particulars see various names and places mentioned.

SYRIANUS, a Greek Neoplatonic philosopher of the 5th century; had Proclus (q.v.) for a disciple; left a valuable commentary on the metaphysics of Aristotle.

SYRINX, an Arcadian nymph, who, being pursued by Pan, fled into a river, was metamorphosed into a reed, of which Pan made his flute.

SYRTIS, MAJOR AND MINOR, the ancient names of the Gulfs of Sidra and Cabes on the N. coast of Africa, the former between Tripoli and Barca, the latter between Tunis and Tripoli.

SYRUS, PUBLIUS, a slave brought to Rome, and on account of his wit manumitted by his master; made his mark by composing memoirs and a collection of pithy sayings that appear to have been used as a school-book; flourished in 46 B.C.

SYSTÈME DE LA NATURE, a book, the authorship of which is ascribed to Baron Holbach, which appeared in 1770, advocating a philosophical

materialism and maintaining that nothing exists but matter, and that mind is either naught or only a finer kind of matter; there is nowhere anything. It insists, except matter and motion; it is the farthest step yet taken in the direction of speculative as opposed to political nihilism.

SZARVAS, a town in the Békés district of Hungary on the Körös, 85 m. SE. of Budapest; it is an important agricultural centre and market town.

SZE-CHUAN, the largest province of China, lies in the W. between Tibet (NW.) and Yunnan (SW.); more than twice the size of Great Britain; a hilly country, rich in coal, iron, &c., and traversed by the Yangtze-kiang and large tributaries; Chungtu is the capital; two towns have been opened to foreign trade, opium, silk, tobacco, musk, white wax, &c., being chief exports.

SZEGEDIN, a royal free city of Hungary, situated at the confluence of the Maros and Theiss, 118 m. SE. of Budapest, to which it ranks next in importance as a commercial and manufacturing centre; has been largely rebuilt since the terribly destructive flood of 1879, and presents a handsome modern appearance.

TABARD

TABARD, a tunic without sleeves worn by military nobles over their armor, generally emblazoned with heraldic devices; now applied to a herald's coat. "Town Tabard" (empty king's cloak) was the nickname given by the Scots to John de Balliol as being nothing more.

TABARD INN, a famous inn in Southwark, noted as the starting place of the pilgrims in Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales"; in 1666 the inn was rebuilt after the fire, and was renamed the Talbot Inn, under which name it continued till demolished in 1873.

TABERNAACLE, a movable structure of the nature of a temple, erected by the Israelites during their wanderings in the wilderness; it was a parallelogram in shape, constructed of boards lined with curtains, the roof flat and of skins, while the floor was the naked earth; it included a sanctuary and a sanctuary, and contained altars for sacrifice and symbols of sacred import, especially of the Divine presence, and was accessible only to the priests. See **FEASTS, JEWISH**.

TABLE MOUNTAIN, a flat-topped eminence in the NW. of Cape Province, rising to a height of 3600 ft. behind Cape Town and overlooking it, often surmounted by a drapery of mist.

TABLES, THE TWELVE, the tables of the Roman laws engraved on brass brought from Athens to Rome by the decemvirs.

TABLETS, name given to thin boards coated with wax and included in a frame for writing on with a stylus.

TABLE-TURNING, movement of a table ascribed to the agency of spirits or some occult spiritual force acting through the media of a circle of people standing round the edge and touching it with their finger-tips in contact with those of the rest.

TABOO, TABU, or TAPU, a solemn prohibition or interdiction among the Polynesians under which a particular person or thing is pronounced inviolable, and so sacred, the violation of which entails malediction at the hands of the supernatural powers. It obtains also among the Maoris, Zulus, and many African peoples, while in ancient times, particularly in regard to royal personages, similar customs prevailed.

TABOR, a town in Czechoslovakia, 65 m. S. of Prague, and situated on the main line between there and Vienna; it contains much of historical interest, being one of the oldest towns in Bohemia.

TABOR MOUNT, an isolated cone-shaped hill, 1000 ft. in height and clothed with olive-trees, on the N.E. borders of Esdrasdon (q.v.), 7 m. E. of Nazareth. A tradition of the 2nd century identifies it as the scene of the Transfiguration, and ruins of a church, built by the Crusaders to commemorate the event, crown the summit.

TABRIZ, an ancient and still important commercial city of Persia, 320 m. SE. of Tiflis, 4500 ft. above sea-level; occupies an elevated site on the Aji, 40 m. E. of its entrance into Lake Urmiah; carries on a flourishing transit trade and has notable manufactures of leather, silk, and gold and silver ware; has been on several occasions visited by severe earthquakes.

TACANAS, a group of S. American Indian tribes resident in Bolivia in the region of the river Madre de Dios.

TACITUS, CORNELIUS, Roman historian, born presumably in Rome, of equestrian rank, early famous as an orator; married a daughter of Agricola, held office under the Emperors Vespasian, Domitian, and Nerva, and with the younger Pliny conducted the prosecution of Marcus Priscus; he is best known and most celebrated as a historian, and of writings extant the chief are his "Life of Agricola," "Germania," "Histories" and "Annals"; his "Agricola" is admired as a model biography, while his "Histories" and "Annals" are distinguished for "their conciseness, their vigour, and the pregnancy

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of meaning; a single word sometimes gives effect to a whole sentence, and if the meaning of the word is missed, the sense of the writer is not reached"; his great power lies in his insight into character and the constraining of motives, but the picture he draws of Imperial Rome is revolting (vire 54-120).

TACTIUS, MARCUS CLAUDIUS, Roman emperor; he succeeded Aurelian in 275, after having served as consul twice; though only of short duration, his reign was tranquil and his rule marked by wisdom and moderation; he was a descendant of Tacitus the historian (200-276).

TACNA, capital of a province of same name in North Chile, 38 m. N. of Arica, with which it is connected by rail; trades in wool and minerals; taken from Peru in 1883.

TACOMA, a flourishing manufacturing town and port of Washington State, on Puget Sound; has practically sprung into existence within the last 15 years, and is the outlet for the produce of a rich agricultural and mining district; exports lumber, fish, and flour.

TADMOR. See **PALMYRA**.

TAEI, a Chinese money of account of varying local value, and rising and falling with the price of silver, but may be approximately valued at between 6s. and 6s. 6d. The customs tael, equivalent in value to about 4s. 9d. was superseded by the dollar of 1890, which is nominally equal to that of the United States.

TAFF VALE CASE, an important legal dispute in 1901 between the Taff Vale Railway Co., South Wales, and its employees after a strike; it was held by the House of Lords that trade union funds were liable for acts committed by individual members of the union, a decision that led in 1906 to the Trade Disputes Act, which reversed the ruling of the House of Lords.

TAFFETY, a kind of silk fabric popular in the 16th century, when it was manufactured in many parts of England; nowadays the name is taken to mean a mixture of silk and wool.

TAFT, WILLIAM HOWARD, American politician. He was governor of the Philippine Islands from 1901 to 1904, was made War Secretary that year, and in 1908 succeeded Roosevelt as President of the United States; he stood for re-election in 1912, but was defeated; in 1921 he became Chief Justice of the United States (1857-1930).

TAGANROG, a Russian seaport on the N. shore of the Sea of Azov; is the outlet for the produce of a rich agricultural district, wheat, linseed, and hempseed being the chief exports. Founded by Peter the Great in 1698.

TAGLIAMENTO, a river in Venetia, N. Italy, rising in the Alps and flowing into the Gulf of Venice, 100 m. in length. It was the scene of fighting in the Great War, when Italian troops retreating from Caporetto made a determined stand in November, 1917.

TAGLIONI, MARIA, a famous ballet-dancer, born in Stockholm, the daughter of an Italian ballet-master; made her debut in Paris in 1827 and soon became the foremost danseuse of Europe; married Count de Volsins in 1832; retired from the stage in 1847 with a fortune, which she subsequently lost, a misfortune which compelled her to set up as a teacher of deportment in London (1804-1884).

TAGORE, RABINDRANATH, Indian poet. Born in Bengal; his poems are of high order, and in true Eastern tradition. In 1913 he won the Nobel Prize for Literature, and in the same year his play "The Post Office" was given a London production (1860-).

TAGUS, the largest river of the Spanish peninsula, issues from the watershed between the provinces of Guadalajara and Teruel; follows a more or less westerly course across the centre of the peninsula, and, after dividing into two portions below Salvaterra, its united waters enter the Atlantic by a noble

estuary 20 m. long; total length 566 m., of which 190 are in Portugal; navigable as far as Abrantes. **TAHITI**, the principal island of a group in the South Pacific, sometimes called the Society Islands, situated 2000 m. N.E. of New Zealand; are mountainous, of volcanic origin, beautifully wooded, and girt by coral reefs; a fertile soil grows abundant fruit, cotton, sugar, &c., which, with mother-of-pearl, are the principal exports; capital and chief harbour is Papeete; the whole group since 1888 has become a French possession.

TALLANDIER, SAINT-RENE, French littérateur and professor, born in Paris; filled the chair of Literature at the Sorbonne from 1863; wrote various works of literary, historical, and philosophical interest, and did much by his writings to extend the knowledge of German art and literature in France; was a frequent contributor to the *Revue des Deux Mondes*, and in 1878 was elected a member of the Academy (1817-1879).

TALORS, THE THREE, OF TOOLEY STREET, three characters said by Canning to have held a meeting there for redress of grievances, and to have addressed a petition to the House of Commons beginning "We, the people of England."

TAIN, a royal burgh of Ross-shire, on the S. shore of the Dornoch Firth, 44 m. N.E. of Inverness; has interesting ruins of a 15th-century chapel, a 15th-century collegiate church, and an academy.

TAINÉ, HIPPOLYTE ADOLPHE, an eminent French critic and historian, born in Vouziers, in Ardennes; after some years of scholastic drudgery in the provinces returned to Paris, and there, by the originality of his critical method and brilliancy of style soon took rank among the foremost French writers; in 1854 the Academy crowned his essay on Livy; ten years later he became professor of *Esthetics* at the Ecole des Beaux-Arts in Paris, and in 1878 was admitted to the French Academy; his voluminous writings embrace works on the philosophy of art, essays critical and historical, volumes of travel-illustrations in various parts of Europe; but his finest work is contained in his vivid and masterly studies on *Les Origines de la France Contemporaine*; and in his "History of English Literature" (1833-1834; Eng. trans. by Van Laun), the most penetrative and sympathetic survey of English literature yet done by a foreigner; he was a disciple of Sainte-Beuve, but went beyond his master in ascribing character too much to external environment (1824-1893).

TAI-PING, a name bestowed upon the followers of Hung Hsi-ch'wan, a village schoolmaster of China, who, coming under the influence of Christian teaching, sought to subvert the religion and ruling dynasty of China; he himself was styled "Heavenly King," his reign "Kingdom of Heaven," and his dynasty "Tai-Ping" (Grand Peace); between 1851 and 1855 the rising assumed formidable dimensions, but from 1855 began to decline; the religious enthusiasts died away; foreign auxiliaries were called in, and under the leadership of Gordon (q.v.) the rebellion was stamped out by 1865.

TAIT, ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, archbishop of Canterbury, of Scottish descent, born in Edinburgh; educated at Edinburgh, Glasgow, and Oxford; when at Oxford led the opposition to the Tractarian Movement; in 1842 succeeded Arnold as headmaster at Rugby; in 1850 became Dean of Carlisle; in 1856 Bishop of London; and in 1868 Primate. This last office he held at a critical period, and his episcopate was distinguished by great discretion and moderation (1811-1882).

TAIT, PETER GUTHRIE, physicist and mathematician, born in Dalkeith; educated in Edinburgh; became senior wrangler at Cambridge, and Smith's prizeman in 1852; was in 1854 elected professor of Mathematics at Belfast, and in 1860 professor of Natural Philosophy at Edinburgh; carried out a great deal of experimental work, especially in thermo-electricity, and contributed important papers on pure mathematics; wrote, with Lord Kelvin, "Treatise on Natural Philosophy," and with Balfour Stewart "The Unseen Universe," followed by "Paradoxical Philosophy" (1831-1901).

TAI-WAN, capital of Formosa (q.v.), an important

commercial emporium, situated about 3 m. from the S.W. coast, on which, however, it has a port, ranking as a treaty-port.

TAJ MAHAL. See **AGRA**.

TALAAAT PASHA, Turkish political leader. Born of gipsy parents, he came to the notice of Enver Pasha and was made Minister of the Interior in 1909; he fought in the Balkan Wars, and in 1916 became Grand Vizier; leaving Turkey when the empire collapsed, he was assassinated in Berlin in 1921 by an Armenian (1872-1921).

TALARIA, wings attached to the ankles or sandals of Mercury as the messenger of the gods.

TALAYERA DE LA REINA, a picturesque old Spanish town on the Tagus, situated amid vineyards, 75 m. S.E. of Madrid; scene of a great victory under Sir Arthur Wellesley over a French army commanded by Joseph Bonaparte, Marshals Jourdan and Victor, July 28, 1809.

TALBOT, WILLIAM HENRY FOX, one of the earliest experimenters in photography (called after him Talbotype), born in Chippenham, which he represented in Parliament; was also one of the first to decipher the Assyrian cuneiform inscriptions (1800-1877).

TALC, a soft, lustrous, silvery mineral found in foliated and granular masses; it is used as a substitute for chalk.

TALE OF A TUB, a great work by Swift, characterized by Professor Salustianus as "the first great book in prose or verse, of the 18th century, and in more ways than one the herald and champion at once of its special achievements in literature." It is a religious satire in which Roman Catholics are represented by Peter, Presbyterians by Jack, and the Church of England by Martin.

TALENT, a weight, coin, or sum of money among the ancients, of variable value among different nations and at different periods; the Attic weight being equal to about 57 lbs. Troy, and the money to £243 16s.; among the Romans the great talent was worth 290, and the little worth 175.

TALFOURD, SIR THOMAS NOON, lawyer and dramatist, born in Reading; was called to the bar in 1821, and practised with notable success, becoming in 1849 a Justice of Common Pleas and a knight; was for some years a member of Parliament; author of four tragedies, of which "Ion" is the best known; was the intimate friend and literary executor of Charles Lamb (1795-1854).

TALISMAN, a magical figure of an astrological nature carved on a piece of metal under certain superstitious observances, to which certain wonderful effects are ascribed; is of the nature of a charm to avert evil.

TALKING PICTURES, the development of the cinematograph which introduced talking, music, noises, &c., synchronised with the action in the film; the general exhibition of these films commenced in London in 1922; the original phonofilm system was invented by Lee de Forest, the inventor of the triode wireless valve, and is the method in general use in this country, although a large number of entirely different systems are used both here and in America.

TALLAGE, a tax levied by the king in Norman times upon land of the royal demesnes; it was abolished in 1340.

TALLARD, COMTE DE, marshal of France; served in the War of the Spanish Succession; was taken prisoner by Marlborough at Hochstedt, on which occasion he said to the duke, "Your Grace has beaten the finest troops in Europe," when the duke replied, "You will except, I hope, those who defeated them" (1652-1728).

TALLENANT DES REAUX, GEORGE, French writer native of La Rochelle; author of a voluminous collection of gossip biographies, "Historiettes," filling five volumes, which throw a flood of light on the manners and customs of 17th-century life in France, though allowance must be made for exaggerations (1619-1701).

TALLEYRAND DE PÉRIGORD, CHARLES MAURICE, PRINCE OF BENEVENTO, French statesman and diplomatist, born in Paris, of an illustrious family; rendered lame by an accident, was cut off from a military career; was educated for the Church, and

made bishop of Autun; chosen deputy of the clergy of his diocese to the States-General in 1789, threw himself with zeal into the popular side, officiated in his pontifical robes at the feast of the Federation in the Champs de Mars, and was the first to take the oath on that side, but on being excommunicated by the Pope resigned his bishopric, and embarked on a statesman's career; sent on a mission to England in 1792, remained two years as an *émigré*, and had to deport himself to the United States, where he employed himself in commercial transactions; recalled in 1796, was appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs; supported Bonaparte in his ambitious schemes, and on the latter becoming Emperor, was made Grand Chamberlain and Duke of Benevento, while he retained the portfolio of Foreign Affairs; in a fit of irritation Napoleon one day discharged him, and he refused to accept office again when twice recalled; he attached himself to the Bourbons on their return, and, becoming Foreign Minister to Louis XVIII., was made a peer, and sent as ambassador to the Congress of Vienna; went into opposition till the fall of Charles X., and attached himself to Louis Philippe in 1830 (1754-1838).

TALLIEN, JEAN LAMBERT, a notable French Revolutionist, born in Paris; a lawyer's clerk; threw in his lot with the Revolution, and became prominent as the editor of a Jacobin journal, *L'Asi des Citoyens*; took an active part in the sanguinary proceedings during the ascendancy of Robespierre, notably terrorizing the disaffected of Bordeaux by a merciless use of the guillotine, recalled to Paris, he became President of the Convention, but, fearing Robespierre, headed the attack which brought the Dictator to the block, enjoyed, with his celebrated wife, Madame de Fontenay, considerable influence; accompanied Napoleon to Egypt; was captured by the English, and for a season lionized by the Whigs; his political influence at an end, he was glad to accept the post of consul at Alicante, and subsequently died in poverty (1760-1820).

TALLIS, THOMAS, "the father of English cathedral music," born in the reign of Henry VIII., lived well into the reign of Elizabeth; was an organist, and probably "a gentleman of the Chapel Royal"; composed various anthems, hymns, Te Deums, &c., including "The Song of the Forty Parts" (c. 1515-1585).

TALLITH, a Jewish male garment worn for ritual purposes at the synagogue; it is hung round the shoulders during prayers, and consists primarily of a large square of linen with a fringe and tassels.

TALLY, a notched stick used in commercial and Exchequer transactions when writing was yet a rare accomplishment; the marks, of varying breadth, indicated sums paid by a purchaser; the stick was split longitudinally, and one-half retained by the seller and one by the buyer as a receipt. As a means of receipt for sums paid into the Exchequer, the tally was in common use until 1782, and was not entirely abolished till 1820.

TALLY SYSTEM, a mode of credit-dealing by which a merchant provides a customer with goods, and receives in return weekly or monthly payments to account.

TALMA, FRANÇOIS JOSEPH, a famous French tragedian born in Paris, where in 1787 he made his debut; from the first his great gifts were apparent, and during the Revolution he was the foremost actor at the Théâtre de la République, and subsequently enjoyed the favour of Napoleon; his noble carriage and matchless elocution enabled him to play with great dignity such characters as Othello, Nero, Orestes, Leicester, &c.; he introduced, like Kemble in England, a greater regard for historical accuracy in scenery and dress (1763-1826).

TALMUD, a collection of writings, in chaotic arrangement, consisting of the Mishna, or text, and Gemara, or commentary, of Rabbinical speculations, subtleties, fancies, and traditions connected with the Hebrew Bible, and claiming to possess co-ordinate rank with it as expository of its meaning and application, the whole collection dating from a period subsequent to the Captivity and the close of the canon of Scripture. There are two Talmuds, one

named the Talmud of Jerusalem, and the other the Talmud of Babylon, the former, the earlier of the two, belonging in its present form to the close of the 4th century, and the latter to at least a century later. See **HAGGADAH** and **HALACHA**.

TALUS, a man of brass, the work of Hephaestus, given to Minos to guard the island of Crete; he walked round the island thrice a day, and if he saw any stranger approaching he made himself red-hot and embraced him.

TAMAI, BATTLE OF, an engagement in the Sudan in March, 1884, between British troops under Sir Gerald Graham and an Arab force; the British troops captured the village after sustaining considerable losses, though they were unable to hold it for long.

TAMATAVE, the chief town of Madagascar, on a bay on the E. coast.

TAMERLANE, or TIMUR, a great Asiatic conqueror, born in Mesh, near Samarcand; the son of a Mongol chief, raised himself by military conquest to the throne of Samarcand (1369), and having firmly established his rule over Turkestan, inspired by lust of conquest began, the wonderful series of military invasions which enabled him to build up an empire that at the time of his death extended from the Ganges to the Grecian Archipelago; died whilst leading an expedition against China; was a typical Asiatic despot, merciless in the conduct of war, but in peace-time a patron of science and art, and solicitous for his subjects' welfare (1336-1405).

TAMESIS, the Latin name for the Thames, and so named by Cæsar in his "Gallic War."

TAMIL, a branch of the Dravidian language, spoken in the S. of India and among the coolies of Ceylon.

TAMING OF THE SHREW, THE, one of Shakespeare's comedies, first published in the 1623 folio, and probably only partly the work of Shakespeare.

TAMMANY SOCIETY, a powerful political organisation of New York City, whose ostensible objects, on its formation in 1805, were charity and reform of the franchise; its growth was rapid, and from the first it exercised, under a central committee and chairman, known as the "Boss," a remarkable political influence on the Democratic side. Since the gigantic frauds practised in 1870-1871 on the municipal revenues by the then "Boss," William M. Tweed, and his "ring," the society remained under public suspicion as "a party machine" not too scrupulous about its ways and means. The name is derived from a celebrated Indian chief who lived in Penn's day, and who has become the centre of a cycle of legendary tales.

TAMMERFORS, an important manufacturing city of Finland, situated on a rapid stream, which drives its cotton, linen, and woollen factories, 50 m. N.W. of Tavastehus.

TAMMUZ, a god mentioned in Ezekiel, generally identified with the Greek Adonis (q.v.), the memory of whose fall was annually celebrated with expressions first of mourning and then of joy all over Asia Minor. Adonis appears to have been a symbol of the sun, departing in winter and returning as youthful as ever in spring, and the worship of him a combined expression of gloom, connected with the presence of winter, and of joy, associated with the approach of summer.

TAMPICO, a port of Mexico, on the Panuco, 9 m. from its entrance into the Gulf of Mexico; the harbour accommodation has been improved, and trade is growing.

TAMWORTH, an old English town on the Stafford and Warwickshire border, 7 m. SE. of Lichfield; its history goes back to the time of the Danes, by whom it was destroyed in 911; an old castle, and the church of St. Ethitha, are interesting buildings; has prosperous manufactures of elastic, paper, &c.; has a bronze statue of Sir Robert Peel, who represented the borough in Parliament.

TANAIS, the Latin name for the Don.

TANCRED, a famous crusader, hero of Tasso's great poem; was the son of Palgrave Otho the Good, and of Emma, Robert Guiscard's sister; for great deeds done in the first crusade he was rewarded with the principality of Tiberias; in the "Jerusalem Delivered" Tasso, following the chroniclers, represents him as the very "sower and pattern of

chivalry"; stands as the type of "a very gentle perfect knight"; died at Antioch of a wound received in battle (1078-1112).

TANDY, JAMES NAPPER, Irish patriot, born in Dublin, where he became a well-to-do merchant, and first secretary to the United Irishmen association; got into trouble through the treasonable schemes of the United Irishmen, and fled to America; subsequently served in the French army, took part in the abortive invasion of Ireland (1798); ultimately fell into the hands of the English Government, and was sentenced to death (1801), but was permitted to live an exile in France (1740-1803).

TANEY, EGOR BROOKE, American jurist. Born in Maryland, the son of a planter, he took to law, and in 1816 was elected to the senate of Maryland, in which capacity he was one of the earliest opponents of slavery; in 1831 he became Attorney-General of the United States, and two years later secretary of the treasury; he became Chief Justice in 1836 (1777-1864).

TANGANYIKA, a lake of East Central Africa, stretching between the Congo Free State (W.) and German East Africa (E.); discovered by Speke and Burton in 1858; more carefully explored by Livingstone and Stanley in 1871; the overflow is carried off by the Lukura into the Upper Congo; is skirted by lofty mountains; length 420 m., breadth from 15 to 80 m.

TANGANYIKA TERRITORY, is the name now borne by what was German East Africa. It has an area of 384,079 sq. m. Within its borders is Kilimanjaro, 19,321 ft., the highest mountain in Africa.

TANGIER, or TANGIERS, a seaport of Morocco, on a small bay of the Strait of Gibraltar; occupies a picturesque site on two hills, but within its old walls presents a dirty and crowded appearance; has a considerable shipping trade; was a British possession from 1662 to 1683, but was abandoned, and subsequently became infested by pirates. It is internationalised, being outside both the French and Spanish zones.

TANIS, an ancient city of Egypt, whose ruins mark its site on the N.E. of the Nile delta; once the commercial metropolis of Egypt, and a royal residence; fell into decay owing to the silting up of the Tanitic mouth of the Nile, and was destroyed in A.D. 174 for rebellion.

TANIST STONE, monolith erected by the Celts on a coronation, agreeably to an ancient custom (Judges ix. 6).

TANISTRY, a method of tenure which prevailed among the Gaelic Celts; according to this custom succession, whether in office or land, was determined by the family as a whole, who on the death of one holder elected another from its number; the practice was designed probably to prevent family estates falling into the hands of an incompetent or worthless heir.

TANJORE, capital of a district of the same name in Madras Province, India, situated in a fertile plain 180 m. SW. of Madras, and about 45 m. from the sea; surrounded by walls; contains a rajah's palace, a British residency, and manufactures silk, muslin, and cotton.

TANKS, a form of armoured car introduced in the Great War capable of negotiating uneven country, and knocking down such natural obstacles as trees. Britain was the first to invent the tank, and put them into action in September, 1916, on the Somme to end the deadlock of trench warfare. The original tanks were heavy machines, but later light tanks were invented. The Tank Corps was formed in March, 1916.

TANMARILL, ROBERT, Scottish poet, born in Paisley; the son of a weaver, was bred to the handloom, and, with the exception of a two years' residence in Lancashire, passed his life in his native town; an enthusiastic admirer of Burns, Ferguson, and Ramsay, he soon began to emulate them, and in 1807 published a volume of "Poems and Songs," which, containing such songs as "Gloomy Winter's noo Awa," "Jemie the Flower o' Dunblane," "The Wood o' Craigielea," &c., proved an immediate success; disappointment at the rejection by Constable of his proffered MS. of a new and enlarged edition of his works and a sense of failing health led

to his committing suicide in a canal near Paisley; his songs are marked by tenderness and grace, but lack the force and passion of Burns (1774-1810).

TANNENBERG, a village in East Prussia where in August, 1914, the Germans gained an important victory over the Russians. Hindenburg and Ludendorff led the German forces and Samsouloff the Russians, and the battle proved one of the most decisive of the Great War, removing all possibility of a victory for the Allies on the Eastern Front.

TANNER, THOMAS, bishop and antiquary, born in Market Lavington, Wiltshire; became a graduate and Fellow of Oxford; took orders, and rose to be bishop of St. Asaph; his reputation as a learned and accurate antiquary rests on his two great works "Notitia Monastica, or a Short Account of the Religious Houses in England and Wales," and "Bibliotheca Britannico-Hibernica," a veritable mine of biographical and bibliographical erudition; bequeathed valuable collections of charters, deeds, &c., to the Bodleian Library (1674-1736).

TANNAHAUSER, a knight of mediæval legend, who wins the affection of a lady, but leaves her to worship in the cave-palace of Venus, on learning which the lady plunges a dagger into her heart and dies; smitten with remorse he visits her grave, weeps over it, and hastens to Rome to confess his sin to Pope Urban; the Pope refuses absolution, and protests it is no more possible for him to receive pardon than for the dry wand in his hand to bud again and blossom; in his despair he flees from Rome, but is met by Venus, who lures him back to her cave, there to remain till the day of judgment; meanwhile the wand he left at Rome begins to put forth green leaves, and Urban, alarmed, sends off messengers in quest of the unhappy knight, but they fail to find him. The legend has been familiarised by Wagner's opera of the name.

TANNIN, an astringent substance found in gall-nuts and the bark of the oak, used in the manufacture of leather.

TANTALUS, in the Greek mythology a Lydian king, who, being admitted from blood relationship to the banquet of the gods, incurred their displeasure by betraying their secrets, and was consigned to the nether world and compelled to suffer the constant pangs of hunger and thirst, though he stood up to the chin in water, and had ever before him the offer of the richest fruits, both of which receded from him as he attempted to reach them, while a huge rock hung over him, ever threatening to fall and crush him with its weight.

TANTIA TOPEE, the most daring and stubborn of Nana Sahib's lieutenants during the Indian Mutiny; in alliance with the Rani of Jhansi he upheld for a time the mutiny after the flight of his chief, but was finally captured and executed in 1859.

TAOISSE, the religious system of Lao-tse (q.v.).

TAORMINA, a town of Sicily; grows the summit of Monte Tauro, 35 m. SW. of Messina; chiefly celebrated for its splendid ruins of an ancient theatre, aqueducts, and sepulchres.

TAPAJOS, one of the greater affluents of the Amazon; its head-waters rise in the Sierra Diamantina, in the M. of Mato Grosso State; has a northward course of over 1000 m. before it joins the Amazon; is a broad and excellent waterway, and navigable in its lower course for 150 m.

TAPLEY, MARK, body-servant to Martin Chuzzlewit, in Dickens' novel of the name.

TAPTĪ, a river of Bombay; has its source in the Betul district of the Central Provinces, and flows westward across the peninsula 450 m. to the Gulf of Cambay; is a shallow and muddy stream, of little commercial use.

TARA HILL OF, a celebrated eminence, cone-shaped (507 ft.), in county Meath, 7 m. SE. of Navan; legend points to it as the site of the residence of the kings of Ireland, where something like a parliament was held every three years.

TARANAKI, a provincial district of New Zealand, occupying the SW. corner of North Island; remarkable for its dense forests, which cover nearly three-fourths of its area, and for its beds (2 to 5 ft. deep) of titaniferous iron-sand which extend along its coasts, out of which the finest steel is manufactured. New Plymouth is the capital.

TARANTO, a fortified seaport of South Italy, situated on a rocky islet which lies between the Gulf of Taranto and the Mare Piccolo, a broad inlet on the E., 72 m. S. of Bari; is well built, and contains various interesting buildings, including a cathedral and castle; is connected with the mainland on the E. by a six-arched bridge, and by an ancient aqueduct on the W.; some textile manufactures are carried on, and oyster and mussel fisheries and fruit-growing are important; as the ancient Tarentum its history goes back to the time when it was the chief city of Magna Græcia; was captured by the Romans in 272 B.C., and after the fall of the Western Empire was successively in the hands of Goths, Lombards, and Saracens, and afterwards shared the fate of the kingdom of Naples, to which it was united in 1083.

TARAPACA, a maritime province of North Chili, taken from Peru in 1883; its immense deposits of nitrate of soda are a great source of wealth to the country; capital Iquique (q.v.).

TARARE, a town of France, dep. of Rhone, 21 m. NW. of Lyons; busy with the manufacture of muslins, silks, and other fine textiles.

TARASCON, a picturesque old town of France, 18 m. SW. of Avignon; is surrounded by walls, has a 15th-century castle (King René's), a Gothic church, silk and woollen factories.

TARBES, an old historic town of France, on the Adour, 100 m. SW. of Toulouse; has a fine 12th-century cathedral and a Government cannon factory.

TARDEU, ANDRÉ, French politician. Originally in the diplomatic service and attaché to the Berlin Embassy, he became professor of modern history at the School of Political Science, Paris, and afterwards at the French Army Staff College. He next took to journalism, being in turn dramatic critic, reviewer and political correspondent, and during the Great War he was given positions on the staff of Foch and Joffre, but transferred to a line regiment in the trenches where he was wounded and badly gassed. Politics became his main career after, and in 1929 he became Prime Minister (1876-).

TARE AND TRET, commercial terms, are deductions usually made from the gross weight of goods. Tare is the weight of the case or covering, box, or such-like, containing the goods; deducting this the net weight is left. Tret is a further allowance (not now so commonly deducted) made at the rate of 4 lb. for every 104 lb. for waste through dust, sand, &c.

TARENTUM. See TARANTO.

TARGOVICA or **TARGOWICZ**, a town in Russia in the government of Kieff; it was the scene in 1792 of a Polish plot to overthrow the constitution.

TARGUMS, translations, dating for the most part as early as the time of Ezra, of several books of the Old Testament into Aramaic, which both in Babylonia and Palestine had become the spoken language of the Jews instead of Hebrew, executed chiefly for the service of the Synagogue; they were more or less of a paraphrastic nature, and were accompanied with comments and instances in illustration; they were delivered at first orally and then handed down by tradition, which did not improve them. One of them, on the Pentateuch, bears the name of Onkelos, who sat at the feet of Gamaliel along with St. Paul, and another the name of Jonathan, in the historical and prophetic books, though there are others, the Jerusalem Targum and the Pseudo-Jonathan, which are of an inferior stamp and surcharged with fancies similar to those in the Talmud (q.v.).

TARIFA, an interesting old Spanish seaport, the most southerly town of Europe, 21 m. SW. of Gibraltar, derives its name from the Moorish leader Tariq, who occupied it 710 A.D.; held by the Moors for more than 500 years; still thoroughly Moorish in appearance, dingy, crowded, and surrounded by walls; is connected by causeway with the strongly-fortified isleta de Tarifa.

TARIFF, a duty imposed on goods imported from abroad. The idea underlying the system is to raise the price of imported articles, and so afford a margin to home producers to enable them to compete on better terms in the home market. Some tariffs, however, are designed not to give protection to home industries but to raise revenue; in England these include the duties on tobacco, wine, and tea.

TARIFF REFORM, an agitation started early this

century by Joseph Chamberlain (q.v.) for a reversal of Britain's free trade policy and the imposition of protective duties on imported articles we could have produced at home, together with an encouragement of Empire trade by granting preferences. The Tariff Reform League was started in 1903, and in 1906 its proposals became part of the programme of the Conservative Party in the general election, when they were heavily defeated. In 1923 Baldwin sought to reverse that decision, but was also defeated in the constituencies.

TARNOPOLE, a town of Galicia, Poland, on the Sereth, 80 m. SE. of Lemberg; does a good trade in agricultural produce; inhabitants chiefly Jews.

TARNOV, a town of Galicia, Poland, on the Biala, 48 m. SE. of Cracow; is the see of a bishop, with cathedral, monastery, &c.; manufactures linen and leather.

TARO, a herb the starchy root of which is edible and highly nutritious; is found in Japan and Hawaii and elsewhere in the Pacific; was formerly common in New Zealand.

TARPEIAN ROCK, a precipitous cliff on the W. of the Capitoline Hill at Rome, from which in ancient times persons guilty of treason were hurled; named after Tarpeia, a vestal virgin, who betrayed the city to the Sabine soldiers, then besieging Rome, on condition that they gave her what they wore on their left arms, meaning their golden bracelets; instead the soldiers flung their shields (borne on their left arms) upon her, so keeping to the letter of their promise, but visiting perjury with merited punishment. At the base of the rock her body was buried.

TARQUINIUS, name of an illustrious Roman family of Etruscan origin, two of whose members, according to legend, reigned as kings in Rome; Lucius Tarquinius Priscus, fifth king of Rome; the friend and successor of Ancus Marcius; said to have reigned from 616 to 578 B.C., and to have greatly extended the power and fame of Rome; was murdered by the sons of Ancus Marcius. Lucius Tarquinius Superbus, seventh and last king of Rome (534-510 B.C.), usurped the throne after murdering his father-in-law, King Servius Tullius; ruled as a despot, extended the power of Rome abroad, but was finally driven out by a people goaded to rebellion by his tyranny and infuriated by the infamous conduct of his son Sextus (the violator of Lucretia); made several unsuccessful attempts to regain the royal power, failing in which he retired to Cumæ, where he died.

TARRAGONA, a Spanish seaport, capital of a province of its own name, situated at the entrance of the Francoli into the Mediterranean, 60 m. W. of Barcelona; contains many interesting remains of the Roman occupation, including an aqueduct, still used, and the Tower of the Scipios; possesses also a 12th-century Gothic cathedral; has a large shipping and transport trade, and manufactures wine, silk, lute, and lace.

TARRYTOWN, a village of New York State, on the Hudson, 21 m. N. of New York; associated with the arms of Major Andrus in 1780, and the closing scenes of Washington Irving's life.

TARSHEH, a place frequently mentioned in the Old Testament, now generally identified with Tartessus, a Phœnician settlement in the SW. of Spain, near the mouth of the Guadalquivir, which became co-extensive with the district subsequently known as Andalusia; also conjectured to have been Tarsus, and also Yenen.

TARSUS, a city of great antiquity and interest, the ancient capital of Cilicia, now in the province of Adana, in Turkey in Asia, on the Cydnus, 12 m. above its entrance into the Mediterranean; legend ascribes its foundation to Sennacherib in 690 B.C.; in Roman times was a famous centre of wealth and culture, rivaling Athens and Alexandria; associated with the meeting of Antony and Cleopatra and the deaths of the emperors Tacitus and Maximinus; here St. Paul was born and notable Stoic philosophers; in the hands of the Turk has decayed into a squalid residence of merchants busy with the export of corn, cotton, wool, and hides.

TARTARIC ACID, an organic hydroxy-acid occurring as the potash salt in grape juice; used in the preparation of sherbet, &c., and in medicine.

TARTARS (originally **TATARS**), a name of no precise ethnological significance, used in the 13th century to describe the Mongols, Turkish, and other Asiatic hordes, who, under Genghis Khan (q.v.), were the terror of Eastern Europe, and now bestowed upon various tribes dwelling in Tartary, Siberia, and the Asiatic steppes. See **TATAR**.

TARTARUS, a dark sunless waste in the nether deeps, as far below earth as heaven is above it, into which Zeus hurled the Titans that rebelled against him; the term was subsequently sometimes used to denote the whole nether world and sometimes the place of punishment.

TARTESUS, the Greek and Roman name for the Scriptural Tarsish.

TARTINI, GIUSEPPE, a famous Italian violinist and composer, born in Pirano, in Istria; got into trouble over his clandestine marriage with the niece of the archbishop of Padua, and fled for sanctuary to a monastery at Asolo; subsequently reunited to his wife established himself in Padua as a teacher and composer; wrote a "Treatise on Music," and enjoyed a wide celebrity, and still ranks as one of the great violinists of the past (1692-1770).

TARTUFFE, a knave, a creation of Molière, who makes a cloak of religion to cover his knaveries; also the name of the play in which the character appears. Molière's greatest work.

TASHKAND, or TASHKENT, capital of Turkestan, on the Tschirchik, 300 m. N.E. of Samarcand, an ancient place still surrounded by its 12 m. circuit of wall, and fortified. Russian enterprise has done much for it, introducing schools, &c.; carries on a brisk trade, and manufactures silks, leather, and porcelain ware.

TASMAN, ABEL JANSZON, Dutch explorer, and the discoverer of the island later called Tasmania. He early took to the sea, and in 1642 was placed in command of an expedition sent out by Van Diemen, governor of the Dutch East India Company; in the course of that voyage he discovered Tasmania, New Zealand, and the Fiji Islands; in a second voyage in 1644 he discovered the Gulf of Carpentaria (circ. 1600-1659).

TASMAN SEA, the sea lying between the New Zealand group and Australia and Tasmania.

TASMANIA, an island and colony of Britain, lying fully 100 m. S. of Australia, from which it is separated by Bass Strait; about the size of Scotland; the beauty of its mountain and lake scenery has won it the name of "the Switzerland of the South"; extensive stretches of tableland diversified by lakes—largest Great Lake, 90 m. in circumference—occupy the centre; wide fertile valleys stretch down to the coastal plains, often richly wooded with lofty eucalyptus and various pine trees; rivers are numerous, and include the Derwent and Tamar, which form excellent waterways into the interior; enjoys a genial and temperate climate, more invigorating than that of Australia; sheep-farming and mining (coal in particular), and fruit-growing are the principal industries; gold, silver, and tin are also wrought; the flora, as also the fauna, is practically identical with that of Australia; has a long, irregular coastline, with many excellent harbours: chief exports are wool, tin, fruit, timber, coal, and gold; was discovered in 1642 by Tasman, a Dutchman, and first settled by Englishmen in 1803; the aborigines are now completely extinct; was till 1852 a penal settlement, and received representative government in 1855; is divided into 18 counties; government is conducted by a legislative council, a house of assembly, and a crown-appointed governor; most of the colonists belong to the Church of England; is well supplied with railways and telegraphs; was formerly called Van Diemen's Land after Van Diemen, the Dutch governor-general of Batavia, who despatched Tasman on his voyage of discovery.

TASSO, BERNARDO, an Italian poet of some repute in his own day, but now chiefly remembered as the father of the greater Torquato, born in Venice (1493-1569).

TASSO, TORQUATO, an illustrious Italian poet, son of preceding, born in Sorrento, near Naples; educated at a Jesuit school in Naples, he dis-

played unusual precocity, and subsequently studied law at the university of Padua, but, already devoted to poetry, at 18 published his first poem "Rinaldo," a romance in 12 cantos, the subject-matter of which is drawn from the Charlemagne legends; in 1600 he entered the service of Cardinal Luigi d'Este, by whom he was introduced to Alfonso, Duke of Ferrara, brother of the cardinal, within whose court he received the needful impulse to begin his great poem "La Gerusalemme Liberata"; for the court stage he wrote his pastoral play "Aminta," a work of high poetic accomplishment, which extended his popularity, and by 1575 his great epic was finished; in the following year the symptoms of mental disease revealed themselves, and after a confinement of a few days he fled from Ferrara, and for two years led the life of a wanderer, the victim of his own brooding and religious melancholy, passing on foot from city to city of Italy; yielding to a pent-up longing to revisit Ferrara he returned, but was coldly received by the duke, and after an outburst of frenzy placed in confinement for seven years; during these years the fame of his epic spread throughout Italy, and the interest created in its author eventually led to his liberation; in 1595 he was summoned by Pope Clement VIII., from a heartless and wandering life, to appear at Rome to be crowned upon the Capitol the poet-laureate of Italy, but, although he reached the city, his worn-out frame succumbed before the ceremony could take place. "One thing," says Settembrini, the literary historian of Italy, Tasso had, which few in his time possessed, a great heart, and that made him a true and great poet, and a most unhappy man"; Fairfax's translation of the "Jerusalem Delivered" is one of his great translations in the English language (1544-1595).

TATAR, a word derived from a Turanian root signifying "to pitch a tent," hence appropriate to nomadic tribes, became converted by European chroniclers into Tartar, a fanciful derivative from Tartarus (q.v. hell), and suggestive of fiends from hell. Tartary, as a geographical expression of the Middle Ages, embraced a vast stretch of territory from the Dnieper, in Eastern Europe, to the Sea of Japan; but subsequently dwindled away to Chinese and Western Turkestan.

TATE GALLERY, a British national art collection housed at Millbank, London, and named after Sir Henry Tate, who founded it in 1897, the building costing £100,000. Sir Joseph Duveen added a Turner wing in 1910.

TATE, NAHUM, poet laureate, born in Dublin, where he was educated at Trinity College; came to London to ply the craft of a writer, and in 1690 succeeded Shadwell in the laureateship; imprudent, and probably intemperate, he died in the Mint, the refuge of bankrupts in those days; wrote some dramatic pieces, but is to be remembered mainly for his metrical version of the Psalms, executed in conjunction with Nicholas Brady, which superseded the older version done by Sternhold (q.v.) and Hopkins (1652-1716).

TATIAN, one of the earliest Christian apologists and commentators who flourished in Syria in the 2nd century; his most noted works are "An Apology for Christianity" and "The Harmony of the Four Gospels."

TATIUS, ACHILLES, a Greek romancer who flourished about the beginning of the 4th century A.D.; wrote the romance of "Leucippe and Clitophon,"

TATTERALL'S, a noted horse-race and haunt of racing men at Knightsbridge, London, established by Richard Tatterall (1724-1795), an auctioneer, who in 1766 obtained a 99 years' lease from Lord Grosvenor of premises in Hyde Park Corner; the present premises were occupied on the expiry of the lease in 1865.

TATTOOING, a practice of imprinting various designs, often pictorial, upon the skin by means of colouring matter, e.g. Chinese ink, cinabar, introduced into punctures made by needles; widely in vogue in past and present times amongst uncivilised peoples, and even to some extent amongst civilised races, especially among sailors; like the use of rouge, was mainly for the purposes of ornamentation and for improving the appearance, but also in some cases for

religious purposes; reached its highest perfection in Japan, where it seems to have been largely resorted to as a substitute for clothing, and was never employed on the face, feet, or hands; among the South Sea Islanders the custom is universal, the markings having an especial tribal significance as amongst the Maoris.

TAU, CROSS OF, or ST. ANTHONY'S CROSS, a cross resembling the letter T.

TAUCHNITZ, KARL CHRISTOPHER TRAUOGOTT, a noted German printer and bookseller, born in Grossparlau, near Leipzig; trained as a printer, he started on his own account in Leipzig in 1796, flourished, and became celebrated for his neat and cheap editions of the Roman and Greek classics; introduced stereotyping into Germany (1761-1836). The well-known "British Authors" collection was started in 1841 by Christian Bernard, Baron von Tauchnitz, a nephew of the preceding, who established himself as a printer and publisher in Leipzig in 1837; was ennobled in 1860, and made a Saxon life-peer in 1877 (1816-1895).

TAULER, JOHANN, a German mystic, born in Strasbourg, bred a monk of the Dominican order; with the rest of his order had to flee the city, and settled in Basel, became a centre of religious life there, and acquired a reputation as one of the most eloquent preachers of the day; his sphere was not speculative thought but practical piety, and his "Sermons" take rank among the aboriginal monuments of German prose literature (1500-1561).

TAUNTON, (1) a town, pleasantly-situated town of Somersetshire, on the Tone, 45 m. S.W. of Bristol, has a fine old castle founded in the 8th century, rebuilt in the 12th century, and having interesting associations with Perkin Warbeck, Judge Jeffreys, and Sydney Smith; has various schools, a college, and barracks; noted for its hosiery, glove, and silk manufactures, and is also a busy agricultural centre. (2) Capital of Bristol County, Massachusetts, on the Taunton River, 34 m. S. of Boston, a well equipped and busy manufacturing town.

TAUNUS, a range of mountains in Hesse-Nassau, Germany, frequented by tourists. Many of the heights overlook the Rhine, and the vantage points were occupied by fortified castles now in ruins. Wiesbaden lies among these hills.

TAURIDA, a government of South Russia, of extensive area, jutting down in peninsular shape into the Black Sea, and including the Crimea and Isthmus of Perekop; forms the western boundary of the sea of Azov; cattle-breeding and agriculture the staple industries.

TAURUS (the bull), the second sign of the zodiac, which the sun enters on April 10, the constellation of that name is now situated in the sign Gemini owing to the precession of the equinoxes.

TAURUS MOUNT, a mountain range of Turkey in Asia, stretching W. for about 500 m. in an unbroken chain from the head-waters of the Tigris to the Aegean Sea, and forming the S. buttress of the tableland of Asia Minor, to the E. is known as the Ala Dagh, in the N. as the Bulghar Dagh. The Anti-Taurus is an offshoot of the main range, which, continuing to the N.E., unites with the systems of the Caucasus.

TAVERNIER, JEAN BAPTISTE, BARON D'AUBONNE, a celebrated French traveller, born in Paris, the son of an Antwerp engraver; was a wanderer from his boyhood, starting on his travels at the age of 15, and by the end of 1630 had made his way as valet, page, &c., over most of Europe; during the years 1640-1669 he in six separate expeditions traversed most of the lands of Asia in the capacity of a dealer in jewels, reaped large profits, was honoured by various potentates, and returned with stores of valuable information respecting the commerce of those countries, which with much else interesting matter he embodied in his great work, "Six Voyages," a classic now in travel literature; was ennobled in 1669 by Louis XIV. (1605-1680).

TAVETA, district in Kenya, 75 m. from Voi, on what was formerly the frontier of German East Africa; it is on the Uganda and Usambara railways. During the Great War there was considerable fighting in the district.

TAVIRA, a seaport in the S. of Portugal; has a Moorish castle, and good sardine and tunny fisheries.

TAVISTOCK, a market-town of Devon, situated at the western edge of Dartmoor, on the Tavy, 11 m. N. of Plymouth; has remains of a 10th-century Benedictine abbey, a guild-hall, grammar school, &c.; is one of the old stannary towns, and still partly depends for its prosperity on the neighbouring tin, copper, and arsenic mines.

TAXIDERMY, the art of preparing and preserving the skins of animals for exhibition in cabinets.

TAXIMETER, a device by which the fare of a cab is registered. Contracted to "taxi," the term has come to mean a motor-cab.

TAY, a river of Scotland whose drainage area lies almost wholly within Perthshire; rises on the northern slope of Ben Lom, on the Argyll and Perthshire border, and flowing 25 m. N.E. under the names of Fillan and Dochart, enters Loch Tay, whence it sweeps N. S.E. and E. passing Aberfeldy, Dunkeld, Perth, and Dundee, and enters the North Sea by a noble estuary 25 m. long and from 4 m. to 34 m. broad; chief affluents are the Tummel, Isla, Almond, and Earn; discharges a greater body of water than any British stream; is renowned for the beauty of its scenery, and possesses valuable salmon fisheries, has a total length of 120 m., and is navigable to Perth; immediately W. of Dundee it is spanned by the Tay Bridge, the longest structure of its kind in the world, consisting of 65 spans, with a total width of 3440 yards. Loch Tay, one of the finest of Highland lochs, lies at the base of Ben Lawers, stretches 144 m. N.E. from Killin to Kenmore, and varies from 4 m. to 14 m. in breadth.

TAYGETUS, a range of mountains in the Peloponnese, separating Laconia from Messenia.

TAYLOR, BAYARD, a noted American writer and traveller, born in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania; was bred to the printing-trade, and by 21 had published a volume of poems, "Ximena," and "Views Abroad, or Europe seen with Knapsack and Staff," the fruit of a walking tour through Europe; next for a number of years contributed, as travel correspondent, to the *Tribune*, visiting in this capacity Egypt, the greater part of Asia, Central Africa, Russia, Ireland, &c. during 1862-1865 acted as Secretary of Legation at St. Petersburg, and in 1878 was appointed ambassador at Berlin; his literary reputation rests mainly on his poetic works, "Poems of the Orient," "Rhymes of Travel," &c., and an admirable translation of Goethe's "Faust," also wrote several novels (1825-1878).

TAYLOR, BROOK, British mathematician and the discoverer of "Taylor's Theorem"; he worked on the problem of discovering the centre of oscillation; for many years he was secretary to the Royal Society (1845-1731).

TAYLOR, SIR HENRY, poet, born in Bishop-Middleham, in Durham; after a nine months' unhappy experience as a midshipman obtained his discharge, and having acted for some years as clerk in the Stormknecht-Regiment's Department, entered the Colonial Office in 1823, where he continued till his retirement in 1872; literature engaged his leisure hours, and his four tragedies—the best of which is "Philip van Artevelde"—are an important contribution to the drama of the century, and characterised as the noblest effort in the true taste of the English historical drama produced within the last century; published also a volume of lyric poems, besides other works in prose and verse, including "The Statesman," and a charming "Autobiography," supplemented later by his no less charming "Correspondence" (received the distinction of K.C.M.G. (1869) and D.C.L. (1860-1866)).

TAYLOR, ISAAC, a voluminous writer on quasi-philosophic subjects, born in Lavenham, Suffolk; passed his life chiefly at Ougar engaged in literary pursuits; contributed to the *Eclectic Review*, *Good Words*, and wrote amongst other works "Natural History of Enthusiasm," "Natural History of Fanaticism," "Spiritual Despotism" and "Ultimate Civilisation" (1787-1865). His eldest son, Isaac, entered the Church, and rose to be rector of Settrington, in Yorkshire, and was collated to a canonry of York in 1885; had a wide reputation as a philo-

logist, and was author of "Words and Places," and "The Alphabet, an Account of the Origin and Development of Letters," besides "Etruscan Researches" and "The Origin of the Aryans" (1829-1901).

TAYLOR, JEREMY, great English divine and preacher, born in Cambridge, son of a barber; educated at Caius College, became a Fellow of All Souls, Oxford; took orders; attracted the attention of Laud; was made chaplain to the king, and appointed to the living of Uppington; on the sequestration of his living in 1642 joined the King at Oxford, and adhered to the royal cause through the Civil War; suffered much privation, and imprisonment at times; returning to Wales, he procured the friendship and enjoyed the patronage of the Earl of Carberry, in whose mansion at Grove he wrote a number of his works; before the Restoration he received preferment in Ireland, and after that event was made bishop, first of Down and then of Dromore; his life here was far from a happy one, partly through insubordination in his diocese and partly through domestic sorrow; his works are numerous, but the principal are his "Liberty of Prophecy," "Holy Living and Holy Dying," "Life of Christ," "Ductor Dubitantium," a work on casuistry; he was a good man and a faithful, more a religious writer than a theological; his books are read more for their devotion than their divinity, and they all give evidence of luxuriance of imagination, to which the epithet "florid" has not inappropriately been applied; in Church matters he was a follower of Laud (1613-1667).

TAYLOR, JOHN, known as the "Water-Poet," born in Gloucester, was successively a waterman on the Thames, a sailor in the navy, and public-house keeper in Oxford, walked from London to Edinburgh, "not carrying any money to or for, neither begging, borrowing, or asking meat, drink, or lodging," and described the journey in his "Penultimate Pilgrimage"; wrote also "Travels in Germany," and enjoyed considerable repute in his time as a humorous rhymester (1580-1653).

TAYLOR, ROWLAND, a Protestant martyr of the 16th century. He was chaplain to Cranmer and vicar of Hadleigh, and under Queen Mary refused to renounce his faith, being burnt at the stake in 1555.

TAYLOR, TOM, a noted playwright and journalist, born in Sunderland, was elected to a Fellowship at Cambridge, for two years filled the chair of English Literature at University College, London; in 1845 was called to the bar, but shortly afterwards took to journalism, writing leaders for the *Morning Chronicle* and *Daily News*; during 1850-1872 held secretarial appointments to the Board of Health and in the Local Government Act Office; succeeded Shirley Brooks as editor of *Punch* in 1874; was throughout his life a prolific writer and adapter of plays, staging upwards of 100 pieces, of which the best known are "My Parents and Guardians," "Still Waters Run Deep," "Our American Cousin," and "The Ticket-of-Leave Man" (1817-1890).

TAYLOR, WILLIAM, literary historian and critic, born in Norwich, residence on the Continent enabled him to master French, Italian, and especially German, and confirmed him in his taste for literature, to pursue which he abandoned business; various essays and reviews formed the groundwork of his elaborate "Historic Survey of German Literature," the first systematic survey of German literature presented to English readers; taught German to George Borrow, who in "Lazarillo" sketched his interesting personality, which may be further studied in his correspondence with Southey, Scott, &c. (1765-1836).

TAYLOR, ZACHARY, twelfth President of the United States, born in Orange County, Virginia; obtained a Lieutenantcy in the navy in 1808; first saw service in Indian wars on the north-west frontier; in 1836 cleared the Indians from Florida and won the brevet of brigadier-general; great victories over the Mexicans on the Texan frontier during 1846-1848 raised his popularity to such a pitch that on his return he was carried triumphantly into the Presidency; the burning questions of his brief term of office were the proposed admission of California as

a free State and the extension of slavery into the newly-acquired territory; was a man of strong character, a daring and skilful general, of unassuming manners, and loved by the masses of the people, to whom he was known as "Old Rough and Ready" (1784-1850).

TAYLOR INSTITUTE, a building in Oxford erected from bequests by Sir Robert Taylor and Dr. Randolph as a gallery to contain works of art left to the university, and constituting a noble collection.

TE ANAU, a lake in Otago, N. Island, New Zealand; it runs N. and S. for nearly 40 m. between snow-covered mountains, and is one of the most beautiful spots in the country.

TE DEUM (Thee, O God), a grand hymn in Latin, so called from the first words, sung at matins and on occasions of joy and thanksgiving; of uncertain authorship; is called also the Ambrosian Hymn, as ascribed, though without foundation, to St. Ambrose; is with more reason seemingly ascribed to Hilary, bishop of Arles.

TEA DUTY. The first tax on tea in England was imposed in 1660, and was retained at varying rates until 1929, when it was abolished by Winston Churchill. It was the levying of a tea duty in 1767 in America that led to the Boston Tea Party, when tea was thrown into Boston harbour, and to the "no taxation without representation" cry that ended in the American War of Independence and the formation of the United States.

TEAZLE LADY, the heroine in Sheridan's "School for Scandal," married to a man old enough to be her father, Sir Peter Teazle.

TEBETH, in the Jewish civil year the fourth month and in the ecclesiastical the tenth; its name means the month of mud.

TECK, a German principality, named after a castle which crowns an eminence called "The Teck." In the Swabian Alps, 20 m. S.E. of Stuttgart, conferred in 1808 on Duke Albert of Württemberg's son, who in 1866 married the Princess Mary of Cambridge; their daughter, Princess May, becoming in 1910 Queen Mary of the British Empire.

TEDDINGTON, a town in Middlesex and virtually a suburb of London, on the Thames; its name is derived from "tide and town," as from this point the Thames ceases to be tidal. The town was once a manor belonging to Westminster Abbey and contains a 16th-century church; in 1902 the National Physical Laboratory was established here.

TEES, English river, rises on Cross Fell, Cumberland, and flows E., forming the boundary between Durham and York; enters the North Sea 4 m. below Stockton.

TEGNER, **ESAIAS**, a popular Swedish poet, born in Kyrkerud, the son of a country parson; graduated with distinction at Lund University in 1802, and shortly afterwards became lecturer in Philology; in 1812, already a noted poet, he was called to the chair of Greek, and in later years was the devoted bishop of Västerås. His poems, of which "Fritslöfs Saga" is reckoned the finest, have the clearness and finish of classic models, but are charged with the fire and vigour of modern romanticism (1782-1846).

TEGUCIGALPA, capital of Honduras, situated near the centre of the country at a height of 2400 ft., in the fertile valley of the Rio Grande, surrounded by mountains; has a cathedral and university.

TEHAMA, a low, narrow plain in Aralia, W. of the mountain range which overlooks the Red Sea.

TEHERAN, capital of Persia, stands on a plain near the Elburz Mountains, 70 m. N. of the Caspian Sea; is surrounded by a bastioned rampart and ditch, 10 m. in circumference, and entered by 12 gateways; much of it is of modern construction and handsomely laid out with parks, wide streets, and imposing buildings, notable among which are the shah's palace and the British Legation, besides many of the bazaars and wealthy merchant's houses; best during the summer drives the court, foreign embassies, and others to the cooler heights in the N.; staple industries are the manufactures of carpets, silks, and cottons.

TEHUANTEPEC, an isthmus in Mexico, 140 m. across, between a gulf of the same name and the Bay of Campeche; it contains on the Pacific coast a town of the same name, with manufactures and pearl fisheries.

TEIGNMOUTH, a watering-place and port of Devonshire, on the estuary of the Teign (here crossed by a wooden bridge 1671 ft. long), 12 m. S. of Exeter; has a Benedictine nunnery, baths, and pier; does some ship-building.

TEINDS, in Scotland tithes derived from the produce of the land for the maintenance of the clergy.

TEL. ABUR, a town in Palestine just off the Jerusalem-Nablus road, where Ammon was killed by order of Absalom. In March, 1918, Allenby gained a decisive victory here over the Turks.

TELAMONES, figures, generally colossal, of men supporting entablatures, as Caryatides of women.

TELEGRAPHS. The first telegraph company in Great Britain started operation in 1846; in 1871 the systems were taken over by the post office. The submarine cable between England and France was laid in 1851 and the first Atlantic cable six years later.

TEL-EL-KEBIR (the "Great Mound"), on the edge of the Egyptian desert, midway between Ismalia and Cairo, the scene of a memorable victory by the British forces under Sir Garnet Wolseley over the Egyptian forces of Arabi Pasha (September 13, 1882), which brought the war to a close.

TELEMACHUS, the son of Ulysses and Penelope (q.v.), who, an infant when his father left for Troy, was a grown-up man on his return; having gone in quest of his father after his long absence found him on his return in the guise of a beggar, and assisted him in slaying his mother's suitors.

TELEOLOGY, the doctrine of final causes, particularly the argument for the being and character of God from the being and character of His works, that the end reveals His purpose from the beginning, the end being regarded as the thought of God at the beginning, or the universe viewed as the realisation of Him and His eternal purpose.

TELEPATHY, name given to the supposed power of communication between mind and mind otherwise than by the ordinary sense vehicles.

TELEPHONE, invented by Graham Bell, an American, in 1876, following on the work of several other inventors; the system was established in Great Britain by the National Telephone Company, which was bought up by the Post Office in 1911.

TELESCOPE, the actual inventor is unknown, but Jansen, Galileo and Kepler all played a part in its production. It first came into general use in the first decade of the seventeenth century.

TELEVISION, the reproduction of a scene on a plate or film by means of wireless waves simultaneously with its occurrence.

TELFORD, THOMAS, a celebrated engineer, born, the son of a shepherd, in Wester Kirk parish, Eakdale; served an apprenticeship to a stone-mason, and after a sojourn in Edinburgh found employment in London in 1782; as surveyor of public works for Shropshire in 1787 constructed bridges over the Severn, and planned and superintended the Ellesmere Canal connecting the Dee, Mersey, and Severn; his reputation now made, he was in constant demand by Government, and was entrusted with the construction of the Caledonian Canal, the great road between London and Holyhead (including the Menai Suspension Bridge), and St. Katherine Docks, London, but his bridges, canals, harbours, and roads are to be found in all parts of the kingdom, and bear the stamp of his thorough and enduring workmanship. "the Colossus of Roads." Southey called him (1757-1834).

TELL, a fertile strip of land of 47 m. of average breadth in North-West Africa, between the mountains and the Mediterranean Sea; produces cereals, wine, &c.

TELL, WILLIAM, Swiss hero and patriot, a peasant, native of the canton of Uri, who flourished in the beginning of the 14th century; resisted the oppression of the Austrian governor Gessler, and was taken prisoner, but was promised his liberty if with his bow and arrow he could hit an apple on the head of his son, a feat he accomplished with one arrow, with a second arrow in his belt, which he told Gessler he had kept to shoot him with if he had failed. This so incensed the governor that he bound him to carry him off to his castle; but as they crossed the lake a storm arose, and Tell had to be unbound to save them, when he leapt upon a

rock and made off, to lie in ambush, whence he shot the oppressor through the heart as he passed him; a rising followed, which ended only with the emancipation of Switzerland from the yoke of Austria.

TELLEZ, GABRIEL, the assumed name of Tirso de Molina, Spanish dramatist, born in Madrid; became a monk; wrote 58 comedies, some of which keep their place on the Spanish stage; as a dramatist ranks next to Lope de Vega, whose pupil he was (1583-1648).

TELLICHERRI, a seaport on the Malabar coast, Madras Presidency, India; is fortified and garrisoned; surrounding country is pretty, as well as productive of coffee, cardamoms, and sandalwood.

TELLURIUM, a rare metal usually found in combination with other metals.

TEMESVAR, a royal free city of Rumania, on the Hege (Danub), 75 m. N.E. of Belgrade; is a strongly-fortified, well-built city, equipped with theatre, schools, colleges, hospitals, &c., and possesses a handsome Gothic cathedral and ancient castle; manufactures flour, woollens, silks, and paper.

TEMPE, VALE OF, a valley in the N.E. of Thessaly, lying between Olympus on the N and Ossa on the S., traversed by the river Peneus, and for the beauty of its scenery celebrated by the Greek poets as a favourite haunt of Apollo and the Muses; it is rather less than 5 m. in length, and opens eastward into a spacious plain.

TEMPERANCE SOCIETIES were started early in the 19th century in reaction to the amount of drinking indulged in at the end of the previous century. One of the first was founded in the United States in 1825, and so successful has been temperance propaganda in that country that by a law known as the "eighteenth amendment," the sale and consumption of intoxicants is prohibited. Evasion of the law however is common. In England the British and Foreign Temperance Society was founded in 1831, and the London Temperance League in 1851; other active temperance bodies include the Church of England Temperance Society and the British Women's Temperance Society. While not successful in securing legal reforms they have long succeeded, for these bodies can to some extent claim to have reduced drunkenness in England, and it is partly owing to their work that the consumption of intoxicants has fallen.

TEMPLARS, a famous order of knights which flourished during the Middle Ages, and originated in connection with the Crusades. Its founders were Hugues de Payen and Geoffroi de St. Omer, who, along with 17 other French knights, in 1119 formed themselves into a brotherhood, taking vows of chastity and poverty, for the purpose of conveying, in safety from attacks of Saracens and Infidels, pilgrims to the Holy Land. King Baldwin II. of Jerusalem granted them a residence in a portion of his palace, built on the site of the Temple of Solomon, and chose to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, which became the sacred object of their protection. Hence their assumption of the name "Templars." The order rapidly increased in numbers and drew members from all classes. "The Templar was the embodiment of the two strongest passions of the Middle Ages—the desire for military renown and for a monk's life." A constitution was drawn up by Bernard of Clairvaux (1129), and later three ranks were recognised—the knights, who alone wore the mantle of white linen and red cross, men-at-arms, and lower retainers, while a grand-master, seneschal, and other officers were created. During the first 150 years of their existence the Templars increased enormously in power; under papal authority they enjoyed many privileges, such as exemption from taxes, tithes, and interdict. After the capture of Jerusalem by the Infidels Cyprus became in 1291 their headquarters, and subsequently France. But their usefulness was at an end, and their arrogance, luxury, and quarrels with the Hospitallers had alienated the sympathies of Christendom. Measures of the cruellest and most barbarous kind were taken for their suppression by Philip the Fair of France, supported by Pope Clement IV. Between 1306 and 1314 hundreds were burned at the stake, the order scattered, and their possessions confiscated.

TEMPLE BAR, a famous London gateway, which formerly divided Fleet Street from the Strand; pressure of traffic caused its removal in 1879; now stands in Theobald's Park, Cheshunt.

TEMPLE CHURCH, one of the oldest churches in London, just off the Strand, belonging to the Inner and Middle Temple. Built by the Knights Templar, it was consecrated in 1185, and is modelled on the Holy Sepulchre, like the only other round churches in England, those at Cambridge, Northampton, and Little Maplestead, Essex. Restoration work was carried out in the 19th century.

TEMPLE, FREDERICK, archbishop of Canterbury, born in Santa Maure, in Leukese, one of the Ionian Islands; was highly distinguished at Balliol College, Oxford, as graduate, fellow, and tutor; in 1846 became Principal of Kneller Hall Training College, was one of H.M. Inspectors of Schools, and from 1858 to 1869 was head-master of Rugby; a Liberal in politics, he supported the disestablishment of the Irish Church, and as a Broad-Churchman was elected to the bishopric of Exeter (1869), of London (1885), and in 1896 was consecrated Archbishop of Canterbury; contributed to the celebrated "Essays and Reviews"; published "Sermons Preached in Rugby Chapel," and in 1884 was Bampton Lecturer (1882-1892).

TEMPLE, MOST REV. WILLIAM, British divine. A son of the Archbishop of Canterbury preceding, he was president of the Oxford Union in 1904, and was ordained in 1908; for four years from 1910 he was headmaster of Repton, and in 1919 became canon of Westminster, a post he held for two years before being made Bishop of Manchester; in 1928 he became Archbishop of York (1881-).

TEMPLE, SIR WILLIAM, diplomatist and essayist, born in London, and educated at Cambridge; travel on the Continent, courtship, and marriage, and some years of quiet and studious retirement in Ireland occupied him during the Protectorate; in 1660 was returned to the Convention Parliament at Dublin, and five years later, having resettled in England, began his diplomatic career, the most notable success in which was his arrangement in 1668 of the Triple Alliance between England, Holland, and Sweden to help in check the growing power of France; as ambassador at The Hague became friendly with the Prince of Orange, whose marriage with the Princess Mary (daughter of James II.) he negotiated; was recalled in 1671, but after the Dutch War returned to his labours at The Hague, and in 1679 carried through the Peace of Nimeguen; although offered a State Secretaryship more than once, shrank from the responsibilities of office under Charles II., a diffidence he again showed in the reign of William III.; the later years of his life were spent in Epicurean ease, in the enjoyment of his garden, and in the pursuit of letters at his villa at Sheen, and, after 1686, at Moor Park, in Surrey, where he had Swift for secretary; is remembered in constitutional history for his scheme (a failure ultimately) to put the king more completely under the check of the Privy Council by remodelling its constitution; was a writer of considerable distinction, his miscellaneous essays and memoirs being notable for grace and perspicuity of style (1628-1699).

TEMPLE, THE, of Jerusalem, a building constructed on the same plan and for the same purpose as the Tabernacle (q.v.), only of larger dimensions, more substantial and costly materials, and a more ornate style; it was a magnificent structure, contained treasures of wealth, and was the pride of the Hebrew people. There were three successive structures that bore the name—Solomon's, built by Solomon in 1004 B.C., and destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar in 588 B.C.; Zerubbabel's, built in 515, and pillaged and desecrated by Antiochus Epiphanes in 167 B.C.; and Herod's, on the ruins of the former, begun in 16 A.D., finished in 29 A.D., and destroyed by Titus in 70 A.D. All three were built on Mount Moriah, on the spot where Abraham offered up Isaac, and where David afterwards raised an altar to the Lord; and of the number the palm must be given to the Temple of Solomon. It was the Temple *par excellence*.

TEN, COUNCIL OF, In Venice during the 14th century a body of ten councillors or magistrates annually

elected to serve with the doge and his councillors for the transaction of matters of urgency; its power was extended to affairs of State and in time the secrecy and severity of its procedure made it widely feared.

TENASSERIM, the southernmost division of Burma, forms a long coastal strip facing the Bay of Bengal and backed by the mountain barrier of Siam; acquired by the British in 1825.

TENBY, a popular little watering-place of Pembrokeshire, has a rocky site on Carmarthen Bay coast; ruins of its old wall and of a castle still remain; has a fine 13th-century Gothic church, and a marble statue of the Prince Consort, while its extensive sands and splendid bathing facilities attract crowds of summer visitors.

TENDON, MADAME DE, a French writer of romances, a woman of clever wit and of personal charms, who abandoned a religious life and, coming to Paris in 1714, immersed herself in the political and fashionable life of the city; was not too careful of her morals, and ranked among her lovers the Regent, Fontenelle, and Cardinal Dubois; used her influence against the Jansenists; more circumstanced in later life she presided over a fashionable salon; was the mother of D'Alembert (1681-1749).

TENDON, ACHILLES, name given to the tendon of the leg above the heel, so called as being the tendon by which Thetis held Achilles when she dipped him in the Styx, and where alone he was in consequence vulnerable.

TENEDOS, a rocky but fertile little island belonging, since 1920, to Greece, prior to which it was Turkish; it lies in the Aegean, 3 in. off the mainland of Turkey in Asia, and 12 m. N. of the entrance to the Dardanelles; it was the place where the Greek fleet was stationed during the Trojan War.

TENERIFE, the largest of the Canary Islands (q.v.), of volcanic formation, with cliff-bound coast; richly fruit-bearing; chief exports, cochineal, tobacco, and wine; capital, Santa Cruz (q.v.); most notable natural feature is the famous Peak of Tenerife, a conical-shaped dormant volcano, 12,000 ft. in height, at the summit of which there is a crater 300 ft. in circuit; last eruption took place in 1798.

TENIERS, DAVID, the elder (1622-1649), and David Teniers, the younger (1610-1690), father and son, both famous masters of the Flemish school of painting, and natives of Antwerp; the greater genius belonged to the younger, who carried his father's gift of depicting rural and homely life to a higher pitch of perfection.

TENNANT, WILLIAM, a minor Scottish poet, born in Anstruther, Fife, was educated at St. Andrews, and after a short experience of business life betook himself to teaching in 1818, filling posts at Dunino, Lasswade, and Dollar; his most notable poem, "Anster Fair" (1812), was warmly received, and in 1835 his knowledge of Eastern languages won him the chair of Oriental languages in St. Andrews (1784-1848).

TENNEBACH, WILHELM GOTTLIEB, German historian of philosophy; was professor at Marburg; wrote both a history and a manual of philosophy, and translated Locke's and Hume's works into German (1781-1819).

TENNESSEE, one of the central States of the U.S.A., lies S. of Kentucky, and stretches from the Mississippi (W.) to North Carolina (E.); is one-third larger than Ireland; politically it is divided into three districts with characteristic natural features; East Tennessee, mountainous, with ridges of the Appalachians, possessing inexhaustible stores of coal, iron, and copper; Middle Tennessee an undulating, wheat, corn, and tobacco-growing country; and West Tennessee, with lower-lying plains growing cotton, and traversed by the Tennessee River, the largest affluent of the Ohio; Nashville is the capital and largest city; became a State in 1796.

TENNIEL, SIR JOHN, a famous cartoonist who, from 1864, week by week, drew the chief political cartoon in *Punch*, the merits of which are too well known to need comment; illustrations to "Æsop's Fables," "Ingoldsby Legends," "Alice in Wonderland," and other works, reveal the grace and delicacy of

his workmanship; born in London, and practically a self-taught artist, joined the staff of *Punch* in 1851; was knighted in 1893 (1820-1914).

TENNIS originated in France and Italy in the Middle Ages, being derived from handball; racquets did not come into use till the 14th century. The game had reached England by the time Chaucer wrote, and continued afterwards as a game for the nobility, Henry VIII. being a player. This "real" tennis continues to be played by a few, but the expense of maintaining courts led to the growth of *Lawes Tennis*, a popular variant of the original game started by Major Wingfield in 1874. In 1875 the M.C.C. issued a code of laws for the new game, a court was opened at Wimbledon, and in 1877 the first championship was held there. The Lawn Tennis Association was formed in 1888, and in 1900 the Davis Cup competition was instituted for international male matches, and soon attracted entries from Britain, America, Canada, Australia, South Africa, India, Japan, and nearly every Continental country. Besides these matches the principal tennis fixtures are the annual championships at Wimbledon, St. Cloud, and Forest Hills (U.S.A.), and the Anglo-American women's contests for the Wightman Cup. Of recent years there has been a tendency to play lawn tennis more on hard courts than on grass. Among the players who have helped the phenomenal growth of the game have been William and Ernest Renshaw, H. L. and H. E. Doherty, A. W. Gore, N. L. Brookes, W. Tilden, G. Patterson, R. Lacoste, Mlle. S. Lenglen and Helen Wills.

TENNYSON, ALFRED, LORD, poet-laureate, born in Somersby, in Lincolnshire, son of a clergyman, and of aristocratic descent; was educated at the grammar school of Louth and at Trinity College, Cambridge, which latter he left without taking a degree, having already devoted himself to the "Ars Poetica," an art which he cultivated more and more all his life long; entered the university in 1828, and issued his first volume of poems in 1830, though he had four years previously contributed to a small volume conjointly with his brother, to the poems of 1830 he added others, and published them in 1833 and 1842, after which, endowed by a pension from the Civil List of £200, he produced "The Princess" in 1847, and "In Memoriam" (in memory of his friend Arthur Hallam) in 1850; was in 1851 appointed to the laureateship, and next in that capacity wrote his "Ode on the Death of the Duke of Wellington"; in 1855 appeared his "Maud," in 1859 the first four of his "Idylls of the King," which were followed by "Enoch Arden" and the "Northern Farmer" in 1864, and by a succession of other pieces; in 1875 he turned to dramatic art and produced thereafter "Queen Mary," "Harold," "The Cup," "Becket," and "The Foresters"; he was raised by the peerage in 1884 on the recommendation of Mr. Gladstone; he was a poet of the ideal, and was distinguished for the exquisite purity of his style and the harmony of his rhythm; had a loving veneration for the past, and an adoring regard for everything pure and noble, and if he indulged in a vein of sadness at all, as he sometimes did, it was when he saw, as he could not help seeing, the feeblest hold that regard for such things had on the men and women of his generation than the worship of Mammon (1809-1892).

TENNYSON-TURNER, CHARLES, British poet and brother of Lord Tennyson, who took the second name of Turner on coming into an inheritance. In 1826 he and his brother published jointly "Poems by Two Brothers"; he wrote a number of quite good sonnets (1808-1879).

TENSOR, highest part sung by the natural male voice, covering about two octaves in compass.

TENTERDEN, a market town in Kent, once a Cinque Port; the steeples of its church is reported to have been the cause of the Goodwin Sands, the stones intended for the dyke which kept the sea off having been used instead to repair the church.

TENTERDEN, LORD, English judge, born in Canterbury; wrote a "Treatise on the Law relative to Merchant Ships and Seamen"; was raised to the peerage, an obstinate enemy of Reform (1762-1832).

TEOCALLI, among the ancient Mexicans a spirally-terraced pyramidal structure surmounted by a temple containing images of the gods.

TEPLITZ, a popular health resort in Czechoslovakia, finely situated in a valley between the Erzgebirge and Mittelgebirge, 20 m. NW. of Leitmeritz; its thermal springs are celebrated for the cure of gout, rheumatism, &c.

TERAPHIM, small images, a sort of household gods among the Hebrews, consulted as oracles, and endowed with some magic virtue.

TERATOLOGY, the branch of biology which treats of malformations or departures from the normal type.

TERBURG, GERHARD, a noted Dutch painter, whose portraits and genre pictures are to be found in most of the great European galleries; born in Zwolle; after travelling in Germany, Italy, England, and Spain, settled at Deventer, where he became burgo-master; his most famous pictures are a portrait of William of Orange, "Father's Advice," and his "Congress of Munster, 1648," which last was bought for £7280 and presented to the National Gallery, London (circa 1617-1681).

TERCEIRA, the second largest of the Azores; rears cattle, and yields grain, oranges, and other fruits; chief town Angra, capital of the group.

TERENCE (Publius Terentius Afer), Roman comic poet, born in Carthage; brought thence as a slave; educated by his master, a Roman senator, and set free; composed plays, adaptations of others in Greek by Menander and Apollodorus; they depict Greek manners for Roman imitation in a pure and perfect Latin style, and with great dramatic skill (circa 190-159 B.C.).

TERESA. See **PHILOMELA**.

TERMINUS, in Roman mythology a deity who presided over boundaries, the worship of whom was instituted by Numa (c. r.).

TERPSICHOE, the Muse of choral song and dancing.

TERRA-COTTA, a composition of fine clay and fine colourless sand moulded into shapes and baked to hardness.

TERRAY, ABBE, "disolute financier" of Louis XV., "paying eightpence in the shilling, so that wit's exclaim in some prose at the play-house, 'Where is Abbe Terray that he might reduce it to two-thirds!'" lived a scandalous life, and ingratiated himself with Madame Pompadour; he held his post till the accession of Louis XVI., and fell with his iniquitous colleagues (1715-1778).

TERRE-HAUTE, capital of Vigo County, Indiana, stands on a plateau overlooking the Wabash, 178 m. S. of Chicago; is situated in a rich coal district, and has numerous foundries and various factories; is well equipped with schools and other public institutions.

TERRITORIALS, the amateur section of the British army formed in 1908 to supersede the old Volunteers. Members have to attend annual camp, put in a minimum number of parades, and undergo courses of instruction. Although foreign service was optional the Territorial regiments formed a very important section of the army in France in the Great War, especially between 1914 and the raising of the new armies.

TERRY, ELLEN (Mrs. James Carew), celebrated English actress, born in Coventry; made her debut at the early age of eight, appearing as Mamilus in "The Winter's Tale," at the Princess Theatre, then under the management of Charles Kean; married in 1864 G. F. Watts, the painter, the marriage being dissolved soon after; during the years 1864-1874 she lived in retirement, but returning to the stage in 1875 achieved her first great success in the character of Fortia; played for some time with the Bancrofts and at the Court Theatre; in December, 1878, made her first appearance at the Lyceum Theatre, then under the management of Henry Irving (c. r.), with whose subsequent successful career her own is inseparably associated, sharing with him the honours of a long list of memorable Shakespearian and other performances (1848-1928).

TERSANCTUS, the acclamation of praise, Holy, Holy, Holy, preliminary to the consecrating prayer in Holy Communion.

TERTULLIAN, QUINTUS SEPTIMIUS FLORENTI, one of the Latin Fathers, born in Carthage, the son of

a Roman centurion; was well educated; bred a rhetorician; was converted to Christianity, became presbyter of Carthage, and embraced Montanist views (q.v.); wrote numerous works, apologetical, polemical, doctrinal, and practical, the last of an ascetic tendency (180-230).

TESLA, NIKOLA, Serbian scientist, famous for his inventions in connection with electrical oscillations and their practical applications (1857-).

TEST ACT, act of date 1673, now repealed, requiring all officials under the crown to take the oath of allegiance and supremacy; directed equally against Dissenters and Roman Catholics.

TEST MATCHES, the name given to international cricket matches, the most important of which are those played between England and Australia, which were inaugurated in 1880; England first met South Africa in Test Matches in 1905; in 1912 a triangular contest between these three was held; the West Indies first met England in Test Matches in 1928, and New Zealand followed in 1929.

TESTER, a silver coin used in the 16th century in Scotland and France, and to some extent in England. Originally the English coin was worth a shilling, though it later depreciated in value to sixpence.

TESTUDO (tortoise-shell), in ancient Roman warfare a covering of the shields of the soldiers held over their heads as protection against missiles thrown from the walls when besieging a city.

TETANUS, or LOCK-JAW, a nervous affection of a most painful and fatal character, which usually begins with intensely painful and persistent cramp of the muscles of the throat and jaws, spreading down to the larger muscles of the body. As the disease progresses the muscles become more and more rigid, while the paroxysms of pain increase in violence and frequency. Death as a rule results from either sheer exhaustion or failure of breath through the spasmodic closure of the glottis. The cause of the disease is now ascertained to be due to the action of a microbe, which may find an entrance through any wound or abrasion of the skin, not necessarily of the thumb as is the popular belief.

TETHYS, in the Greek mythology a daughter of Uranus and Gaia, wife of Oceanus (q.v.), and mother of the river-gods.

TETRADRACHM, a silver coin in use in ancient Greece of the value of four drachmas, or about three shillings.

TETRAGRAMMATON, the mystic number "four," symbolical of deity, whose name in different languages is composed of four letters.

TETRAZZINI, MADAME, Italian soprano singer. Born in Florence, she made an early reputation on the Continent, toured South America, and made her London debut in 1908; spending most of her time in Italy she drew large audiences whenever she sang in public in any country.

TETUAN, a port and walled town of Morocco, on the Maril, 4 m. above its entrance into the Mediterranean and 22 m. S. of Ceuta; has a fortified castle and wall-towers; exports provisions to Ceuta, and has a good trade in fruit, wool, silk, cotton, &c.

TETZEL, JOHN, a Dominican friar, born in Leipzig; was employed in the sale of indulgences to all who subscribed to the fund for building St. Peter's at Rome, in opposition to whom and his doings Luther published his celebrated theses in 1517; his extravagances involved him in the censure of the Church (1455-1519).

TEUTONIC KNIGHTS, like the Templars (q.v.) and Hospitaliers, a religious order of knighthood which arose during the period of the Crusades, originally for the purpose of tending wounded crusaders; subsequently became military in character, and besides the care of the sick and wounded included among its objects aggressive warfare upon the heathen; was organized much in the same way as the Templars, and like them acquired extensive territorial possessions; during the 14th and 15th centuries were constantly at war with the heathen Wends and Lithuanians, but the conversion of these to Christianity and several defeats destroyed both the prestige and usefulness of the knights, and the order thenceforth began to decline. As a secularised, land-owning order the knighthood

lasted till 1809, when it was entirely suppressed in Germany by Napoleon; but branches still exist in the Netherlands and in Austria, where care for the wounded in war has been resumed.

TEUTONS, the most energetic and progressive section of the Aryan group of nations, embracing the following races speaking languages traceable to a common stock: (1) Germanic, including Germans, Dutch, Flemings, and English; (2) Scandinavian, embracing Danes, Swedes, Norwegians, Icelanders. But naturally Celts and other race-elements have in the course of centuries entered into the composition of these peoples.

TEWFIK PASHA, MOHAMMED, khedive of Egypt from the time of his father's abdication in 1879; a man of simple tastes and religious disposition, friendly and loyal to the English; Arabi Pasha's insurrection, closed at Tel-el-Kheir (q.v.), and the Mahdi's rising and capture of Khartoum, occurred during his reign, which, however, also witnessed Egypt's steadily increasing prosperity under English rule (1852-1902).

TWICKESBURY, a market town of Gloucestershire, at the confluence of the Avon and Severn (here spanned by one of Telford's bridges), 10 m. N.E. of Gloucester; possesses one of the finest of old English churches in the Norman style; trades chiefly in agricultural produce, half a mile distant is the field of the battle of Twickesbury (May 4, 1471), where the Yorkists under Edward IV. crushed the Lancastrians.

TEXAS, the largest of the United States of America, in the extreme SW., fronts the Gulf of Mexico for 400 m. between Mexico (W.) and Louisiana (E.); has an area more than twice that of the British Isles, exhibiting a great variety of soil from rich alluvial valleys and pastoral prairies to arid deserts of sand in the S. Climate in the S. is semi-tropical, in the N. colder and drier. The useful metals are found in abundance, but agriculture and stock-raising are the chief occupations, Texas being the leading cattle-raising and cotton State in the Union; seceded from the republic of Mexico in 1836, and was an independent State till 1846, when it was annexed to the American Union. Austin is the capital and Galveston the principal port.

TEXEL, an island of North Holland, situated at the entrance to the Zuider Zee and separated from the mainland by a narrow strait called the Maraldi, the scene of several memorable naval engagements between the Dutch and English; staple industries are sheep and dairy farming.

TEZCUO, a city of Mexico which, under the name Acolhuacan, was once a centre of Aztec culture, of which there are interesting remains still extant; is situated on a sun lake bearing the same name, 25 m. N.E. of Mexico City.

THACKERAY, WILLIAM MAKEPEACE, novelist, born in Calcutta, educated at the Charterhouse and at Trinity College, Cambridge; after leaving college, which he did without taking a degree, travelled on the Continent, making long stays at Rome and Paris, and "the dear little Mason town (Weimar) where Goethe lived"; his ambition was to be an artist, but failing in that and pecuniary resources, he turned to literature; in straitened circumstances at first wrote for the journals of the day and contributed to Punch, in which the well-known "Snob Papers" and "Joanna's Diary" originally appeared; in 1840 he produced the "Paris Sketch-Book," his first published work, but it was not till 1847 the first of his novels, "Vanity Fair," was issued in parts, which was followed in 1848 by "Pendennis." In 1862 by "Emmeline," in 1863 by "The Newcomes," in 1867 by "The Virginians," in 1862 by "Philip," and in 1863 by "Denis Duval." In 1852 he lectured in the United States on "The English Humorists of the Eighteenth Century," and in 1855 on "The Four Georges," while in 1850 he was appointed first editor of Cornhill. Of Thackeray, in comparison with Dickens, M. Taine says, he was "more self-contained, better instructed and stronger, a lover of moral dissertations, a counsellor of the public, a sort of lay preacher, less bent on defending the poor, more bent on censuring man; brought to the aid of satire a sustained common-sense, great knowledge of the

heart, consummate cleverness, powerful reasoning, a store of meditated hatred, and persecuted vice with all the weapons of reflection. . . . His novels are a war against the upper classes of his country" (1811-1863).

THAIS, an Athenian courtesan who accompanied Alexander the Great on his expedition into Asia; after his death bore children to Ptolemy Lagi.

THALBERG, SIGISMUND, a celebrated pianist, born in Geneva; early displayed a talent for music and languages; was intended and trained for a diplomatic career, but, overcoming his father's scruples, followed his bent for music, and soon took rank as one of the most brilliant pianists of the age; "Thalberg," said Liszt, "is the only pianist who can play the violin on the key-board"; composed a large number of pianoforte pieces, chiefly fantasias and variations (1812-1871).

THALES, philosopher of Greece, and one of her seven sages; was a philosopher of the physical school, and the father of philosophy in general, as the first to seek and find within Nature an explanation of Nature; "the principle of all things is water," he says; "all comes from water, and to water all returns"; flourished about the close of the 7th century B.C.

THALIA, one of the three Graces (g.e.), as also of the nine Muses (g.e.).

THALLIUM, a rare metallic element similar to lead, but heavier, discovered in 1861 by the green in the spectrum in the flame as it was being volatilized.

THAMES, the most important river of Great Britain, formed by the junction at Lechlade of four head-streams—the Isis, Churn, Coln, and Leach—which spring from the S.E. slope of the Cotswold Hills; winds across the southern midlands eastwards till in a wide estuary it enters the North Sea; forms the boundary-line between several counties, and passes Oxford, Windsor, Eton, Richmond, London, Woolwich, and Gravesend; navigable for barges to Lechlade, and for ocean steamers to Tilbury Docks; tide is felt as far as Teddington, 80 m.; length estimated at 250 m.

THANE, or THEGN, a title of social distinction among the Anglo-Saxons, bestowed, in the first instance, upon men bound in military service to the king, these coming to form a nobility of service as distinguished from a nobility of blood; they obtained grants of land, and had thegn under them; in this way the class of thegns widened; subsequently the name was allowed to the coori who had acquired four hides of land and fulfilled certain requirements; after the Norman conquest the thegnhood practically embraced the knight-hood; the name dropped out of use after Henry II.'s reign, but lasted longer in Scotland.

THANET, ISLE OF, forms the N.E. corner of Kent, from the mainland of which it is separated by the Stour and the rivulet Nethersong; on its shores, washed by the North Sea, stand the popular watering-places Ramsgate, Margate, and Broadstairs; the north-eastern extremity, the North Foreland, is crowned by a lighthouse, and is an important radio station.

THASOS, an island of Turkey, in the Aegean Sea, near the Macedonian coast; is mountainous and richly wooded; inhabited almost entirely by Greeks.

THAUMUZ. See **TAUMUZ**.

THEATINES, a religious order founded primarily for the suppression of heresy; the order was founded in Italy in the 16th century, and its members took a vow of poverty; the order is now almost extinct.

THÉÂTRE FRANÇAIS, theatre in the Palais Royal, Paris, where the French classic plays are produced and rendered by first-class artists.

THEATRES, in England, were first authorized in the 16th century; the first was built by Burbage in Shoreditch in 1574, and soon after it the Globe in Southwark, where many of Shakespeare's plays had their first production, was opened.

THEBAIDE, a desert in Upper Egypt; the retreat in early times of a number of Christian hermits.

THEBANS, name given to the inhabitants of Boetia, from Thebes, the capital; were reckoned dull and stupid by the Athenians.

THEBES, an ancient city of Egypt of great renown, once capital of Upper Egypt; covered 10 sq. m. of the valley of the Nile on both sides of the river, 300 m. S.E. of Cairo; now represented by imposing ruins of temples, palaces, tombs, and statues of colossal size, amid which the humble dwellings of four villages—Luxor, Karnak, Medinet Habu, and Kurna—have been raised. The period of its greatest grandeur extended from about 1800 to 1100 B.C., but some of its ruins have been dated as far back as 2500 B.C.

THEBES, capital of the ancient Grecian State Boetia (g.e.), whose site on the slopes of Mount Teumessus, 44 m. N.W. of Athens, is now occupied by the village of Thiva; its legendary history, embracing the names of Cadmus, Dionysus, Hercules, Œdipus, &c., and authentic struggles with Athens and Sparta during the Peloponnesian War, its rise to supremacy under Epaminondas over all Greece, and its destruction by Alexander, have all combined to place it amongst the most famous cities of ancient Greece.

THEISM, belief in the existence of God associated in general with a belief in Providence and Revelation.

THEISS, the longest river of Hungary and largest of the affluents of the Danube; is formed in East Hungary by the confluence of the White Theiss and the Black Theiss, both springing from south-western slopes of the Carpathians; after a great sweep to the N.W. bends round to the S., and flows steadily southward through the centre of Hungary until it joins the Danube 20 m. above Belgrade, after a course of 780 m., with its greater tributaries, the Maros and the Bodrog, it forms a splendid means of internal commerce.

THELLUSON ACT, a measure passed in 1800 to prevent a testator leaving money to accumulate for more than 21 years after his death, and occasioned by Peter Thellusson in 1797 leaving half a million pounds to accumulate at compound interest for two generations. The Act was modified in 1927 to allow money to be left to the State to accumulate and be applied to the redemption of the National Debt.

THEMIS, in the Greek mythology the goddess of the established order of things; was a daughter of Uranus and Gaia, and the spouse of Zeus, through whom she became the mother of the divinities concerned in maintaining order among, at once, gods and men.

THEMISTOCLES, celebrated Athenian general and statesman; rose to political power on the ostracism of Aristides, his rival; persuaded the citizens to form a fleet to secure the command of the sea against Persian invasion; commanded at Salamis, and routed the fleet of Xerxes, and afterwards accomplished the fortification of the city in spite of the opposition of Sparta, but falling in popular favour was ostracised, and took refuge at the court of Artaxerxes of Persia, where he died in high favour with the king (c. 580-460 B.C.).

THEOBALD, LEWIS, Shakespearean critic, born in Sittingbourne, Kent; bred to the law by his father, an attorney, but took to literature; wrote a tragedy, contributed to *Mist's Journal*, and in 1716 began his tri-weekly paper, the *Censor*; roused Pope's ire by his celebrated pamphlet, "Shakespeare Restored," an exposure of errors in Pope's edition, and although ruthlessly impaled in the "Dunciad," of which he was the original hero, made good his claim to genuine Shakespearean scholarship by his edition, in 1753, of the dramatist's works, an edition which completely superseded Pope's (1698-1744).

THEOCRACY, government of a State professedly in the name and under the direction as well as the sanction of Heaven.

THEOCRTUS, great pastoral poet of Greece, born in Syracuse; was the creator of bucolic poetry; wrote "Idylls" as they were called. Descriptive of the common life of the common people of Sicily, in a thoroughly objective, though a truly poetical, spirit, in a style which never fails to charm, being as fresh as ever; wrote also on epic subjects (c. 310-265 B.C.).

THEODICY, name given to an attempt to vindicate the order of the universe in consistency with the presence of evil, and especially to that of Leibnitz, in which he demonstrates that this is the best of all possible worlds.

THEODORA, the famous consort of the Roman Emperor Justinian I. (c. 527), who, captivated by her extraordinary charms of wit and person, raised her from a life of shame to share his throne (527), a high office she did not discredit; scandal, busy enough with her early years, has no word to say against her subsequent career as empress; the poor and unfortunate of her own sex were her special care; remained to the last the faithful helpmate of her husband (508-548).

THEODORE, "King of Corsica," otherwise Baron Theodore de Neuhoff, born in Metz; a soldier of fortune under the French, Swedish, and Spanish flags successively, whose title to fame is his expedition to Corsica, aided by the Turks and the Bey of Tunis, in 1786, to aid the islanders to throw off the Genoese yoke; was crowned King Theodore I., but in a few months was driven out, and after unsuccessful efforts to regain his position came as an impoverished adventurer to London, where creditors imprisoned him, and where sympathisers, including Walpole, subscribed for his release (1686-1766).

THEODORE, bishop of Mopsuestia, in Cilicia, born in Antioch; was a Biblical exegete, having written commentaries on most of the books of the Bible, eschewing the allegorical method of interpretation, and accepting the literal sense; he held Nestorian views, and his writings were anathematized; he was a friend of St. Chrysostom; d. about 428.

THEODORE, king of Abyssinia. He was a cruel and despotical ruler; in the sixties he imprisoned a British consul named Cameron, an action that was followed by General Napier's expedition to Magdala, which fell in 1868; Theodore committed suicide when thus defeated (1818-1868).

THEODORET, Church historian, born in Antioch; as bishop of the Syrian city, Cyrrus, gave himself to the conversion of the Marcionites; a leader of the Antioch school of theology, he took an active part in the Nestorian and Eutychian controversies, and was deposed by the so-called robber-council of Ephesus, but was reinstated by the Council of Chalcedon in 451 (c. 390-457).

THEODORIC, surnamed the Great, founder of the monarchy of the Ostro- or East Goths, son of Theodimir, the Ostrogothic king of Pannonia; was for ten years during his youth a hostage at the Byzantine Court at Constantinople; succeeded his father in 475, and immediately began to push the fortunes of the Ostrogoths; various territories fell into his hands, and alarm arose at the Imperial Court, in 493 advanced upon Italy, overthrew Odoacer, and after his murder became sole ruler; was now the most powerful of the Gothic kings, with an empire embracing Italy, Sicily, and Dalmatia, besides German possessions; as a ruler proved himself as wise as he was strong; became in after years one of the great heroes of German legend, and figures in the "Nibelungenlied" (455-526).

THEODOSIUS I. THE GREAT, Roman emperor; was the son of Theodosius the Elder, a noted general, in whose campaigns in Britain and elsewhere he participated; marked out for distinction by his military prowess, he, in 379, was invited by the Emperor Gratian to become emperor in the East, that he might stem the advancing Goths; in this Theodosius was successful; the Goths were defeated, conciliated, had territory conceded to them, and became in large numbers Roman citizens; rebellions in the Western Empire and usurpations of the throne compelled Theodosius to active interference, which led to his becoming sole head of the empire (394), after successfully combating the revolutionaries, Franks, and others; was a zealous Churchman, and stern suppressor of the "Arian Heresy"; the close of his reign marks the beginning of the end of the Roman Empire, for his death opened the floodgates of barbarian invasion, and from this date begins the formation of the new kingdoms of Europe (346-395).

THEOGNIS, an elegiac poet of Megara; flourished in the second half of the 6th century B.C.; lost his possessions during a revolution at Megara, in which the democrats overpowered the aristocrats, to which party he belonged; compelled to live in exile, he found solace in the writing of poetry full of a practical

and prudential wisdom, bitterly biased against democracy, and tinged with pessimism.

THEOLOGY, the science which treats of God, particularly as He manifests Himself in His relation to man in nature, reason, or revelation.

THEOPHRASTUS, a peripatetic philosopher, born in Lesbos; pupil, heir, and successor of Aristotle, and the great interpreter and expounder of his philosophy; was widely famous in his day; his writings were numerous, but only a few are extant, on plants, stars, and fire; d. 286 B.C.

THEOSOPHY (i.e. divine wisdom), a mystic philosophy of very difficult definition which hails from the East, and was introduced among us by Madame Blavatsky, a Russian lady, who was initiated into its mysteries in Tibet by a fraternity there who professed to be the sole custodians of its secrets as the spiritual successors of those to whom it was at first revealed. The radical idea of the system appears to be reincarnation, and the return of the spirit to itself by a succession of incarnations, each one of which raises it to a higher level, until, by seven stages it would seem, the process is complete, matter has become spirit, and spirit matter, God has become man, and man God, agreeably somewhat to the doctrine of Amiel, that "the complete spiritualization of the animal element in us is the task of our race," though with them it seems rather to mean its extinction. The adherents of this system, with their headquarters at Madras, are numerous and wide-scattered, and form an organization of 300 branches, having three definite aims: (1) To establish a brotherhood over the world irrespective of race, creed, caste, or sex; (2) to encourage the study of comparative philosophy, religion, and science; and (3) to investigate the occult secrets of nature and the latent possibilities of man. The principal books in exposition of it are, "The Secret Doctrine," "Isis Unveiled," "The Key to Theosophy," by Mme. Blavatsky; "Esoteric Buddhism," "The Occult World," &c., by Rinnett; "The Ancient Wisdom," "The Birth and Evolution of the Soul," &c., by Annie Besant.

THERAPEUTIC, a Jewish ascetic sect in Egypt, who lived a life of celibacy and meditation in separate hermitages, and assembled for worship on the Sabbath.

THERM, a unit of heat measurement equivalent to 100,000 British Thermal Units; the latter being the quantity of heat required to raise 1 lb. of pure water 1° F.

THERMIT PROCESS, for welding metals together, was discovered by Goldschmidt, a German chemist; the broken part is heated and a mixture of molten aluminium and metallic oxides is added; the oxides are reduced by the aluminium, enough heat being evolved to raise the pieces of broken metal to the melting-point.

THERMO-DYNAMICS, name given to the modern science of the relation between heat and work, which has established two fundamental principles, that when heat is employed to do work, the work done is the exact equivalent of the heat expended, and that heat cannot of its own accord pass from a colder to a warmer body.

THERMOMETERS, instruments used for measuring temperatures. Liquid thermometers are filled with either mercury or alcohol, the former for high temperatures up to 357° C. and the latter for temperatures below - 40° C.; electrical thermometers are used for very high temperatures; the Centigrade scale used in most European countries and for scientific work has freezing-point 0° and boiling-point 100°; on the Fahrenheit scale, generally used in this country, the freezing-point is 32° and the boiling-point 212°; in Germany the Reaumur scale is used, with freezing-point 0° and boiling-point 80°; for some scientific purposes an air thermometer is used.

THERMOPYLE, a delicate electrical instrument for detecting and measuring small quantities of radiant heat.

THERMOPYLE, (i.e. "the hot gates"), a famous pass in N. Greece, the only traversable one leading southward into Thessaly, lies 25 m. N. of Delphi, and is flanked on one side by Mount Ceta, and on the other by the Malac Gulf (now the Gulf of Zeltoumi); for ever memorable as the scene of

Leonidas's heroic attempt with his 300 Spartans to stem the advancing Persian hordes under Xerxes (480 B.C.); also of Greece's futile struggles against Brennus and the Gauls (279 B.C.), and Philip the Macedonian (207 B.C.).

THESSITES, a deformed Greek present at the siege of Troy, distinguished for his insolent gallantry at his betters, and slain by Achilles for deriding his lamentation over the death of Penthesilea (q.v.).

THESEUS, legendary hero of Attica, and son of Ægeus, king of Athens; ranks second to Hercules, captured the Marathonian bull, and slew the Minotaur (q.v.) by the help of Ariadne (q.v.); waged war against the Amazons, and carried off the queen; assisted at the Argonautic expedition, and is famed for his friendship for Perithous, whom he aided against the Centaurs.

THESPIA, the father of Greek tragedy, hence Thespian play for the drama.

THESSALONIANS, EPISTLE TO THE, epistles of St. Paul to the Church at Thessalonica, of which there are two; the first written from Corinth about A.D. 53 to exhort them to beware of lapsing, and comforting them with the hope of the return of the Lord to judgment; the second, within a few months of the first, to correct a false impression produced by it in connection with the Lord's coming; they must not, he argued, neglect their ordinary avocations, as though the day of the Lord was close at hand; that day would not come till the powers of evil had wrought their worst, and the cup of their iniquity was full; this is the first purely dogmatic epistle of St. Paul.

THESSALONICA. See **SALONICA**.

THESSALY, the largest division of ancient Greece, a wide, fertile plain stretching southward from the Macedonian border to the Mallic Gulf, and entirely surrounded by mountains save the Vale of Tempe in the N.E. between Mounts Ossa and Olympus; was conquered by Philip of Macedon in the 4th century B.C., and subsequently incorporated in the Roman Empire, on the break up of which it fell into the hands of the Venetians, and eventually of the Turks (1335), and remained a portion of the Ottoman Empire till 1881, when the greater and most fertile part was ceded to Greece, the remainder following in 1919 (Chief town, Larissa).

THETFORD, a historic old market town on the Norfolk and Suffolk border, at the confluence of the Thet and Little Ouse, 31 m. SW. of Norwich; a place of importance in Saxon times, and in Edward III.'s reign an important centre of monasticism; has interesting ruins, a notable Castle Hill, and industries in brewing, tanning, &c.

THETIS, in the Greek mythology the daughter of Nereus (q.v.) and Doris, who being married against her will to Peleus, became the mother of Achilles; she was therefore a Nereid (q.v.), and gifted with prophetic foresight.

THEURIET, ANDRÉ, modern French poet and novelist, born in Marly le Roi, near Paris; studied law, and in 1857 received a post in the office of the Minister of Finance; published several volumes of poems, dealing chiefly with rustic life, but is more widely known by his novels, such as "Mademoiselle Guignon," "Le Mariage de Gérard," and "Deux Sœurs," all of them more or less tinged with melancholy, but also inspired by true poetic feeling (1833-1907).

THIALFI, in the Norse mythology the god of manual labour, Thor's henchman and attendant.

THIEPVALL, a village in the department of the Somme, France, where there was much fighting in the Great War during the battle of the Somme; Ulster troops were prominent therein, and a memorial to them was erected here later.

THIERRY, JACQUES NICOLAS AUGUSTIN, French historian, born in Blois; came early under the influence of Saint-Simon, and during 1814-1817 lived with him as secretary, assimilating his socialistic ideas and ventilating them in various compositions; Comte became his master next, and history his chief study, an outlet for his views on which he found in the *Craqueur Européen*, and the *Courrier Français*, to which he contributed his "Letters on French History" (1820); five years later appeared his masterpiece, the "Conquest of

England," to be followed by "Letters on History" and "Dix Ans d'Études" (1835), in which same year he was appointed librarian at the Palais Royal. In 1853 appeared his "Tiers État," the last of his works; has been called the "father of romantic history," and was above all a historical artist, giving life and colour to his pictures of bygone ages, but not infrequently at the cost of historic accuracy (1795-1856).

THIERS, LOUIS ADOLPHE, French statesman and historian, born in Marseilles, of parents in poor circumstances; studied law at Aix, became acquainted with Mignet the historian; went with him to Paris, and took to journalism; published in 1827 his "History of the French Revolution," which established his rank as a writer; contributed to the July revolution; supported Louis Philippe, and was in 1832 elected a deputy for Aix; obtained a post in the ministry, and eventually led it; was swept out of office at the revolution of 1848; voted for the presidency of Louis Napoleon, but opposed the *coup d'état*; withdrew from public life for a time; published in 1860 the "History of the Consulate and the Empire," a labour of years; entered public life again, but soon retired; at the close of the Franco-German War raised the war indemnity, and saw the Germans off the soil, became head of the Provisional Government, and President of the Republic from 1871 to 1873; his histories are very one-sided, and often inaccurate besides; Carlyle's criticism of his "French Revolution" is well known, "Dig where you will, you come to water" (1797-1877).

THING, name for a legislative or judicial assembly among the Scandinavians.

THIRLMERE, one of the lakes in the English Lake District, in Cumberland, 5 m. SE. of Keswick; since 1885 its waters have been impounded for the use of Manchester, the surface raised 50 ft. by embankments, and the area more than doubled.

THIRLWALL, CONNOP, historian, born in Stepney; was a precocious child, was educated at the Charterhouse, had Grotte for a schoolfellow, and was a student of Trinity College, Cambridge; called to the bar, but took orders in 1827, having two years previously translated Schlegel's "Essay on St. Luke," and was thus the first to introduce German theology into England; wrote a "History of Greece," which, though superior in some important respects, was superseded by Grotte's as wanting in realistic power, a fatal blemish in a history; was a liberal man, and bishop of St. David's for half a lifetime (1797-1875).

THIRTY-NINE ARTICLES, THE, first drawn up in 1562, state the doctrinal basis of the Church of England; they are printed in the Book of Common Prayer, and all candidates for ordination have to subscribe to them, a process repeated by any priest taking a new benefice.

THIRTY TYRANTS, name given to the committee that ruled Athens with absolute power in 404 B.C.; the following year they were overthrown by Thrasybulus.

THIRTY YEARS' WAR, the name given to a series of wars arising out of one another in Germany during 1618-1648; was first a war of Catholics against Protestants, but in its later stages developed into a struggle for supremacy in Europe. On the Catholic side were Austria, various German Catholic princes, and Spain, to whom were opposed successively Bohemia, Hungary, Denmark, Sweden, and France; originated in Bohemia, where the Protestants were goaded to revolt against the intolerance of the empire; Moravians and Hungarians came to their assistance, but the imperial forces were too powerful and the rising was suppressed, only to be renewed in 1624, when Denmark engaged the Protestant cause, but struggled vainly against Catholic armies under Wallenstein and Tilly. The tactless oppression of the Emperor Ferdinand again fanned into flame the fire of rebellion; Swedish armies now came to the assistance of the Protestants, and under Gustavus Adolphus waged successful war against the emperor, but the death of Gustavus at Lützen (1632) turned the tide in favour of the imperial forces; the German Protestant princes made a disadvantageous peace in 1635, but Sweden,

now joined by France, continued the struggle against the Austrian empire. Turenne and Condé became the heroes of the war, and by a series of decisive victories rolled back the imperial armies, and by 1648 were converging upon Austria, when diplomacy brought the war to an end by the Peace of Westphalia, the chief gales of which were the securing of religious tolerance and the recognition of the independence of Switzerland and the United Provinces.

THIBSE. See PYRAMUS.

THISTLE, ORDER OF THE, an order of Scottish knighthood, sometimes called the Order of St. Andrew, instituted in 1687 by James VII. of Scotland (James II. of England); fell into abeyance during the reign of William and Mary, but was revived by Queen Anne in 1703; includes the sovereign, 10 knights, and various officials. The principal article in the insignia is a gold collar composed of thistles intertwined with sprigs of rue. Motto: "Nemo me impune lacessit"; ribbon, green; K.T., Knight of the Thistle.

THISTLEWOOD CONSPIRACY, sometimes called the Cato Street conspiracy, a plot headed by Arthur Thistlewood, aiming at the assassination of several members of the government at George III.'s funeral in 1820; the plot was discovered, and Thistlewood and four of his companions were hanged.

THOLUCK, FRIEDRICH AUGUST, theologian, born in Breslau; came under the influence of Neander (q.v.) and became professor of Theology at Halle, where he exercised a considerable influence over the many students who were attracted from far and near by his learning and fervour (1799-1877).

THOM, WILLIAM, a minor Scottish vernacular poet, author of "The Miller's Naim," &c. was a native of and handloom weaver at Aberdeen; endured much hardship and poverty (1799-1848).

THOMAS, AMBROISE, French composer, born in Metz; proved himself a brilliant student at the Paris Conservatoire; became professor of Composition in 1852, and nine years later succeeded Aubert as director of the Conservatoire; a prolific writer in all forms of musical composition, but has won celebrity mainly as a writer of operas, the most popular of which are "La Double Echelle," "Mignon," and "Hamlet"; was decorated with the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour in 1890 (1811-1896).

THOMAS, ARTHUR CORING, composer, born near Eastbourne; studied at the Paris Conservatoire and Royal Academy for Music, London; became popular through the merit of his operas "Emeralda," "Nadeshda," the cantata "Sun-worshippers," and songs; committed suicide (1850-1892).

THOMAS, GEORGE HENRY, American general, born in Virginia; a man of fine character, lacking none of the sterner stuff of the soldier, but blended with modesty and gentleness; universally popular in the army, which he joined in 1840 and continued in till his death, rising to be general of a division through gallantry in the Indian frontier wars and in the Civil War, in which, at the battle of Nashville (1864), he completely routed the Confederate forces; had command of the military division of the Pacific at the time of his death (1816-1870).

THOMAS, SIR HUGH EVAN, British admiral. He joined the navy at the age of 14, and held commands in all parts of the world, besides being at the Admiralty at the time when naval changes were being made early this century; in 1914 he was second-in-command of the first battle cruiser squadron, and in 1916 he led a division at Jutland, a battle in which he greatly distinguished himself, for which he was knighted; he became a full admiral in 1920 and retired in 1924 (1862-1928).

THOMAS, RT. HON. JAMES HENRY, British politician. He started work when nine years old, became an engine-driver, and then turned trade union organiser; in 1910 he became President of the National Union of Railwaymen, and was elected Labour M.P. for Derby; he was made a Privy Councillor in 1917, and the same year he was sent on an official mission to the U.S.A. Always opposed to strikes when there was a chance of settlement by negotiation, he achieved considerable popularity

with industrialists at the price of the enmity of the extreme section of his own party, which started to attack him for his "capitalist" evening dress, social activities, and after-dinner speeches. In 1924 he took office in the Labour Government as Colonial Secretary, and in 1929 was again in office as Lord Privy Seal, having special charge of the unemployment problem; he became Secretary for the Dominions in 1930 (1878-).

THOMAS, ST., the Apostle, is represented in art as bearing a spear in his hand, and sometimes an arrow, a book, and a carpenter's square.

THOMAS THE RHYMER. See RHYMER, THOMAS THE.

THOMASUS, CHRISTIAN, a German jurist, born in Leipzig; was the first to prelect on jurisprudence in the German tongue, on which account, as on account of his advanced theological views, he encountered no small persecution; became at length professor of Jurisprudence at Halle, his influence on the study of which was considerable (1655-1728).

THOMISM, the doctrine of Thomas Aquinas (q.v.), particularly in reference to predestination and grace.

THOMITES, a group of agitators against the Poor Law Act of 1838, headed by a man named Thom, a publican, who claimed to be knight of Malta and King of Jerusalem, riots followed, in which Thom was killed.

THOMPSON, FRANCIS, British poet. Trained for the Roman priesthood, he took instead to medicine, but failed in his examinations, came to London and started writing; he wrote poems and did literary criticism. "The House of Heaven" is his most notable poem (1859-1917).

THOMPSON, SYLVANUS PHILLIPS, British physicist, famous for his researches in optics and electricity; professor of physics at the City and Guilds College, London (1851-1916).

THOM, WILLIAM JOHN, a noted antiquary and bibliographer, born in Westminster; a clerk for 20 years in the Chelsea Hospital and subsequently in the House of Lords, where during 1863-1882 he was deputy-librarian; his leisure was given to his favourite pursuits, and bore fruit in many volumes dealing with "folk-lore" (a word of his own invention) and the like; was secretary of the Camden Society, and in 1849 founded, and continued to edit till 1872, *Notes and Queries* (1803-1845).

THOMSON, SIR CHARLES WYVILLE, zoologist, born in Bonydrie, Linlithgow; educated at Merchiston Castle, Edinburgh; and at the university there; a lecturer on botany at Aberdeen (1860), professor of Natural History at Queen's College, Cork (1863), of Geology at Belfast (1864), and of Natural History in the University of Edinburgh (1870); accompanied the Challenger expedition (1872-1876) as head of the scientific department; knighted 1876; wrote "The Depths of the Sea" and "The Voyage of the Challenger" (1858-1882).

THOMSON, GEORGE, a noted collector of songs, who set himself to gather in one work every existing Scottish melody; his untiring zeal resulted in the publication of 6 vols. of Scottish songs, the words of which had been adapted and supplied by a host of writers, including Scott, Campbell, Joanna Baillie, and above all, Robert Burns, who contributed upwards of 120. Haydn, Beethoven, Mozart, Weber, and others were engaged to supply instrumental preludes and codas; also published collections of Irish songs and Welsh melodies; was a native of Limekilns, Fife, and for 60 years principal clerk to the Board of Trustees, Edinburgh (1767-1861).

THOMSON, JAMES, the poet of the "Seasons," born, the son of the parish minister, in Ednam, Roxburghshire; was educated and trained for the ministry at Edinburgh University, but, already wooing the muse, he, shortly after his father's death in 1722, went to London to push his fortune; his poem "Winter," published in the following year, had immediate success, and raised up a host of friends and patrons, and what with tutoring and the proceeds of "Summer," "Spring," "Autumn," various worthless tragedies, and other products of his pen,

secured a fair living, till a pension of £100 from the Prince of Wales, to whom he had dedicated the poem of "Liberty," and a subsequent £300 a year as non-resident Governor of the Leeward Islands, placed him in comparative affluence; and the "Masque of Alfred," with its popular song "Rule Britannia," and his greatest work "The Castle of Indolence" (1748), were the outcome of his later years of leisure; often tediously verbose, not infrequently stiff and conventional in diction, and trite in its moralising, the poetry of Thomson was yet the first of the 18th century to shake itself free of the town, and to lead, as Stopford Brooke says, "the English people into that new world of nature which has enchanted us in the work of modern poetry" (1700-1748).

THOMSON, JAMES, the poet of peasantism, born, a sailor's son, in Port-Glasgow, and brought up in an orphanage; was introduced to literature by Bradlaugh (q.v.), to whose *National Reformer* he contributed much of his best poetry, including his gloomy yet humorous and impressive "The City of Dreadful Night," besides essays (1834-1882).

THOMSON, JAMES, British physicist, professor of Engineering at Glasgow; brother of Lord Kelvin; carried out a number of important researches on physical subjects.

THOMSON, JOHN, the artist minister of Duddingston, born in Dalry, in Ayrshire; succeeded his father in the parish of Dalry (1800), and five years later was transferred to Duddingston parish, near Edinburgh; faithful in the discharge of his parochial duties, he yet found time to cultivate his favourite art of painting, and in the course of his 35 years' pastorate produced a series of landscapes which won him wide celebrity in his own day, and have set him in the front rank of Scottish artists (1778-1840).

THOMSON, JOHN ARTHUR, British scientist, professor of Natural History at Aberdeen; wrote a large number of books on biology, evolution, &c., and edited a number of popular works (1861-).

THOMSON, JOSEPH, African explorer, born in Thornhill, studied at Edinburgh University, and in 1878 was appointed zoologist to the Royal Geographical Society's expedition to Lake Tanganyika, which, after the death of the leader, Keith Johnston, at the start, he, at the age of 20, carried through with notable success; in 1882 explored with important geographical results Masai-land, and subsequently headed expeditions up the Niger and to Sokoto, and explored the Atlas Mountains; published interesting accounts of his various travels (1858-1894).

THOMSON, SIR JOSEPH JOHN, British scientist; Cavendish professor at Cambridge, 1884-1910, and afterwards Master of Trinity College and professor of Physics; his greatest work was done on the conduction of electricity through gases and the structure of the atom, he carried out experiments to determine the charge and mass of the electron and devised a method for the analysis of positive rays; president of the British Association at Winnipeg in 1909 (1856-).

THOMSON, SIR WILLIAM, LORD KELVIN, British physicist, born in Belfast; studied at Peterhouse, Cambridge; senior wrangler in 1845, and elected professor of Natural Philosophy at Glasgow in 1846; it was in the departments of heat and electricity that he accomplished his greatest achievements, carrying out many experiments on thermometry, the cooling of gases on expansion, and phenomena connected with electric currents; his work laid the foundations of modern thermodynamics; he also made investigations in radiation, the theory of the ether, and the age of the earth. His best-known work was the invention of the siphon recorder for the Atlantic cable, on the completion of which in 1866 he was knighted, being raised to the peerage in 1892; he invented a number of scientific instruments, including an electrometer and a sensitive galvanometer, as well as writing extensively on mathematical and physical subjects; president of the British Association at Edinburgh, 1871 (1824-1907).

THOR, in the Norse mythology "the god of thunder; the thunder was his wrath, the gathering of the black clouds is the drawing down of Thor's angry brows; the fire-bolt bursting out of heaven is the

all-rending hammer flung from the hand of Thor; he urges his loud chariot over the mountain tops—that is the peal; wrathful he 'blows in his beard'—that is the rustling of the storm-blast before the thunder begins"; he is the strongest of the gods, the helper of both gods and men, and the mortal foe of the chaotic powers.

THOREAU, HENRY DAVID, an American author who, next to his friend and neighbour Emerson, gave the most considerable impulse to the "transcendental" movement in American literature; born in Concord, where his life was mostly spent, of remote French extraction; was with difficulty enabled to go to Harvard, where he graduated, but without distinction of any sort; took to desperate shifts for a living; the serious occupation of his life was to study nature in the woods around Concord, to make daily journal entries of his observations and reflections, and to preserve his soul in peace and purity; his handicrafts were unwelcome necessities thrust upon him; "What after all," he exclaims, "does the practicalness of life amount to? The things immediate to be done are very trivial. I could postpone them all to hear this locust sing. The most glorious fact in my experience is not anything I have done or may hope to do, but a transient thought or vision or dream which I have had"; his chief works are "Walden," the account of a two years' sojourn in a hut built by his own hands in the Concord Woods near "Walden Pool," "A Week on the Concord and Merrimack River," essays, poems, &c. (1817-1862).

THORIUM, a radioactive element discovered in 1898 by Mme. Curie and Schmidt; it occurs in several minerals, especially the monazite sand of Brazil and South India; it is used in the manufacture of gas mantles.

THORN, a Polish town and fortress of the first rank, on the Vistula, 115 m. NW of Warsaw; formerly a member of the Hansatic League (q.v.), was annexed by Prussia in 1815, and was ceded to Poland again in 1919, the birthplace of Copernicus, carries on a brisk trade in corn and timber.

THORNBURY, GEORGE WALTER, a miscellaneous writer, author of numerous novels, "Songs of the Swallows" and "Roundabout," "Life of Turner," "Old and New London," &c.; born in London, where his life was spent in literary work (1828-1876).

THORNDIKE, SYBIL, British actress who in her generation has risen to a position comparable with that held in the previous one by Ellen Terry (q.v.). Born in Gainsborough, daughter of a clergyman, she originally intended to take up music, but took to the stage at 18 and started by touring America; later she played at the "Old Vic," London, and slowly built up a reputation as a tragedienne, which was capped in 1923 with her playing of "St. Joan" in Bernard Shaw's play. Although her reputation was made in Shakespeare and Greek tragedy, her versatility is shown by her successful impersonations in comedy. In 1908 she married Lewis Casson, the actor (1845-).

THORNHILL, SIR JAMES, an English artist of the school of Le Brun, born in Woodland, Dorsetshire, treated historical subjects in allegorical fashion, and was much in request for decorative work, his most notable achievements being the decoration of the dome of St. Paul's, of rooms in Hampton Court, Blenheim House, and Greenwich Hospital; was sergeant-painter to Queen Anne, and was knighted by George I.; member of Parliament from 1719 till his death (1675-1734).

THORNYCROFT, SIR WILLIAM HAMO, sculptor, born in London; did statues of General Gordon (1885), John Bright (1892), and Oliver Cromwell (1899) (1850-1925).

THOROUGH, name given by the Earl of Strafford (q.v.) to a scheme of his to establish absolute monarchy in England.

THORWALDSEN, BERTTEL, an eminent Danish sculptor, born near Copenhagen, the son of a poor icelandic; won a Government scholarship at the Academy of Copenhagen in 1793, which enabled him to study in Rome, where he was greatly inspired by the ancient Greek sculptures, and fired with the ambition of emulating the classical masters; Canova

encouraged him, and a fine statue of Jason established his reputation: his life henceforth was one of ever-increasing fame and prosperity. Denmark received him with highest honour in 1619, but the milder Italian climate better suited his health, and he returned to Rome, where he executed all his great works; these deal chiefly with subjects chosen from the Greek mythology, in which he reproduces with marvellous success the classic spirit and conception; executed also a colossal group of "Christ and the Twelve Apostles," "St. John Preaching in the Wilderness," and other religious subjects, besides statues of Copernicus and Galileo, and the celebrated reliefs "Night" and "Morning"; bequeathed to his country his large fortune and nearly 300 of his works, now in the Thorvaldsen Museum, one of the great sights of Copenhagen (1770-1844).

THOTH, the Egyptian Mercury, inventor of arts and sciences; usually represented as having the body of a man and the head of an ibis.

THOU, JACQUES-AUGUSTE DE, a celebrated historian, born in Paris; enjoyed the favour of Henry III., and by Henry IV. was appointed keeper of the royal library; his history of his own times is a work of great value as a clear and remarkably impartial survey of an interesting period of European history (1553-1617).

THOUSAND ISLANDS, some 1500 islands which stud the river St. Lawrence below Kingston, at the outlet of the river from Lake Ontario.

THRACE, in ancient Greece, was a region, ill defined, stretching N. of Macedonia to the Danube, and W. of the Euxine (Black Sea); appears never to have been consolidated into one kingdom, but was inhabited by various Thracian tribes akin to the Greeks, but regarded by them as barbarians; was conquered by Julius of Bithynia, 55 B.C., regained its independence, and passed under the yoke of Rome.

THRASYBULUS, famous Athenian general and democratic statesman; came to the front during the later part of the Peloponnesian War; took an active share in overturning the oligarchy of the Four Hundred, and in recalling Alcibiades (411 B.C.), was exiled by the Thirty Tyrants, and withdrew to Thebes, but subsequently was permitted to return, and later was engaged in commanding Athenian armies against Lesbos and in support of Rhodes; was murdered (389 B.C.) by natives of Pamphylia.

THREE HOURS' AGONY, a service held on Good Friday from 12 noon till 3 o'clock to commemorate the Passion of Christ.

THREE RIVERS, capital of St. Maurice Co., Quebec, 95 m. N.E. of Montreal; does a considerable trade in lumber, ironware, &c.; is the seat of a Roman Catholic bishop.

THRING, EDWARD, a celebrated educationist, born at Alford Rectory, Somersetshire; educated at Eton and Cambridge, where he obtained a Fellowship; entered the Church, and served in various curacies till in 1853 he began his true life-work by an appointment to the headmastership of Uppingham School, which he raised to a high state of efficiency, and stamped with the qualities of his own strong personality, as did Arnold at Rugby; published various educational works, "The Theory and Practice of Teaching," "Addresses," "Poems and Translations," &c. (1821-1887).

THROGMORTON, SIR NICHOLAS, English diplomatist; concerned in Wyatt's plot and imprisoned; was ambassador in Paris under Elizabeth, and afterwards to Scotland; fell into disgrace as involved in an intrigue for the marriage of Mary, Queen of Scots, with the Duke of Norfolk (1516-1571).

THUCYDIDES, historian of the Peloponnesian War, born in Athens nine years after the battle of Salamis, of a wealthy family; was in Athens during the plague of 430 B.C., fell a victim, but recovered; served as naval commander in 424 in the Peloponnesian War, but from neglect of duty was banished; returned from exile 20 years after; his great achievement in his history, all derived from personal observation and oral communication, the materials of which were collected during the war, and the whole executed in a style to entitle it to rank among the noblest literary monuments of antiquity; it is not

known how or when he died, but he died before his history was finished.

THUGA, a fraternity of professed worshippers of the goddess Kali, the wife of Shiva, who professedly to propitiate her, practised murder, and lived on the spoils of the victims; they were suppressed in 1830. **Thuggee**, a name for the practice, originally by strangling and at times by poisoning.

THULE, ULTIMA, name given by the ancients to the farthest N. part of Europe, which they conceived as an island.

THUN, a quaint old town of Switzerland, on the Aar, 17 m. N.E. of Berne, and barely 1 m. distant from Lake of Thun (12 m. by 2 m.), has a 12th-century castle.

THUNDERER, name given to the Times, from certain powerful articles in it ascribed to the editor, Captain Edward Stirling.

THURGAU, a canton of Switzerland, on the N.E. frontier, where Lake Constance for a considerable distance forms its boundary; inhabitants are mainly Protestant; country is hilly but not mountainous, fertile, and traversed by the river Thur, a tributary of the Rhine, capital Frauenfeld.

THURIBLE, a censer suspended by chains and held in the hand by a priest during mass and other offices of the Roman Church.

THURINGIA, originally the territory of the Thuringians (an ancient German tribe), now an integral portion of the German republic, occupies a central position, with Saxony to its N. and E., and Havia on the S.; a considerable portion of it is covered by the Thuringian Forest.

THURLES, a town of Tipperary, on the Suir, 87 m. N.W. of Dublin; is the seat of a Catholic archbishop, college, and cathedral; in the vicinity are the fine ruins of Holy Cross Abbey.

THURLOW, EDWARD, BARON, a noted lawyer and politician of George III.'s reign, born, a clergyman's son, in Bracon-Ash, Norfolk; quitted Cambridge without a degree, and with a reputation for insubordination and brazenness rather than for scholarship; called to the bar in 1754, he soon made his way, aided by an imposing presence, which led Fox to remark, "No man ever was so wise as Thurlow looked"; raised his reputation by his speeches in the great Douglas case, and through influence of the Douglas family was made a King's counsel; entered Parliament in 1768; became a favourite of the King, and rose through the offices of Solicitor-General and Attorney-General to the Lord Chancellorship in 1774, being raised to the peerage as Baron; lost his position during the Coalition Ministry of Fox and North, but was restored by Pitt, who, however, got rid of him in 1792, after which his appearances in public life were few; not a man of fine character, but possessed a certain rough vigour of intellect which appears to have made considerable impression on his contemporaries (1731-1806).

THURBOT'S INVASION, the exploit in 1760 of an Irishman whose real name was O'Farrell, but who served in the French navy as Thurot; he landed at Carrickfergus with a force numbering 1000, sacked the town and proceeded to the Isle of Man, where he was killed and his army defeated.

THURSDAY, fifth day of the week, dedicated to Thor (q.v.).

THURSDAY ISLAND, a small island in Normandy Sound, Torres Strait, belonging to Queensland, and used as a Government station; has a fine harbour, Port Kennedy, largely used for the Australian transit trade, also the centre of valuable pearl fisheries.

THURSO, a seaport in Cathness, at the mouth of the Thurso River, 21 m. N.W. of Wick; does a brisk trade in agricultural produce, cattle, and paving stones.

THYROID GLAND, a gland in the neck producing thyroxine, which is essential for normal development and lack of which causes cretinism.

THYRSUS, an attribute of Dionysus, being a staff or spear entwined with ivy leaves and a cone at the top; carried by the devotees of the god on festive occasions; the cone was presumed to cover the spear-point, a wound from which was said to cause madness.

TIAN-SHAN ("Celestial Mountains"), a great mountain range of Central Asia, separating Turkestan from Eastern and Chinese Turkestan; highest summit Kaufmann Peak, 22,500 ft.

TIBER, a river of Italy celebrated in ancient Roman history, rises in the Apennines, in the province of Arosio, Tuscany; rapid and turbid in its upper course, but navigable 100 m. upwards from its mouth; flows generally in a S. direction, and after a course of about 200 m. enters the Mediterranean about 15 m. below Rome.

TIBERIUS, second Roman emperor, born in Rome; was of the Claudian family; became the stepson of Augustus, who, when he was five years old, had married his mother; was himself married to Agrippina, daughter of Agrippa, but was compelled to divorce her and marry Augustus's daughter Julia, by whom he had two sons, on the death of whom he was adopted as the emperor's successor; after various military services in various parts of the empire, he succeeded Augustus in A.D. 14; his reign was notable for some progressive measures, but was distinguished by acts of cruelty, especially in the instance of the minister Sejanus, whom out of jealousy he put to death; given up to debauchery, he was suffocated in a fainting fit by the captain of the Praetorian Guards in A.D. 37, and succeeded by Caligula; it was during his reign that Christ was crucified (42 A.D.; A.D. 37).

TIBET, the cat in "Bernard the Fox" (l. r.).

TIBET, a country of Central Asia, and once a dependency of China, but now an independent State under British patronage, called by the natives themselves Bod or Bodul, comprises a wide expanse of tableland, three times the size of France, almost as cold as Siberia, most of it higher than Mont Blanc, and all of it, except a few valleys, destitute of population; enclosed by the lofty ranges of the Himalaya and Kuenlun Mountains, it has been left practically unexplored, possesses great mineral wealth, and a large foreign trade is carried on in woollen cloth (chief article of manufacture); polyandry and polygamy are prevailing customs among the people who are a Mongolic race of fine physique, fond of music and dancing, jealous of intrusion, and absorbed in their own ways and customs; the government, civil and religious, is in the hands of the clergy, the lower orders of which are numerous throughout the country; a variation of Mongol Shamanism is the native religion, but Lamaism is the official religion of the country, and the supreme authority is vested in the Dalai Lama, the sovereign pontiff, who resides at Lhasa, the capital.

TIBULLUS, ALBIUS, Roman elegiac poet, a contemporary of Virgil and Horace, the latter of whom was warmly attached to him, he accompanied Messalla, his patron, in his campaigns to Gaul and the East, but had no liking for war, and preferred in peace to cultivate the tender sentiments, and to attune his harp to his emotions (54-18 B.C.).

TICHBORNE, a village and property of Hampshire, which became notorious in the seventies through a butcher, from Wagon Wagon, in Australia, named Thomas Castro, otherwise Thomas Orton, laying claim to it in 1866 on the death of Sir Alfred Joseph Tichborne; the "Chidnam" represented himself as an elder brother of the deceased baronet, supposed (and rightly) to have perished at sea; the imposture was exposed after a lengthy trial ending in March, 1872, and a subsequent trial for perjury resulted in a sentence of 14 years' penal servitude. Orton, after his release, confessed his imposture in 1895.

TICINO, the most southerly canton of Switzerland, lies on the Italian frontier; slopes down from the Lepontine Alps in the N. to fertile cultivated plains in the S., which grow olive, vines, figs, &c.; the inhabitants speak Italian, and the canton, from the mildness of its climate and richness of its soil, has been called the "Italian Switzerland"; it embraces most of Lakes Lugano and Maggiore, and is traversed by the St. Gothard Railway.

TICINO, a river of Switzerland and North Italy; springs from the S. side of Mount St. Gothard, flows southwards through Lake Maggiore and S.E. through North Italy, joining the Po 4 m. below Pavia, after a course of 150 m.

TICKELL, THOMAS, a minor English poet, born in Bridekirk, Cumberland; enjoyed the friendship and favour of Addison, who praised him in the *Spectator*, and held till his death the appointment of secretary to the Lords Justices of Ireland; his poetry does not count for much in the history of English literature, but he was happy in the composition of occasional poems, e.g., "The Prospect of Peace," "The Royal Progress," and in ballads, such as "Colin and Lucy," while his translation of the first book of the *Iliad* was so good as to rouse the jealousy of Pope (1686-1740).

TICKNOR, GEORGE, American man of letters, born in Boston; studied in various European cities, where he was received in the best literary circles, and of which he has left in his journal interesting impressions; held the professorship of French and Spanish in Harvard University for a number of years; published in 1849 his "History of Spanish Literature," the standard work on the subject, also wrote lives of Lafayette and Prescott (1791-1871).

TICONDEROGA, a township of New York, on Lake Champlain, 100 m. N. of Albany; has various factories and mills in the vicinity; a place of much prominence during the struggles with the French and later during the revolutionary war.

TIECK, JOHANN LUDWIG, German poet, born in Berlin; was one of the founders of the Romantic school in Germany, was a friend of the Schlegels and Novalis; wrote novels and popular tales and dramas, some of his fairy tales and other fiction were translated by Carlyle, who pays a high tribute to the author's "gay southern fancy" in one of his "Miscellaneous Essays" (1773-1853).

TIENSIN, an important city and river port of China, on the Pei-ho, 34 m. from its mouth and 80 m. S.E. of Peking, of which it is the port; since 1858 has been one of the open treaty ports, and in 1861 a British consulate was established; three months of the year the Pei-ho is frozen over, there is an increasing transit trade with Russia.

TIERRA DEL FUEGO, a compact island-group at the southern extremity of the South American continent, from which it is separated by the Strait of Magellan; the most southerly point is Cape Horn (c. r.); of the group, Tierra del Fuego, sometimes called King Charles South Land, belongs partly to the Argentine and partly to Chile, to which also belong the other islands, except Staten Island, an Argentine possession, save for a few fertile plains in the N., where some sheep-farming goes on, the region is bleak, barren, and mountainous, with rocky, fiord-cut coasts swept by violent and prolonged gales, scantily peopled by now harmless Indians of a low type.

TIERS ETAT (third estate), name given to the Commons section in the States-General of France.

TIPLIS, capital of a mountainous and forest-clad government of the same name in Russian Caucasus, on the E. 165 m. S.E. of the Black Sea; is a city of considerable antiquity and note, and owes much to-day to the energy of the Russians, who annexed it in 1802; noted for its silver and other metal work.

TIGRIS, an important river of Turkey in Asia; rises in the mountains of Kurdistan, flows S.E. to Diar-bekir, E. to Til (where it receives the Bitlis), and hence S.E. through a flat and arid country, till, after a course of 1100 m., it unites with the Euphrates to form the Shat-el-Arab, which debouches into the Persian Gulf 90 m. lower; is navigable for 500 m. to Bagdad; on its banks are the ruins of Nineveh, Seleucia, and Ctesiphon.

TILBURY FORT, on the Essex bank of the Thames, opposite Gravesend; the main defence of the river above Sheerness; in 1886 extensive docks, quays, and a tidal basin were opened, and in 1890 a large landing-stare to accommodate ocean liners.

TILLOTSON, JOHN ROBERT, archbishop of Canterbury, born in Sowerby, Yorkshire, of a Puritan family, and trained on Puritan lines; studied at Clare Hall, Cambridge, came under the influence of Cudworth (q.v.), conformed to the Established Church at the Restoration and became King's chaplain and a prebend of Canterbury, till at length he rose to be dean and primate; was an eloquent

preacher, a man of moderate views, and respected by all parties (1630-1694).

TILLY, JOHANN TIERCKLAES, COUNT OF, one of the great generals of the Thirty Years' War (c. 1611), born in Brabant; was designed for the priesthood and educated by Jesuits, but abandoned the Church for the army; was trained in the art of war by Parina and Alva, and proved himself a born soldier; reorganised the Bavarian army, and, devoted to the Catholic cause, was given command of the Catholic army at the outbreak of the Thirty Years' War, during the course of which he won many notable battles, acting later on in conjunction with Wallenstein, whom in 1630 he succeeded as commander-in-chief of the Imperial forces, and in the following year sacked with merciless cruelty the town of Magdeburg, a deed which Gustavus Adolphus was swift to avenge by crushing the Catholic forces in two successive battles—at Breitenfeld and at Lech—in the latter of which Tilly was mortally wounded (1659-1632).

TILSIT, a manufacturing town of East Prussia, on the Memel or Niemen, 65 m. N.E. of Königsberg; here was signed in 1807 a memorable treaty between Alexander I. of Russia and Napoleon, as the result of which Friedrich Wilhelm III. of Prussia was deprived of the greater part of his dominions.

TIMBUCTOO, an important city of the Western Sudan, situated at the edge of the Sahara, 8 m. N. of the Upper Niger, at the centre of five caravan routes which lead to all parts of North Africa; carries on a large transit trade, exchanging European goods for native produce; was occupied by the French in 1894.

TIMES, THE, a London daily newspaper founded in 1785 as the *London Daily Universal Register*; it adopted its present name in 1788. Lord Northcliffe acquired control in 1908, but in 1922 a trust was formed, to prevent the paper ever again falling completely into private hands. It is England's greatest national paper, and politically it is its traditional policy to give a general support to the Government of the day, irrespective of party.

TIMOLEON, a celebrated general of ancient Greece, born of a noble family, in Corinth, about 395 B.C., ardently espoused the cause of the Greeks in Sicily, who were in danger of forfeiting their liberties to the Carthaginians, and headed an army to Syracuse, where he defeated and drove out Dionysius the Younger (344), subsequently cleared the island of the oppressors, and brought back order and good government, after which he quietly returned to private life, and spent his later years at Syracuse, beloved by the Sicilians as their liberator and benefactor; d. 337 B.C.

TIMON OF PHILUS, a Greek philosopher, a disciple of Pyrrho (q.v.), flourished 280 B.C.; wrote a satirical poem on the whole Greek philosophy up to date, which is the source of our knowledge of his master's opinions. Also the name of a misanthrope of Athens, a contemporary of Socrates, the subject of Shakespeare's play of the name.

TIMOR, the largest of the long chain of islands which stretches eastward from Java, of volcanic formation, mountainous, wooded, and possessing deposits of various metals, but mainly exports maize, sandal-wood, wax, tortoise-shell, &c.; population consists chiefly of Papuans, whose native chiefs are the real rulers of the island, which belongs, the W. portion of it to Holland and the E. to Portugal; E. of Timor lies a group of three low-lying islands of coral formation, known as Timor-Laut or Tenimber Islands; Dutch possession.

TIMOTHY, a convert of St. Paul, associate and deputy, to whom, as in charge of the Church at Ephesus, the Apostle wrote two epistles in the interval between his imprisonment and death at Rome, the First Epistle to direct him in the discharge of his pastoral duties, and the Second to invite him to Rome, and counsel him, should he (Paul) not be dead before the other arrived.

TINUS THE TARTAR. See TAMERLANE.

TIN, a white metal obtained from the mineral cassiterite, the chief source being Malaya; tin is used extensively for plating iron and for alloying with lead and copper; the price of tin has increased in

recent years owing to the demand for it in connection with the manufacture of motor-cars.

TINDAL, MATTHEW, English deistical writer, born in Devonshire, studied at Oxford, became Fellow of All Souls, was first a Protestant, then a Catholic, and then a free-thinker of a very outspoken type, exhibited in a polemic which provoked hostility on all sides; his most famous work was "Christianity as old as Creation; or, the Gospel a Republication of the Religion of Nature," a work which did not attack Christianity, but rationalised it (1686-1733).

TINEWALD, THE, name of the Manor Parliament.

TINNEVELLI, a town of Madras Presidency, S.E. India, capital of a district of the same name; lies 50 m. N. of Cape Comorin, and adjoins Palanocotta, headquarters of the British military and government, is a centre of Protestant mission work, and possesses a Hindu temple and a Hindu college.

TINTAGEL HEAD, a rocky headland, 300 ft. high, on the W. Cornish coast, 22 m. W. of Launceston; associated with the Arthurian legend as the site of King Arthur's castle and court; 6 m. distant lies Camelford, identified by some with the famous Camelot.

TINTERN ABBEY, one of the most beautiful ruined abbeys of England, founded by the Cistercian monks in 1131 on the Wye, in Monmouthshire, 5 m. above Chepstow; associated with Wordsworth's great poem, "Lines composed a few miles above Tintern Abbey."

TINTORETTO, baptised **JACOPO ROBUSTI**, a famous Italian artist, one of Ruskin's "five supreme painters," born in Venice; save for a few lessons under Titian he seems to have been self-taught; took for his models Titian and Michael Angelo, and came especially to excel in grandeur of conception and in strong chiaroscuro effects; amongst his most notable pictures are "Balthazar's Feast," "The Last Supper," "The Crucifixion," "The Last Judgment," "The Resurrection," &c.; some of these are of enormous size (1618-1594).

TINWORTH, GEORGE, British wood carver. Starting in business as a wheelwright, he showed a bent for wood carving, and studied at the Royal Academy; for some years he modelled for Boulton's factory, and he did carving in many cathedrals and churches (1845-1913).

TIPPERARY, a south-midland county of Ireland, in the province of Munster, stretching N. of Waterford, between Limerick (W.) and Kilkenny (E.); possesses a productive soil, which favours a considerable agricultural and dairy farming industry; coal is also worked; the soil is the principal stream; the generally flat surface is diversified in the S. by the Galtees (3008 ft.) and Knockmalindaun (2609 ft.), besides smaller ranges elsewhere; county town Tipperary, 110 m. S.W. of Dublin; noted for its butter market. The place achieved fame and importance in 1914 on account of the fact that a popular comic song called "It's a long way to Tipperary" in vogue at the time, was adopted by the British army as a marching song.

TIPPOO SAHIB, son of Hyder Ali (q.v.), whom he succeeded in the Sultanate of Mysore in 1782; already a trained and successful warrior in his father's struggles with the English, he set himself with implacable enmity to check the advance of British arms; in 1799 invaded Travancore, and in the subsequent war (1790-1792), after a desperate resistance, was overcome and deprived of half of his territories, and compelled to give in homage his two sons; intrigued later with the French, and again engaged the English, but was defeated, and his capital, Seringapatam, captured after a month's siege, himself perishing in the final attack; was popularly known as "the Tiger of Mysore" (1769-1799).

TIPTON, an iron-manufacturing town of Staffordshire, 8½ m. N.W. of Birmingham.

TIRABOSCHI, GIROLAMO, an Italian writer, who for some time filled the chair of Rhetoric at Milan University, and subsequently became librarian to the Duke of Modena; is celebrated for his exhaustive survey of Italian literature in 13 vols., a work of the utmost value (1731-1794).

TIRESIAS, in the Greek mythology a soothsayer, who had been struck blind either by Athena or Hera, but on whom in compensation Zeus had conferred the gift of prophecy and length of days beyond the ordinary term of existence.

TRINOVA, a fortified town of Bulgaria, 35 m. SSE. of Blatova; is the seat of the Bulgarian patriarch; formerly the State capital.

TRITZ, ADMIRAL VON, German admiral. He entered the navy at the age of 16, took command of the Baltic Fleet in 1891, and became Naval Secretary of State in 1897; for the first two years of the Great War he commanded the German Fleet (1910-1918).

TRINYS, an ancient city of Greece, excavated by Schliemann in 1884-1886; situated in the Peloponnese, in the plain of Argolis, 3 m. from the head of the Argolic Gulf; legend associates it with the early life of Hercules; has ruins of a citadel and of Cyclopean walls unsurpassed in Greece.

TISCHENDORF, CONSTANTIN VON, Illustrious scholar, born in Saxony; spent his life in textual criticism; his great work "Critical Edition of the New Testament" (1815-1874).

TISIPHONE, one of the three Furies (q.v.).

TISZA, COUNT ISTVAN, Hungarian politician. As quite a young man he embraced a political career, and in 1903 became Prime Minister for two years; it was he who with Count Berchtold was in some measure responsible for the Great War by framing Austria-Hungary's stern terms to Serbia after the assassination of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand at Sarajevo in June, 1914; he himself was assassinated in November, 1918 (1881-1918).

TITANIA, the wife of Oberon and the queen of the fairies.

TITANIC, a White Star liner which was sunk by an iceberg near Cape Rose on April 14, 1912, while on her maiden voyage to America; 1200 lives were lost.

TITANIUM, a rare, very hard metal, always found in combination.

TITANS, in the Greek mythology sons of Uranus and Gaia, beings of gigantic strength, and of the dynasty prior to that of Zeus, who made war on Zeus, and hoped to scale heaven by piling mountain on mountain, but were overpowered by the thunderbolts of Zeus, and consigned to a limbo below the lowest depths of Tartarus; they represent the primitive powers of nature, as with seeming reluctance submissive to the world-order established by Zeus, and symbolize the vain efforts of mere strength to subvert the ordinance of heaven; they are not to be confounded with the Giants, nor with their offspring, who had learned wisdom from the failure of their fathers, and who, Prometheus one of them, represented the idea that the world was made for man and not man for the world, and that all the powers of it, from highest to lowest, were there for his benefit.

TITHES, an ecclesiastical tax known to the Jews and adopted by the Christian Church. The usual rate was one-tenth of the annual produce of land and cattle. In England tithes were made compulsory about the 9th century; they were paid to the rector, who might not be the cleric in charge of the parish, often in fact being the lord of the manor or a corporate body. The Tithes Act of 1836 largely commuted tithes into a rent charge.

TITHONUS, in the Greek mythology son of Laomedon, who was wedded to Eos, who begged Zeus to confer on him immortality but forgot to beg for youth, so that his decrepitude in old age became a burden to him; he was changed into a cicada.

TITIAN, more correctly **VECELLO TIZIANO**, great Italian painter, born in Capo del Cadore, the prince of colourists and head of the Venetian school; studied at Venice, and came under the influence of Giorgione; he was a master of his art from the very first, and his fame led to employment in all directions over Italy, Germany, and Spain; his works were numerous, and rich in variety; he was much in request as a portrait-painter, and painted most of the great people he knew; he ranks with Michael Angelo and Raphael as the head of the Italian Renaissance; lived to a great age (1477-1576).

TITIENS, TERESA, or **TLETJENS** a famous operatic

singer, born of Hungarian parents in Hamburg; made her debut in 1849 at Altona, in the character of Lucrezia Borgia, and soon took rank as the foremost singer on the German lyric stage; appeared with triumphant success in London (1858), and henceforth made her home in England, associating herself with the management of Mapleson; visited America in 1875; her commanding physique and powerful acting, together with her splendid voice, made her an ideal interpreter of such tragic characters as Norma, Fidelio, Marguerite, and Ortrud (1881-1877).

TITMAREH, MICHAEL ANGELO, pseudonym assumed for a series of years by Thackeray.

TITUS, a convert of St. Paul, a Greek by birth, appears to have accompanied St. Paul on his last journey, and to have been with him at his death; Paul's Epistle to him was to instruct and encourage him during his ministry in Crete.

TITUS, FLAVIUS VESPASIANUS, Roman emperor, born in Rome, the son of Vespasian, served in Germany and Britain, and under his father in Judaea; on his father's elevation to the throne persecuted the Jews, laid siege to Jerusalem, and took the city in A.D. 70; on his accession to the throne he addressed himself to works of public beneficence, and became the idol of the citizens; his death was sudden, and his reign lasted only three years; during that short period he won for himself the title of the "Delight of Mankind" (48-81).

TITYUS, a giant whose body covered nine acres of land, son of Zeus and Gaia, and who for attempting to force Latona was punished in the nether world by two vultures continually gnawing at his liver.

TIVERTON, an interesting old town of Devonshire, pleasantly situated between the Exe and Loman, 12 m. N. by E. of Exeter, possesses public baths, assembly rooms, almshouses, and a 17th-century grammar-school; noted for its lace manufactures.

TIVOLI, a town of Italy, known to the ancients as Tibur, beautifully situated on the Tevere river, 18 m. E. of Rome; was much resorted to by the wealthy Roman citizens, and is celebrated by Horace; is full of interesting remains.

TLAXCALA, a State of North Mexico, and formerly an Aztec republic; capital, Tlaxcala; has woollen manufactures.

TORACCO, the dried leaves of various narcotic plants of the Nicotiana family, grown chiefly in America and Cuba, and to some extent in South Africa. From it are made cigars, cigarettes, pipe mixtures, and snuff. It was first introduced into England in the 16th century, and the tax on it now provides an important source of revenue to the Exchequer.

TOBAGO, one of the Windward Islands (q.v.), the most southerly of the group; a British possession since 1763, politically attached to Trinidad; is hilly, picturesque, and volcanic; exports rum, molasses, and live-stock.

TOBIT, THE BOOK OF, a book of the Apocrypha giving account of the life and vicissitudes of a pious Israelitish family in the Assyrian captivity, that consisted of Tobit, and his wife, and Tobias his son; all three are held up to honour for their strict observance of the Law of the Lord and their deeds of charity to such as loved it; it is notable for the prominence given in it to the ministry of angels, both good and bad, among the former Raphael and among the latter Asmodeus, and is the work of a Jew whose mind was imbued with Oriental imagery.

TOBOLSK, a town and government of W. Siberia, picturesquely planted at the confluence of the Irtysh and Tobol, 2000 m. E. of St. Petersburg; has a cathedral, barracks, theatre, and prison.

TOBY, UNCLE, the hero of Sterne's "Tristram Shandy," a retired captain, distinguished for his kindness, gallantry, and simplicity.

TOC EE, an international movement among young men aiming at inculcating principles of religion and service. It derived its name from the army signalling abbreviation for Talbot House, a soldiers' club founded in Poppertinghe in the Ypres Salient by the Rev. P. T. B. (Tubby) Clayton (q.v.) in 1915, and named after Reginald Talbot, a young officer killed in the early days of the war.

TOCANTINS, one of the great rivers of Brazil, rises in the State of Goyaz; flows northwards, and after a course of 1500 m. enters the estuary of the Para.

one of the mouths of the Amazon, 138 m. from the Atlantic; receives the Araguay from the S., an affluent 1600 m. long.

TOCQUEVILLE, ALEXIS CLÉREL DE, French economist, born in Verneuil, of an old Norman family, bred to the bar, and specially distinguished as the author of two works in high repute, "La Démocratie en Amérique" and "L'Ancien Régime et la Révolution"; died at Cannes, leaving much of his work unfinished (1805-1859).

TODHUNTER, ISAAC, mathematician, born in Rye; educated at University College, London, and at Cambridge, where he graduated senior wrangler and Smith's prizeman in 1848; elected Fellow and principal mathematical lecturer of his college (81, John's), and soon became widely known in educational circles by his various and excellent handbooks and treatises on mathematical subjects (1820-1884).

TODLEBEN, EDUARD IVANOVITCH, a noted Russian general of German descent, who, trained in the engineer corps, greatly distinguished himself by his defensive operations at Sebastopol during its siege by the French and English in the Crimean War, and subsequently by the reduction of Plevna, his greatest achievement, which brought to a close the war with Turkey in 1877; subsequently became commander-in-chief in Bulgaria (1878-1884).

TODMORDEN, a cotton town prettily situated amid hills on the border of Lancashire and Yorkshire, on the Calder, 21 m. N.E. of Manchester; coal abounds in the vicinity.

TOGA, an outer garment, usually of white wool, like a large blanket, folded about the person in a variety of ways, but generally thrown over the left shoulder and hanging down the back, leaving the right arm free; it was at once the badge of manhood and Roman citizenship in earlier days, its use languishing during the Empire.

TOGOLAND, a British and French protectorate on the Slave Coast, in Upper Guinea, with Gold Coast Colony on the W., and Dahomey on the E.; exports palm-oil and ivory.

TOKAY, a Hungarian town on the Theiss, 130 m. N.E. of Pesth; greatly celebrated for its wines, of which it manufactures 34 different sorts.

TOKEN, a coin issued by traders at a time of scarcity of minted money, as up to the reign of James I., when farthing lead tokens were made; later coins were of copper or brass, many such being struck for the market of collectors which had sprung up; in 1797 the 2d. and 1d. pieces issued superseded them as currency; similar coins were in use from time to time in Scotland and Ireland.

TOKYO, or TOKIO, formerly called Yeddo, capital of the Japanese Empire, situated on a bay of the same name on the S.E. coast of Honshu, and partly built on the delta of the river Sumida; is for the most part flat and intersected by canals and narrow, irregular streets, and has a finely-walled river-side avenue 5 m. long; on account of frequent earthquakes most of the houses are of light bamboo structure, which, however, renders them liable to destructive fires; it suffered severely in the great earthquake of September 1, 1923; has a fine castle, government offices, university, and some 700 schools and colleges; as the political, commercial, and literary metropolis it possesses an overshadowing influence over the national life of the empire. Yokohama, 17 m. distant, is the port of entry.

TOLA, a weight in India for gold and silver, equal to 180 grains Troy.

TOLAND, JOHN, political and deistical writer, born in Derry, of Catholic parents; abandoned the Catholic faith; studied at Leyden and Oxford; his first work, "Christianity not Mysterious," which created a great stir, and was burned in Ireland by the common hangman; it was succeeded, along with others, by "Nagrensis," which traced Christianity to conflicting elements in the early Church; he was a disciple of Locke (1670-1722).

TOLEDO, a city of Spain, capital of a province, and former capital of the kingdom, occupies a commanding site amid hills on the Tagus, 40 m. S.W. of Madrid; within and without presents a sombre and imposing appearance; is the see of the primate of Spain, and possesses a noble Gothic cathedral, ruins of the Old's castle, and remains of the Moorish occupation (712-

1085); the manufacture of sword-blades, famous in Roman times, is still carried on in a government establishment a mile out of the city.

TOLEDO, capital of Lucas County, Ohio, on the Maumee River, 80 m. W. of Lake Erie; is a busy centre of iron manufactures, and does a large trade in grain, flour, lumber, &c., facilitated by a fine harbour, canal, and railway systems.

TOLERATION ACT, a statute passed in 1689 to relieve all Dissenters from certain penalties, excepting Roman Catholics and Unitarians.

TOLSTOL, COUNT LEO, novelist, social reformer, and religious mystic, born in Tula, of a noble family; served for a time in the army, soon retired from it, and travelled; married, and settled on his estate near Moscow in 1862; his two great works are "War and Peace" (1869-1868), and "Anna Karenina" (1875-1878); wrote many works after, all more or less in a religious vein, and in the keenest, deepest sympathy with the soul-oppression of the world, finding the secret of Christianity to lie in the precept of Christ, "Resist not evil," and exemplifying that as the principle of his own life (1828-1910).

TOLUENE, or TOLUOL, a homologue of benzene, obtained from the light oil fraction of the distillate from coal tar; it resembles benzene in its general properties, but has a somewhat higher boiling-point.

TOMAHAWK, a weapon resembling an axe, once in common use among the Indian tribes of North America; it could be thrown a considerable distance with deadly accuracy; earliest forms had a stone head attached by leather thongs to a short, wooden handle.

TOMMY ATKINS, the British soldier, as Jack Tar is the British sailor, from a hypothetical name inserted in a War Office schedule at one time issued to each soldier.

TOMSK, a town and government of W. Siberia, on the Tom, 56 m. from its confluence with the Obi; has a university, and is an important depot on the trade-route to China.

TONBRIDGE, an old market town in Kent on the Medway, 29 m. from London; it has an old castle and church, carries on brewing and tanning trades, and has a famous public school founded in 1545 by Sir Andrew Judde and endowed by the Skinners Company of London.

TONE, THEOBALD WOLFE, Irish patriot, born in Dublin; called to the bar in 1789; found a congenial sphere for his restless, reckless nature in the disturbed politics of his time, and was active in founding the "United Irishmen," whose intrigues with France got him into trouble and forced him to seek refuge in America, and subsequently France, where he schemed for a French invasion of Ireland; eventually was captured by the English while on his way with a small French squadron against Ireland; was condemned at Dublin, but escaped a death on the gallows by committing suicide in prison (1763-1798).

TONGA ISLANDS, or FRIENDLY ISLANDS, an archipelago in the S. Pacific, 250 m. S.E. of Fiji; Tongatabu is the largest; volcanic and fruit-bearing, missionary enterprise (Wesleyan Methodist) has done much to improve the mental, moral, and material condition of the natives, who belong to the fair Polynesian stock and are a superior race to the other natives of Polynesia, but are diminishing in numbers. See FRIENDLY ISLANDS.

TONGALAND, a native State on the E. coast of South Africa, stretching N. of Zululand.

TONGKING, TONGKIN, or TONKIN, a fertile northern province of Annam (q.v.), ceded to France in 1884; is richly productive of rice, cotton, sugar, opium, &c., but has an unhealthy climate.

TONGRES, an episcopal city of Belgium, 12 m. N.W. of Liège; its church of Notre Dame dates from 1240.

TONIC SOL-FA, a system of notation in music in which letters take the place of notes; it was first used by a teacher in Norwich, a Miss Glover, about 1845, and was taken up by the Rev. John Curwen.

TONNAGE AND POUNDAGE, the name given to certain duties first levied in Edward II.'s reign on every ton of imported wine, and on every pound weight of merchandise exported or imported; Charles I.'s attempt to levy these without parlia-

mentary sanction was one of the complaints of his Long Parliament; were swept away by the Customs Consolidation Act of 1787.

TONSURE, a shaven part of the head; Roman priests after the 5th century shaved a circle off the crown of the head; in the Greek Church the whole head is shaved.

TOOKE, JOHN HORNE, baptismal name **JOHN HORNE**, the son of a well-to-do poultryer, born in Westminster; graduated at Cambridge, and to please his father took holy orders in 1760, but after some years, during which he had tutored abroad, zealously resisted Wilkes in his election to Parliament, and successfully encountered "Junius"; he abandoned the Church and studied for the bar, to which, on account of his holy orders, he was refused a call; became an active political free-lance, and acquired great popularity as a strenuous advocate of parliamentary reform; entered Parliament in 1801, but in the following year was excluded by an Act making it illegal for any one in priest's orders to be returned; inherited the fortune and assumed the name of his friend William Tooke of Purley; is best known as the author of the "Divisions of Purley," a witty medley of etymology, grammar, metaphysics, and politics (1736-1812).

TOOLE, JOHN LAWRENCE, a celebrated comedian, born in London, where he was educated at the City School, and afterwards put to business, but soon took to the stage, serving his apprenticeship and gaining a considerable reputation in the provinces before making his appearance at St. James's Theatre in London in 1854; became the leading low-comedian of his day, and in 1880 took over the management of the Folly Theatre, which he renamed Toole's Theatre; had unrivalled powers of blending pathos with burlesque, and in such characters as Paul Pry, Caleb Plummer, and Chawles was a special favourite all over the English-speaking world (1830-1906).

TOOM TABARD. See **TABARD**.

TOPE, the popular name in Buddhist countries for a species of capula-shaped fungus surmounted by a finial, in shape like an open parasol, the emblem of Hindu royalty; the tiered finial was often placed one upon the top of the other until a great height was reached; one in Ceylon attains a height of 249 ft., with a diameter of 350 ft.; were used to preserve relics or to commemorate some event.

TOPEKA, capital of Kansas, on the Kansas River, 67 m. W. of Kansas City, is a spacious, well laid out town, the seat of an Episcopal bishop, well supplied with schools and colleges, and busy with the manufacture of flour, heavy iron goods, &c.

TOPFFER, RUDOLF, caricaturist and novelist of Geneva, where he founded a boarding-school, and became professor of Rhetoric in the Geneva Academy; author of some charming novels, "Nouvelles Genevoises," "La Bibliothèque de mon Oncle," &c. (1799-1848).

TOPLADY, AUGUSTUS MONTAGUE, hymn-writer, born in Barnham, Surrey, became vicar of Great Hembury, Devonshire, in 1768; was an uncompromising Calvinist, and opponent of the Methodists; survives as the author of "Rock of Ages," besides which he wrote "Poems on Sacred Subjects," and compiled "Psalms and Hymns," of which a few are his own (1740-1778).

TORGAV, a fortified town of Prussia, on the Elbe, 70 m. SW. of Berlin; has a church consecrated by Luther, and in the town church the wife of the great reformer lies buried; scene of a victory of Frederick the Great over the Austrians in November, 1760.

TORONTO, the second city of Canada, and metropolis of the W. and NW. regions, capital of Ontario; situated on a small bay on the NW. coast of Lake Ontario, 315 m. NW. of Montreal; is a spacious and handsomely built city, with fine churches, a splendidly equipped university, Parliament buildings, law courts, theological colleges, schools of medicine and music, libraries, &c.; does a large shipping and railway trade in lumber, fruit, grain, and coal; was founded in 1794, as York, by Governor Simcoe.

TORQUAY, a popular watering-place of South Devon, on Tor Bay, 23 m. S. of Exeter; with a fine climate

and beautiful surroundings, has since the beginning of last century grown from a little fishing village to be "the Queen of English watering-places" and a great yachting centre.

TORQUEMADA, THOMAS DE, a prior of a Dominican monastery who became in 1483, during the reign of Ferdinand and Isabella, head of the Inquisition, a "holy office" he administered with merciless cruelty (1420-1498).

TORRES STRAIT separates Australia from New Guinea, 80 m. broad, and from its numerous islands, shoals, and reefs is exceedingly difficult to navigate; takes its name from the Spaniard Torres who first sailed through it in 1606.

TORRES-VEDEAS, a town of Portugal, 26 m. N. of Lisbon; celebrated for the great lines of defence Wellington constructed in 1810, and behind which he successfully withstood the siege of the French under Massena, thus saving Lisbon, and preparing the way for his subsequent expulsion of the French from the Peninsula.

TORREY, REUBEN ARCHER, American revivalist who visited London with C. M. Alexander from 1903 to 1905. He was educated at Yale, and was associated in his early days with Moody (1856-).

TORRICELLI, EVANGELISTA, a celebrated Italian physicist; devoted himself to science, and attracted the attention of Galileo, whom he subsequently succeeded as professor at the Florentine Academy; discovered the scientific principle of the barometer, which is sometimes called the Torricellian tube, and made notable advances in mathematical and physical science (1608-1647).

TORRINGTON, a market town of North Devon, built on an eminence overlooking the Torridge, 10 m. SW. of Barnstaple; manufactures gloves; was the scene of a Parliamentary victory in 1646, during the great rebellion.

TORTURE, JUDICIAL, torture to extort a confession, practised in England till 1584, and in Scotland by thumb-screws and the boot till 1690.

TORY, the old name for a Conservative in politics, generally of very decided type; originally denoted an Irish robber of the English in Ireland.

TOSTI, SIR FRANCESCO PAOLO, composer of Italian birth he studied at Naples, became Court Musician in Rome, and in 1890 settled in London and became naturalised; for some time singing-master to the Royal Family he was knighted in 1908; among the many songs he composed "Parted" and "Goodbye" proved the most popular (1846-1916).

TOTALISATOR, an automatic system for registering bets and working out the odds on winners according to the extent to which they have been backed. For long in vogue on the Continent and in Australia the system was introduced in England in July, 1929, for unit bets of 2s.

TOTEMISM, division of a race into tribes, each of which has its own Totem, or animal, as the symbol of it and the name, and as such treated with superstitious veneration, as involving religious obligation.

TOWERS, a quaint old market town of Devonshire, overlooking the Dart, 29 m. NW. of Plymouth; has interesting Norman and other remains; a centre of agricultural industry.

TOUL, a strongly fortified town of France, on the Moselle, 20 m. W. of Nancy; has a noble Gothic cathedral and lace and hat manufactures; was captured by the Germans in 1870.

TOULON, chief naval station of France, on the Mediterranean, situated 42 m. SE. of Marseilles, lies at the foot of the Pharon Hills, the heights of which are strongly fortified; has a splendid 11th-century cathedral, and theatre, forts, citadel, 240 acres of dockyard, arsenal, cannon foundry, &c.; here in 1793 Napoleon Bonaparte, then an artillery officer, first distinguished himself in a successful attack upon the English and Spaniards.

TOULOUSE, a historic and important city of South France, capital of Haute-Garonne, pleasantly situated on a plain and touching on one side the Garonne (here spanned by a fine bridge) and on the other the Canal du Midi, 160 m. SE. of Bordeaux; notable buildings are the cathedral and Palais de Justice; is the seat of an archbishop, has schools of medicine, law, and artillery, various academies,

and a Roman Catholic university; manufactures woollens, silks, &c.; in 1814 was the scene of a victory of Wellington over Soult and the French. Under the name of Tolosa it figures in Roman and mediæval times as a centre of learning and literature, and was for a time capital of the kingdom of the Visigoths.

TOURCOING, a thriving textile manufacturing town of France, 9 m. N.E. of Lille.

TOURMALINE, a transparent mineral used in optical instruments for producing a beam of polarized light.

TOURNAMENTS, real or mock fights by knights on horseback in proof of skill in the use of arms and in contests of honour.

TOURNAY, a town of Hainault, Belgium, on the Scheldt, 35 m. S.W. of Brussels; in the 5th century was the seat of the Merovingian kings; but now presents a handsome modern appearance; has a fine Romanesque cathedral and flourishing manufactures of hosiery, linen, carpets, and porcelain. It was the scene of severe fighting in November, 1918, some of the last battles of the Great War.

TOURNEUR, CYRIL, a later Elizabethan dramatist, who seems to have led an adventurous life, and whose "Atthelt's Tragedy" (a play) and "The Revenger's Tragedy" reach a high level of dramatic power, and have been greatly praised by Swinburne; wrote also the "Transformed Metamorphosis" and other poems; lived into James I.'s reign, but little is known of his life (1575-1626).

TOURS, a historic old town of France, on the Loire, 145 m. S.W. of Paris; has a handsome and a noble Gothic cathedral, archbishop's palace, Palais de Justice, besides ancient châteaux and interesting ruins; is a centre of silk and woollen manufactures, and does a large printing trade; suffered greatly by the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes and during the Franco-German War; became the seat of government after the investment of Paris and until its capitulation to the Germans.

TOURVILLE, ANNE HILARION DE COTENTIN, COUNT DE, a French naval hero, born in Tourville, La Manche; entered the navy in 1660, established his reputation in the war with the Turks and Algerines, and in 1677 won a victory over the Dutch and Spanish fleets; supported James II. in 1690, and in the same year, as commander of the French Channel fleet, inflicted a crushing defeat on the Dutch and English, but off Cape La Hague in 1692, after a five days' engagement, had his fleet all but annihilated, a memorable victory which freed England from the danger of invasion by Louis XIV.; was created a marshal in 1693, and a year later closed his great career of service by scattering an English mercantile fleet and putting to flight the convoy squadron under Sir George Rooke (1642-1701).

TOUSSAINT L'OUVERTURE, a negro hero of Hayti, born, the son of an African slave, in Breda; took part in the slave insurrection of 1791, and in 1797 became a general of brigade in the service of the French, and by gallant soldiery cleared the English and Spanish out of Hayti; became president for life of the republic of Hayti, and began to work for the complete independence of the island; in 1801, when Napoleon endeavoured to re-introduce slavery, he revolted, but was subdued by a strong French force and taken to France, where he died in prison; is the subject of a well-known sonnet by Wordsworth (1743-1803).

TOWER BRIDGE, crosses the Thames near the Tower of London, east of London Bridge; its central span measuring 200 ft. can be raised to let vessels through to the Basin; designed by Sir Horace Jones and Sir J. Wolfe Barry, it cost £1,000,000 and was opened in 1894.

TOWER HAMLETS, for a period a parliamentary division of London, originally a group of hamlets at one time within the jurisdiction of the Lieutenant of the Tower.

TOWERS OF SILENCE, towers in Persia and India, some 60 ft. in height, on the top of which the Parsees deposit their dead to be gnawed by vultures.

TOWNSHEND, CHARLES, VISCOUNT, statesman, born in Raynham, Norfolk; succeeded to the title on his father's death, and after taking his seat in

the Upper House turned Whig, and soon became prominent in the party; was one of the commissioners who arranged the Scottish Union; accompanied Macdonough as joint-plenipotentiary to the Gertruydenburg Conference (1760); got into political trouble for signing the Barrier Treaty while acting as ambassador to the States-General; under George I. rose to high favour, became acknowledged leader of the Whigs, passed the Septennial Act, but after 1721 was eclipsed in the party by the greater abilities of Walpole, and after unpleasant rivalries was forced to withdraw from the ministry (1730); gave himself then to agricultural pursuits (1674-1735).

TOWNSHEND, CHARLES, statesman and orator, grandson of preceding; entered Parliament in 1747 as a Whig, and after his great speech against the Marriage Bill of 1753 ranked among the foremost orators of his day; held important offices of State under various ministers: Bute, Chatham, and Rockingham, and as Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1767 was responsible for the imposition of the paper, tea, and other duties on the American colonies which provoked the War of Independence and led to the loss of the colonies; a man of brilliant gifts and noted wit, but his wit Burke termed "an immediate joy of shame" to play the weathercock "in politics; died when on the point of attaining the premiership (1725-1767).

TOWNSHEND, SIR CHARLES, British general. He saw service in the Boer War, and at the start of the Great War was sent to Mesopotamia, where he was from 1914 to 1918, and where he was in charge of the British forces defending Kut (1915). From 1920 to 1922 he sat in the House of Commons (1861-1924).

TOWTON, a village of Yorkshire, 3 m. S.E. of Tadcaster, where in 1461 Edward IV. at the head of the Yorkists completely routed the Lancastrians under the Duke of Somerset.

TOYNBEE HALL, an institution in Whitechapel, London, founded in 1885 for the social welfare of the poor in the district, established in memory of Arnold Toynbee (1852-1883), who had come under Ruskin's influence and took a deep interest in the working-classes, his zeal for whose benefit shortened his life.

TRACTARIANISM, the tenets of the High Church party in the English Church advocated in "Tracts for the Times," published at Oxford between 1833 and 1841, the chief doctrine of which was that the Church, through its sacraments in the hands of a regularly-ordained clergy, is the only divinely-appointed channel of the grace of Christ.

TRADE BOARD OF, a Government office which, as now constituted, dates from 1786, but whose functions within recent times have been considerably widened; consists of a president (a Cabinet minister), and ex officio the Lord Chancellor, Archbishop of Canterbury, First Lord of the Treasury, the principal Secretaries of State, Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Speaker, and others, but the actual work of the Board is left in the hands of the president and his secretarial staff.

TRADE DISPUTES ACT, a measure passed in 1906 sanctioning peaceful picketing and safeguarding union funds against seizure for damages due from individual members. Its effect was greatly to increase the power of Trade Unions, and it was modified in 1927 by the Trade Union Act (q.v.).

TRADE UNIONS, associations of workmen banded together to secure better conditions of labour. They grew up after the industrial revolution of the 18th century, and especially after the repeal in 1824 of the Anti-Combination Laws which forbade their existence. In 1871 trade unions were given full legal status, and their members were given some measure of protection, but picketing was illegal till 1876. The next step in the growth of the power of unions arose out of the legal decision in *Taff Vale Railway Co. v. Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants* in 1901, that a union was liable for damages arising from the actions of its agents; this was followed by the 1906 Trade Disputes Act (q.v.), which gave union funds complete immunity from claims for damages. In 1868 the Trade Union Congress was established, and in 1926 this body

ordered a general strike in support of the miners, an action which led to some curtailment of union powers by the Trade Unions Act (q.v.). The oldest union is the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, founded in 1850.

TRADE UNIONS ACT, a measure passed in 1927 curtailing the power of trade unions; its principal clauses were those making general strikes illegal, preventing intimidation of non-strikers, and making subscription to political funds entirely voluntary by substituting a system of "contracting in" for such subscriptions for the old system of "contracting out" by those who did not want to pay.

TRAFALGAR, CAPE, on the S. coast of Spain, at the N.W. entrance of the Strait of Gibraltar; scene of naval battle in which Nelson lost his life after inflicting (October 21, 1805), a crushing defeat on the combined fleets of France and Spain.

TRAJAN, MARCUS ULPIS, Roman emperor, born in Spain; his great deeds in arms won him a consulship in 91, and in 97 Nerva invited him to be his colleague and successor; a year later he became sole emperor, ruled the empire with wisdom and vigour, set right the finances, upheld an impartial justice, and set on foot various schemes of improvement; suppressed the Christians as politically dangerous, but with no fanatic extravagance; remained above all a warrior and true leader of the legions, and crowned his military fame by his successful conquest of Dacia, in commemoration of which he is said to have erected the famous Trajan Column, which still stands in Rome (53-117).

TRAJAN'S COLUMN, a column erected by Trajan in the Forum at Rome in memory of his victory over the Dacians, and sculptured with the story of his exploits, is 125 ft. in height, and ascended by 185 steps; was surmounted by a statue of Trajan, for which Pope Sixtus V. substituted one of St. Peter.

TRAMS, road vehicles running on rails. They originated in New York in 1855, and in England Birkenhead was a pioneer in 1860. London followed the following year. In 1884 a steam cable tram was tried in London, and this was followed by the adoption of electricity; the greater mobility and saving in capital outlay of the motor omnibus has tended to render the train an obsolete form of locomotion.

TRANSCAUCASIA, an extensive tract of territory attached to the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics stretching E. and W. between the Caucasus (N.) and Turkey in Asia and Persia (S.). See **CAUCASIA**.

TRANSCENDENTALISM, name now principally employed to denote the great doctrine of Kant and his school, that there are principles of *a priori* derivation, that is, antecedent to experience, that are regulative and constitutive of not only our thoughts but our very perceptions, and the operation of which is antecedent to and sovereign over all our mental processes; such principles are denominated the categories of thought; the name is also employed to characterise every system which grounds itself on a belief in a supernatural of which the natural is but the embodiment and manifestation.

TRANSFORMER, an electrical contrivance consisting of two coils for increasing or decreasing the voltage of an alternating current supply; it is found to be more economical to transmit electrical power for long distances at a high voltage and "step down" at substations, where the power is required.

TRANSJORDANIA, or **KERAK**, a country in the Near East bounded by Palestine on the W., Syria on the N., Iraq on the E., and Hedjaz on the S.; the inhabitants are nearly all Arabs, and except for a district on the Palestine border where the land is fertile enough to allow pasturage and agriculture almost the entire country is desert. Amman is the capital, and only important town. Government is in the hands of an Emir.

TRANSIGRATION, the doctrine prevalent in the East, that the soul is immortal, and that when it leaves the body at death it passes into another, a transition which in certain systems goes under the name of re-incarnation.

TRANSUBSTANTIATION, the doctrine of Roman Catholics as defined by the Council of Trent, that the bread and wine of the Eucharist is, after consecration by a priest, converted mystically into the

body and blood of Christ, and is known as the doctrine of the Real Presence.

TRANSVAAL, formerly **SOUTH AFRICAN REPUBLIC**, a country of S.E. Africa, and forming part of the Union of South Africa, stretching northwards from the Vaal River, and bounded N. by Matabeleland, E. by Portuguese E. Africa and Swaziland, S. by Natal and the Orange River Colony, and W. by Bechuanaland and Bechuanaland Protectorate; comprises elevated plateaux, but is mountainous in the E., about the size of Italy; has a good soil and climate favourable for agriculture and stock-raising, to which latter industry the Dutch farmer chiefly devotes himself; its chief wealth, however, lies in its extremely rich deposits of gold, especially those of the "Rand," of which it exports now more than any country in the world; its advance since the gold discoveries has been great, but the trade is almost entirely in the hands of the British immigrants; Johannesburg (q.v.) is the largest town, and Pretoria the seat of Government. In 1856 the region was settled by Dutch farmers, who had "trekked" from Natal (recently annexed by Britain) to escape British Rule, as in 1835, for a similar reason, they had come from the Cape to Natal. Fierce encounters took place with the native Basutos, but in the end the Boers made good their possession. In 1877 the Republic, then in a disorganised and impoverished condition, and threatened with extinction by the natives, came under the care of the British, by whom the natives were reduced and the finances restored. In 1880 a rising of the Boers to regain complete independence resulted in the Conventions of 1881 and 1884, by which the independence of the Republic was recognised, but subject to the right of Britain to control the foreign relations. Agitations were carried on by the growing "Uitlander" population to obtain a share in the government to which they contributed in taxes the greater part of the revenue, and a succession of attempts were made by the British Government to get the Boers to concede the franchise to the "Uitlanders" and remedy other grievances; but the negotiations connected therewith were suddenly arrested by an ultimatum of date October 9, 1899, presented to the British Government by the Transvaal, and allowing them only 48 hours to accept it. It was an ultimatum they were bound to ignore, and accordingly, the time having expired on the 11th, war was declared by the Boers. It proved a costly and sanguinary one to both sides in the conflict; but the resistance of the Boers was ultimately overcome, and hostilities ceased in May, 1902. Previously to this, the Colony had been annexed by Great Britain (1900).

TRANSYLVANIA, a district in Rumania; it is a tableland enclosed N.E. and South by the Carpathians, contains wide tracts of forests, and is one-half under tillage or in pasture; yields large crops of grain and a variety of fruits, and has mines of gold, silver, copper, iron, &c.; though the manufactures and trade are insignificant; the population consists of Rumanians, Hungarians, and Germans; it was united to Hungary in 1868, and formed part of the Austrian Empire till 1919, when it was ceded to Rumania.

TRAPANI, an ancient seaport of Sicily, known in Roman times as **Liprepanum**, in the N.W., 40 m. W. of Palermo; presents now a handsome modern appearance, and trades in wheat, wine, olives, &c.

TRAPEZIUM, a quadrilateral having one pair of opposite sides parallel.

TRAPPISTS, an order of Cistercian monks founded in 1140 at La Trappe, in the French department of Orne, noted for the severity of their discipline, their worship of silence and devotion to work, meditation, and prayer, 12 hours out of the 24 of which they pass in the latter exercise; their motto is "Memento Mori"; their food is chiefly vegetables.

TRASMENE LAKE, a historic lake of Italy; lies amid hills between the towns Cortona and Perugia; shallow and reedy, 10 m. long; associated with Hannibal's memorable victory over the Romans 217 B.C.

TRAVANCORE, a native State in South India, under British protection, between the Western Ghats and the Arabian Sea; it is connected with the Madras

Presidency; it is traversed by spurs of the Western Ghats, beyond which, westward, is a plain 10 m. wide, covered with coco-nut and areca palms; the population mainly Hindus; there are native Christians and some black Jews; Trivandrum is the capital.

TRAVIATA, LA, an opera by Verdi, representing the progress of a courtesan, the libretto being based on Dumas' novel, "La Dame aux Camélias."

TREASURE TROVE, a legal name for wealth found for which no owner is forthcoming; it covers money, plate, and bullion; legally the right of ownership is in the Crown, but on surrender of the property the finder is usually allowed to keep it. Inquests may be held on the finding of treasure.

TREBIZOND, a city and thriving seaport N.E. of Asia Minor, the outlet of Persia and Armenia, on the Black Sea; is walled, and outside are various suburbs; manufactures silks.

TREBLE, the highest part in vocal and instrumental music. In choral it is sung by boys before their voices break.

TREE, SIR HERBERT BEERBOHM, British actor. Making his name with vivid character studies, he became lessee of the Haymarket and His Majesty's theatres in London; his chief successes were in Shakespearean revivals and dramatised versions of Dickens' novels. In 1909 he was knighted (1853-1917).

TRELAWNEY, EDWARD JOHN, friend of Shelley and Byron; entered the navy as a boy, but deserted and took to adventure; met with Shelley at Pisa, saw to the cremation of the poet's body when he was drowned, and went with Byron to Greece; was a brave, but a restless mortal; wrote "Recollections of the Last Days of Shelley and Byron" (1792-1881).

TRELAWNEY, SIR JONATHAN, one of the seven bishops tried under James II.; is the hero of the Cornish ballad, "And shall Trelawney die?" (1650-1721).

TRENCH, RICHARD CHEVENIX, archbishop of Dublin, born in Dublin; educated at Harrow and Trinity College, Cambridge; took orders; became curate to Samuel Wilberforce, and wrote "Notes on the Miracles and Parables" and "The Study of Words"; was Dean of Westminster before he became archbishop (1807-1886).

TRENCHARD, SIR HUGH, British soldier and airman. Entering the army at the age of 20, he served in the Boer War, and later took an active interest in flying. In 1914 he was in charge of the Central Flying School; in 1918 he was made chief of the Royal Air Force Staff, and in 1927 was made Air-Marshal; he was knighted in 1918 (1873-).

TRENCK, FRANZ, BARON VON, general, first in the service of Austria, then of Russia; dismissed from both; commanded a regiment of pandours in the Austrian Succession War in the interval of Maria Theresa; tried to capture Frederick the Great; was caught, tried, and condemned to prison, escaped, was recaptured, and took poison; had a cousin, Friedrich, who met with a similar fate (1711-1749).

TRENT, an English river, rises in N.W. of Staffordshire, flows N.E., and unites with the Ouse, 15 m. W. of Hull.

TRENT, an Italian town in the Trentino, in a valley on the Adige, 60 m. N. of Verona; has an ancient and interesting history.

TRENT, COUNCIL OF, an oecumenical council, the eighteenth, held at Trent, whose sittings, with sundry adjournments, extended from December 13, 1545, until December 4, 1563, the object of which was to define the position and creed of the Church of Rome in opposition to the doctrines and claims of the Churches of the Reformation.

TRENTON, capital of New Jersey State, on the Delaware River, 57 m. S.W. of New York; divided into two portions by Assanpink Creek, and handsomely laid out in broad, regular streets; public buildings include a state-house, federal buildings, &c.; is the great emporium in the United States of crockery and pottery manufactures.

TREPANNING, an operation in surgery whereby portions of the skull are removed by means of an instrument called a trepan, which consists of a small

cylindrical saw; resorted to in all operations on the brain.

TREVELYAN, SIR CHARLES P., British politician, son of the following. He entered the House of Commons in 1899, served as parliamentary secretary of the Board of Education under Liberal governments from 1908 to 1914, and was President of the Board of Education in the Labour governments of 1924 and 1929 (1870-).

TREVELYAN, SIR GEORGE OTTO, politician and man of letters, born in Rothley Temple, Leicestershire, son of Sir Charles Trevelyan (a distinguished servant of the East India Company, governor of Madras, baronet, and author) and Hannah, sister of Lord Macaulay; educated at Harrow and Cambridge, and entered Parliament as a Liberal in 1865; held successively the offices of parliamentary secretary to the Board of Admiralty, Chief Secretary for Ireland, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, with a seat in the Cabinet, and Secretary for Scotland; resigned his seat in 1897; wrote "Life and Letters of Lord Macaulay," "Early History of Charles James Fox," "The American Revolution," &c., all of which are characterized by admirable lucidity and grace of style (1838-1928).

TREVES, a famous old city of Prussia, beautifully situated on the Moselle, 69 m. S.W. of Coblenz, held to be the oldest city in Germany, and claiming to be 1300 years older than Rome; is full of most striking Roman remains, and possesses an interesting 11th-century cathedral, having among many relics the celebrated semihorn "Holy Coat," said to have been the one worn by Christ; manufactures woollens, cottons, and linens, and wine.

TREVES, SIR FREDERICK, British surgeon. After a distinguished surgical career he went as consulting surgeon to the army in South Africa in 1900; from 1901 he was surgeon to King Edward VII. and Queen Alexandra, and he successfully operated on the former for appendicitis. (1853-1923).

TREVITHICK, RICHARD, British engineer, invented a steam engine for road traffic in 1798 (1771-1833).

TRIASSIC, the geological strata at the base of the mesozoic; the deposits are chiefly sandstones laid down in inland lakes, where the thick deposits of salts typical of this age were formed, as in Cheshire and parts of Germany. In other parts of Europe the triassic age is represented by limestones of ocean origin, e.g. the Eastern Alps.

TRIBUNES, in ancient Rome officers elected by the plebs to preserve their liberties and protect them from the tyranny of the aristocratic party, their institution dating from 493 B.C., on the occasion of a civil tumult.

TRICHINOPOLI, capital of a district of same name in Madras Presidency, on the Kaveri, 65 m. inland; is a fortified town, with an imposing citadel, barracks, hospital, &c.; noted for its cheroots and jewellery; seat of a Roman Catholic bishopric and college.

TRICOLOUR, a flag adopted by the French Revolutionists in 1789, and consisting of three vertical stripes, blue, white, and red, the blue next the staff.

TRIDENT, originally a three-pronged fork used by fishermen, and at length the symbol, in the hands of Poesidon and Britannia, of sovereignty over the sea.

TRIENNIAL ACT, a measure passed by the Long Parliament in 1641, fixed the life of a Parliament at three years; it was repealed by Charles II., re-enacted in 1694, and finally repealed in 1716 by the Septennial Act, which extended the life of Parliament to seven years; the Parliament Act of 1911 reduced the period to five years.

TRIESTE, an ancient town and seaport of Italy; at the head of the N.E. arm of the Adriatic, 214 m. S.W. of Vienna; an imperial free city since 1848; consists of an old and a new town on the level fronting the sea; has a fine harbour and extensive manufactures, embracing shipbuilding and rope-making.

TRIGONOMETRY, that branch of mathematics which deals with the measurement of triangles.

TRILOBITES, extinct crustaceans with three lobed bodies, abundant as fossils particularly in the Lower Palaeozoic, where they are the zone fossils (q.v.).

TRIM, CORPORAL, Uncle Toby's attendant in Sterne's "Tristram Shandy."

TRIMURTI, the Hindu trinity, embracing Brahma the Creator, Vishnu the Preserver, and Shiva (q.v.).

the *Destoyer* represented sometimes as a body with three heads, that of Brahma in the centre, of Vishnu on the right, and of Shiva on the left.

TRINCOMALEE, an important naval station and seaport on the N.E. coast of Ceylon, 110 m. N.E. of Kandy. possesses barracks, official residences, and a splendid harbour, a haven of shelter to shipping during the monsoons, and is strongly fortified.

TRINIDAD, the largest of the Windward Islands, and most southerly of the Antilles (q.v.), lies off the mouth of the Orinoco, 7 m. from the coast of Venezuela; is of great fertility, with a hot, humid, but not unhealthy climate: sugar, coffee, tobacco, and cocoa are the chief exports; a source of great wealth is a wonderful pitch lake which, despite the immense quantities annually taken from it, shows no perceptible diminution. Inhabitants are mainly French; taken by the British in 1797, it forms, with Tobago, a crown colony; capital, Port of Spain.

TRINITARIANS, name applied to those who believe in an ontological as well as those who believe in a theological trinity, that is to say, who recognise the like principle pervading the universe of being.

TRINITROTOLUENE, or T.N.T., a high explosive; combined with ammonium nitrate as "anadol" it was used in the Great War for shells and bombs, superseding lyddite.

TRINITY, the doctrine, variously interpreted, that in the godhead or divine nature there are three persons, respectively denominated Father, Son, and Spirit—Father, from whom; Son, to whom; and Spirit, through whom are all things; is essentially trinity in unity.

TRINITY HOUSE, a body controlling British shipping, lighthouses, lightships, and pilots, founded in 1514 and having its headquarters on Tower Hill, London.

TRIPITAKA (the three baskets), name given to the collection of the sacred books of Buddhism, as being formed of three minor collections, bearing the Satvas on discipline, the Vinaya on doctrine, and the Abhidharma on metaphysics.

TRIPLE ALLIANCE, the name given to the understanding between Germany, Austria, and Italy reached in 1882, and maintained until 1914, when Italy declined to enter the Great War with her two allies. See **ALLIANCE**.

TRIPOD, seat with three legs on which the priestess of Apollo sat when delivering her oracles.

TRIPOLI, a seaport of Syria, 40 m. N. of Beyrout; a place of great antiquity, and successively in the hands of the Phœnicians, Crusaders, and Mamelukes; it has many interesting Saracenic and other remains; its trade is passing over to Beyrout.

TRIPOLI, a province since 1912 of Italy, in North Africa, most easterly of the Barbary States; stretches northwards from the Libyan Desert, lies between Tunis (W.) and Fezzan (E.); carries on a brisk caravan trade with Central Africa; capital, Tripoli, situated on a spit of rocky land jutting into the Mediterranean; surrounded by high walls, and Moorish in appearance. Italy won the province from Turkey after a war fought in 1911 and 1912.

TRIPTOLEMUS, in the Greek mythology the favourite of Demeter (q.v.), the inventor of the plough, and of the civilisation therewith connected; played a prominent part in the Eleusinian Mysteries, was favoured by Demeter for the hospitality he showed her when she was in quest of her daughter.

TRISMEGISTUS (three greatest), the Egyptian Hermes, regarded as the fountain of mysticism and magic.

TRISTAN DA CUNHA, the largest of three small islands lying out in the South Atlantic, about 1300 m. S.W. of St. Helena & 20 m. in circumference; taken possession of by the British in 1817, and utilised as a military and naval station during Napoleon's captivity on St. Helena; now occupied by a handful of people, who lead a simple, communistic life.

TRISTRAM, SIR, one of the heroes of medieval romance, whose adventures form an episode in the history of the Round Table.

TRISTRAM SHANDY, a novel by Laurence Sterne, published in 1759, and that author's only work of fiction.

TRITON, in the Greek mythology a sea deity, son of Poseidon and Amphitrite, with the upper part of a

man and a dolphin's tail; often represented as blowing a large spiral shell; there were several of them, serving as heralds of Poseidon.

TRITRATNA, name given to the Buddhist trinity, Buddha, the Dharma, and the Sangha (q.v.).

TRIUMVIR, one of a board of three officials in ancient Rome, such as the triumvirate formed by Julius Cæsar, Pompey, and Crassus, 59 B.C.; later triumvirates were established with constitutional powers limited to a period of five years.

TROCHU, **LOUIS JULES**, a distinguished French general, who came to the front during the Crimean and Italian campaigns, but fell into disfavour for exposing in a pamphlet (1867) the rotten state of the French army; three years later, on the outbreak of the Franco-German War, was appointed Governor of Paris, and, after the proclamation of the Republic, general of the defence of the city till its capitulation, after which he retired into private life (1875-1890).

TROEZEN, a city of ancient Greece, now in ruins; it stood in Argolis and was the birthplace of Theseus. It is also said to be the place where Hippolytus was killed.

TROJAN WAR, a ten years' war between the Greeks and Trojans, started by the abduction of Helen of Troy by Paris. It is a semi-legendary struggle and is described in Homer's "Iliad"; the war ended with the fall of Troy.

TROLLOPE, **ANTHONY**, English novelist; belonged to a literary family, his mother distinguished as a novelist too; educated at Winchester and Harrow, held a high position in the Post Office; his novels were numerous and depict the provincial life of England at the time, the chief being "Bartholomew Towers," "Franklin Parsonage," and "Dr. Thorne"; wrote a "Life of Cicero," and a biography of Thackeray; he was an enthusiastic fox-hunter (1815-1882).

TROMP, **CORNELIUS**, Dutch admiral, son of succeeding, born in Rotterdam, fought many battles with the English and proved himself a worthy son of a heroic father; was created a baronet by Charles II. of England (1675); aided the Danes against Sweden, and subsequently succeeded Ruyter as Lieutenant-Admiral-General of the United Provinces (1629-1691).

TROMP, **MARTIN HARPERTSZOON**, famous Dutch admiral, born in Briel; trained to the sea from his boyhood, in 1637 was created Lieutenant-Admiral, and in two years' time had twice scattered Spanish fleets, defeated by Blake in 1652, but six months later beat back the English fleet in the Strait of Dover, after which he is said to have sailed down the Channel with a breeze to his masthead as a sign he had swept his enemies from the sea; in 1659 Blake renewed the attack and inflicted defeat on him after a three days' struggle; in June and July Tromp was again defeated by the English, and in the last engagement off the coast of Holland was shot dead (1597-1653).

TROMSØ, a town and island of Norway, in the NW. **TRONDHEIM**, an important town, the ancient capital of Norway, on Trondhjem Fjord, 250 m. N. of Oslo; is well laid out with broad level streets, most of the houses are of wood; possesses a fine 13th-century cathedral, where the kings of Norway are crowned; carries on a flourishing trade in copper ore, herrings, oil, &c.; is strongly fortified.

TROPHONIUS, in Greek legend, along with his brother Agamenes, the architect of the temple of Apollo at Delphi; had a famous oracle in a cave in Boeotia, which could only be entered at night.

TROPICS, two parallels of latitude on either side of the equator, which mark the limits N. and S. of the area in which the sun cannot be vertically overhead, the distance being in each case 23½°; the northern tropic is called the Tropic of Cancer, and the southern the Tropic of Capricorn.

TROPPAU, a town in Czechoslovakia, 154 m. E. of Vienna; contains a castle, gymnasium, and an extensive library; manufactures linen and woollen textiles and beetroot sugar.

TROSSACHS, a romantic pass in the Perthshire Highlands, 8 m. W. of Callander, stretching for about a mile between Loch Katrine and Achray and charm-

ingly wooded; is celebrated by Sir Walter Scott in his "Lady of the Lake."

TROTSKY, LEV DAVIDOVICH, Russian politician. His real name was Leiba Bronstein, and he was son of a Jewish chemist at Kherson. When 22 he was exiled to Siberia for revolutionary activities, and he took a prominent part in the 1905 revolution, after which he had a second period in exile. He escaped to France after a few months, and did not return to Russia (till 1917), when he helped to engineer the revolution that overthrew Kerensky (q.v.). Under Lenin he became Commissar for Foreign Affairs and for War, and remained a power throughout Lenin's lifetime, but after that he fell foul of Stalin (q.v.), was exiled to the Turkestan frontier, and finally banished from Russia in 1929 (1877-).

TROUBADOURS, a class of poets who flourished in Provence, Eastern Spain, and Northern Italy from the 11th to the 13th century, whose songs in the *Langue d'Oc* were devoted to subjects lyrical and amatory, and who not infrequently were men of noble birth and bore arms as knights, and as such were distinguished from the jongleurs, who were mere strolling minstrels.

TROUVÈRES, a class of ancient poets in Northern France, who like the Troubadours of Southern France were of court standing, but whose poems, unlike those of the Troubadours, were narrative or epic.

TROWBRIDGE, a market town of Wiltshire, 25 m. NW. of Salisbury, has a fine 15th century perpendicular church, in which the poet Crabbe is buried; has woollen and fine cloth manufactures.

TROY, a city of Troas, a territory NW. of Mysia, Asia Minor, celebrated as the scene of the world-famous legend immortalised by the "Iliad" of Homer in his account of the war caused by the rape of Helen, which ended with the destruction of the city at the hands of the avenging Greeks.

TROY, capital of Rensselaer County, New York, on the Hudson River, 5 m. above Albany; possesses handsome public buildings, and is a busy centre of textile, heavy iron goods, and other manufactures; has daily steamship service with New York.

TROYES, a quaint old town of France, capital of the department of Aube, on the Seine, 100 m. SE. of Paris, possesses a fine Flamboyant Gothic cathedral, founded in 872, several handsome old churches, a large public library, has flourishing manufactures of textile fabrics and trades in agricultural produce; here in 1420 was signed the Treaty of Troyes, making good the claims of Henry V. of England to the French crown.

TROYON, CONSTANT, French artist. In his early days he lived by painting on china at Sevres, and at the age of 32 went to Paris to study art; a few years later he had made a reputation as one of France's greatest animal painters; his "Oxen Going to Work" is in the Louvre (1810-1865).

TRUCK SYSTEM, the paying of workmen's wages in goods in place of money; found useful where workers are far distant from towns, but liable to the serious abuse from inferior goods being supplied. Acts of Parliament have been passed to abolish the system.

TRUMBULL, JONATHAN, an American patriot, judge, and governor of Connecticut, who supported the movement for independence with great zeal; was much esteemed and consulted by Washington, whose frequent phrase, "Let us hear what Brother Jonathan says," gave rise to the appellation "Brother Jonathan" applied to an American (1710-1785).

TRUNNION, COMMODORE HAWKER, an eccentric retired naval officer in Smollett's "Peregrine Pickle"; affects the naval commander in his retirement.

TRURO, an episcopal city and seaport of Cornwall, exports largely tin and copper from surrounding mines; its bishopric was revived in 1876, and it has a handsome Early English cathedral, has also infirmary, old grammar-school, libraries, &c.

TRYON, SIR GEORGE, British admiral. He joined the navy at 16, served in the Crimea, and in 1861 had the honour of commanding the Warrior, the first British ironclad; he later served in Abyssinia and India, and in 1893 lost his life in the Victoria, which sank during manoeuvres off Tripoli, he being

in charge of the Mediterranean fleet at the time (1832-1895).

TSCHAIKOVSKY, PETER ILITCH, Russian composer. Born in Votkinsk, he studied first for the law, but at the age of 23 entered the Conservatoire at St. Petersburg, and three years later was a professor at Moscow; he made his London debut as a conductor in 1888, and later toured America; the "1812 Overture" is his most famous work, but he wrote in addition overtures to "Hamlet" and "Romeo and Juliet," several symphonies and symphonic poems and some operas (1840-1893).

TUAM, a town of Galway, Ireland, 129 m. NW. of Dublin; is the seat of an Anglican bishop and of a Catholic archbishop.

TUBB, CARRIE, British soprano singer. After studying at the Guildhall School of Music she made her London debut in opera at Covent Garden in 1910, subsequently singing at concerts in all parts of the country.

TUBE RAILWAYS, London's first tube railway was the City and South London, from Stockwell to the Monument, opened in 1890, the work of Henry Greathead (1844-1900). Among later developments was the construction of a tube from Golders Green to Morden, a distance of 164 m., the longest railway tunnel in the world. When first opened London tubes charged a flat fare of 2d., thus earning the name "tuppenny tubes."

TUBINGEN, a celebrated university town of Württemberg, 18 m. SW. of Stuttgart, is quaint and crowded in the old town, but spreads out into spacious and handsome suburbs, where is situated the new university. Under Melancthon and Reuchlin the old university became a distinguished seat of learning, and later, during the professorship of Baier (q.v.), acquired celebrity as a school of advanced Biblical criticism, which gave great stimulus to a more rationalistic interpretation of the Scripture narratives, has now an excellent medical school; also book printing and selling, and other industries are actively carried on.

TUCKER, ABRAHAM, author of "The Light of Nature Pursued"; educated at Oxford and the Inner Temple, but possessed of private means, he betook himself to a quiet country life near Dorking and engaged in philosophical studies, the fruit of which he embodied in seven volumes of miscellaneous theological and metaphysical writing (1700-1774).

TUCUMAN, a north-central province and town of the Argentine Republic, the latter on the Rio Sil, 723 m. NW. of Buenos Aires.

TUDELA, ecclesiastical city of Spain, on the Ebro, 46 m. NW. of Saragossa.

TUDOR, the family name of the royal house that occupied the English throne from 1485 (accession of Henry VII.) to 1603 (death of Queen Elizabeth), founded by Owen Tudor, a Welsh gentleman, who became Clerk of the Household, and subsequently the husband of Catherine of Valois, widow of Henry V.; their son, Edmund, Earl of Richmond, married Margaret Beaufort, a direct descendant of Edward III., and became the father of Henry VII.

TUESDAY, third day of the week, named after Tiw, an old Saxon god.

TUGELA, a river in Natal running eastwards to the sea from the Mont-aux-Sources and ending near Port Durnford. It was the scene of a series of engagements in mid-winter 1899-1900 in the Boer War, Buller making several attempts to cross it to reach Ladysmith, and succeeding after six reverses.

TUILERIES, an old royal palace in Paris, of which only the gardens now remain; the place was once a big yard, and a palace was built on the site in 1564; Louis XVI. lived there after his arrest during the French revolution, as did subsequent rulers, until the palace was destroyed in the 1871 commune.

TULA, capital of a government of the same name in Central Russia, 107 m. N. of Moscow, a busy centre of fire-arms, cutlery, and other manufactures.

TULCHAN BISHOP, bishops appointed in Scotland by James VI. to draw the Church revenues for his behoof in part, a tulchan being "a calf-skin stuffed into the rude similitude of a calf" to induce the cow to give her milk freely; "so of the bishops, which

the Scottish lairds were glad to construct and make the milk come without disturbance."

TULLE, a town of France, capital of the dep. of Corrèze, 115 m. NE. of Bordeaux; possesses a cathedral, episcopal palace, &c.; chief manufacture fire-arms; the fine silk fabric which takes its name from it is no longer manufactured here.

TUMULUS, high memorial and burial grounds, many of them of ancient date, such as the mound to Athenian soldiers at Marathon, and the Lydian tomb of Alyattes II. near Harlin; others are the Waterloo Mound, and one at Canterbury; smaller forms of tumuli are found in various parts of Europe, Asia, and America, being the burial grounds of primitive peoples, and often yielding on excavation urns filled with ashes or stone coffins which have contained human bodies.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, a popular watering-place on the border of Kent and Sussex, 34 m. SE. of London, and 4 m. S. of Tonbridge (q.v.); with chalybeate waters noted for upwards of 250 years.

TUNGSTEN, a metal discovered by D'Elhuyser in 1782, obtained from the mineral wolframite found in Burma, Siam, Queensland, and the United States of America; it is used in small quantities for hardening steel and in electric lamps.

TUNIS, a country of North Africa, slightly larger than Portugal; since 1882 a protectorate of France; forms an eastern continuation of Algeria, fronting the Mediterranean to the N. and E. and stretching S. to the Sahara and Tripoli; is inhabited chiefly by Bedouin Arabs, presents a hilly, and in parts even mountainous, aspect; its fertile soil favours the culture of fruits, olives, wheat, and esparto, all of which are in gradually increasing amounts exported; fine marble has been recently found, and promises well. The capital is Tunis, situated at the SW. end of the Lake of Tunis, a few miles SE. of the ruined city of Carthage (q.v.); is for the most part a crowded, unwholesome place, but contains well-supplied bazaars, finely decorated mosques, the bey's palace, a citadel, and is showing signs of improvement under French management.

TUNSTALL, a market town of Staffordshire, 4½ m. NE. of Newcastle-under-Lyme, is a coal-centre, with manufactures of earthenware and iron.

TUPPER, SIR CHARLES, Canadian statesman. Abandoning a medical career, he entered the Nova Scotia legislature in 1855, and became premier of that province in 1864, working for the unification of a Canadian Dominion, an outcome he lived to see; after holding various political posts in Canada he became high commissioner in London for three years from 1884; in 1895 he became premier of Canada, only being in office for a few weeks (1821-1916).

TUPPER, MARTIN FARQUHAR, author of "Proverbial Philosophy," born in Marylebone; bred to the bar; wrote some 40 works, but the "Philosophy" (1858), though little read now, had a quite phenomenal success, having sold in hundreds of thousands, as well as being translated into various foreign languages (1810-1889).

TURENNE, VICOMTE DE (Henri de la Tour d'Auvergne), a famous marshal of France, born in Sedan of noble parentage; was trained in the art of war under his uncles Maurice and Henry of Nassau in Holland, and entered the French service in 1630 under the patronage of Richelieu; gained great renown during the Thirty Years' War; during the wars of the Fronde (q.v.) first sided with the "Frondeurs," but subsequently joined Mazarin and the court party; crushed his former chief Condé; invaded successfully the Spanish Netherlands, and so brought the revolt to an end; was created Marshal-General of France in 1660; subsequently conducted to a triumphant issue wars within Spain (1667), Holland (1672), and during 1674 conquered and devastated the Palatinate, but during strategical operations conducted against the Austrian general Montecuccoli was killed by a cannon-ball (1611-1675).

TURGENEV, IVAN, Russian writer. He was the first of his contemporaries to achieve international fame, and was also the inventor of the phrase "Nihilists" to describe the Russian anarchist movement; he was a keen progressive thinker, and lived

for many years in Paris. Among his works are "Budin," "Fathers and Sons," "Virgin Soil"; he was a master of prose, and also of the art of short story writing (1818-1891).

TURGOT, ANNE ROBERT JACQUES, BARON DE L'AULNE, French statesman, born in Paris, of Norman descent; early embraced the doctrines of the philosophes party, and held for 13 years the post of intendant of Limoges, the affairs of which he administered with ability, and was in 1774 called by Louis XVI. to the management of the national finances, which he proceeded to do on economical principles, but in all his efforts was thwarted by the privileged classes, and in some 20 months was compelled to resign and leave the matter to the fates, he himself retiring into private life (1727-1781).

TURN, a celebrated city of North Italy, a former capital of Piedmont, 80 m. NW. of Genoa; although one of the oldest of Italian cities it presents quite a modern appearance, with handsome streets, statues, squares, gardens, a Renaissance cathedral, palaces, university (over 2000 students), large library, colleges, and museums, &c.; manufactures are chiefly of textiles; has an interesting history from the time of its first mention in Hannibal's day.

TURKISTAN, a wide region in Central Asia, divided by the Pamir plateau into sections: (1) Western Turkistan, which embraces Russian Turkistan, the Khanates of Khiva (q.v.) and Bokhara (q.v.), and Afghan Turkistan. (2) Eastern Turkistan, formerly called Chinese Turfary; unproductive in many parts, and but sparsely populated; produces some gold, and a considerable quantity of silk, besides linens and cottons.

TURKEY, consists of: *Turkey in Asia*, an area of 285,000 sq. m., extending from the Egean Sea to Persia and from the Black Sea to the Mediterranean, and comprising all what is usually called Asia Minor. *Turkey in Europe*, is an area of 10,000 sq. m. on the European side of the Bosphorus and Dardanelles, consisting of Eastern Thrace, Constantinople, and Adrianople. Since 1923 Turkey has been a republic with Angora as the seat of government. Brusa, Kalamish, and Sivas are other important towns; Smyrna, Constantinople, and Chank are ports. Agriculture is the occupation of the people, opium, tobacco, carpets, cotton, and fruits are the main exports; the country is rich in forests, and has potential mineral wealth; an extensive silk industry is carried on; there are more than 2000 m. of railway and some good roads. Most of the people are of the Islam faith. Politically the land is ruled by a President and National Assembly. Of Central Asian origin the Turks or Ottomans conquered the Eastern Roman Empire, and captured Constantinople in 1453, spreading later throughout the Balkans, even reaching Hungary. From 1700 on parts of the Ottoman Empire broke away; after the Treaty of London that ended the first Balkan War in 1913 the boundary of Turkey in Europe became a line from Enos to Midia, thus excluding Adrianople, which was regained in the second Balkan War; after the Great War Turkey was forced to cede Syria, Palestine, Mesopotamia, and all her other Arabian possessions. In 1923 the Sultan was finally deposed, and the country began to advance socially on Western lines; education improved vastly, but few of the Turks show gifts for art or literature. The growth of the new Turkey and its nationalist spirit was in a large measure due to Mustafa Kemal (q.v.), who set up his own government at Angora in 1923, and who led an army against Greece, defeated her, and by so doing gained better terms for the redrafting of Turkey's borders than had been proposed.

TURNER, CHARLES TENNYSON, an elder brother of Alfred Tennyson; vicar of Greshy, Lincoln; a man of fine nature and delicate susceptibility as a poet, whose friendship and "heart union" with his greater brother is revealed in "Poems by Two Brothers"; assumed the additional name of Turner in 1838 (1808-1879).

TURNER, JOSEPH MALLOD WILLIAM, great English landscape painter, born probably in London, the son of a hairdresser; had little education, and grew up illiterate, as he remained all his days; took to art from his earliest boyhood; soon became

acquainted with the artist class, and came under the notice of Sir Joshua Reynolds; began to exhibit at 15; was elected Associate of the Royal Academy at 24, and made an Academician at 28; he took interest in nothing but art, and led the life of a recluse; was never married, and was wedded solely to his work; travelled much in England and on the Continent, sketching all day long; produced in water-colour and oil scene after scene, and object after object, as they impressed him, and represented them as he saw them; being a man of moderate desires he lived economically, and he died rich, leaving his means to found an asylum for distressed artists; of his works there is no space to take note here, yet these are all we know of the man, and they stamp him as a son of genius, who saw visions and dreamed dreams; he early fascinated the young Ruskin, whose literary career began with the publication of volume after volume in his praise, and who in his enthusiasm characterized him as the "greatest painter of all time" (1775-1831).

TURNER, SHARON, historian, born in London, where he led a busy life as an attorney; devoted his leisure to historical studies, the first of which were "History of Anglo-Saxons" and "History of England from the Norman Conquest to the Death of Elizabeth," essays, &c. (1708-1747).

TURNER, WILLIAM, British botanist and cleric. After leaving Cambridge he became a wandering preacher and was imprisoned; next he went to the Continent studying botany, and, returning to England, was placed in charge of the Duke of Somerset's gardens at Syon House, near London; he became dean of Wells; he wrote a "History of Plants," published in 1551, which is the earliest English herbal. (1510-1568).

TURPIN, DICK, a felon executed at York in 1739 for horse-stealing; celebrated for his ride to York in Alnsworth's "Hockwood," though actually the deed with which he is credited was performed by Neilson, a fellow-lodgerman.

TUSCANY, a department of Italy, formerly a grand-duchy, lies S. and W. of the Apennines, fronting the Tyrrhenian Sea on the W.; mountainous in the N. and E., but otherwise consisting of fertile dale and plain, in which the wine, olive, and fruits abound; silk is an important manufacture, and the marble quarries of Siena are noted; formed a portion of ancient Etruria (q.v.); was annexed to Sardinia in 1559, and in 1861 was incorporated in the kingdom of Italy. Capital, Florence.

TUSCULUM, a ruined Roman city, 15 m. SE. of Rome; at one time a favourite country resort of wealthy Romans; Brutus, Caesar, Cicero, and others had villas here; was stormed to ruins in 1191 by the Romans; has many interesting remains.

TUBAUD, MADAME, foundress of the famous wax-work show in London, born in Berne, and trained in her art in Paris; patronized by the sister of Louis XVI.; was imprisoned during the Revolution, and in 1802 came to London (1760-1850).

TUTANKHAMEN, Pharaoh of the 18th dynasty, who flourished about 1350 B.C. The Earl of Carnarvon discovered his tomb at Luxor in 1922, and found the mummy intact and the tomb full of priceless treasures.

TUTBURY, a town in Staffordshire on the river Dove, near Burton-on-Trent; it has a 12th-century church and the ruins of a Norman castle, where Mary Queen of Scots was imprisoned.

TWAIN, MARK, pen name of Samuel Langhorne Clemens (q.v.).

TWEED, a famous river of Scotland, rises in the S. of Peebleshire, and flows for 97 m. in a generally north-eastward direction; enters the North Sea at Berwick; is a noted salmon river, and inseparably associated with the glories of Scottish literature and history.

TWELFTH NIGHT, the eve of the feast of the Epiphany, and at one time an occasion for revels; also the title of a comedy by Shakespeare.

TWELVE TABLES, TEN, copper tables on which were inscribed the original code of Roman laws, formulated about 451-449 B.C.

TWICKENHAM, a town of Middlesex, on the Thames, 11½ m. NW. of London; a fashionable resort in the 18th century; the dwelling-place of Pope, Horace

Walpole, Turner, and others. It is the headquarters of the Rugby Union and the chief matches are played here.

TWISS, SIR TRAVERS, jurist and economist, born in Westminster, professor of Political Economy at Oxford, and subsequently of Civil Law; drew up in 1884 a constitution for the Congo Free State; his writings include "View of the Progress of Political Economy since the Sixteenth Century," "International Law," "The Law of Nations," all of which rank as standard and authoritative works (1809-1897).

TWIST, OLIVER, hero of Dickens' novel of the name, **TWIST**, an old turnpike that used to stand where is now the Marble Arch, London; it was the practice publicly to hang criminals here, the last such execution taking place in 1783.

TYCHE, the Greek name of the Latin goddess Fortuna, represented with various attributes to symbolize her fickleness, her influence, her generosity, &c.

TYLER, JOHN, tenth president of the United States, born in Charles City, Virginia; became a barrister; elected vice-president of the United States in 1840, and on the death of Harrison succeeded to the presidential office; showed much independence and strength of mind, exercising his veto on several occasions; the Ashburton Treaty and the annexation of Texas were the principal events of his presidency; made strenuous endeavours to secure peace in 1861, but falling sided with the South, and was a member of the Confederate Congress (1790-1862).

TYLER, WAT, a tiler in Dartford, Kent, who roused into rebellion the long-discontented and over-taxed peasantry of England by striking dead in 1381 a tax-gatherer who had offered insult to his young daughter; under Tyler and Jack Straw a peasant army was mustered in Kent and Essex, and a decent made on London, the revolvers were discontinued by the tact of the young king Richard II. (q.v.), and in a scuffle Tyler was killed by Watworth, Mayor of London.

TYLOR, SIR EDWARD BURNET, a distinguished anthropologist, born in Camberwell; in 1881 he travelled through Mexico in company with Hensley Christy, the ethnologist; five years later published "Anahuac, or Mexico and the Mexicans"; in 1883 became keeper of the Oxford University Museum and reader in Anthropology; in 1888 was appointed Gifford Lecturer at Aberdeen, and in 1891 president of the Anthropological Society; his great works are "Researches into the Early History of Mankind" and "Primitive Culture" (1882-1917).

TYNDAL, JOHN, British physicist, born in Co. Antrim, Ireland; succeeded Faraday at the Royal Institution; wrote on electricity, sound, light, and heat as well as on the structure and motion of the glaciers; his greatest work was in connection with researches into molecular physics and radiant heat, as well as acoustics; president of the British Association at Belfast in 1874 (1820-1893).

TYNDALE, WILLIAM, one of the translators of the Bible and a Protestant martyr, born in Gloucestershire; came under the influence of Erasmus while at Cambridge, and in Cologne commenced his version of the New Testament, was engaged upon Old Testament work previous to his martyrdom at the stake (1490-1536).

TYNE, river of North England, formed by the confluence near Hexham of the N. Tyne from the Cheviots, and the S. Tyne, which rises on Cross Fell, in E. Cumberland; forms the boundary between Durham and Northumberland, and after a course of 32 m. enters the sea between Tynemouth and South Shields.

TYNEMOUTH, a popular watering-place of Northumberland, at the mouth of the Tyne, 9 m. E. of Newcastle; has a fine sweep of promenade shore, an aquarium, pier, lighthouse, and baths; North Shields and several villages lie within the borough boundaries.

TYNWALD, the parliament of the Isle of Man; it consists of a council and a House of Keys; its Acts require the assent of the Sovereign.

TYPHON, in the Greek mythology a fire-breathing giant, struck by a thunderbolt of Jupiter, and buried under Etna.

TYPHOON, a cyclone prevalent in the China Sea between July and October, sweeping over the Philippine and Japanese islands and part of the Chinese coast, from the Chinese name "tai-fun," the great wind.

TYRANTS, in ancient Greece men who usurped or acquired supreme authority in a State at some political crisis, who were despotic in their policy, but not necessarily cruel, often the reverse.

TYRCONNEL, RICHARD TALBOT, EARL OF, a Catholic politician and soldier, whose career during the reigns of Charles II. and James II. is a record of infamous plotting and treachery in support of the Catholic Stuarts; was created an earl and lord-deputy of Ireland by James II.; fled to France after the battle of the Boyne (1690-1691).

TYRE, a famous city of ancient Phœnicia (*q. v.*), about 30 m. N. of Acre, comprised two towns, one on the mainland, the other on an island opposite, besieged and captured in 332 B.C. by Alexander the Great, who connected the towns by a causeway, which, by sitting sands, has grown into the present isthmus. Its history goes back to the 10th century B.C., when it was held by Hiram, the friend of Solomon, and sustained sieges by Nebuchadnezzar and others; was reduced by Cæsar Augustus, but again rose to be one of the most flourishing cities of the East in the 4th century A.D., fell into ruins under the Turks, and is now reduced to a population of a few thousands.

TYROL, a district in N. Italy and partly in Austria; traversed by three ranges of the Alps and by the rivers Inn and Adige. It is famed for the beauty of its scenery; inhabited by Catholic Germans and Italians; sheep-farming, mining, and forest, fruit, and wine cultivation are the chief industries; it was the scene of severe fighting in the Great War between Italy and Austria, British troops assisting the former, part of it was ceded to Italy in 1919, and the subsequent treatment of the Austrian inhabitants of the area was a cause of complaint by Austria.

TYRONE, a central county of Ulster, Ireland, is hilly, picturesque, and fertile in the lower districts; a considerable portion is taken up by barren mountain slopes and bog-land, and agriculture is back-

ward; coal and marble are wrought; Omagh is the capital, and Strabane and Dungannon are prosperous towns.

TYBONE, HUGH O'NEIL, EARL OF, a notable Irish rebel, assumed the title of "The O'Neil" and offered open rebellion to Queen Elizabeth's authority, but, despite assistance from Spain, was subdued by Essex and Mountjoy; was permitted to retain his earldom, but in James I.'s reign was again discovered intriguing with Spain; fled the country, and had his lands confiscated (crr. 1540-1616).

TYRRHENIAN SEA, an arm of the Mediterranean, stretching between Corsica, Sardinia, and Sicily on the W., and Italy on the E.

TYRTÆUS, a lyric poet of ancient Greece, of the 7th century B.C., whose war-songs greatly heartened the Spartans in their struggle with the Messenians.

TYRWHITT, SIR REGINALD YORKE, British admiral. He entered the navy at 16 and came into prominence in 1914 as commander of the destroyer flotilla at Heligoland and again at the Dogger Bank; he was knighted in 1917, made a baronet two years later, and in 1921 given command of the 3rd light cruiser squadron in the Mediterranean (1870-).

TYRWHITT, THOMAS, English scholar, the son of an English Church canon, born in London; was a Fellow of Merton in 1755, and in 1762 became clerk to the House of Commons, a post, however, which proved too arduous for him, and in 1768 he resigned; the remainder of his life was given to literary pursuits, produced the first adequate edition of Chaucer (1775), besides an edition of Aristotle's "Poetics," and books on Chatterton's "Rowley Poems," &c. (1730-1786).

TYTLER, PATRICK FRASER, historian, son of Alexander Fraser Tytler, a lord of Session under the title of Lord Woodhouselee, author of the "Elements of History" (1747-1813); born in Edinburgh; abandoned the bar for literature, and established his fame by his scholarly "History of Scotland"; wrote biographies of Wychiffe, Raleigh, Henry VIII., and the Admirable Crichton; received a Government pension from Sir Robert Peel (1791-1849).

UBBONITES

UBBONITES, a religious sect in Germany named after their leader, Ubbo Phillips; refusing to admit that the kingdom of God was in any sense earthly, they separated from the Anabaptists in the middle of the 16th century.

U-BOATS, (German submarines, so called from the letter U prefixed to their number, U standing for "unterseeboot." They were extensively used in the Great War, especially after 1916, in a campaign against enemy and neutral shipping, and to combat them U-boats (q.v.) were adopted by the British Navy; in all, some 200 U-boats were sunk. They had their main base at Bruges, entering the sea via Zeebrugge, and it was to stop the outlet that the naval raid on Zeebrugge mole was made on April 23, 1918.

UCAYALI, a tributary of the Amazon, which rises in the S. Peruvian Andes, and joins the larger river after a northward course of over 1000 m.

UDAL, JOHN, a Puritan theologian, and the author of the first Hebrew grammar printed in English; his writings caused him to be charged with heresy, and he died in a London prison in 1592.

UDALL, NICHOLAS, author of "Ralph Roister-Doister," the earliest of English comedies, and "the earliest picture of London manners," born in Hants, was a graduate of Oxford, and headmaster first of Eton and subsequently of Westminster School (1503-1556).

UEBERWEG, FRIEDRICH, (German philosopher, professor at Konigsberg; author of a "History of Philosophy," an excellent text-book (1823-1871).

UGANDA, a territory in East Africa along the N. and NW. shore of Victoria Nyanza, and the seat of an active mission propaganda on the part of both the Catholic and Protestant Churches; has since 1890 been under British protection. Produces rubber, coffee, cotton, indigo, gum, copal, and ebony; the sugar cane grows abundantly. The capital is Mengo.

UGOLINO, COUNT, tyrant of Pisa: was of the Guelph party; celebrated for his tragic fate, having fallen into the hands of his enemies, he was in 1288 thrown into a dungeon along with his two sons and two grandsons, and starved to death, a fate which suggested to Dante one of the most terrible episodes in his "Inferno"; the dungeon referred to has since borne the name of the "Tower of Hunger."

UHLAND, JOHANN LUDWIG, German poet, born in Tubingen; studied law, and wrote essays as well as poems, but it is on the latter his fame rests, many of them, like "Der gute Kamerad," being widely popular as songs; he was a warm-hearted patriot, and in keen sympathy with the cause of German liberation (1787-1862).

UHLANS, the Prussian name for lancers, a section of the German army that was prominent in August, 1914, during the advance into Belgium. The term is of Tartar origin.

UIST, two islands of the Outer Hebrides, called respectively North and South, forming part of Inverness-shire; separated by the island of Benbecula, with a population of over 3000 each; engaged chiefly in fishing.

UKASE, an edict formerly issued by the Czar, having the force of a law.

UKRAINE (frontier), an independent republic attached to the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics of Russia; it lies in the basin of Dnieper, originally a frontier territory of Poland against the Tartars.

ULSAOBERG, a seaport town in Finland, near the head of the Gulf of Bothnia; trades in wood and tar.

ULUKA, a body in Turkey, or any Mohammedan country, of the learned in the Mohammedan religion and law, such as the Imams, or religious teachers, the Muftis, or expounders of the law, and the Cadis, or judges; its decrees are called "fatwas."

ULMANN, KARL, German theologian; was professor at Heidelberg; wrote "Reformers before

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the Reformation," but is best known as author of "The Sileases of Jesus" (1796-1865).

ULSWATER, second largest of the English lakes, lies between Cumberland and Westmorland, 8 m. long, and its average breadth 1 m.; is locked down again by Helvellyn, on the NW.

ULSWATER, 1ST VISCOUNT (J. W. Lowther), British politician. Entering the House of Commons in 1886 he was Speaker of the House from 1905 to 1921, in which year he retired and was raised to the peerage (1855-).

ULM, city of Wurtemberg, on the Danube, 46 m. SE. of Stuttgart; was an imperial free city, and is a place of great importance. It is famed for its cathedral, which for size ranks next to Cologne, as well as for its town hall; has textile manufactories and breweries, and is famed for its confectionery; here General Mack, with 28,000 Austrians, surrendered to Marshal Ney in 1805.

ULOTRICH, name given to the races that have crisp or woolly hair.

ULPILAS, or **ULFILAS**, a Gothic bishop; famous for his translation of the Scriptures into Gothic, the part which remains being of great philological value; was an Arian in theology (311-381).

ULRICI, HERMANN, German philosopher and literary critic, born in Lower Saxony, professor at Halle; wrote against the Hegelian philosophy as pantheistic, and also studied in Shakespeare (1808-1884).

ULSTER, or Northern Ireland is divided into the six counties of Antrim, Armagh, Down, Fermanagh, Londonderry, and Tyrone; became an English settlement in 1611, and was largely colonised from Scotland; it is the most Protestant part of the island, though the Catholics predominate, and is the most enterprising and prosperous part; the land is extensively cultivated, and flax-growing and spinning are the chief industries; it became a province of the United Kingdom with its own Parliament in 1920.

ULTIMUS ROMANORUM (the last of the Romans), name given by Caesar to Brutus, as one with whom the old Roman spirit would become extinct; applied to the last of any sturdy race.

ULTRA-MICROSCOPE, an instrument for studying minute particles, too small to be visible in the ordinary microscope; the particles are rendered visible by their scattering effect when a beam of strong light is focused on them, when in the field of view of a microscope; the ultra-microscope was invented by Zeigmondy.

ULTRAMONTANISM, name given to extreme views in the matter of the prerogatives and authority of the Pope, so called in France as prevailing on the other side of the Alps.

ULTRA-VIOLET RAYS, that part of the spectrum beyond the violet end which is invisible to the eye but affects a photographic plate and possesses strong chemical properties; these rays are not so penetrating as visible light and are absorbed by glass.

ULUGH-BEG, a Tartar prince, grandson of Tamerlane; astronomy was a favourite study of his, and in the patronage of it he founded an observatory at Samarcand; after a reign of 40 years conjointly with his father and by himself, he was put to death by a son who had rebelled against him (1394-1449).

ULYSSES (i.e. Greek Odysseus), chieftain of Ithaca, one of the Greek heroes in the Trojan War, in which he was with difficulty persuaded to join, but in which, however, he did good service both by his courage and his counsels; he is best famed for what he did before Troy than for what befell him in his ten years' wandering homeward after, as recorded by Homer in a separate poem called after him the "Odyssey" (q.v.), which relates his stay among the Lotus-eaters (q.v.), his encounter with Polyphemus (q.v.), the enchantments of Circe (q.v.), the Sirens (q.v.), and Calypso (q.v.), and his shipwreck, &c. Telemachus represents him as impatient of the hum-

drum life of Ithaca on his return, and as longing to join his Trojan comrades in the Isles of the Blessed. See **PENLOPE** and **TELEMACHUS**.

ULYSSES' BOW, a bow which only Ulysses could wield.

UMA (the gracious one), in Hindu mythology the consort of Shiva (q.v.), and sometimes also of Rudra (q.v.).

UMBALLA, a city in the Punjab, 150 m. N.W. of Delhi, is an important military station and a railway centre; carries on a large trade.

UMBRIA, a province of ancient Italy, between *Chalpine Gaul* and the territory of the *Sabines*; inhabited originally by a powerful Latin race.

UMLAUT, name given by Grimm to the modification of a vowel in a syllable through the influence of a vowel in the succeeding.

UNA (i.e. who is one), the personification of Truth, the companion of St. George in his adventures, who, after various adventures herself, is at last wedded to him; her story is related in Spenser's "*Faerie Queene*."

UNCIAL LETTERS, large round characters or letters used in ancient MSS., so called as approximating to an inch in size, from Lat. *uncia*, the 12th part of a foot.

UNCLE SAM, name given to the United States Government, derived from a humorous translation of the initials U. S.

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN, a novel by Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe (q.v.), relating the horrors of slavery in the cotton plantations in the Southern States of the U.S.A. Published in 1852, it was of slight literary merit, but it sold remarkably and was largely responsible for the growth of the Abolitionists (q.v.) in the North, and the subsequent Civil War. The chief characters in the book are Uncle Tom, Legree, Topsy, and Eva.

UNDINE, a female spirit of the watery element, naturally without, but capable of receiving, a human soul, particularly after being wedded to a man and after giving birth to a child; is the subject of a famous novel by He la Motte Fouque.

UNDULATORY THEORY, the theory put forward by Thomas Young (q.v.) in 1807 that light is due to vibrations or undulations in the ether as the medium through which it is transmitted from its source in a luminous body.

UNEARNED INCREMENT, increase in the value of land or any property without expenditure of any kind on the part of the proprietor.

UNEMPLOYMENT in serious volume has existed since the industrial revolution at the end of the 18th century, and in normal times occurs in cycles, boom in trade following depression at fairly regular intervals. The trade unions were the first to tackle the problem of maintaining the unemployed during bad spells as far as their members were concerned, and in 1912 compulsory State insurance against unemployment came into force, workers and employers both contributing towards the cost. After the Great War the volume of unemployment in Great Britain rose to over a million, and the question of getting these men back to work became a political issue of the first order, successive governments trying remedies with scant result.

UNICORN, a fabulous animal like a horse, with a horn a cubit and a half long on the forehead; was adopted by James I. as the symbol of Scotland on the royal arms; is in Christian art a symbol of the incarnation, and an emblem of female chastity.

UNIFORMITY, ACT OF, an Act passed in England in 1662 regulating the form of public prayers and rites to be observed in all churches, which had the effect of driving hundreds of clergymen from the Established Church.

UNIGENITUS, THE BULL, a bull beginning with this word, issued by Pope Clement XI. in 1713 against Jansenism (q.v.) in France, and in 1790 condemned by the civil authorities in Paris.

UNION, FEDERAL, name given to a union of several States in defence or promotion of the common good, while each State is independent of the rest in local matters.

UNION, THE, a name applied in the English history to (1) the Union of England and Scotland in 1603 under one crown, by the accession of James VI.

of Scotland to the throne of England on the death of Elizabeth; (2) the Union of England and Scotland in 1707, under one Parliament seated at Westminster, into the United Kingdom of Great Britain; and (3) to the Union of the United Kingdom of Great Britain to Ireland in 1801, when the Irish Parliament was abolished, and was represented in the Imperial.

UNION JACK, originally the flag of Great Britain, on which the crosses of St. George and St. Andrew are blended, with which certain white streaks were blended or subordinated after the Union with Ireland; technically the name should be *Union Flag*, the Union Jack strictly being the small Union Flag which is flown from the jackstaff of a ship.

UNITARIANS, a British political party started by Lord Hartington in 1885 and recruited from Liberals who were opposed to Home Rule (q.v.). Known at first as Liberal-Unitarians they eventually joined forces with the Conservatives, and in 1912 the official name of the organisation became the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations. The name was retained after Ireland was granted Home Rule, it being argued by the party that the term also applied to a union of all classes of the community.

UNITARIANS, a designation applicable to all monotheists in religion, including Jews and Mohammedans, but generally and more specially applied to those who deny the Church doctrine of the Trinity, and in particular the divinity of Christ, and who have at different times and in different countries assumed an attitude, both within the pale of the Church and outside of it, of protestation against the opposite orthodox creed in the interests of rationalistic belief; the name is also employed in philosophy to designate those who resolve the manifold of being into the operation of some single principle.

UNITED BRETHREN, name given to the Moravians (q.v.).

UNITED PRESBYTERIANS, a body of Presbyterians in Scotland who dissented from the Established Church on chiefly ecclesiastical grounds, and had their origin in the union in 1847 of the *Secession Church* of 1783 with the *Kelief Church* of 1752, bodies previously in dissent. A further union of the United Presbyterian body with the Free Church was consummated in 1900 under the name of the United Free Church of Scotland, while in 1929 this body united in turn with the Church of Scotland.

UNITED PROVINCES. See **HOLLAND**.

UNITED STATES, the great Western republic; occupies an area nearly as large as all Europe, bounded on the N. by the Dominion of Canada, on the E. by the Atlantic, on the S. by Mexico and the Gulf, and on the W. by the Pacific, extending 2700 m. from E. to W., and on an average 1600 m. from N. to S.; there are two great mountain systems, the Appalachians on the E., and the Rockies, the Cascade ranges, &c., on the W., which divide the territory into four regions—an eastern, which slopes from the Appalachians to the Atlantic, the more settled and most thickly populated part; a central, which slopes N., formed by the Mississippi Valley, a vast undulating plain, largely agricultural and pastoral; a plateau supported by the Rocky and Cascade ranges, a metalliferous region; and a territory with the valley of the Sacramento, which slopes to the Pacific, of varied resources. The great rivers are in the Mississippi Valley, though there are important rivers both for navigation and water-power on the Atlantic and Pacific slopes. The climate is of every variety, from sub-arctic to sub-tropic, with extremes both as regards temperature and moisture, in consequence of which the vegetation is varied. The mineral wealth is immense, and includes, besides large beds of coal, all the useful metals. Large forests of valuable timber still exist in the Eastern States, while agriculture and cotton-growing are flourishing industries. As a manufacturing country the United States has built up a commanding position. Its vast resources, exploited to the utmost by the virile population, have brought great wealth which was notably increased by the position in which it found itself during the early years of the Great War. Railways, canals, and telegraphic and telephonic communications have been developed with great enterprise and energy. There are over

260,000 miles of railways in operation; of the waterways over 26,000 miles are navigable; there are over 3,000,000 miles of roads; and the annual tonnage cleared at the various seaports is over 83,000,000. The population is mostly of British and German descent, but there is a large foreign-born population drawn from all European countries, about eleven million negroes, and over 350,000 Indians. The government is a federal republic of 48 states, 1 federal district, and 2 organized territories. The executive power is vested in a President, who is elected for four years, is commander-in-chief of the army and navy, and appoints the Cabinet officers. The legislature consists of two houses—a Senate, each State electing two members for six years and a House of Representatives, each State electing members for two years in proportion to its population, one representative being allotted for 211,877 citizens.

UNITIES, THREE, name given to the rule laid down by Aristotle that a tragedy should be limited to one subject, to one place, and a single day.

UNIVERSALISTS, a body of Christians who profess to believe in the final restoration of all the fallen, angels as well as men; a body chiefly of American growth, having an ecclesiastical organization, and embracing a membership of 40,000; there are many of them Unitarians, and all are more or less Pelagian in their views of sin.

UNKNOWN WARRIOR, THE, a British soldier of unknown identity who was taken from his grave in France and buried in Westminster Abbey on November 11, 1920, King George V. acting as one of the pall-bearers.

UTERWALDEN, a canton of Switzerland S. and E. of Lucerne, consisting of two parallel valleys 15 m. long running N. and S.; an entirely pastoral country, and exports articles of husbandry.

UNYANYEMBE, a district of British East Africa, with a town of the name, and a settlement of Arabs who cultivate the soil, the fruits of which they export.

UNYORO, a native kingdom in Uganda between Lake Albert Nyanza and the territory of Uganda.

UPANISHADS (Instructions), a voluminous heterogeneous collection of treatises connected with the Vedas, and the chief source of knowledge of the early metaphysical speculations and ethical doctrines of the Hindus; they are to a great extent apocryphal, and are posterior to the rise of Buddhism.

UPAS TREE, a poison-yielding tree, a native of Java, at one time fabled to exhale such poison that it was destructive to all animal and vegetable life for miles round it; in fact its gum and juice do possess poisonous properties.

UPOLU, the principal island in the Samoan group (q.v.), is 140 m. in circumference, and rises in verdured terraces from a belt of low land on the shore, with Apia, the capital of the group, on the N. border.

UPPINGHAM, market-town in Rutland, with a famous public school, founded in 1584.

UPSALA, the ancient capital of Sweden, on the Sala, 21 m. NW. of Stockholm, the seat of the Primate, and of a famous university with 1900 students, and a library of 250,000 volumes; its cathedral, built of brick in the Gothic style, is the largest in Sweden, contains the tombs of Linnaeus and of Gustavus Vasa.

URAL, a river of Russia, which rises in the E. of the Urals and forms part of the boundary between Europe and Asia, falling after a course of 870 m. by a number of mouths into the Caspian Sea.

URALS, THE, a range of mountains rich in precious as well as useful metals, extending from the Arctic Sea to the Sea of Aral, and separating European from Asiatic Russia; is 1830 m. in length, 60 m. in breadth, and 3000 ft. in average height.

URALSK, a town, a Cossack centre, on the Ural River, 280 m. from the Caspian Sea, and a place of considerable trade.

URANIA, the muse of astronomy, is represented with a globe in her hand, to which she points with a small rod.

URANIUM, the element in which radioactivity was first discovered, the parent substance of radium, actinium, &c. See **RADIOACTIVITY**.

URANUS, a planet, the outermost but one of the solar system, is 1783 millions of miles from the sun, takes 30,686 of our days, or 84 of our years, to revolve

round it, has four times the diameter of the earth, and is accompanied by four moons; it was discovered in 1781 by Herschel, and called by him Georgium Sidus in honour of George III.

URANUS (Heaven), in the Greek mythology the son of Gaia (the Earth), and by her the father of the Titans; he hated his children, and at birth thrust them down to Tartarus, to the grief of Gaia, at whose instigation Kronos, the youngest born, unmanned him, and seized the throne of the Universe, to be himself supplanted in turn by his son Zeus.

URBAN, the name of eight Popes: Urban I., Pope from 223 to 230; Urban II., Pope from 1088 to 1099, warm promoter of the first Crusade; Urban III., Pope from 1186 to 1187; Urban IV., Pope from 1261 to 1264; Urban V., Pope from 1362 to 1370, man of an amiable temper; Urban VI., Pope from 1378 to 1389, in his reign the schism in the papacy began which lasted 40 years; Urban VII., Pope in 1590; and Urban VIII., Pope from 1623 to 1644, founded the College of Propaganda Fide.

URBAN, CHARLES, British scientist, made many inventions in connection with cinematography; has done much work on the production of educational films; invented a process for natural colour films (1887-).

URBINO, an ancient town of Central Italy, 20 m. SW. of Pesaro; was once the capital of a duchy; is the seat of an archbishop, and was the birthplace of Raphael.

URL, a Swiss canton N. of Unterwalden; is almost entirely pastoral; is overlooked by Mount St. Gotthard; Atdorf is the capital.

URIM AND THUMMIM, two ornaments attached to the breastplate of the Jewish high-priest which, when consulted by him, at times gave mysteriously oracular responses.

URQUHART, SIR THOMAS, of Cromarty, a cavalier and supporter of Charles I., and a great enemy of the Covenanters in Scotland; travelled much, and acquired a mass of miscellaneous knowledge, which he displayed in a most pedantic style; posed as a philologist and a mathematician, but executed one classical work, a translation of Rabbinis; is said to have died in a fit of laughter at the news of the restoration of Charles II. (1611-1690).

URSA MAJOR, the Greater Bear, a well-known constellation in the northern hemisphere, called also the Plough, the Wagon, or Charles's Wain, consists of seven bright stars, among others, three of which are known as the "handle" of the Plough, and two as the pointers, so called as pointing to the pole-star.

URSA MINOR, the Lesser Bear, an inconspicuous constellation, the pole-star forming the tip of the tail.

URSULA, ST., virgin saint and martyr, daughter of a British king, sought in marriage by a heathen prince, whom she accepted on condition that he become a Christian and that he would wait three years till she and her 11,000 maidens accomplished a pilgrimage to Rome; this pilgrimage being accomplished, on their return to Cologne they were set upon and all save her slain by a horde of Huns, who reserved her as a bride to Etzel, their king, on the refusal of whose hand she was transfixed by an arrow, and thereby set free from all earthly bonds; is very often represented in art with arrows in her hands and sometimes with a mantle and a group of small figures under it, her martyred sisters.

URSULINES, an order of nuns founded in 1537 by St. Angela Merici of Brescia in honour of St. Ursula, devoted to the nursing of the sick and the instruction of the young, and now established in houses in different cities of both Europe and North America.

URUGUAY, the smallest State in South America and a republic, formerly called Banda Oriental; lies between the Atlantic and the Uruguay River, and is bounded on the S. by the estuary of the Plata; it covers an area of over 70,000 sq. m., and is little more than one-third the size of France. Gold is mined; wheat, barley, and maize are the principal crops, but the land is mostly given over to pasture, cattle-rearing and sheep-farming being the chief industries, and the chief products and exports being hides, wool, preserved meats, and

similar articles of commerce. The people are mostly natives of mixed race, with some 50 per cent. of Europeans. primary education is compulsory; there are numerous schools, and a university, and though the established religion is Roman Catholic, all others are tolerated. Montevideo is the capital.

URUMIYA, a town in Persia, near a lake of the same name, NW. of the Caspian Sea, the seat of a Nestorian bishop and the birthplace of Zoroaster.

USEDOM, island belonging to Prussia, at the mouth of the Oder, with Schwinebunde on the N.

USHANT, island off the W. coast of France, in department of Finistère, where Howe gained a signal victory over the French in 1794.

USHER, JAMES, or **USHER**, Irish episcopal prelate, born in Dublin of good parentage, educated at Trinity College, Dublin; took orders and devoted years to the study of the Fathers of the Church; was in 1607 appointed professor of Divinity in his Alma Mater, in 1620 bishop of Meath, and in 1621 archbishop of Armagh; in 1640 he went to England, and during the rebellion next year his house was broken into and plundered, after which he settled in London and was eight years preacher at Lincoln's Inn; adhered to the royal cause, but was favoured by Cromwell, and by him honoured with burial in Westminster; he was a most saintly man, evangelical in his teaching, and wrote a number of learned works (1591-1656).

USQUEBAUGH, an old Celtic name for spirits distilled from barley, still sometimes used in Scotland; literally, it means "yellow water", whisky is the modern corrupted form of the word.

UTAH, a territory on the western plateau of the United States, W. of Colorado, traversed by the Wahatch range, at the foot of which lies the Great Salt Lake, is in extent nearly three times as large as Scotland, and occupied by a population four-fifths of which are Mormons; is rich in mines of the precious and useful metals as well as coal; originally wholly a desert waste, but now transformed, where the soil has permitted it, into a fruit bearing region. Salt Lake City (*q.v.*) is the capital.

UTAKAMAND, or **OOTACAMUND**, the summer capital of the Presidency of Madras, India, on the Nilgieries, 7000 ft. above the sea-level, where the temperature in summer is as low as 60°; is the chief sanatorium of the presidency.

UTGARD (out-yard), in the Norse mythology a place or circle of rocks on the extreme borders of the world, the abode of the giants, the same as Jötunheim.

UTICA, an ancient city of North Africa, founded by

the Phœnicians on a site 20 m. NW. of Carthage; was in alliance with Carthage during the first and second Punic Wars, but took part with the Romans in the third, and became afterwards the capital of the Roman province.

UTICA, a city in New York State, U.S., 232 m. NW. of New York City; is on the Erie Canal, in the heart of a dairy-farming district; has a noted market for cheese, and has various manufactures.

UTILITARIANISM, the theory which makes happiness the end of life and the test of virtue, and maintains that "actions are right in proportion as they tend to promote happiness, and wrong as they tend to produce the reverse." The great apostle of this theory was John Stuart Mill, and the great father of it Jeremy Bentham.

UTOPIA (Nowhere), an imaginary island described by Sir Thomas More, and represented as possessing a perfect political organisation; it has given its name to all schemes which aim at the like impossible perfection, though often applied to such as are not so much impossible in themselves as impracticable for want of the due individual virtue and courage to realise them.

UTRAQUISTS (*i.e.* both kinds), followers of Huss who maintained that the Eucharist should be administered to the people in both kinds, both bread and wine.

UTRECHT, an old town, the capital of a province of the name, in Holland, on the Old Rhine, 23 m. SE. of Amsterdam; it is fortified by strong forts, and the old walls have been levelled into beautiful promenades; has a number of fine buildings, a Gothic cathedral, St. Martin's, a famous university, with a library of over 160,000 volumes, and a museum; besides a town hall and the "Pope's house" (Pope Adrian VI., who was born here, &c.; manufactures iron goods, textiles, machinery, &c., and trades in butter and cheese; here in 1713 the treaty was signed which closed the Spanish Succession War. Is the name also of a province of the Transvaal.

UTTOXETER, market town of Staffordshire, 14 m. NE. of Stafford; has sundry manufactures and brewing; here Dr Johnson did public penance, with head uncovered, as a man, for want of filial duty when, as a boy, he refused to keep his father's bookstall in the market-place when he was ill.

UXBRIDGE, town of Middlesex, 16 m. W. of London; has two fine churches, and a large corn-market.

UZBEGS, a race of Tartar descent and Mohammedan creed, dominant in Turkestan, the governing class in Khiva, Bokhara, and Kokand especially.

UZEMA, a unit of linear measure used in Burma; it corresponds to some twelve English miles.

VAAL

VAAL, a river of South Africa, which rises in the Drakenberg Mountains, separates the Orange Free State from the Transvaal, and after a course of 500 m. in a SW. direction joins the Nu Gariep to form the Orange River.

VACCINATION. Inoculation with the matter of cowpox as a protection against smallpox, was introduced 1796-1798 by Edward Jenner (q.v.), and at length adopted by the faculty after much opposition on the part of both medical men and the public. It was made compulsory in 1853.

VAGRANCY, or *bovage*, was a serious crime in the past, an Act of 1547 making it punishable by branding and deportation; sitting in the stocks and cutting off of ears were other punishments inflicted; vagrancy is more leniently and effectively dealt with to-day under the 1824 Vagrancy Act.

VAIGATZ, an island in the Arctic Ocean, the "Holy Island" of the Samoyedes (q.v.), an abode of furred animals, seals, &c.

VAISHNAVAS, in India, name given to the worshippers of Vishnu.

VAIVAS. See **CASTE**.

VALAIS, a Swiss canton, between Berne on the N. and Italy on the S., in a wide valley of the Rhone, and shut in by lofty mountains; cattle-rearing is the chief industry.

VALDAI HILLS, a plateau rising to the height of 1100 ft. above the sea-level in Russia, forming the only elevation in the Great European Plain.

VALENCIA, a city of Spain, once the capital of a kingdom, now of a fertile province of the name; is situated on the shores of the Mediterranean, 3 m. from the mouth of the Guadalquivir, in the midst of a district called the Huerta, which is watered by the river, and grows oranges, citron, almond, mulberry-trees in richest luxuriance, the fruits of which it exports. It is an archbishop's see, and contains a large Gothic cathedral, a picture gallery, and a university with a large library; has silk, cloth, leather, cigar, floor-tile manufactures, and exports grain and silk besides fruits.

VALENCIA, a city of Venezuela, in a rich district, on a lake of the same name. Large numbers of cattle, horses, and mules are reared in the neighbourhood.

VALENCIENNES, an ancient fortified city in the dep. Nord, France, on the Scheldt, 32 m. SE. of Lille, with a citadel planned by Vauban, a fine town hall, and a modern Gothic church and other buildings; has textile manufactures, besides ironworks, and was once famous for its lace. One of the last battles of the Great War was fought here in November, 1918, Canadian troops gaining a notable victory.

VALENTI, FLAVIUS, Emperor of the East from 364 to 378; nominated by his brother Valentinian I., emperor of the West; was harassed all his reign by the Goths, who had been allowed to settle in the empire, and whom he drove into revolt; to the defeat of his army in 378, in a battle in which he was himself slain: the controversy between the orthodox and the Arians was at its height in this reign, and to the latter party both he and his victory belonged (328-378).

VALENTIA, an island in co. Kerry, Ireland, is the European terminus of the Atlantic telegraph system.

VALENTINE, BASIL, a German alchemist of the 15th century, is said to have been a Benedictine monk at Erfurt, and is reckoned the father of analytical chemistry.

VALENTINE AND ORSON, two characters in a famous mediæval romance of the time of Charlemagne; were twin brothers, one carried off in infancy by a bear, the other adopted by king Pepin; they typify uncouthness and gentility.

VALENTINE'S DAY, the 14th of February, on which young people of both sexes were wont to send love-letters to one another; it is uncertain who the

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Valentine was that is associated with the day, or whether it was with any of the name.

VALENTINIAN I., Roman emperor from 364 to 375, born in Pannonia, of humble birth; distinguished himself by his capacity and valour; was elected emperor by the troops at Nicæa; his reign was spent in repelling the invasions of the barbarians.

VALENTINIANS, a Gnostic sect, called after their leader Valentine, a native of Egypt of the 2nd century, regarded heathenism as preparatory to Christianity, and Christ as the full and final development in human form of a series of fifteen stages of emanation from the infinite divine to the finite divine in Him, "the fulness of Him that filleth all in all," each stage in the process achieved by the union of a male element with a female, that is, a conceptive and a susceptible.

VALERIANUS, LUCINIUS, or **VALERIAN**, Roman emperor from 253 to 260, elected by the legions in Rhætia; the empire being assailed on all hands, he set out to defend it on the E., was defeated at Edessa, taken prisoner, and cruelly treated; when he died his skin, it is said, was stuffed and paraded as a trophy.

VALERIUS MAXIMUS, a Roman writer of the age of Tibertus, who compiled a collection of the sayings and doings of notable Romans; it is of very miscellaneous character, and is written in a bombastic style, and dedicated to the emperor.

VALETTA, a fortress city, the capital of Malta, on a promontory on the NE. coast of the island, between two bays; the streets are steep, and the harbour is strongly fortified; it contains several fine buildings, a cathedral, the palace of the Grand-Masters of the Knights Templar, and the hospital of St. John; there is also a university and a large public library.

VALETTE, JEAN PARISOT DE LA, Grand-Master of the Order of St. John, famous for his military exploits and for his defence of Malta against the Turks in 1565 (1498-1568).

VALHALLA, Hall of Odin, the heaven of the brave in the Norse mythology, especially such as gave evidence of their valour by dying in battle, the "base and slavish" being sent to the realm of Hel, the Death-Kidnapper.

VALKYRES, in the Norse mythology daughters of Odin, who selected such as were worthy to be slain in battle, and who conducted them to Valhalla (q.v.).

VALLA, LAURENCE, a learned humanist, born in Rome, and a valiant defender of the claims of scholarship; was a distinguished Latinist (1407-1457).

VALLADOLID, a famous city of Spain, the capital of old Castile, and now of a province of the name, 150 m. N. of Madrid, is a fortress town, and the seat of an archbishop; has a university and a number of churches; manufactures textile fabrics, iron, and leather.

VALLOMBROSA (shady valley), a Benedictine abbey 15 m. E. of Florence, in a valley of the Apennines, surrounded by forests of beech, fir, &c., is a classic spot.

VALMY, a village of France, 20 m. NE. of Châlons, where the Prussians, under the Duke of Brunswick, were defeated by the troops of the French Republic under Kellermann in 1792.

VALOIS, an ancient duchy of France, which now forms part of the départements of Oise and Aisne, a succession of the counts of which occupied the throne of France, beginning with Philippe VI. in 1328 and ending with Henry III. in 1574.

VALPARAISO (Vale of Paradise), the second city and chief port in Chile, over 100 m. NW. of Santiago, at the head of a bay which looks N., and where the anchorage is dangerous; is quite a commercial city; exports ores, nitre, wheat, hides, &c., the business affairs of which are largely in the hands of foreigners, chiefly English, Americans, and Germans; it has been on various occasions visited

by severe earthquakes; was bombarded by a Spanish fleet in 1806 and suffered in the Civil War of 1801.

VALVES, or thermionic tubes, electrical appliances used for the rectification and amplification of the currents in a wireless circuit; the outgoing current, due to the emission of electrons by the red-hot filament, is controlled by the in-coming signals; the two-electrode valve was invented by J. A. Fleming and the later three-electrode or triode by Lee de Forest.

VAMBERY, ARMINIUS, traveller and philologist, born in Hungary, of poor Jewish parentage, apprenticed to a confectioner, took to the study of languages; expelled from Pesth as a revolutionary in 1848, settled in Constantinople as a teacher, travelled as a dervish in Turkestan and elsewhere, and wrote "Travels and Adventures in Central Asia," (1832-1913).

VAMPIRE, the ghost of a dead person accursed, failed to issue from the grave at night and suck the blood of the living as they sleep, the victims of whom are subject to the same fate, the belief is of Slavonic origin, and common among the Slavs.

VAN, a town in the Kurdistan Highlands, on the SE. shore of Lake Van, and 145 m. SE. of Erzerum; inhabited by Turks and Armenians.

VAN BUREN, MARTIN, the eighth President of the United States, born in New York; devoted from early years to politics, and early made his mark; elected President in 1835, an office which he adorned with honour, though to the sacrifice of his popularity (1792-1862).

VAN DIEMEN'S LAND. See **TASMANIA**.

VAN GOGH, VINCENT, Dutch artist. He started working in an art shop, was for a time a schoolmaster in England, and then studied in Holland for the Church, eventually taking to art instead and going to Paris to study when 30. He showed great ability to paint and especially mastery over colour, but went mad, and was placed in an asylum for a while. In 1889 he was let out, his artistic powers as strong as ever, and went to live with a doctor, but the following year he shot himself (1853-1890).

VANADIUM, a metallic silver-white element of rare occurrence, and occurring in very small quantities; found first in 1801 by Axel Rie. It is used in small quantities for certain kinds of steel, and also in the dye industry.

VANBRUGH, SIR JOHN, dramatist and architect, born in London; after 10 years' military service began to write plays, of which "The Provoked Wife" and "The Confederates" are best known; designed many famous houses and buildings, including Blenheim House, was appointed Chamberlain king-of-arms (1694-1726).

VANCOUVER, GEORGE, British sailor and explorer. After serving in two voyages under Captain Cook he set out on a voyage of his own to the Pacific, exploring the Gulf of Georgia and Vancouver Island, giving his name to the latter; he wrote a long account of this Voyage (1778-1780).

VANCOUVER ISLAND, a rugged-coasted island on the W. of North America; belongs to British Columbia; is separated from it by a strait of the sea; is 278 m. long and 50 to 65 m. of average breadth; is covered with forests, and only partially cultivated; is rich in minerals, and has extensive fisheries.

VANDALS, a fierce nation of the Teutonic race, who, from the NE. of Europe, invaded Rome on the E., mutilating and destroying the works of art in the city.

VANDERBILT, CORNELIUS, American millionaire, born in Staten Island; began life as a ferryman, acquired his fortune by enterprise in steamship navigation and speculating in railway extensions (1794-1877).

VANDELVEDE, WILLIAM, the Elder, marine painter, born in Leyden; painted sea-fights; was patronised by Charles II. and James II. (1611-1693).

VANDELVEDE, WILLIAM, the Younger, marine painter, son of preceding; patronised likewise by Charles II. (1633-1707).

VANDYCK, SIR ANTHONY, great portrait-painter, born in Antwerp; studied under Rubens, whose favourite pupil he was; visited Italy, and devoted himself to the study of the great masters; on his

return to Antwerp painted "Christ Crucified between Two Thieves"; came to England in 1632, and was patronised by Charles I.; was knighted, and made Court painter; painted the royal family, the King, Queen, and their two children, and during the next eight years executed portraits of all the Court people; his portraits are very numerous, and the most celebrated are in England; died at Blackfriars, and was buried in St. Paul's (1599-1641).

VANE, SIR HENRY, a notability of the Civil War period in England; was a Puritan of the republican type, born in Kent; studied at Oxford; emigrated for a time to New England, but returned, entered Parliament, took an active part against the Royalists, withstood Cromwell, and was openly rebuked by him; his opposition to the Protectorate led to his imprisonment for a time; at the Restoration he was arrested and beheaded on Tower Hill (1612-1662).

VANT HOFF, JACOBUS, Dutch chemist, professor at Amsterdam and Berlin, famous for his work in physical chemistry (1852-1911).

VAR, a department in the SE. of France; is in part mountainous, with fertile valleys; yields wine, tobacco, and various fruits.

VARENNE, a small town near Verdun, in France, where in 1791 Louis XVI. was intercepted in his attempt to escape from France.

VARIABLE STARS, may be placed in three classes, the cepheids (q.v.), those like Algor (q.v.), and the long-period (variable) like Mira (q.v.). See also **BINARY STARS**.

VARNA, a port of Bulgaria, on a bay in the Black Sea; a place of considerable trade, especially in exporting corn; here the French and English allied forces encamped for four months in 1854 prior to their invasion of the Crimea.

VARRO, MARCUS TERENTIUS, "the most learned of the Romans," wrote a number of works both in prose and verse, of which only fragments remain, but enough to prove the greatness of the loss; was the friend of Pompey, then Caesar, then Cicero, but survived the strife of the time and spent his leisure afterwards in literary labours (116-27 B.C.).

VARUNA, in the Hindu mythology the god of the luminous heavens, viewed as creator of all things and as the primary source of all life and every blessing. "In connection with no other god," says M. Barth, "is the sense of the divine majesty and of the absolute dependence of the creature expressed with the same force. We must go to the Psalmists to find similar accents of adoration and supplication." He was the prototype of the Greek Uranus, the primeval father of gods and men.

VARUS, PUBLIUS QUINTILIUS, Roman consul, 13 B.C., appointed by Augustus governor of Germany; being attacked by Arminius and overpowered with loss of three Roman legions under his command, he committed suicide; when the news of the disaster reached Rome Augustus was overwhelmed with grief, and in a paroxysm of despair called upon the dead man to restore him his legions; d. 9.

VASARI, GIORGIO, Italian painter and architect, born in Arezzo; was the author of biographies of Italian artists, and it is on these, with the criticism they contain, that his title to fame rests (1511-1574).

VASSAR COLLEGE, a college 2 m. E. of Poughkeepsie, New York, founded by Matthew Vassar, a wealthy brewer, in 1861 for the higher education of women.

VATHEK, an Oriental potentate and libertine, guilty of all sorts of crimes, the hero of a novel of the name by William Beckford (q.v.).

VATICAN, THE, the palace of the Pope in Rome and one of the largest in the world; contains a valuable collection of works of art, and is one of the chief attractions in the city; it is a storehouse of literary treasures as well and documents of interest bearing on the history of the Middle Ages.

VATICAN CITY, the capital, and all that remains, of the Church States (q.v.). It is an area of about 1 sq. m. in Rome around St. Peter's, and over it the Pope has full sovereignty, including power to issue coins and stamps and to send diplomatic representatives abroad. The Church States were seized in 1870 by Italy, and the temporal sovereignty

of the Holy See was not again recognised till the Lateran Treaty was signed in 1929.

VATICAN COUNCIL, a Church council attended by 704 ecclesiastics under the auspices of Pius IX., which assembled on December 8, 1869, and by a large majority decreed the doctrine of Papal Infallibility.

VAUBAN, SEBASTIEN LE PRESTRE DE, marshal of France in the reign of Louis XIV.; military engineering was his great forte, and as such he "conducted 53 sieges, was present at 104 battles, erected 33 fortresses, and restored the works of 300 old ones"; he was originally in the service of Spain, and was enlisted in the French service by Cardinal Mazarin; he was a political economist as well as engineer, but his animadversions only procured for him the royal disfavour (1633-1707).

VAUCLUSE (valley shut in), department in the S.E. of France; chief industries agriculture, silk-weaving, pottery, &c., and with a village of the name, 10 m. E. of Avignon, famous for its fountain and as the retreat of Petrarch for 16 years.

VAUD, a canton in the W. of Switzerland, between Jura and the Bernese Alps; is well cultivated, yields wines, and its inhabitants Protestants; the capital is Lausanne.

VAUDEVILLE, a light, lively song with topical allusions; also a dramatic poem interspersed with comic songs of the kind and dances; in the U.S.A. applied to light comedy and variety entertainment.

VAUDOIS, the name given to Waldenses who, driven forth from France, at Vaud, found refuge and settled down in the mountain fastnesses of Piedmont.

VAUGHAN, FATHER BERNARD, famous Roman Catholic preacher who made a considerable stir after 1906 by his attacks on the sins of society people delivered from his pulpit at Farm Street Jesuit Church, Mayfair (1847-1922).

VAUGHAN, CHARLES JOHN, English clergyman, born in Leicester; was a pupil of Dr. Arnold at Rugby; for many years famous as Master of the Temple, a poet he resigned in 1894; held in high esteem as a preacher and for his fine spirit (1816-1897).

VAUGHAN, HENRY, English poet, self-styled the "Silurist" from the seat of his family in South Wales; studied at Oxford, was a partisan of the royal cause; wrote four volumes of poems in the vein of George Herbert, but was much more mystical and had deeper thoughts, could be have expressed them; of his poems the first place has been assigned to "Silent Scintillans," the theme the flinty heart when smelted giving out sparks. "At times," adds Prof. Saintsbury, "there is in him genuine blood and fire; but it is not always, or even often, that the flint is kindled and melted to achieved expression" (1622-1695).

VAUGHAN, HERBERT, CARDINAL, archbishop of Westminster, born in Gloucester, son of Lieut. Colonel Vaughan; educated at Stonyhurst and abroad; succeeded Cardinal Manning as archbishop in 1872, having previously been bishop of Salford (1832-1903).

VAUVENARGUES, MARQUIS DE, celebrated French essayist, born in Aix, Provence, poor, but of an old and honourable family; entered the army at 18, served in the Austrian Succession War, resigned his commission in 1744, settled in Paris and took to literature; his principal work was "Introduction à la Connaissance de l'Esprit Humain," followed by reflections and maxims on points of ethics and criticism; he suffered from bad health, and his life was a short one (1715-1747).

VAUXHALL GARDENS, a popular London riverside resort of the 17th, 18th, and early 19th centuries. They were laid out in 1661 and closed in 1859.

VEDANGA, one of the six commentaries on the

VEDANTA, a system of Hindu speculation in interpretation of the Vedas, founded on the presupposition of the identity of the spiritual working at the heart of things and the spiritual working in the heart of man.

VEDAS, the sacred books of the Hindus, of sacerdotal origin and ancient date, of which there are four collections, severally denominated the Rig-Veda, the Atharva-Veda, the Sama-Veda, the Yajur-

Veda, to each of which are attached Brahmanas in elucidation.

VEDDAS, the aborigines of Ceylon, of whom some 2000, still in a wild state, are extant between Kandy and the E. coast; are remarkable for their low stature, long black hair, and dark brown skins; their language is pure Sinhalese.

VEGA, the bright blue star in Lyra at a distance of twenty-five light years from the earth, towards which the whole solar system appears to be moving.

VEGA, LOPEZ DE LA, known as Lope, Spanish dramatist, born in Madrid; began life as a soldier; served in the Armada; was secretary to the Duke of Alva; took orders, and became an officer of the Inquisition; wrote a heroic pastoral entitled "Arcadia" at the instance of the duke, and the "Dragonica" over the death of Drake as the destroyer of the supremacy of Spain on the sea; was a man of fertile inventiveness, and is said to have written 2000 plays, besides no end of verses, and was called by Cervantes a "Prodigy of Nature" (1562-1635).

VEHMERGERICHT, or FEHMERGERICHT, a tribunal held in several parts of Germany during the Middle Ages, all powerful, in connection with a secret organisation under sanction of the emperor for the enforcement of justice and punishment of crime at a period when the States severally were too weak to uphold it. These courts were held in secret places at night, and inspired great terror in the 13th and 14th centuries.

VELL, an ancient city of Etruria, and in early times a formidable rival of Rome, from which it was only 12 m. distant. The Romans under Cincinnatus laid siege to it, and it baffled them for 10 years.

VEIT, PHILIPP, painter of the Romanticist school, born in Berlin; his best-known work is a fresco, "Christianity bringing the Fine Arts to Germany" (1793-1877).

VELASQUEZ, DIEGO DE SILVA Y, greatest of Spanish painters, born in Seville, of Portuguese family; studied under Francisco Herrera (q.v.), who taught him to teach himself, so that but for the hint he was a self-taught artist, and simply painted what he saw and as he saw it. Portrait-painting was his forte, one of his earliest being a portrait of Olivares, succeeded by one of Philip IV. of Spain, considered the most perfect extant, and by others of members of the royal family; specimens of his work are found in different countries, but the best are in Madrid, and they include sacred subjects, genre, landscape, and animal paintings, as well as portraits (1599-1660).

VENDEE, LA, a dept. of France, on the Bay of Biscay, S. of Loire-Inférieure; mostly on the W., wooded on the N. and with an open fertile tract in the middle and E.; it is famous as the seat of a stubborn resistance to the Revolution, and for the bloody violence with which it was suppressed.

VENDEMAIRE (vintage month), the first month of the French Revolution year, from September 22 to October 21.

VENDETTA, the practice which existed in Corsica and Sicily on the part of individuals of exacting vengeance for the murder of a relative on the murderer or one of his relations.

VENDÔME, LOUISE JOSEPH, DUC DE, French general, born in Paris, great-grandson of Henry IV.; served in the wars of Louis XIV., and gained several victories; was defeated by Marlborough and Prince Eugene at Oudenarde in 1708, but by his victory at Villaviciosa contributed to the restoration of Philip V. to the Spanish throne in 1711; was a man of gross sensuality, and has been pilloried by Saint Simon for the execution of all mankind (1654-1712).

VENEZUELA, a federal republic in South America, founded in 1830, over three times as large as Spain, consisting of nine States and several territories; composed of mountain and valley, and in great part of llanos, within the basin of the Orinoco; between the Caribbean Sea, Colombia, Brazil, and British Guiana, and containing a population of Indian, Spanish, and negro descent; on the llanos large herds of horses and cattle are reared; the agricultural products are sugar, coffee, cotton,

tobacco, &c.; the forests yield mahogany, ebony, and dye-wood, while the mines yield iron, copper, &c., and there are extensive goldfields, considered the richest in the world; the boundary line between the British colony and Venezuela was for long matter of keen dispute, but by the intervention of the United States at the request of the latter a treaty between the contending parties was concluded, referring the matter to a court of arbitration, which met at Paris in 1895 and settled it in 1899, in vindication of the British claim, the Schomburgk line being now declared to be the true line, and the goldfields British.

VENGEUR, LE, a war-vessel of the French failed to have gone down rather than surrender to the English in a battle off Ushant on June 1, 1794, the crew shouting "Vive la République," when it was really a cry for help.

VENICE, a city of Italy, in a province of the same name, at the head of the Adriatic, in a shallow lagoon dotted with some eighty islets, and built on piles partly of wood and partly of stone, the streets of which are canals traversed by gondolas and crossed here and there by bridges, the city dates from the year 432, when the islands were a place of refuge from the attacks of the Huns, and took shape as an independent state with magistrates of its own about 897, to assume at length the form of a republic and become "Queen of the Adriatic Sea," the doge, or chief magistrate, ranking as one of the sovereign powers of the Western world; from its situation it became in the 10th century a great centre of trade with the East, and continued to be till the discovery of the route round the Cape, after which it began to decline, till it fell eventually under the yoke of Austria, from which it was wrested in 1866, and is now part of the modern kingdom of Italy, with much still to show of what it was in its palmy days, and indications of a measure of recovery from its down-trodden state, for an interesting and significant sketch in brief of its rise and fall see the "Shadow on the Dial" in Ruskin's "St. Mark's Rest."

VENIZELOS, ELEUTHERIOS, Greek politician. He was born in Cerigo, and came of an ancient family; he took to law and politics early, became a member of the Cretan Assembly, and took part in the 1866 rebellion that secured the island's independence. In 1910 he became Liberal Prime Minister of Greece, and was behind the formation of the Balkan League against Turkey. In 1910 he forced Constantine (q.v.) to abdicate, and brought Greece into the Great War on the side of the Allies. When King Alexander died the pro-Constantine party won the 1920 elections, and for a time Venizelos left Greece, but he was recalled on the expulsion of George II. in 1923, and was elected President, but resigned after a few weeks in power; in 1928 he once more became Prime Minister (1864-).

VENTNOR, a town and favourite watering-place on the S. shore of the Isle of Wight, with a fine beach; much resorted to in winter from its warm southern exposure.

VENUS, the Roman goddess of love, of wedded love, and of beauty (originally of the spring), and at length identified with the Greek Aphrodite (q.v.); she was regarded as the tutelary goddess of Rome, and had a temple to her honour in the Forum.

VENUS, an interior planet of the solar system, revolving in an orbit outside that of Mercury and within that of the earth, nearly as large as the latter; is 67 millions of miles from the sun, round which it revolves in 224 days, while its own time of rotation is uncertain; it is the brightest of the heavenly bodies, and appears in the sky now as the morning star, now as the evening star, according as it rises before the sun or sets after it, so that it is always seen either in the E. or the W.; when right between us and the sun it is seen moving as a black spot on the sun's disk, a phenomenon known as "Transit of Venus," the last instance of which occurred in 1882, the next not to occur again till 2004.

VENTRILOQUISTS, people, usually men, who can speak in various tones without any movement of the lips, and who by suggestion can make their voices appear to come from a distance; nowadays

used for amusement purposes, the art was known to the Greeks and Romans, among whom it was responsible for a belief in oracles, just as it has led primitive races in modern times to believe in the god-like qualities of witch-doctors.

VERA CRUZ, a chief seaport of Mexico, on the Gulf of Mexico, 283 m. S.E. of the capital; is regularly built and strongly fortified, but is unhealthily situated, and the yellow and other fevers prevail; trade is chiefly in the hands of foreigners; exports ores, cochineal, indigo, dye-woods, &c.

VERDI, GIUSEPPE, Italian composer, born in Roncole Verdi, his musical talent was slow of recognition, but the appearance of his "Lombard" and "Erani" in 1843-1844 established his reputation, which was confirmed by "Rigoletto" in 1851 and "Il Trovatore" and "La Traviata" in 1853 (1813-1901).

VERDUN, a strongly fortified town in the department of Meuse, 35 m. W. of Metz; capitulated to the Germans in 1870 after a siege of six weeks. It was again besieged, but this time unsuccessfully, by the Germans in 1916 for 10 months, and again in 1917, the Crown Prince was in command of the Germans, and the defence was conducted primarily by Marshal Petain and Nivelle.

VERENIGING, a town in the Transvaal, on the Vaal, 50 m. S. of Johannesburg; it is a centre of the coal and iron trades.

VERENIGING TREATY, the treaty that ended the Boer War (q.v.), signed at Pretoria in 1902.

VERENDRYE, SIEUR DE LA, in full Pierre Gaultier de Varennes de la Verendrye, French soldier and explorer in Canada; in 1731 he set out from Montreal, traversed the Assiniboine, Saskatchewan, and Missouri rivers, and the Red River Valley, failing to discover the hoped-for passage to the western sea and China, but revealing the wonders of the prairie country, and opening the way for the fur-traders, d. 1749.

VERESTCHAGIN, VASSILI, Russian painter, is realistic to an extreme degree and anti-conventional (1842-1904).

VERGIL, POLYDORE, historian and miscellaneous writer, born in Urbino, was a friend and correspondent of Erasmus; was sent to England by the Pope as deputy-collector of Peter's Pence, and was there promoted to ecclesiastical preferments; wrote in Latin an able and painstaking history of England, bringing it down to the year 1538 (1470-1555).

VERGONIAUD, PIERRE VICTORNIEN, an eloquent orator of the French Revolution; a man of indolent temper, but by his eloquence became leader of the Girondins, presided at the trial of the king, and pronounced the decision of the court—sentence of death, presided as well "at the Last Supper of his party, with wild orations of eloquence, with song and mirth," and was guillotined next day, the last of the lot (1753-1793).

VERLAINE, PAUL, French poet, born in Metz; wrote lyrics distinguished by much beauty of form and matter (1844-1896).

VERMONT (green mount), an inland New England State, W. of New Hampshire and a little larger in size, includes large tracts of both pastoral and arable land; rears live-stock in great numbers, yields cereals, and produces the best maple sugar in the States, and has large quarries of granite, marble, and slate.

VERNE, JULES, French story-teller, born in Nantes, inventor and author of a popular series of semi-scientific novels, chief among which are "Round the World in Eighty Days," "Five Weeks in a Balloon," and "Twenty Thousand Leagues under the Sea" (1828-1905).

VERNET, CLAUDE, French marine painter, born in Avignon; executed more than 200 paintings, both landscape and sea pieces (1714-1789). Carlo, son of preceding, painter of battle pieces, born in Bordeaux (1758-1835). Horace, son of latter, born in Paris, distinguished also for his battle pieces in slattery of French Chauvinism (1789-1863).

VERNON, DI, the heroine in Sir Walter Scott's "Rob Roy," an enthusiastic royalist, distinguished for her beauty and talents.

VERONA, an old Italian town on the Adige, in Venetia, 62 m. W. of Venice; is a fortress city and

one of the famous Quadrilateral; has many interesting buildings and some Roman remains, in particular of an amphitheatre; has manufactures of silk, velvet, and woollen fabrics, and carries on a large local trade.

VERONESE, PAOLO, or **PAOLO CAGLIARI**, painter of the Venetian school, born in Verona, whence his name; studied under an uncle, painted his "Templation of St. Anthony" for Mantua Cathedral, and settled in Venice in 1555, where he soon earned distinction and formed one of a trio along with Titian and Tintoretto; the subjects he treated were mostly scriptural, the most celebrated being the "Marriage Feast at Cana of Galilee," now in the Louvre (1528-1588).

VERONICA, ST., according to legend a woman who met Christ on His way to crucifixion and offered Him her veil to wipe the sweat off His face. See **SUDARIUM**.

VERSAILLES, a handsome city of France, capital of the department of Seine-et-Oise, 11 m. by rail S.W. of Paris, of which it is virtually a suburb, and was during the monarchy, from Louis XIV.'s time, the seat of the French court; has a magnificent palace, with a gallery embracing a large collection of pictures; was occupied by the Germans during the siege of Paris, and in one of its halls the Prussian king was proclaimed German emperor as William I. In 1919 the Peace Conference after the Great War was held here and the Peace Treaty signed.

VERSAILLES, TREATY OF, signed in June, 1919, after the Great War; its first section was the Covenant of the League of Nations; it fixed the frontiers of Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg, and France, and recognised Czechoslovakia and Poland; under it Germany was deprived of colonies, had her fighting forces reduced, accepted responsibility for war crimes, and a heavy load of reparation payments both in money and in kind; it was also stipulated that German territory to the West of the Rhine should be occupied by the Allies for 15 years.

VERST, a unit of linear measure in use in Russia; it is equivalent to some 1200 English yards.

VERTUMNUS, in Roman mythology the god of the seasons, wooed Pomona under a succession of disguises, and won her at last.

VERVASIAN, TITUS FLAVIUS VESPASIANUS, Roman emperor (from 70 to 79) and tenth of the 12 Cæsars, born in the Sabine territory, of humble parentage; rose by his valour to high rank in the army and in favour with it, till at length he was elected by the people to the throne; he had waged war successfully in Germany, Britain, and at Jerusalem, and during his reign, and nearly all through it, the temple of Janus was shut at Rome.

VESPUCCI, AMERIGO, navigator, born in Florence; made two voyages to America in 1499 and in 1501, and from him the two continents derived their name, owing, it is said, to his first visit being misdated in an account left, which made it appear that he had preceded Columbus (1491-1512).

VESTA, the Roman goddess of the hearth, identified with the Greek Hestia; was the guardian of domestic life and had a shrine in every household; had a temple in Rome in which a heaven-kindled fire was kept constantly burning and guarded by first four then six virgins called Vestales, whose persons were held sacred as well as their office, since any laxity in its discharge might be disastrous to the city.

VESTAL VIRGINS. See **VESTA**.

VEUVIUS, a flattened conical mountain, 4161 ft. in height, and an active volcano on the Bay of Naples, 10 m. S.E. of the city; it was by eruption of it that the two cities of Herculaneum and Pompeii were overwhelmed in A.D. 79; its crater is half a mile in diameter, and has a depth of 350 ft.; there are some 60 eruptions on record.

VETULIA, a Roman matron, the mother of Octavianus. **VIA DOLORESA**, way leading from the Mount of Olives to Golgotha, which Christ traversed from the Agony in the Garden to the Cross.

VIA FUCUM, name given to the Eucharist administered by a priest to a person on the point of death.

VICAR OF BRAY. See **BRAY**.

VICAR OF CHRIST, title assumed by the Pope, who claims to be the Vicar of Christ on earth.

VIGENZA, a town in the N.E. of Italy, in a province of the name, bordering on the Tyrol, 42 m. W. of Venice; has fine palaces designed by Palladio, a native of the place; manufactures woollen and silk fabrics, and wooden wares; was a place of some importance under the Lombards.

VICHY, a fashionable watering-place in Central France, on the Allier, at the foot of the volcanic mountains of Auvergne; has hot alkaline springs, much resorted to for their medicinal virtues.

VICKSBURG, largest city on the Mississippi, on a bluff above the river, fortified by the Confederates in the Civil War; after a siege of over a year surrendered to General Grant, July 4, 1864, with 30,000 men.

VICO, GIOVANNI BATTISTA, Italian philosopher, born in Naples, where he was for 40 years professor of rhetoric; his great work "Scienza Nuova," by which he became the father of the philosophy of history, which he resolved Calvinistically into a spiritual development of the purposes of God (1668-1744).

VICO, CLAUDE PERRIN, marshal of France, served with distinction all through the wars of Napoleon, and held command, not to his honour, under the Bourbons after his fall (1764-1841).

VICTOR, ST., the name of two martyrs, one of Marcellus and one of Milan, distinguished for their zeal in overthrowing pagan altars.

VICTOR EMMANUEL II., king of Sardinia, and afterwards of united Italy, born in Turin, eldest son of Charles Albert; became king in 1849 on the abdication of his father; distinguished himself in the war against Austria, adding Austrian Lombardy and Venetia to his dominions, and, by the help of Garibaldi, Naples and Sicily. till in 1861 he was proclaimed king of Italy, and in 1870 he entered Rome as his capital city (1820-1878).

VICTOR EMMANUEL III., king of Italy. Succeeding to the throne in 1900, he governed as a constitutional monarch, and after 1922 passively supported the Fascist régime (q.v.). It was largely due to him that Italy came into the Great War on the side of the Allies. Another important event of his reign was the settlement of the Roman question by the signing in 1929 of the Lateran Treaty (q.v.), effecting a settlement between Church and State (1869-).

VICTORIA, the smallest and most populous State in Australia, lying S. of New South Wales, from which it was separated in 1851; originally settled as Port Phillip in 1834, it developed gradually as a pastoral and agricultural region. till, in 1851, the discovery of gold led to an enormous increase in both the population and the revenue, and the sudden rise of a community, with Melbourne for centre, which, for wealth and enterprise, eclipsed every other in the southern hemisphere of the globe; the wealth thus introduced led to a further development of its resources, and every industry began to flourish to a proportionate extent; the chief exports are wool, gold, live-stock, breadstuffs, hides, and leather, and the imports are no less manifold; the climate is remarkably healthy, and ice and snow are hardly known; there is no State religion; about 75 per cent. of the people are Protestants, 22 per cent. Catholics, and 4 per cent. Jews, and every provision is made for education, in the shape of universities, State schools, technical schools, and private schools; the legislative authority is vested in a Parliament of two chambers, a Legislative Council of 34, and a Legislative Assembly of 65. Melbourne is the capital.

VICTORIA, ALEXANDERINA, British Queen, born in Kensington Palace, the only child of the Duke of Kent, fourth son of George III., who died in 1820, leaving her an infant eight months old; educated under the eye of her mother with special regard to her prospective destiny as Queen; proclaimed, on the death of William IV., on June 20, 1837; crowned at Westminster June 28, 1838; married Prince Albert February 10, 1840; in 1877 added "Empress of India" to her titles; during 1861 became a widow through the death of Prince Albert. Her reign was long and prosperous, 1887 being celebrated as her "Jubilee" year, and 1897 as her "Diamond

Julien"; was the mother of four sons and five daughters; William II., Emperor of Germany, was a grandchild, and Nicholas II., Czar of Russia, was married to another; died at Osborne, Isle of Wight, January 22, 1901 (1819-1901).

VICTORIA AND ALBERT MUSEUM, a museum in South Kensington, opened by King Edward VII. and Queen Alexandra in 1909; Queen Victoria had laid the foundation stone in 1899.

VICTORIA CROSS, a naval and military decoration in the shape of a Maltese cross, instituted by Queen Victoria in 1856 for conspicuous bravery in the presence of an enemy.

VICTORIA NYANZA, a lake in East Central Africa, on the Equator, is about the size of Ireland, 300 m. long and 80 m. broad, at an elevation of 3500 ft. above the sea-level; discovered by Captain Speke in 1858, and circumnavigated by Stanley in 1875; is regarded as the head-source of the Nile, the waters of it flowing through Albert Nyanza 80 m. to the N., between which two lakes lies the territory of Uganda.

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY. See **MANCHESTER**.

VICTORY, Nelson's flagship at the battle of Trafalgar and the boat on which he died. It is now preserved in Portsmouth harbour.

VICUNA, the name of a wool used in dress fabrics, notably for blacks; it comes from an animal of the same name belonging to the camel family, and found in the mountain districts of S. America.

VIDAR, in the Scandinavian mythology the god of wisdom and silence, whose look penetrates the innermost thoughts of men.

VIENNA, the capital of Austria, on a southern branch of the Danube, in a situation calculated to make it the central city of the continent; it was the residence of the emperor and is the seat of the government; has noble buildings, a university, and numerous large libraries, a wide promenade called the Prater, and a varied industry, with ample means of both external and internal communication; in the SW. of it is Schönbrunn, the old summer residence of the emperor, amid gardens of matchless beauty; it has been the scene of the signing of important treaties, and it was here the Congress met to undo the work of Napoleon in 1815.

VIENNE, an ancient town of France, on the Rhone, 19 m. S. of Lyons; was the chief town of the Allobroges in Cæsar's time, and possesses relics of its connection with Rome; it manufactures silk and woollen fabrics, paper and iron goods, and has a trade in grain and wine.

VIOFUSON, GUDBRAND, Scandinavian scholar, born in Iceland, of good family; well familiar with the folk-lore of his country from boyhood, and otherwise educated at home, he entered Copenhagen University in 1850, occupying himself with the study of his native literature, and of every document he could lay his hands on and out of which he hoped to obtain any light; in 1855 he published a work on the chronology of the sagas, and this was followed by editions of the sagas themselves; after this he came to Oxford, where he produced an Icelandic-English Dictionary and other works in the same interest, and died and was buried there (1828-1889).

VIGNY, ALFRED, COMTE DE, French poet of the Romanticist school, born in Leches; entered the army, but left after a few years for a life of literary ease; produced a small volume of exquisitely finished poems between 1821 and 1829, and only another, "Poèmes Philosophiques," which was not published till after his death; wrote also romances and dramas, and translated into French "Othello" and "Merchant of Venice" (1799-1863).

VIGO, a seaport in Galicia, NW. of Spain, on a bay of the same name; beautifully situated, and a favourite health resort.

VIKINGS (men of the rike, or crooks), name given to the Scandinavian sea-rovers and pirates who from the 8th to the 10th centuries ravaged the shores chiefly of Western Europe.

VILLA, FRANCISCO PANCRO, Mexican bandit. His real name was Doroteo Arango, and his early days were spent as a cattle thief, his first exploit in this line being at the age of 14; in 1910 he assisted a revolution, and in 1914 led his own army in support

of Carranza, but soon turned against the government he had helped to place in power, and till 1920 carried on a guerrilla war against it. He was an illiterate man, and most of his life was spent as an outlaw and fugitive. In 1923 he was shot dead in an ambush (1868-1923).

VILLARI, PASQUALE, Italian author, born in Naples; professor of History at Florence; wrote the *Libera di Savonarola* and *Macchiavelli* (1827-1917).

VILLARS, DUC DE, marshal of France, born in Moulins; one of the most illustrious of Louis XIV.'s generals, and distinguished in diplomacy as well as war; served in Germany under Turenne, and in the war of the Spanish Succession; suppressed the Camisards in the Cevennes, but was defeated by Marlborough at Malplaquet (1653-1734).

VILLENAGE, in feudal times the condition of a "villein," one of the lowest class in a state of mental servitude.

VILLENEUVE, SILVESTRE DE, French admiral, born in Villesolles, Hautes-Alpes; entered the navy at 15, became captain at 30; commanded the rear at the battle of the Nile; was placed in command at Toulon, steered his fleet to the West Indies to draw Nelson off the shores of France, but was chased back by Nelson and blockaded in Cadiz, to the defeat of Napoleon's scheme for invading England; thereupon felt constrained to risk a battle with the English admiral, which he did to his ruin at Trafalgar (1768-1806).

VILLEROI, DUC DE, marshal of France; was a courtier but no soldier, being defeated in Italy by Prince Eugene and at Kamilly by Marlborough; was guardian to Louis XV. (1644-1730).

VILLIERS, CHARLES PELHAM, reformer, brother of the Earl of Clarendon, bred to the bar; entered Parliament; M.P. for Wolverhampton, which he represented to the end; was an advocate from the first, and one of the stoutest, for free trade and poor-law reform, and had a marble statue raised in his honour at Wolverhampton before his death (1802-1898).

VILLON, FRANÇOIS, French poet, born in Paris; his real name Corbueil or De Montcorbier; studied at the university, but led an irregular life; had again and again to flee from Paris; was once condemned to death, but set free after a four years' imprisonment into which the sentence was commuted; is the author of two poems, entitled the "Petit Testament" and the "Grand Testament," with minor pieces bearing on the swindling tricks of Villon, the name he assumed, and his companions (1431-1485).

VIMY RIDGE, a ridge of rising ground in the department of Pas-de-Calais, France, near Arras. Captured by the Germans early in the Great War, it was attacked twice by French troops in 1915, and was eventually captured by Canadian forces in April, 1917.

VINCENNES, an eastern suburb of Paris, in the famous Bois de Vincennes, which contains a large artillery park and training place for troops; it is a favourite resort for Parisians of the middle class.

VINCENT, ST., a Spanish martyr who in 304 was tortured to death; is represented with the instruments of his torture, a spiked gridiron for one, and a raven beside him such as drove away the beasts and birds of prey from his dead body.

VINCENT DE PAUL, ST., a Romish priest, born in Gascony, of humble parents; renowned for his charity; he founded the congregation of the Sisters of Charity, and that of the Priests of the Missions, afterwards called Lazarists, from the priory of St. Lazarus, where they first established themselves, and instituted the Foundling Hospital in Paris; he was canonized by Pope Clement XII. in 1737 (1576-1660).

VINDHYA MOUNTAINS, a range of hills, 500 m. in length, forming the N. scarp of the plateau of the Deccan in India, the highest peak of which does not exceed 6000 ft.

VINDICTIVE, a British cruiser which at the end of her career was used in the attack on the mole at Zebrugga (S.E.) on April 23, 1918, and which on May 10 the same year was sunk in Ostend harbour to block the channel.

VINEGAR BIBLE, an edition of the Bible printed at Oxford, in which the page containing the "Parable of the Vineyard" in Luke ix. was headed "Parable of the Vinegar."

VINEGAR HILL, a hill (385 ft.) near Enniscorthy, co. Wexford, Ireland, where General Lake defeated the Irish rebels on June 21, 1798, to the utter annihilation then and after of almost every man of them.

VINET, ALEXANDRE RODOLPHE, a Protestant theologian, born near Lausanne, where he studied and ultimately became professor of Practical Theology; was a zealous defender of the liberty of conscience and of the freedom of the Church from State connection and control; he was a littérateur as well as an able and eloquent divine (1797-1847).

VIOTI, GIOVANNI BATTISTA, celebrated violinist, born in Piedmont (1758-1824).

VIPER, a venomous snake common to Europe, Asia, and Africa; in this country represented by the adder; in India by the daboia, in America by the rattlesnake, and in Africa by the puff-adder and horned vipers.

VIRCHOW, RUDOLF, eminent pathologist and anthropologist, born in Pomerania; was distinguished as a politician as well as a man of science, and was in the former regard a strenuous Liberal; his services not only in the interests of medicine but of science generally and its social applications were very great (1821-1902).

VIRGIL, great Latin poet, born near Mantua, author in succession of the "Eclogues," the "Georgics," and the "Æneid"; studied at Cremona and Milan, and at 16 was sent to Rome to study rhetoric and philosophy; but a property he had in Cremona during the civil war, but recommended himself to Pollio, the governor, who introduced him to Augustus, and he went to settle in Rome; here, in 37 B.C., he published his "Eclogues," a collection of 10 pastorals, and gained the patronage of Mæcenas, under whose favour he was able to retire to a villa at Naples, where in seven years he, in 30 B.C., produced the "Georgics." In four books, on the art of husbandry, after which he devoted himself to his great work the "Æneid," or the story of Æneas of Troy, an epic in 12 books, connecting the hero with the foundation of Rome, and especially with the Julian family, completing it in 19 B.C.; on his deathbed he expressed a wish that it should be burned, and left instructions to that effect in his will; he was one of the purest-minded poets perhaps that ever lived (70-19 B.C.).

VIRGIN ISLANDS, a group of islands in the West Indies, few of them of any size, belonging partly to Denmark, Britain, and Spain.

VIRGIN QUEEN, appellation popularly given to Queen Elizabeth.

VIRGINAL, a musical instrument played with a keyboard similar to the clavicord; it was introduced into England in the 16th century; was known also as the Spinnet.

VIRGINIA, one of the United States of America, a State somewhat larger than Scotland, between Maryland and North Carolina, so named by its founder Sir Walter Raleigh in honor of Queen Elizabeth; is divided from West Virginia by the Appalachians; it is well watered; the soil, which is fertile, yields the finest cotton and tobacco, and minerals, particularly coal and iron, are abundant; the largest city is Richmond, with flour-mills.

VIRGINIA, WEST, formed originally one State with the preceding, but separated in 1861 to join the Federal cause; is nearly the same in size and resources; is a great mining region, and is rich in coal and iron; its largest city is Wheeling, on the Ohio.

VIRGO, the sixth sign of the zodiac, which the sun enters on August 22.

VISCOUNT, rank of the English peerage coming below earl and above baron; the title was first bestowed in 1440.

VISHNU, the Preserver, the second god of the Hindu triad, Brahma (g.v.) being the first and Siva (g.v.) the third; revealed himself by a succession of avatars, Rama (g.v.) being the seventh and Krishna (g.v.) the eighth; he has had nine avatars, and on the tenth he will come to judgment; he is extensively

worshipped, and his worshippers, the Vaisnavas, are divided into a great number of sects.

VISIGOTHS, a branch of the Goths that settled in the South of France and in Spain.

VISTULA, a central river of Europe, which rises in the Carpathians and after a course of 600 m. falls into the Baltic; it is almost navigable throughout, and carries down great quantities of timber, grain, and other produce to the Baltic ports.

VITALIS, ST., a martyr of the 1st century, who was stoned to death, is represented as buried in a pit with stones on his head.

VITAMINS, accessory food factors of unknown chemical constitution, which should be found in small but definite quantities and in a certain proportion in a correct diet; Vitamin A, contained in animal fats, is necessary for growth; B is present in fresh fruit and vegetables, and lack of it gives rise to beri-beri, &c.; C, found in green vegetables, prevents scurvy; D is present in fats and lack of it is the cause of rickets; vitamins E and F are connected with reproduction and lactation respectively; it has been found that a deficiency in vitamin D can be compensated for by sunlight.

VITELLIVS, AULUS, Roman emperor; reigned only eight months and some days of the year 69; was notorious for his excesses, and was murdered after being dragged through the streets of Rome.

VITRUVIUS, POLLIO, Roman architect and engineer; wrote on architecture, lived in the days of Augustus.

VITTORIA, the capital of Alava, a Basque province in the North of Spain, famous as the scene of one of Wellington's victories in June, 1813; has a fine old 13th-century cathedral and extensive manufactures; it is one of the most prosperous towns in Spain.

VITUS, ST., a Catholic saint and martyr of the 4th century, who is chiefly remembered by the nervous disorder called St. Vitus's dance, named after the practice of dancing in front of his tomb; festival, June 16.

VIVES, LUDOVICUS, a humanist, born in Valencia, studied in Paris; wrote against scholasticism, taught at Oxford, and was imprisoned for opposing Henry VIII's divorce; died at Bruges (1492-1540).

VIVIAN, an enchantress in Arthurian legend. See MERLIN.

VIVIANI, RENÉ, French politician. He first became a cabinet minister in 1906, and became Premier on the fall of Ribot in 1914; for a critical year he held office and proved a wise statesman; he died in 1925.

VIZIER, the chief officer of state in the old Turkish empire; the office was started in the 14th century.

VLADIMIR, capital of a government in the centre of Russia, 120 m. N.E. of Moscow; once practically the capital of the country, with many remains of its ancient grandeur.

VLADIMIR I. THE GREAT, OR ST., grand-duke of Russia; converted to Christianity through his wife Anna Romanovna, laid the foundation of the Russian empire; has been canonized by the Russian Church; d. 1015.

VLADIMIR II., surnamed Monomachus; succeeded to the throne of Russia in 1113, and consolidated it by the establishment and enforcement of just laws; was married to Gida, a daughter of King Harold of England (1063-1126).

VOGLER, ABSE, composer, born in Würzburg; distinguished once both as a musical performer and teacher; lives only in Brownie's "Dramatic Personae" (1749-1814).

VOGUE, a Finnish tribe on the E. slope of the Ural; are Christianized, but still practice many Shamanist rites; number some 20,000.

VOLAPÜK, a universal language by Schleyer, a German pastor; is practically limited to its applicability to commercial intercourse.

VOLGA, a river of European Russia, the largest in Europe, which rises in the Valdai Hills, and after a course of 2200 m. falls by a delta with 200 mouths into the Caspian Sea; it is navigable almost throughout, providing Russia with 7200 m. of water-carriage, and has extensive fisheries, especially of salmon and sturgeon.

VOLNEY, French philosopher, born in Craon; travelled in Egypt and Syria; wrote an account of

his travels in his "Voyage"; was imprisoned during the Reign of Terror; patronized and promoted to honour by Napoleon, and by the Bourbons on their return; his principal work, "Les Ruines, ou Méditations sur les Révolutions des Empires," was an embodiment of 18th century enlightenment (1757-1820).

VOLSUNGS, a race figuring in Norse and German legend of the 12th century, with the fate of whose history the latter is so widely occupied.

VOLT, the unit of electrical pressure or potential difference; the legal definition fixes the electromotive force of a standard Clark cell as 1.433 volts; named after Volta (q.v.).

VOLTA, ALESSANDRINO, Italian physicist, born in Como; professor of Physics at Pavia; made electrical discoveries which laid the foundation of what is called after him voltaic electricity (1745-1827).

VOLTAIC ELECTRICITY, a current of electricity generated by chemical action between metals and different liquids as arranged in a voltaic battery.

VOLTAIRE, FRANÇOIS MARIE AROUET DE, great French "penseur" and "Coryphæus of Deism," born in Paris, son of François Arouet, a lawyer; trained to scoff at religion from his boyhood, and began his literary career as a satirist and in the production of lampoons which cost him twice over imprisonment in the Bastille, on his release from which he left France in 1726 and went to England, where he stayed three years, and got acquainted with the free-thinking class there; had previously (1717-1724) produced several plays and assumed the name of Voltaire, on his return to Paris he engaged in some profitable commercial speculations and published his "Charles XII," which he had written in England, and retired to the château of Cirey, where he lived five years with Madame de Châtelet, engaged in study and diligent with his pen; left France with her and went to Poland, after her death paying his famous visit to Frederick the Great, with whom before three years were out he quarrelled, and from whom he was glad to escape, making his headquarters eventually within the borders of France at Ferney, from which he now and again visited Paris; on his last visit he was twitted with such raptures of adulation that he was quite overcome, and had to be conveyed home to die, breathing his last exactly two months after. He was a man of superlative adroitness of faculty and shiftness, without aught that can be called great, but more than any other the incarnation of the spirit of his time; said the word which all were waiting to hear, the word which gave the death-blow to superstition, but left religion out in the cold. The general, the great, offence (early charges Voltaire with is that "he intermeddled in religion without being himself in any measure religious; that he entered the Temple and continued there with a levity which, in any temple where men worship, can becom to brother man; that, in a word, he ardently, and with long-continued effort, warred against Christianity, without understanding, beyond the mere superficial, what Christianity was" (1694-1778).

VOLUNTARISM, the doctrine that the Church should not depend on the State, but should be supported exclusively by the voluntary contributions of its members.

VOLUNTEERS, voluntary soldiers. In Britain they were first given a chapter in 1537, but were not organized as the National Volunteer Force till 1860. They supplied a number of the troops for the Boer

War, and in 1908 were merged with the Territorials (q.v.).

VOODOO, name given to a system of magic and superstitious rites prevalent among certain negro races; is particularly associated with Hayti and the West Indies.

VORONOFF, SERGE, Russian scientist, held a number of medical appointments in Paris; introduced the method of grafting the thyroid gland from monkeys into human beings who were deficient in that gland; wrote a number of treatises on medical and physiological subjects; his methods of surgery were first introduced in 1919.

VORTIGERN, a British prince of the 5th century, who, on the withdrawal of the Romans, invited the Saxons to aid him against the incursions of the Picts, to, as it proved, their own installation into sovereign power in South Britain.

VOGES, a range of mountains in the NE. of France; they separate the basin of the Moselle from that of the Rhine.

VOSE, JOHANN HEINRICH, German poet and scholar, born in Mecklenburg; suet most of his life in Heidelberg; his fame rests chiefly on his idyllic poem "Lulie" and his translations, particularly of Homer (1751-1826).

VOSSIS, GERRARD, Dutch philologist, born near Heidelberg; wrote a history of Pelagianism, which brought him disfavour with the orthodox; was made a prebendary of Canterbury through the influence of Laud; was, on some apology to orthodoxy in 1633, called to the chair of History in the Gymnasium of Amsterdam; he was a friend of Grotius; he fell from a ladder in his library, and was found dead (1577-1649).

VULCAN, the Roman god of fire and an artificer in metals, identified with the Greek Hephaestus (q.v.); had a temple to his honour in early Rome; was fabled to have had a forge under Mount Etna, where his manufactured thunderbolts for Jupiter, the Cyclops being his workmen.

VULGATE, a version of the Bible in Latin executed by St. Jerome (q.v.), which was in two centuries after its completion universally adopted in the Western Christian Church as authoritative for both faith and practice, from the circumstance of its general reception it became known as the Vulgate (i.e. the commonly accepted Bible of the Church), and is the version accepted as authentic to-day by the Roman Catholic Church, under sanction of the Council of Trent. "With the publication of it," says Ruskin, "the great deed of fixing, in their ever since undisturbed harmony and majesty, the canon of Mosiac and Apostolic Scripture, was virtually accomplished, and the series of historic and didactic books which form our present Bible (including the Apocrypha) were established in and above the nascent thought of the noblest races of men living on the terrestrial globe, as a direct message to them from its Maker, containing whatever it was necessary for them to learn of His purposes towards them, and commanding, or advising, with divine authority and infallible wisdom, all that it was best for them to do and happiest to desire. Thus, partly as a scholar's exercise and partly as an old man's recreation, the severity of the Latin language was softened, like Venetian crystal, by the variable fire of Hebrew thought, and the 'Book of Books' took the abiding form of which all the future art of the Western nations was to be an hourly expanding interpretation."

VYASA, the mythical author of the Hindu Mahabharata and the Puranas; was the illegitimate child of a Brahman and a girl of impure caste of theisher class.

WAAL

WAAL, a S. branch of the Rhine, in Holland.

WACE, Anglo-Norman poet, born in Guernsey; author of two metrical chronicles, "Geste des Bretons" and "Roman de Rou," the latter recording the fortunes of the dukes of Normandy down to 1106 (1120-1183).

WACE, HENRY, British theologian. He first attracted notice as principal of King's College, London, and in 1903 became dean of Canterbury, a position he held for 21 years, during which time he published many important theological works (1836-1924).

WADE, GEORGE, English general; commanded in Scotland during the rebellion of 1715, has the credit of the construction in 1726-1740 of the military route into the Highlands, to frustrate any further attempts at rebellion in the north; created field-marshal 1743 (1673-1748).

WADMAN, WIDOW, a lady in Sterne's "Tristram Shandy" who pays court to Uncle Toby.

WADY, or WADI, an Arabic name for the channel of a stream which is flooded in rainy weather and at other seasons is dry.

WAGNER, WILHELM RICHARD, the great musical composer, born at Leipzig; showed early a faculty for music, and began the enthusiastic study of it under Beethoven. In 1835 became conductor of the orchestra of the theatre at Magdeburg, and held the same post afterwards at Riga and Königsberg; his principal works were "Rienzi" (1840), "The Flying Dutchman" (1843), "Tannhäuser" (1845), "Lohengrin" (1850), "Tristan and Isolde" (1859), "The Mastersingers of Nuremberg" (1867), and the "Ring of the Nibelungen" (1870), the composition of which occupied 25 years; this last was performed at Bayreuth in a theatre erected for the purpose in presence of the German emperor and the principal musical artists of the world; "Parsifal" (1882) was his last work, the libretto, as in all his other operas, being from his own pen; his musical ideas were revolutionary, and it was some time before his works made their way in England; married (second wife) Cosima, a daughter of Liszt, in 1870, she surviving him till 1930; by his first wife had a son, Siegfried (1869-1910), a distinguished composer and conductor (1813-1893).

WAGRAM, a village 10 m. N.E. of Vienna, where Napoleon gained a great victory over the Austrians under the Archduke Charles, on July 5 and 6, 1809.

WAHABIS, a Mohammedan sect which arose among the Nejd tribe in Central Arabia, whose aims were puritanic and the restoration of Islamism to its primitive simplicity in creed, worship, and conduct; in creed they were substantially the same as the Sunnites (q.v.); they take their name from Mohammed Abdul Wahab, their founder. They had a revival this century under Ibn Saud (q.v.), and in the post-war years frequently raided Iraq.

WAKATO, the largest river in New Zealand, in the North Island, the outlet of the waters of Lake Taupo, the largest lake; has a course of 200 m.

WAILING WALL, THE, a wall in Jerusalem 52 yds. long and 59 ft. high, on the site of, and believed to have once formed a part of, Solomon's Temple; it is one of the most sacred of spots to the Jews, who for centuries have gathered here to bewail the decline from greatness of their nation, especially on August 15, the Feast of Tabernacles, when the destruction of the Temple is commemorated. The wall abuts on a Muslim mosque, and there have been frequent riots in consequence between Jews and Arabs since the city was freed from Turkish rule.

WAKEFIELD, a borough of Yorkshire, 9 m. S. of Leeds; has large woollen and other manufactures.

WALCHEREN, an island in the province of Zealand, in the delta formed by the Maas and Scheldt; was the destination of an unfortunate expedition under Lord Chatham, Pitt's brother, sent in 1809 to the help of the Austrians against Napoleon in Antwerp, in which 7000 of the army composing it died of marsh

fever, from which 10,000 were sent home sick, and the rest recalled.

WALDECK-PYRMONT, two high-lying territories in North Germany forming one principality.

WALDENSEE, a Christian community founded in 1170 in the south of France, on the model of the primitive Church, by Peter Waldo, a rich citizen of Lyons; they were driven by persecution from country to country until they settled in Piedmont under the name of the Vaudois (q.v.).

WALES, one of three divisions of Great Britain; is 135 m. in length and from 37 to 95 m. in breadth, and bounded on the NW. and S. by the sea; it is divided into 12 counties, of which 6 form North Wales and 6 South Wales; is a mountainous country, intersected by beautiful valleys, which are traversed by a number of streams; it is largely agricultural; has mines of coal and iron, lead and copper, as well as large slate-quarries, which are extensively wrought; the Church of England was disestablished in 1920, and the majority of the people are Nonconformists. It is represented in Parliament by 30 members; the natives are Celts, and the native language Celtic.

WALES, PRINCE OF, title borne by eldest son of the English monarch. First conferred in 1301 on the second son of Edward I. after subjugation of Wales seventeen years before. The title merged in the Crown at the accession of the holder, and is bestowed by creation. On the accession of James I. to the English throne it was preceded by that of Prince of Great Britain and Ireland, which was never used after Prince Henry's death.

WALES, EDWARD, PRINCE OF, eldest son of George V. and Queen Mary; holds rank of Colonel in the army, captain in the navy, and group-captain in the air force; has travelled so extensively as to be called the "Ambassador of Empire"; accepted the new title of Master of the Merchant Navy and Fishing Fleets (1954).

WALKER, FREDERICK, British artist, born in London; designed originally for an architect, he studied art and became an illustrator, doing the woodcuts for Thackeray's "Philip"; his best-known works are "The Harbour of Refuge" and "Vacants," both in the Tate Gallery, London (1840-1875).

WALKER, GEORGE, defender of Londonderry against the army of James II., born in Co. Tyrone, of English parents; was in holy orders, and by his sermons encouraged the townspeople during the siege, which lasted 105 days; was created bishop and afterwards fought in command of his Derry men at the battle of the Boyne, where he lost his life (1618-1700).

WALKER, WILLIAM, soldier of fortune, born in Nashville, Tennessee. From journalism entered on a military career in Central America, becoming president of Nicaragua; was shot by his revolutionary party (1824-1850).

WALL OF CHINA, THE GREAT, a wall some 1500 m. in length in NW. China, work on which was begun in 215 B.C.; it is described as being 25 ft. wide at the base, 15 ft. at the top, with an average height of 20 ft.

WALL GAME, a species of football peculiar to Eton, played every St. Andrew's Day.

WALLACE, ALFRED RUSSEL, English naturalist, born in Uck. in Monmouthshire; was devoted to the study of natural history, in the interest of which he spent four years (1848-1852) in the valley of the Amazon, and eight years after (1854-1862) in the East India Archipelago; from the latter of which expeditions especially he returned with thousands of specimens of natural objects, particularly insects and birds, and during his absence he wrought out a theory in the main coincident with that of natural selection advanced by Charles Darwin (q.v.); he wrote on his travels "Contribu-

tions to the Theory of Natural Selection," "Man's Place in the Universe," and "Miracles and Modern Spiritualism" (1823-1913).

WALLACE, LEW (LEWIS), American soldier and writer; served in the Civil War in the Federal forces; governor of New Mexico, 1878-1881; U.S. Minister at Constantinople, 1881-1885; author of "Ben Hur," among other books (1827-1906).

WALLACE, SIR RICHARD, art collector; having acquired the valuable collection of his half-brother, the 4th Marquess of Hertford, in the formation of which he had been active, he bequeathed it to the nation; known as the Wallace Collection, it is on view at Hertford House, Manchester Square, London; was created a baronet for his services during the siege of Paris (1818-1890).

WALLACE, SIR WILLIAM, the champion of Scottish independence, born in Renfrewshire, second son of Sir Malcolm Wallace of Elderslie; was early seized with a desire to free his country from foreign oppressors, and ere long began to figure as chief of a band of outlaws combined to defy the authority of Edward I., who had declared himself Lord of Scotland, till at length the sense of the oppression became wide-spread, and he was appointed to lead in a general revolt, while many of the nobles held aloof or succumbed to the usurper. He drove the English from one stronghold after another, finishing with the battle of Stirling (1297), and was installed thereafter guardian of the kingdom; such a reverse was more than the "proud usurper" could brook; he accordingly mustered a large army, and at Falkirk (1298) crushed Wallace and his followers with an overwhelming force, the craven nobles still standing aloof, but one of them in the end proved traitor and handed Wallace over to the enemy, who carried him off to London and had him hanged, beheaded, and quartered (c. 1272-1305).

WALLENSTEIN, ALBRECHT WENZEL VON, general of the Imperial army in the Thirty Years' War, born in Bohemia, of a Protestant family, but on the death of his parents was, in his childhood, adopted and educated by the Jesuits, and bred up in the Catholic faith; bent on a military life, he served first in one campaign and then another; rose in imperial favour, and became a prince of the Empire, but the jealousy of the nobles procured his disgrace, till the success of Gustavus Adolphus in the Thirty Years' War and the death of Tilly led to his recall, when he was placed at the head of the Imperial army as commander-in-chief; drove the Saxons out of Bohemia, and marched against the Swedes, but was defeated, and fell again into disfavour; was deprived of his command, charged with treason, and afterwards murdered in the castle of Regensburg; he was a remarkable man, great in war and great in statesmanship, but of unbounded ambition; is the subject of a drama by Schiller, in three parts (1583-1634).

WALLER, EDMUND, poet, born in Colchill, Bucks, to great wealth, and educated at Eton and Cambridge; early gave evidence of his genius for poetry, which, however, was limited in practice to the production of merely occasional pieces; he was in great favour at Court; was a member of the Long Parliament; lent to the Royalist side, though he wrote a panegyric on Cromwell, which is considered his best poem; in addition to a number of odes he wrote several lyrics, including the well-known "Go, Lovely Rose"; a founder of the classical school of poetry, he revived, or rather "re-modelled," the heroic couplet form of verse, which continued in vogue for over a hundred years after (1606-1687).

WALLONS, name given to the descendants of the ancient Belgæ, a race of mixed Celtic and Romanic stock, inhabiting Belgium chiefly, and speaking a language called Walloon, a kind of Old French; in Belgium they number to-day two and a quarter millions.

WALPOLE, HORACE, Earl of Orford, third son of the following; born in London, educated at Eton and Cambridge; travelled on the Continent with Gray, the poet, who had been a schoolfellow, but quarrelled with him, and came home alone; entered Parliament in 1741, and continued a member till 1768, but took little part in the debates; succeeded to the earldom in 1791; his tastes were literary;

wrote "Anecdotes of Painting in England," and inaugurated a new era in novel-writing, with his "Castle of Otranto" (1764), but it is by his "Letters" he will live in English literature, which, "malicious, light as froth, but amusing, retail," as Stopford Brooke remarks, "with liveliness all the gossip of the time"; he is characterised by Carlyle as "one of the clearest-sighted men of his century; a determined despiser and merciless dissector of cant" (1717-1797).

WALPOLE, SIR ROBERT, Earl of Orford, Whig statesman, born in Houghton, Norfolk, educated at Eton and Cambridge; entered Parliament in 1701, and became member for King's Lynn in 1702; was favoured by the Whig leaders, and promoted to office in the Cabinet; was accused of corruption by the opposite party when in power, and committed to the Tower; on his release after acquittal was re-elected for King's Lynn; in 1715 became First Lord of the Treasury, and in 1721 became Prime Minister, which he continued to be for twenty-one years, but not without opposition on account of his pacific policy; on being driven against his will into a war with Spain, which proved unsuccessful, he retired into private life; he stood high in repute for his financial policy; it was he who established the first Sinking Fund, and who succeeded as a financier in restoring confidence after the bursting of the South Sea Bubble (q.v.); it is to his policy in defeating the plans of the Jacobites that the Hanoverian dynasty in great part owe their permanent occupancy of the British throne; it was a favourite maxim of his, "Every man has his price," and he was mortified to find that Pitt could not be bought by any bribe of his (1678-1745).

WALPURG'S NIGHT, the eve of May 1, when the witches hold high revel and offer sacrifices to the devil their chief, the scene of their festival in Germany being the Brocken (q.v.). This annual festival, in the popular belief, was conceded to them in recompense for the loss they sustained when by St. Walpurga (abbess of Heidenheim, d. 778) the Saxons were persuaded to renounce paganism with its rites for Christianity.

WALSINGHAM, SIR FRANCIS, English statesman, born in Chislehurst; was ambassador at Paris, and was there during the St. Bartholomew massacre, and was afterwards appointed one of Queen Elizabeth's Secretaries of State; he was an insidious inquisitor, and had numerous spies in his pay, whom he employed to ferret out evidence to his ruin against Mary, Queen of Scots; and he had the audacity to sit as one of the Commissioners at her trial (1576-1590).

WALSTON, ST., patron saint of husbandmen, of British birth; gave up wealth for agriculture, and died at the plough; is represented with a scythe in his hand and cattle near him.

WALTER, JOHN, London printer; the founder proper, though his father was the projector, of the *Times* newspaper, and forty years in the management of it, under which it became the "leading journal" of the day, a success due to his discernment and selection of the men with the ability to conduct it (1773-1847).

WALTER THE PENNILESS, a famous mob leader, adjutant of Peter the Hermit (q.v.) in the first Crusade.

WALTON, IZAAK, the angler, born in Stafford; settled as a linen-draper, first in Fleet Street and then in Chancery Lane, London; married a lady, a grand-niece of Cranmer, and on her death a sister of Bishop Ken, by whom he had several children; he associated with some of the best clergymen of the Church of England, among the number Dr. Donne, and was much beloved by them; on the death of his second wife he went to Winchester and stayed with his friend Dr. Morley, the bishop; his principal work was the "Compleat Angler; or, the Contemplative Man's Recreation," which was extended by his friend Charles Cotton, and is a classic to this day; he wrote in addition Lives of Hooker, Dr. Donne, Bishop Sanderson, Sir Henry Wotton, and George Herbert, all done, like the "Angler," in a unique, charming, simple style (1593-1683).

WALTON, SIR J. LAWSON, British lawyer and politician. After a distinguished legal career he entered politics as a Liberal, and in 1906 became Attorney-General (1840-1908).

WANDERING JEW. See **JEW, WANDERING**.

WAPENSCHAW, originally settlements of the people of a district in ancient times in Scotland, at which every man was bound to appear duly armed according to his rank, and make exhibition of his skill in the use of his weapons, against a time of war.

WAR GRAVES COMMISSION, THE IMPERIAL, a body set up in 1917 to maintain the graves of British soldiers killed in the Great War; it sees to the upkeep of cemeteries in all parts of the world where there was fighting, and held itself responsible for the erection of headstones and for the identification of the dead.

WAR, THE GREAT, the great international conflict between Germany, Austria, Turkey, and Bulgaria and the Allies (i.e., of whom Britain, France, and Russia were the chief; for the first time in history whole nations and not merely armies were at war, some 30 million men being under arms, and poison gas, aeroplanes, and other scientific ways of fighting were introduced; the total cost in human life was 10 million, while millions more were disabled. The war arose out of the assassination of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir to the throne of Austria, by a Serb at Sarajevo on June 28, 1914; stringent demands for satisfaction were made by Austria, and although Serbia agreed to eight out of ten of them and was willing to refer the other two points to the Hague Conference, Austria, with assurances of German support, broke off relations with Serbia, and formally declared war on July 28. Russia at once mobilized in support of Serbia, and Germany retaliated by declaring war on Russia, whose ally, France, was next brought into the conflict. German troops on August 1 crossed the frontiers of Luxembourg and Belgium, an action which brought forth an ultimatum from Britain, who was a signatory to the treaty guaranteeing Belgian neutrality. On August 4 Great Britain declared war on Germany, and fighting went on in Flanders, France, Italy, the Balkans, Mesopotamia, East Africa, China, and on the high seas, for four years. In the Western Front hostilities were ended by an armistice on November 11, 1918; but the official date for the termination of the war was August 31, 1921.

WARBECK, PERKIN, an impostor who affected to be Richard, Duke of York, second son of Edward IV., alleged to have been murdered in the Tower, and laid claim to the crown of England in preference to Henry VII. In an attempt to make good this claim he was taken prisoner, and hanged at Tyburn in 1499.

WARBURTON, WILLIAM, an English divine, born in Newark; was bishop of Gloucester; was author of the famous "Divine Legation of Moses," characterized by Gibbon as a "monument of the vigour and weakness of the human mind"; is a distracted waste of misapplied logic and learning; a singular friendship existed between the author and Pope (1698-1779).

WARD, ARTEMUS, the pseudonym of C. F. Browne (q.v.).

WARD, EDWARD MATTHEW, British artist; became an R.A.; he is remembered as the painter of several of the frescoes in the Houses of Parliament (1816-1879).

WARD, MRS. HUMPHRY, English authoress, born in Hobart, Tasmania; a niece of Matthew Arnold; translated Amiel's "Journal," a suggestive record, but is best known by her romance of Robert Elanore, published in 1888, a novel dealing with religious problems; this was followed by "David Grieve," "Sir George Tremedy," "The Marriage of William Ashe," dealing with political life, and other stories (1851-1920).

WARD, SIR LESLIE, a famous British cartoonist, who as "Spy" contributed to *Punch* and *Funny Folks*; he was also a portrait painter of merit (1851-1900).

WARD, WILLIAM GEORGE, English theologian; was a zealous promoter of the Tractarian Movement, and led the way in carrying out its principles to their logical issue by joining the Church of Rome; he was a broad-minded man withal, and was the

regard of men of every school; became editor of the *Dublin Review* (1812-1882).

WARREN, SAMUEL, novelist, born in Denbighshire; studied for the law, became Q.C. and Recorder of Hull; member of Parliament 1836-1859; author of "Ten Thousand a Year" and "Diary of a Late Physician" (1807-1877).

WARRINGTON, a parliamentary borough in Lancashire, on the Mersey, 20 m. E. of Liverpool; an old town, but with few relics of its antiquity; manufactures ironware, glass, and soap; sends one member to Parliament.

WARS OF THE ROSES, name given to a civil war in England from 1455 to 1485, between the Houses of York and Lancaster, so called from the badge of the former being a white rose and that of the latter being a red; the first battle was that of St. Albans, 1455, and the last Bosworth, 1485; it terminated with the accession of Henry VII., who united in his person the rival claims.

WARSAW, the capital of Poland, stands on the left bank of the Vistula, 700 m. SW. of Leningrad; is almost in the heart of Europe, and in a position with many natural advantages; is about as large as Birmingham, and has a university with 75 professors and over 1000 students; has a large trade and numerous manufactures, including iron and steel goods. It superseded Cracow as the capital of Poland in 1696.

WARTBURG, an old, grim castle overlooking Eisenach (q.v.); where Luther was confined by his friends when it was not safe for him outside, and where, not forgetful of what he owed his country, he kept translating the Bible into the German vernacular; the oaken table at which he wrote, and the oaken ink-holder which he threw at the devil's head, are still shown, as well as the ink spot which the latter left on the wall.

WARTON, THOMAS, English poet, born in Reading-stoke; was professor of Poetry at Oxford, and Poet Laureate; wrote a "History of English Poetry" of great merit, and a few poetic pieces in faint echo of others by Pope and Swift for most part (1728-1790).

WARWICK, the county town of Warwickshire, on the Avon, 21 m. SE. of Birmingham; it dates from Saxon times, and possesses a great baronial castle, the residence of the earls of Warwick, erected in 1304 on an eminence by the river grandly overlooking the town. It is the seat of several industries, and has a considerable trade in agricultural produce.

WARWICK, RICHARD NEVILLE, EARL OF, eldest son of the Earl of Salisbury and known as "the king-maker" (q.v.); fought in the Wars of the Roses, and was in the end defeated by Edward IV. at the battle of Barnet and slain (1428-1471).

WARWICKSHIRE, central county of England; is traversed by the Avon, a tributary of the Severn; the north portion, which was at one time covered by the forest of Arden, is now, from its mineral wealth, one of the busiest industrial centres of England; it contains the birthplace of Shakespeare; Birmingham is the largest town.

WASH, THE, an estuary on the E. coast of England, between the counties of Norfolk and Lincoln, too shallow for navigation.

WASHINGTON, capital of the United States, in the district of Columbia, on the left bank of the Potomac, 35 m. SW. of Baltimore; was founded in 1791, and made the seat of the Government in 1800; it is regularly laid out, possesses a number of noble buildings, many of them of marble, the chief being the Capitol, an imposing structure, where the Senate and Congress sit; near it, 1½ m. distant, is the White House, the residence of the President, standing in grounds beautifully laid out and adorned with fountains and shrubbery.

WASHINGTON, a NW. State of the U.S.A., twice the size of Ireland; lies N. of Oregon; is traversed by the Cascade Mountains, the highest 8138 ft., and has a rugged surface of hill and valley, but is a great wheat-growing and grazing territory, covered on the W. by forests of pine and cedar; Olympia is the capital. Washington is the name of hundreds of other places in the States.

WASHINGTON, GEORGE, one of the founders and first President of the United States, born in Bridges

Creek, Westmoreland Co., Virginia, of a family from the North of England, who emigrated in the middle of the 17th century, commenced his public life in defending the colony against the encroachments of the French, and served as a captain in a campaign against them under General Braddock; in the contest between the colony and the mother-country he espoused the cause of the colony, and was in 1775 appointed commander-in-chief; his first important operation in that capacity was to drive the English out of Boston, but, the British rallying, he was defeated at Brandywine and Germantown in 1777, next year, in alliance with the French, he drove the British out of Philadelphia, and in 1781 compelled Cornwallis to capitulate in an attack he made on Yorktown, and on the evacuation of New York by the British the independence of America was achieved, upon which he resigned the command; in 1789 he was elected to the Presidency of the Republic, and in 1793 was re-elected, at the end of which term he retired into private life after paying a dignified farewell (1732-1799).

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE, a meeting of the five great naval powers—Britain, the U.S.A., Japan, France, and Italy—held at Washington in 1921. It agreed to an international limitation of the building of battleships.

WATERBURY, a city of Connecticut, U.S., 88 m. N.E. of New York, with manufacture of metallic wares; world-famous for its cheap watches.

WATERFORD, a town in a county of the same name, in Munster, Ireland, at the junction of the Suir and the Barrow. Has a splendid harbour formed by the estuary, and carries on an extensive export trade with England, particularly in bacon and butter, the chief industries of the county being cattle-breeding and dairy-farming.

WATERLOO, a village 11 m. S. of Brussels, which gives name to a battle in which the French under Napoleon were defeated by an army under Wellington on June 18, 1815.

WATERLOO BRIDGE, a bridge across the Thames from the Strand between Blackfriars Bridge and Charing Cross. It has nine arches each with a span of 120 ft., is built of granite and was built by Rennie, opened in 1817, and reconstructed after it was found to be collapsing in 1924.

WATKIN, SIR EDWARD, British railway pioneer. In 1845 he joined the Board of the old Trent Valley Railway, and later extended his connection to a number of companies operating in the Midlands; he was largely responsible for the formation of the Great Central Railway (1819-1901).

WATLING STREET, a great Roman road extending from the Kent coast and terminating by two branches in the extreme N. of England after passing through London, the N.E. branch to York, and the N.W. to Chester.

WATSON, SIR WILLIAM, English poet, born in Yorkshire; the first poem which procured him recognition was "Wordsworth's Grave," and his subsequent poems have confirmed the impression produced, in especial his "Lachrymæ Musæum," one of the finest tributes paid to the memory of Tennyson on the occasion of his death; among his later productions the most important is a volume entitled "Odes and other Poems," published in 1894; also wrote an admirable volume of essays, "Excursions in Criticism" (1858-).

WATT, the unit of power on the metric system in general use for electrical purposes; 746 watts are equivalent to one horse power; the Board of Trade unit of electrical supply is the kilowatt-hour, i.e. the energy necessary to run an engine of power 1000 watts for one hour; the power of a circuit in watts is calculated by multiplying the amperes by the volts.

WATT, JAMES, inventor of the modern steam-engine, born in Greenock, son of a merchant; began life as a mathematical instrument maker, opened business in Glasgow under university patronage, and early began to experiment on the mechanical capabilities of steam; when, in 1763, he was engaged in repairing the model of a Newcomen's engine, he hit upon the idea which has immortalised his name. This was the idea of a separate condenser

for the steam, and from that moment the power of steam in the civilization of the world was assured; the advantages of the invention were soon put to the proof and established, and by a partnership on the part of Watt with Matthew Boulton (q.v.) Watt had the satisfaction of seeing his idea fairly launched and of reaping the fruits. Prior to Watt's invention the steam-engine was of little other use than for pumping water (1736-1819).

WATTEAU, ANTOINE, celebrated French painter and engraver, born in Valenciennes; his pictures were numerous and the subjects almost limited to pseudo-pastoral rural groups; the tone of the colouring is pleasing and the design graceful (1684-1721).

WATTS, GEORGE FREDERICK, eminent English painter, born in London; is distinguished as a painter at once of historical subjects, ideal subjects, and portraits; did one of the frescoes in the Poets' Hall of the Houses of Parliament and the cartoon of "Cæsar at the Triumph through the Streets of Rome"; has, as a "poet-painter," by his "Love and Death," "Hope," and "Orpheus and Eurydice," achieved a world-wide fame, he was twice over offered a baronetcy, but on both occasions declined (1817-1904).

WATTS, ISAAC, Nonconformist divine, born in Southampton, son of a schoolmaster; chose the ministry as his profession, was for a time pastor of a church in Mark Lane, but after a succession of attacks of illness he resigned and went on a visit to his friend Sir Thomas Abney, with whom he stayed for 36 years, after which time his friend died, and he resumed pastoral duties as often as his health permitted; he wrote several books, among which was a book on "Logic," long a university text-book, and a great number of hymns, many of them of wide fame and much cherished as helps to devotion (1674-1748).

WATTS-DUNTON, THEODORE, author, poet, and critic, born in St. Ives, bosom friend of Swinburne, who pronounced him "the first critic of our time—perhaps the largest-minded and surest sighted of any age"; his influence was great, and it was exercised chiefly through contributions to the periodicals of the day; having been early brought into contact with gipsy life, he wrote the romance of "Aylwin," later editing some of the works of George Borrow; of his poems, "The Coming of Love" and "Christmas at the Mermaid" are best known; he assumed the surname of Dunton after his mother (1836-1914).

WAUGH, EDWIN, a Lancashire poet, born in Rochdale, bred a bookseller; wrote, among other productions, popular songs, full of original native humour, the first of them "Come Whom to thy Childer and Me" (1817-1890).

WAVE THEORY. See **UNDULATORY THEORY**.

WAVERLEY, the title of a novel by Sir Walter Scott, giving name to the series of romances written by him; the hero is Captain Edward Waverley, who enters the service of the Young Pretender; was published in 1814.

WAYLAND, the smith, a Scandinavian Vulcan, of whom a number of legends were current; he figures in Scott's "Kenilworth."

WAZIRIS, a tribe of independent Afghans inhabiting the Sulaiman Mountains, on the W. frontier of the Punjab.

WEBB, SIR ASTON, British architect. Born in London, he became an R.A. in 1803, and from 1919 to 1924 he was President of the Academy. He is best known as designer of the Victoria Memorial at Buckingham Palace, the Admiralty Arch, the Royal College of Science, South Kensington, Christ's Hospital, and Dartmouth Naval College (1848-1930).

WEBB, MATTHEW, British swimmer who in 1875 was the first man to swim the English Channel, and who was drowned in 1885 while attempting to swim through Niagara rapids (1848-1883). See **CHANNEL SWIMMING**.

WEBB, SUDNEY. See **PASFIELD**.

WEBER, ERNST HEINRICH, German scientist, professor at Leipzig; famous for his work in connection with the senses of the human body (1795-1878).

WEBER, KARL MARIA VON, German composer, born near Lübeck, of a famed musical family; early

gave proof of musical talent; studied at Vienna under Abbé Vogler, and at Dresden became founder and director of the German opera; his first great production was "Der Freischütz," which established his fame, and was succeeded by, among others, "Oberon," his masterpiece, first produced in London, where, shortly after the event, he died, broken in health; he wrote a number of pieces for the piano, deservedly popular (1786-1826).

WEBER, WILHELM EDUARD, German physicist, born at Wittenberg, brother of Ernst Heinrich W. (q.v.), professor at Göttingen; distinguished for his contributions to electricity and magnetism, both scientific and practical (1804-1891).

WEBSTER, DANIEL, American statesman and orator, born in New Hampshire; bred to the bar, and practised in the provincial courts; by-and-by went to Boston, which was ever after his home; entered Congress in 1813, where, by his commanding presence and his animated oratory, he soon made his mark; was secretary for foreign affairs under President Harrison, and negotiated the Ashburton Treaty in settlement of the "boundary-line" question between England and the States (1782-1852).

WEBSTER, JOHN, English dramatist of the 17th century; did a good deal as a playwright in collaboration with others, but some four plays are exclusively his own work, the two best the "White Devil" and the "Duchess of Malf" (circa 1680-1625).

WEBSTER, NOAH, lexicographer, born in Hartford, Connecticut, U.S.; bred to law; tried journalism; devoted 20 years to his "Dictionary of the English Language" (1758-1843).

WEDGWOOD, JOSIAH, celebrated English potter, born in Burdett, son of a potter; in 1759 started a pottery on artistic lines in his native place; devoted himself first to the study of the material of his art and then to its ornamentation, in which latter he had at length the good fortune to enlist Flaxman as a designer, and so was known by his name became famous for both its substantial and artistic excellence far and wide over the country and beyond; he was a man of varied culture and of princely generosity, having by his art amassed a large fortune (1730-1795).

WEDNESBURY, a town in Staffordshire, 8 m. N.W. of Birmingham; iron-ware manufacture the chief industry; has an old church on the site of an old temple to Woden, whence the name, it is alleged.

WEDNESDAY, fourth day of the week. Woden's Day as Thursday is Thursday. It is called Mittwoch, i.e. Midweek, by the Germans.

WEEK, division of time of seven days, supposed to have been suggested by the interval between the quarters of the moon.

WEeping PHILOSOPHER, a sobriquet given to Heraclitus (q.v.) from a melancholy disposition ascribed to him, in contrast with Democritus (q.v.), designated the laughing philosopher.

WEI-HAI-WEI, a town in a deep bay on the Shantung promontory, China, 40 m. E. of Chefoo, and nearly opposite Port Arthur, which is situated on the northern side of the entrance to the Gulf of Pechili; was leased to Great Britain in 1898, together with the islands in the bay and a belt of land along the coast; its harbour is well sheltered, and accommodates a large number of vessels; in 1895 was the scene of a battle between the Japanese and Chinese, the former capturing the town.

WEIMAR, capital of the grand duchy of Saxe-Weimar, in a valley on the left bank of the Ilm, 13 m. E. of Erfurt, and famous as for many years the residence of the great Goethe and the illustrious literary circle of which he was the centre, an association which constitutes the chief interest of the place.

WEINGARTNER, FELIX, composer and musical conductor, born in Zara, Dalmatia; composed symphonic poems, operas, and songs (1863-).

WEISMANN, AUGUST, biologist, born in Frankfurt-on-the-Main; studied medicine at Göttingen; devoted himself to the study of zoology, the first fruit of which was a treatise on the "Development of Diptera," and at length to the variability in organisms on which the theory of descent, with modifications, is based, the fruit of which was a

series of papers published in 1882 under the title of "Studies on the Theory of Descent"; but it is with the discussions on the question of heredity that his name is most intimately associated. The accepted theory on the subject assumed that characters acquired by the individual are transmitted to offspring, and this assumption, in his "Essays upon Heredity," he maintains to be wholly groundless, and denies that it has any foundation in fact; heredity, according to him, is due to the continuity of the germ plasma, or the transmission from generation to generation of a substance of a uniform chemical and molecular composition (1834-1914).

WEISENFELD, a town of Prussian Saxony, 35 m. SW. of Leipzig, with an old castle of the Duke of Weissenfels and various manufactures.

WEISZÄCHER, KARL, eminent German theologian; studied at Tübingen and Berlin; succeeded Haug as professor at Tübingen; was a New Testament critic, and the editor of a theological journal, and distinguished for his learning and lucid style (1822-1890).

WELLER, SAM, Mr. Pickwick's servant in Dickens's "Pickwick Papers," an impersonation of the ready wit and best quality of London low life.

WELLESLEY, a small improved part of the Territory, in the Straits Settlements; of great fertility, and yields tropical products in immense quantities, such as spices, tea, coffee, sugar, cotton, and tobacco.

WELLESLEY, RICHARD COWLEY, MARQUIS OF, statesman and administrator, born in Dublin, eldest son of the Earl of Mornington, an Irish peer, and eldest brother of the Duke of Wellington, his senior by nine years; educated at Eton and Cambridge, where he distinguished himself in classics. In 1781 succeeded his father in the Irish House of Peers; entered Parliament in 1784, was a supporter of Pitt, and in 1797 appointed Governor-General of India in succession to Cornwallis, and raised to the English peerage as Baron Wellesley. In this capacity he proved himself a great administrator, and by clearing out the French and crushing the power of Tippecoo Sahib, as well as increasing the revenue of the East India Company, laid the foundation of the British power in India, for which he was raised to the marquessate, and voted a pension of £5000; he afterwards became Foreign Secretary of State and Viceroy of Ireland (1760-1842).

WELLSHAUSEN, JULIUS, Old Testament scholar, born in Hameln; held the post of professor of Theology at Greifswald, but resigned the post from conscientious scruples and became professor of Oriental Languages at Marburg in 1865; is best known as a Biblical critic on the lines of the higher criticism, the criticism which seeks to arrange the different parts of the Bible in their proper historical connection and order (1844-1918).

WELLINGBOROUGH, a market town in Northamptonshire, 10 m. N.E. of Northampton, has some fine buildings; the manufacture of shoes a chief industry.

WELLINGTON, the capital of New Zealand since 1865, is built round the landlocked harbour of Port Nicholson in North Island, was founded 1840; big reclamation works have greatly increased the size of the city in late years; contains Governor's House, Houses of Parliament and head Government offices; has large commercial, railway, and shipping interests.

WELLINGTON, ARTHUR WELLESLEY, DUKE OF, born probably in Dublin, third son of the Earl of Mornington, an Irish peer, educated first at Chelsea, then at Eton, and then at a military school at Angers, in France; entered the army in 1787 as an ensign in the 73rd, and stepped gradually upwards in connection with different regiments, till in 1798 he became Lieutenant-Colonel of the 83rd; was for a time in the Irish Parliament as a member for Trim, and went in 1794 to the Netherlands, and served in a campaign there which had disastrous issues, such as disgusted him with military life, and was about to leave the army when he was sent to India, where he distinguished himself in the storming of Seringapatam, and in the command of the war against the Marhattas, which he brought to a successful issue in 1805, returning home in 1806; next year

he entered the Imperial Parliament, and in 1807 was appointed Chief Secretary for Ireland. In 1808 he left for Portugal, where he was successful against the French in several engagements, and in 1809 was appointed commander-in-chief of the Peninsular army; in this capacity his generalship became conspicuous in a succession of victories, in which he drove the French first out of Portugal and then out of Spain, defeating them finally at Toulouse on April 12, 1814, and so ending the Peninsular War; upon his return home he was created a duke, and had voted to him from the public treasury a grant of £400,000; on the return of Napoleon from Elba he was appointed general of the allies against him in the Netherlands, and on June 18, 1815, defeated him in the ever memorable battle of Waterloo; this was the crowning feat in Wellington's military life, and the nation showed its gratitude to him for his services by presenting him with the estate of Stratfieldsaye, in Hampshire, worth £263,000, the price paid for it to Lord Rivers, the proprietor; in 1827 he was appointed commander-in-chief of the army, and in 1828 was Prime Minister of the State; as a statesman he was opposed to Parliamentary reform, but he voted for the emancipation of the Catholics and the abolition of the Corn Laws; he died in Walmer Castle on September 1, 1852, and was buried beside Nelson in a crypt of St. Paul's (1769-1852).

WELLINGTON COLLEGE, a college founded in 1853 at Wokingham, Berks, in memory of the Duke of Wellington, primarily for the education of the sons of deceased military officers; there are a classical school to prepare for the university and a modern side to prepare for the army.

WELLS, a small episcopal city in Somersetshire, 20 m. SW. of Bath, its bishopric being joined with that of the latter city; it derives its name from hot springs near it, and is possessed of a beautiful cruciform cathedral in the Early English style, adorned with some 600 statues of saints, 151 of which are life-size, and some of them colossal.

WELLS, CHARLES JEREMIAH, English poet, born in London; author of a dramatic poem entitled "Joseph and his Brethren," published in 1824, a poem which failed to attract attention at the time, and the singular merits of which were first recognized by Swinburne in 1875, the author having meantime given up literature for the law, to which he had been bred (1800-1879).

WELLS, HERBERT GEORGE, British novelist. Born in Bromley, of poor parents, he left school at 13 and worked, first in the drapery trade and later as a pupil-teacher; taking to drapery again, he then had a second attempt at teaching, and obtained a scholarship to the Royal College of Science, South Kensington, where he studied under Huxley and took his B.Sc. with honours. Teaching and journalism then brought him a small income, and in 1895 he published "The Time Machine," his first novel; "The Invisible Man," and the "War of the Worlds" soon followed, but the public was slow to recognize his merit. His first books were mainly scientific romances like "The War in the Air"; but in 1900 he turned to ordinary romantic novels with "Love and Mr. Lewisham," followed by "Kipps," "Tono-Bungay," and "Mr. Polly." In 1918 "Mr. Britling Sees It Through" appeared, and marked the start of a third phase of Wells's writing; it preceded "God, the Invisible King," and a host of ethical works published as novels, all preaching the Wellian view of life, viz., that we could plan things better; it was partly to preach the doctrine of human brotherhood that he produced after the Great War an "Outline of History" (1946).

WELSH, DAVID, a Scottish divine, a gentlemanly, scholarly man, professor of Church History in the University of Edinburgh; was Moderator of the General Assembly on the occasion of the Disruption of the Scottish Church (1843), and headed the secession on the day of the exodus (1793-1845).

WELSH, or WELCH, JOHN, a Scottish divine, a Nitidale man; became Presbyterian minister of Ayr, and was distinguished both as a preacher and for his sturdy opposition to the ecclesiastical tyranny of James VI., for which later he suffered imprisonment and exile; he was an ancestor of

Jane Welsh Carlyle, and was married to a daughter of John Knox, who, when the king thought to win her over by offering her husband a bishopric, held out her apron before sovereign majesty, and threatened she would rather keep (catch) his head there than that he should live and be a bishop; she figures in the chapter in "Sartor" on Aprons, as one of Carlyle's apron-worthies (1570-1822).

WELSH CALVINISTIC METHODISTS, the largest Nonconformist body in Wales, of native growth, that originated in the middle of the 18th century in connection with a great religious awakening; has an ecclesiastical constitution on Presbyterian lines, and is in alliance with the Presbyterian Church of England; it consists of 1340 churches, and has a membership of many thousands on its communion roll, with two theological seminaries, one at Trevecca and one at Bala.

WELSHPOOL, town in Montgomeryshire, North Wales, on the left bank of the Severn, 10 m. W. of Shrewsbury, the manufacture of flannels and woollen goods being the chief industry.

WELWYN, a district in Hertfordshire that used to be a small village, 22 m. N. of London; in 1920 a garden suburb was founded and the place grew rapidly.

WEMBLEY, a suburb of London in Middlesex, where in 1924 a mammoth British Empire Exhibition was held; a sports stadium, built in that year, and capable of holding 100,000 spectators, became the venue of the football Cup Final.

WEMYSS, LORD ROSELYN ERSKINE, British admiral. Entering the navy at the age of 13, he became a captain in 1801 and took the Duke and Duchess of York (afterwards King George V. and Queen Mary) on their Empire tour in the *Ophir*. He saw active service in Gallipoli in 1915, and from 1917 to 1918 was First Sea Lord (1864-).

WENCESLAS, hero of a famous carol telling of his goodness to the poor. He is usually assumed to be Wenceslas, king of Bohemia in the 10th century, who was converted to Christianity and who founded several churches in Prague and other parts of the country; while on his way to Mass on September 28, 935, he was murdered by his brother; buried at St. Vitus's Cathedral, Prague, he was later canonized.

WENDS, a horde of savage Slavs who, about the 6th century, invaded and took possession of vacant lands on the southern shores of the Baltic, and extended their incursions as far as Hamburg and the ocean, south also far over the Elbe in some quarters, and were a source of great trouble to the Germans in Henry the Fowler's time, and after; they burst in upon Brandenburg once, in "never-imagined fury," and stamped out, as they thought, the Christian religion there by wholesale butchery of its priests, setting up for worship their own god "Triglaph, ugliest and stupidest of all false gods," described as "something like three whales' cuts combined by boiling, or a tripe porpoise dead-drunk." They were at length beaten by Albert the Bear and reduced to subjection; remnants of them, with their language and customs, exist in Lusatia to this day.

WENER, LAKE, the largest lake in Sweden, in the SW., 150 ft. above the sea-level and 100 m. long by 50 m. of utmost breadth; contains several islands, and abounds in fish.

WENLOCK, town in Shropshire on the river Severn, 14 m. from Shrewsbury; it has an old church and timbered guildhall dating back to the 16th century; is an agricultural centre, and there are coalfields in the district.

WENTWORTH. See STRAFFORD.

WEREGELAND, HENRIK ARNOLD, Norwegian poet. He began as playwright, and at 21 produced his first volume of verse, which showed considerable merit; among his works are "Cambellierne" and "Vestendamerne" (1808-1845).

WERGELD, or WER-GILD, among the old Saxons and other Teutonic races a fine, the price of homicide, of varying amount, paid in part to the relatives or gild of the person killed and in part to the king or chief.

WEREWOLF, a person transformed into a wolf, or a being with a literally wolfish appetite, under the presumed influence of a charm or some demonic possession; the origin of belief in this power (known

as lycanthropy) is very old, being associated with the legends of ghouls and vampires; it was once prevalent throughout Europe.

WERNER, ANTON ALEXANDER VON, German painter. Born in Frankfurt-on-Oder, he studied in Berlin and Paris, and in 1875 was made principal of the Academy of Arts, Berlin; he is best known for his historical pictorial works, "The Congress of Berlin," "The Meeting of Bismarck and Napoleon," and "Moltke at Versailles" among them (1843-1915).

WERNER, FRIEDRICH LUDWIG ZACHARIAS, a poet and dramatist of a mystic stamp, born in K nigsberg; is the subject of an essay by Carlyle, and described by him as a man of a very diabolical spiritual texture; wrote the "Templars of Cyprus," the "Story of the Fallen Master," &c. (1768-1823).

WERTHER, the hero of Goethe's sentimental romance, "The Sorrows of Werther" (q.v.).

WESLEY, CHARLES, hymn-writer, born in Epworth, educated at Eton and Oxford; was associated with his more illustrious brother in the establishment of Methodism; his hymns are highly devotional, and are to be found in all the hymnologies of the Church (1707-1788).

WESLEY, JOHN, the founder of Methodism, born in Epworth, in Lincolnshire, son of the rector, was educated at the Charterhouse and at Lincoln College, Oxford, of which he became a Fellow; while there he and his brother Charles, with others, were distinguished for their religious earnestness, and were nicknamed Methodists; in 1736 he went on a mission to Georgia, U.S., and had for fellow-voyagers some members of the Moravian body, whose simple piety made a deep impression on him; on his return two years after he made acquaintance with a Moravian missionary in London, and was persuaded to a kindred faith; up to this time he had been a High Churchman, but thenceforth he ceased from all sacerdotalism and became a believer in and a preacher of the immediate connection of the soul with, and its direct dependence upon, God's grace in Christ alone; this gospel accordingly he went forth and preached in disregard of all mere ecclesiastical authority, riding about from place to place on horseback, and finding wherever he went the people in thousands, in the open air generally, eagerly expectant of his approach, all open-earred to listen to his word; to the working-classes his visits were specially welcome, and it was among them that they bore most fruit; "the keynote of his ministry he himself gave utterance to when he exclaimed, 'Church or no Church, the people must be saved.'" (1703-1791). See also **WHITEFIELD**.

WESLEYAN METHODISTS, one of the largest dissenting religious bodies in the world, founded on the death of John Wesley in 1791, and originally consisting of 100 preachers. Rapid progress was made by the new church; a missionary branch was formed in 1817, and several training colleges for ministers were opened. The church is governed by a central conference of ministers and laymen, while churches are grouped into circuits; ministers spend only three years in one circuit. Doctrinally, Wesleyans are evangelical in outlook; they have infant baptism.

WESSEL, JOHANN, a Reformer before the Reformation, born in Groningen; was a man of powerful intellect; taught in the schools, and was called by his disciples *Lux Mundi* (1420-1489).

WESSEX, a territory in the S.W. of England, inhabited by Saxons under Cerdic, who landed at Mouth-sampton in 494, known as the West Saxons, and who gradually extended their dominion over territory beyond it till, under Egbert, their king, they became supreme over the other kingdoms of the Heptarchy.

WEST, BENJAMIN, painter, born near Springfield, Pennsylvania, of Quaker parentage; was self-taught, painted portraits at the age of 16, went to Italy in 1760, and produced such work there that he was elected member of several of the Italian academies; visited England on his way back to America in 1763, where he attracted the attention of George III., who patronised him, and for whom he painted a goodly number of pictures to adorn Windsor Castle; he remained in England 40 years, painting hundreds of pictures, and was in 1792

elected President of the Royal Academy in succession to Sir Joshua Reynolds; among his paintings were "The Death of General Wolfe," "Edward III. at Crecy," and "The Black Prince at Poitiers" (1758-1820).

WEST AFRICA, name given to the region SW. of the Sahara, consisting of low lands with high lands behind, through the valleys of which rivers flow down, and including Senegambia, Upper Guinea, and Lower Guinea, the coast of which is occupied by trading stations belonging to the French, British, Belgians, and Portuguese.

WEST AUSTRALIA, the largest of the Australian States, though least populous, formerly called the Swan River Settlement, 1600 m. long and 1000 m. broad, and embracing an area nearly equal to one-third of the whole Australian continent; great part of it, particularly in the centre, is desert, and the best soil is in the W. and N.E., emigration to it proceeded slowly at first, but it steadily increased, especially after the discovery of gold at Coolgardie; in 1890 it received a constitution and became self-governing like the other possessions of Great Britain in Australia; Perth, on the Swan River, is the capital, with Fremantle as port, and the chief exports are wool and gold.

WEST BROMWICH, a manufacturing town of the "Black Country," in Staffordshire, 5 m. N.W. of Birmingham; has important industries connected with the manufacture of iron work; is of modern growth, and has developed rapidly.

WEST INDIES, an archipelago of islands extending in a curve between North and South America from Florida on the one side to the delta of the Orinoco on the other, in sight of each other almost all the way, and constituting the summits of a sunken range of mountains which run in a line parallel to the ranges of North America; they are divided into the Greater Antilles (including Cuba, Hayti, Jamaica, and Porto Rico), the Lesser Antilles (including the Leeward and the Windward Isles), and the Bahamas; they all lie, except the last, within the Torrid Zone, and embrace unitedly an area larger than that of Great Britain; they yield all manner of tropical produce, and export sugar, coffee, tobacco, cotton, spices, &c.; wheat, Cuba, Hayti, and Porto Rico, they belong to the Powers of Europe—Great Britain, France, Holland, and Denmark. The name India was applied to them because when Columbus first discovered them he believed that he was close upon India, which he calculated he would find by sailing west.

WEST POINT, an old fortress, the seat of the United States Military Academy, on the right bank of the Hudson River, 12 1/2 m. N. of New York; the Academy is on a plateau 150 ft. above the road; it was established in 1802 for training in the science and practice of military engineering, and the cadets are organised into a battalion of four companies officered from among themselves, all under strictest discipline.

WEST RIDING, the most populous of the three ridings or divisions of Yorkshire. Wakefield is the county town; within the West Riding most of the industries of Yorkshire are carried on at Leeds, Bradford, Sheffield, Huddersfield, and other large towns.

WEST VIRGINIA. See **VIRGINIA**.

WESTCOTT, BROOKE FOSB, Biblical scholar, born near Birmingham; studied at Trinity College, Cambridge, and obtained a Fellowship; took orders in 1851, and became Bishop of Durham in 1890. edited with Dr. Hort an edition of the Greek New Testament, the labour of years, and published a number of works bearing on the New Testament and its structure and teaching (1826-1901).

WESTERN FRONT, name applied to the areas where fighting took place in France and Belgium during the Great War; there were in all some 500 m. of battle front stretching south from the Belgian coast.

WESTKAPPEL DYKE, one of the strongest dykes in the Netherlands; protects the W. coast of Walcheren; is 6000 yards long, and surmounted by a railway line.

WESTMACOTT, SIR RICHARD, sculptor, born in London; studied at Rome under Canova; acquired great repute as an artist on his return to England, and succeeded Flaxman as professor of Sculpture

in the Royal Academy; he executed statues of Pitt, Addison, and others, and a number of monuments in Westminster Abbey and St. Paul's; his latest work was the sculptured pediment of the British Museum (1775-1856).

WESTMACOTT, RICHARD, sculptor and writer on art, born in London, son of preceding; was distinguished for the grace, simplicity, and purity of his style as an artist, succeeded his father as professor of Sculpture in the Royal Academy, and wrote a "Handbook of Sculpture" (1799-1872).

WESTMEATH, an inland county in Leinster, Ireland; is mostly level and gently undulating, the soil in many parts is good, though little cultivated; the only cereal crop raised is oats, but the herbage is yields supplies food for fattening cattle, which is a chief industry.

WESTMINSTER, a city of Middlesex, on the N. bank of the Thames, and comprising a great part of the West End of London; originally a village, it was raised to the rank of a city when it became the seat of a bishop in 1461, but it was as the seat of the abbey that it developed into a bishop's see, the abbey, for which it is so famous, was erected as it now exists at the same period, during 1245-1272, on the site of one founded by Edward the Confessor during 1045-1065; in Westminster Parliaments were held as early as the 13th century, and it is as the seat of the legislative and legal authority of the country that it figures most in modern times, though the most interesting chapters in its history are connected with the abbey round which it strung up. See Dean Stanley's "Memorials of Westminster."

WESTMINSTER ASSEMBLY OF DIVINES, a convention of divines assembled under authority of Parliament, at which delegates from England and Scotland adopted the Solemn League and Covenant (1643), fixed the establishment of the Presbyterian form of Church government in the three kingdoms, drew up the "Confession of Faith," the "Directory of Public Worship," and the Larger and Shorter Catechisms. It held its first meeting on July 1, 1643, and did not break up till February 22, 1649.

WESTMINSTER HALL, a structure attached to the Houses of Parliament at Westminster, built by King William Rufus and roofed and remodelled by Richard II.; was the scene of the trials of Wallace, Sir Thomas More, Strafford, Charles I., Warren Hastings, and others, as well as the installation of Cromwell as Lord Protector, and till 1883 the seat of the High Courts of Justice, is a place of great historic interest, has a roof composed of 13 great timber beams, and one of the largest in the world to be unsupported.

WESTMORLAND (i.e. westmoorland), a northern county of England, 32 m. from N. to S. and 40 m. from E. to W.; is in the Lake District, and mountains, with tracts of fertile land and forest land, as well as rich pasture lands.

WESTON-SUPER-MARE, a watering-place in Somersetshire, on the Bristol Channel, looking across it towards Wales.

WESTPHALIA, a German duchy, afterwards a Prussian province, made with other territories in 1807 into a kingdom by Napoleon for his brother Jerome, and designed to be the centre of the Confederation of the Rhine; was assigned to Prussia in 1815, according to the Treaty of Vienna.

WESTPHALIA, TREATY OF, the treaty signed in 1648, closing the Thirty Years' War.

WETSTEIN, JOHANN JACOB, Biblical scholar, born in Basel, was devoted to the study of the New Testament text, published a Greek Testament with his emendations and "Prolegomena" connected therewith; his emendations, one in particular, brought his orthodoxy under suspicion for a time (1698-1754).

WETTE, DE. See **DE WETTE**.

WETTER, LAKE, one of the largest lakes in Sweden, 70 m. long, 13 m. broad, and 270 ft. above the sea-level; its clear blue waters are fed by hidden springs, it rises and falls periodically, and is sometimes subject to sudden agitations during a calm.

WETTERHORN, (i.e. peak of tempests), a high mountain of the Bernese Oberland, with three peaks each a little over 12,000 ft. in height.

WEXFORD, a maritime county in Leinster, Ireland; is an agricultural county, and exports large quantities of dairy produce; has a capital of the same name, a seaport at the mouth of the river Slaney.

WEYBRIDGE, town in Surrey near the junction of the Wey and the Thames; near here was Ham House, built by James II. for Catherine Sedley, and also in the neighbourhood is the Brooklands motor-racing track.

WEYDEN, ROGER VAN DER, Flemish painter, born in Tournay; was trained in the school of Van Eyck, whose style he contributed to spread; his most famous work, a "Descent from the Cross," now in Madrid (1400-1464).

WEYMAN, STANLEY, British novelist. Educated at Oxford and intended for the bar, he took to writing, and first met with success in 1890 with "The House of the Wolf." Most of his novels are given an historical setting and all are tales of romantic adventure, among the most popular being "A Gentleman of France" and "Under the Red Robe" (1865-1928).

WEYMOUTH, a market town and watering place in Dorsetshire, 8 m. S. of Dorchester, has a fine beach and an esplanade over a mile in length, it came into repute from the frequent visits of George III.

WHALE ISLAND, small island to the E. of Portsmouth, where the school of naval gunnery is situated.

WHARTON, MRS. EDITH, American novelist, who made a name chiefly with books about the upper strata of society. "A Son at the Front," dealing with the Great War, is her best-known book (1862-).

WHARTON, PHILIP, DUKE OF, an able man, but unprincipled, who led a life of extravagance, professed loyalty to the existing government in England; intruded with the Stuarts, and fought with the Spaniards against his own country at Gibraltar, for which he was convicted of high treason; died in Spain in an impoverished condition (1698-1731).

WHATELY, RICHARD, archbishop of Dublin, born in London, studied at Oriel College, Oxford, of which he became a Fellow, and had Arnold, Keble, Newman, Pusey, and other eminent men as contemporaries; was a man of liberal views, and sympathetic, and much rewarded for his sagacity and his skill in dialectics; his post as archbishop was no enviable one, is best known to his "Logic," for a time the standard work on the subject; he opposed the Tractarian movement, but was too latitudinarian for the evangelical party (1787-1863).

WHEATSTONE, SIR CHARLES, celebrated physicist and electrician, born near Gloucester, was a man of much native ingenuity, and gave early proof of it, was appointed professor of Experimental Philosophy in King's College, London, and distinguished himself by his inventions in connection with telegraphy; the stereoscope was of his invention (1802-1875).

WHEEL-BREAKING ON THE, a very barbarous mode of inflicting death at one time, in which the limbs of the victim were stretched along the spokes of a wheel, and the wheel turned rapidly round, the limbs being then broken by repeated blows from an iron bar; this is what the French *roue* means, applied figuratively to a person broken with dissipation, or what we call a rake.

WHEELING, largest city in West Virginia, U.S., on the Ohio River, 67 m. SW. of Pittsburgh; contains some fine buildings, is a country rich in bituminous coal; has extensive manufactures; is a great railway centre, and carries on an extensive trade.

WHEWELL, WILLIAM, professor of the "science of things in general," born in Lancaster, son of a joiner; studied at Trinity College, Cambridge, of which he became successively fellow, tutor, and master; in the University he was professor of Mineralogy and of Moral Philosophy, as well as being Vice-Chancellor; was a man of varied attainments, of great intellectual and even physical power, and it was of him Sydney Smith said, "Science was his *forte* and omniscience his *foible*;" wrote "Astronomy and General Physics in reference to Natural Theology," the "Philosophy of the Inductive Sciences," the "History of Moral Philosophy," and an essay on the "Plurality of Worlds" (1794-1864).

WHICHOTE, BENJAMIN, Cambridge Platonist, born in Shropshire; was a Fellow and Tutor of Emmanuel College, Cambridge; was distinguished for his personal influence over his pupils, many of them eminent men; he gave a philosophical turn to their theological opinions (1600-1683).

WHIGS, name given at the end of the 17th century to the Covenanters of Scotland, and afterwards extended to the Liberal party in England from the leniency with which they were disposed to treat the whole Nonconformist body, to which the persecuted Scottish seceders were of kin; they respected the constitution, and sought only to reform abuses.

WHIPS, officers of the parliamentary parties appointed to see that there is a full attendance at important debates. The term "whip" is also applied to the notes they send to members, a "three-line whip" being the most urgent.

WHIST, a popular card game originally introduced in the reign of Henry VIII. and known then by the name of "triumph," whence the term "trump"; later called "ruff" and "honours," and eventually "whisk," "softened into" "whist"; made fashionable about 1730 by Edmund Hoyle, who published a treatise on the game; Henry Jones ("Qvendidh") developed the game further in the middle of the last century; as a game has been largely superseded by Bridge.

WHISTLER, JAMES ABBOT McNEILL, painter and etcher, born in Lowell, Massachusetts; studied military engineering at West Point (q.v.), and art at Paris, and settled at length as an artist in London, where he exhibited his paintings frequently; executed some famous portraits, in especial one of his mother in the Luxembourg Gallery, and a remarkable one of Thomas Carlyle, now the property of the Glasgow Corporation; paintings of his exhibited in the Grosvenor Gallery, London, provoked a criticism from Ruskin, which was accounted libellous, and as plaintiff he got a farthing damages, without costs, much. It is understood, to his critic's disgust, and little to his own satisfaction, as is evident from the character of the pamphlet he wrote afterwards in retaliation, entitled "Whistler versus Ruskin: Art and Art Criticism," he was also a distinguished etcher, a collection of his works in a branch of art being housed in the British Museum (1834-1903).

WHISTON, WILLIAM, divine and mathematician, born in Leicestershire, educated at Clare College, Cambridge, of which he became a Fellow; gained reputation from his "Theory of the Earth"; succeeded Sir Isaac Newton as Lucasian professor; was discharged from the office and expelled from the university for Arianism; removed to London, where he lived a separatist from the Church, and died a Baptist. wrote "Primitive Christianity," and translated "Josephus"; he was a crutchety but a conscientious man (1667-1752).

WHITBY, a seaport and famous bathing-place in the North Riding of Yorkshire, 54½ m. N.E. of York; is situated at the mouth of the Esk, and looks N. over the North Sea. It consists of an old fishing town sloping upwards, and a fashionable new town above and behind it, with the ruins of an abbey; Captain Cook was a 'prentice here, and it was in Whitby-built ships, "the best and stoutest bottoms in England," that he circumnavigated the globe.

WHITBY, DANIEL, English divine, born in Northamptonshire; became rector of St. Edmunds, Salisbury; involved himself in ecclesiastical controversy first with the Catholics, then with the High Church party, and got into trouble; had one of his books burned at Oxford; his most important work "Paraphrase and Commentary on the New Testament"; died in Asia (1638-1726).

WHITE, SIR GEORGE STUART, English general, had a brilliant career; entered the army in 1653; won the Victoria Cross twice over, served in the Mutiny, in the Afghan Campaign (1879-1890), in the Nile Expedition (1885), in the Burmese War (1885-1887), and was made Commander-in-Chief in India in 1893, Quartermaster-General in 1896, and distinguished himself by his defence of Ladysmith in the South African War; Governor of Chelsea Hospital; Field-Marshal (1835-1912).

WHITE, GILBERT, English naturalist, born in the village of Selborne, Hants; educated at Ori-

College, Oxford, in which he obtained a Fellowship, which he retained all his life; became curate of Selborne, and passed an uneventful life studying the habits of the animals and birds around him, the results of his observations and notes being published in "The Natural History of Selborne" (1789), to which he added an account of the antiquities of the place (1720-1793).

WHITE, HENRY KIRKE, minor poet, born in Nottingham; published a book of poems in 1803, which procured him the patronage of Southey; got a readership in St. John's, Cambridge; through over zeal in study undermined his constitution and died of consumption, Southey editing his "Remains" (1785-1806).

WHITE, JOSEPH BLANCO, man of letters of an unstable creed, born in Seville, of Irish parentage; first ordained a priest; left the Catholic Church, and took orders in the Church of England, but finally became a Unitarian, and settled to miscellaneous literary work; left an autobiography which reveals an honest quest of light, but shows him to have been to the last in doubt; he lives in literature by a sonnet, "Night and Death" (1775-1841).

WHITE CITY, famous exhibition buildings at Shepherd's Bush, London, opened in 1908 for the Franco-British Exhibition; it has a sports stadium used for dog racing and dirt-track racing.

WHITE HORSE, name given to the figure of a horse on a hill-side, formed by removing the turf, and showing the white chalk beneath; the most famous is one on Bratton Hill, near Westbury, Wiltshire, alleged to commemorate a victory of King Alfred over the Danes; a similar "horse" is to be seen at Uffington, Berks, near Wantage, where the annual ceremony of "Securing the White Horse" was formerly held, and others figure in both Wiltshire and Berkshire; it is generally accepted as an emblem or totem of the Saxons.

WHITE HOUSE, name popularly given to the official residence of the President of the United States, being a building of freestone painted white, it is situated in Washington.

WHITE LADY, a lady dressed in white fabled a popular medieval legend to appear by day as well as at night in a house before the death of some member of the family; was regarded as the ghost of some deceased ancestress; of Teutonic origin, the tradition spread to France, Britain, and Holland.

WHITE MOUNTAINS, a range of mountains in Maine and New Hampshire, U.S., forming part of the Appalachian system; much frequented by tourists on account of the scenery, which has won for it the name of the "Switzerland of America"; Mount Washington (6293 ft.), one of the hills, has a hotel on the summit approached by a railway.

WHITE NILE, one of the two streams forming the Nile, which flows out of the Albert Nyanza, and unites with the Blue Nile from Abyssinia near Khartoum.

WHITE SEA, a large inlet of the Arctic Ocean, in the N. of Russia, which is entered by a long channel and branches inward into three bays; it is of little service for navigation, being blocked with ice all the year except in June, July, and August, and even when open encumbered with floating ice, and often enveloped in mists at the same time; its chief port is Archangel.

WHITEBOYS, a secret Irish organization that at the beginning of George III.'s reign asserted their grievances by perpetrating agrarian outrages; so called from the white smocks the members wore in their nightly raids.

WHITEFIELD, GEORGE, founder of Calvinistic Methodism, born in Gloucester; was an associate of Wesley (q.v.) at Oxford, and afterwards a preacher of Methodism both in this country and America, commanding crowded audiences wherever he went, and creating, in Scotland particularly, a deep religious awakening; in 1741 for a time he separated from Wesley on the matter of election; died near Boston, U.S. (1714-1770).

WHITEHALL, famous thoroughfare in Westminster, where are situated the Cenotaph (q.v.), the principal government offices, the Horse Guards, and the old Whitehall Palace from which Charles I. passed to be executed, and which is now a museum.

WHITEHAVEN, a seaport of Cumberland, 38 m. SW. of Carlisle, with coal and hematite iron mines in the neighbourhood; has blast-furnaces, iron-works, and manufactures of various kinds, with a considerable coasting traffic.

WHITEHEAD, ROBERT, engineer, born in Bolton-le-Moors, Lancashire; applied himself to machine invention, and in 1866 produced the torpedo known by his name and adopted by the Admiralty in 1871; later perfected air pumps, firing apparatus, and other devices (1823-1906).

WHITELOCKE, BULSTRODE, a statesman of the Commonwealth, born in London; studied law at the Middle Temple; sat in the Long Parliament, and was moderate in his zeal for the popular side; at the Restoration his name was included in the Act of Oblivion, but he took no part afterwards in public affairs; left "Memorials" of historical value (1606-1675).

WHITGIFT, JOHN, archbishop of Canterbury, born in Great Grimsby; was educated at Cambridge, and became Master of Trinity College; escaped persecution under Queen Mary, and on the accession of Elizabeth was ordained a priest; after a succession of preferments, both as a theologian and an ecclesiastic, became archbishop in 1583; attended Queen Elizabeth on her deathbed, and crowned James I.; was an Anglican prelate to the backbone, and specially zealous against the Puritans, contemplated with no small apprehension the accession of James, his last words being, with uplifted hands and eyes, a prayer for the Church, uttered in King James's hearing (1530-1604).

WHITHORN, a small town in Wigtownshire, 12 m. S. of Wigtown, celebrated as the spot where St. Ninian planted Christianity in Scotland, and founded a church to St. Martin in 397.

WHITLEY, RT. HON. JOHN HENRY, British politician. Born at Halifax, he was educated at Clifton and London University, and became Liberal M.P. for the town of his birth in 1900; from 1921 to 1928 he was Speaker of the House of Commons, and is also known as the originator of Whitley Councils for the settlement of industrial disputes (1866-).

WHITMAN, WALTER, the poet of "Democracy," born in Long Island, U.S., of parents of mingled English and Dutch blood; was a large-minded, warm-hearted man, who led a restless life, and had more in him than he had training to unfold either in speech or act; a man eager, had he known how, to do service in the cause of his much-loved mankind, wrote "Leaves of Grass," "Drum-Taps," and "Two Rivulets," volumes of verse at some times incoherent and abstruse, but of undeniable power and thought (1819-1892).

WHITNEY, ELLI, an American inventor, born in Massachusetts; invented the cotton-gin, a machine for cleaning seed-cotton, and became a manufacturer of firearms, by which he realised a large fortune (1765-1825).

WHITNEY, WILLIAM DWIGHT, American philologist, born in Massachusetts; studied at Yale College, where he became professor of Sanskrit, in which he was proficient, and to the study of which he largely contributed; did much for the science of language (1827-1894).

WHITSTABLE, town in Kent on the coast, 6 m. N. of Canterbury; with Tankerton it forms a watering-place, but is chiefly famous for its oysters.

WHITSUNDAY, the seventh Sunday after Easter, a festival day of the Church kept in commemoration of the descent of the Holy Ghost.

WHITTIER, JOHN GREENLEAF, the American "Quaker Poet," born in Haverhill, in Massachusetts, the son of a poor farmer; wrought, like Burns, at field work, and acquired a loving sympathy with Nature, natural people, and natural scenes; took to journalism at length, and became a keen abolitionist and the poet-laureate of abolition; of his poems "Maiden" and "Skipper Ireson's Ride" are well known (1807-1892).

WHITTINGTON, SIR RICHARD, Lord Mayor of London, born in Pauntley, Gloucestershire, came to London, prospered in business, was elected Lord Mayor three over, and knighted; this is the Whittington of the nursery tale, "Dick Whittington and his Cat" (1338-1433).

WHITWORTH, SIR JOSEPH, eminent mechanician, born in Stockport; the rival of Lord Armstrong in the invention of ordnance, until the amalgamation of their two businesses; invented artillery of great range and accuracy; was made a baronet in 1869 (1803-1887).

WHYTE-MELVILLE, GEORGE JOHN, novelist of the sporting-field, born at Mount Melville, near St. Andrews; entered the army, and for a time served in it; wrote "Digby Grand," "General Hounce," and "The Gladiators"; met his death while hunting (1821-1878).

WICK, county town of Caithness, on Wick River, 161 m. N.E. of Inverness, is the chief seat of the herring fishery in Scotland; Wick proper, with its suburbs Lounsbrough and Bothaven, is on the N. of the river, and Pulteneytown on the S.; has a few manufactures, with distilleries and breweries.

WICKED BIBLE, an edition of the Bible with the word not omitted from the Seventh Commandment, for leaving which in 1632 the printers were fined and the impression destroyed.

WICKLIFFE, JOHN, or WYCLIF, the "Morning Star of the Reformation," born in Hipswell, near Richmond, Yorkshire; studied at Oxford, and became Master of Balliol in 1361, professor of Divinity in 1372, and rector of Lutterworth in 1375; here he laboured and preached with such faithfulness that the Church grew alarmed, and persecution set in, which happily, however, proved scatheless; and only the more emboldened him in the work of reform which he had taken up; of that work the greatest was his translation of the Bible from the Vulgate into the mother-tongue, at which, with assistance from his disciples, he laboured for some 10 or 15 years, and which was finished in 1380; he may be said to have died in harness, for he was struck with paralysis while standing before the altar at Lutterworth on December 29, 1384, and died the last day of the year; his remains were exhumed and burned afterwards, and the ashes thrown into the river Swift close by the town, "and thence borne," says Andrew Fuller, "into the main ocean, the emblem of his doctrine, which now is dispersed all the world over" (1320-1384).

WICKLOW, a maritime county, with a capital of the same name in Leinster, Ireland; is in great part mountainous and barren, has mines and quarries, and some fertile parts.

WIDIN, a town on the right bank of the Danube, Bulgaria, is a centre of industry and trade; was a strong place, but by decree of the Berlin Congress in 1879 the fortress was demolished.

WIDNES, town in Lancashire on the Mersey; besides having other manufactures, the town is the chief centre in England of the chemical industry.

WIELAND, CHRISTOPH MARTIN, eminent German litterateur, born near Biberach, a small village in Württemberg, son of a pastor of the pietist school; studied at Tübingen; became professor of Philosophy at Erfurt, and settled in Weimar in 1772 as tutor to the two sons of the Duchess Anna, where he by-and-by formed a friendship with Goethe and the other members of the literary coterie who afterwards settled there; he wrote in an easy and graceful style, and his best work is a heroic poem entitled "Oberon," based on the French romance of Huon of Bordeaux (1733-1813).

WIELICZKA, a town in Poland, near Cracow, famous for its salt mines, which have been wrought continuously since 1250, the galleries of which extend to more than 50 m. in length, and the annual output of which is over 50,000 tons.

WIER, JOHANN, physician, born in North Brabant; was distinguished as the first to attack the belief in witchcraft, and the barbarous treatment to which suspects were subjected; the attack was treated as profane, and provoked the hostility of the clergy, and it would have cost him his life if he had not been protected by Wilhelm IV., Duke of Juliers and Cleves, whose physician he was (1516-1586).

WIERTZ, ANTOINETTE, a Belgian painter, born in Dinant; did a great number of pictures on a variety of subjects, some of them on a large scale, and all in evidence of a high ideal of his profession, although mainly grotesque and fantastic in conception; was an original genius (1806-1865).

WIESBADEN, capital of Hesse-Nassau, a famous German watering-place, abounding in hot springs, 5 m. NW. of Mainz; has a number of fine buildings and fine parade grounds, picture-gallery, museum, and large library; is one of the best-frequented spas in Europe; it was famed for its springs among the old Romans. In 1925 it became the headquarters of the British Army of Occupation on the withdrawal from Cologne, and was evacuated in December, 1929.

WIFE OF BATH, one of the pilgrims in Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales."

WIGAN, a town in Lancashire, 18 m. NW. of Manchester, in the centre of a large coalfield; cottons are the staple manufactures; is a place of ancient date, and has some fine buildings.

WIGHT, ISLE OF, an island in the S. of England, included in Hampshire, from which it is separated by the channel of the Solent (q.v.); it is of triangular shape, is 23 m. of utmost length, and about 14 m. of utmost breadth; is traversed by a range of chalk downs from E. to W.; the soil is fertile, especially in the E.; the scenery rich and varied, and the climate charming; Newport is the capital in the centre; near Cowes is Osborne House, the summer residence of Queen Victoria, and now used as a naval training college, while at Freshwater is the home of the late Lord Tennyson, was named Vectis by the Romans, of whom there are remains in the land.

WIGTOWNSHIRE, the most southerly county in Scotland, in the SW. of which the largest town is Stranraer, and the county town Wigtown; it is an agricultural county, and largely pastoral.

WILBERFORCE, SAMUEL, English prelate, born in Clapham, third son of the succeeding; entered Oriel College, Oxford, at 18, where he distinguished himself by his powers of debate, took holy orders, and rose to eminence in the Church; was made Bishop of Oxford in 1845, and of Winchester in 1869; was a High Churchman of the pure Anglican type, and equally opposed to Romanism and Non-conformity; shone in society by his wit and powers of conversation; was killed by a fall from his horse; he was popularly known by the sobriquet of "Sowby Sam" (1805-1873).

WILBERFORCE, WILLIAM, eminent philanthropist, born in Hull, son of a wealthy merchant; attended St. John's College, Cambridge, at 17; represented his native town in Parliament as soon as he was of age; he was early and deeply impressed with the inhumanity of the slave-trade, and to achieve its abolition became the ruling passion of his life; with that object he introduced a bill for its suppression in 1789, but it was not till 1801 he carried the Commons with him, and he had to wait six years longer before the House of Lords supported his measure and the Emancipation Act was passed; he retired into private life in 1825, and died three days after the vote of 20 millions to purchase the freedom of the West Indian slaves; he was an eminently religious man of the Evangelical school; wrote "Practical View of Christianity" (1789-1838).

WILCOX, ELLA WEBSTER, American poetess. She wrote considerable sentimental verse, and for some years had a wide vogue; "Laugh, and the world laughs with you" is perhaps her best-known poem (1855-1919).

WILD, JONATHAN, a notable character in the "Newgate Calendar," a receiver of stolen goods, who for housebreaking was executed in 1725; was the hero of Fielding's novel of the name; he had been a detective earlier in his career; was banished amid execration on the part of the mob at his execution.

WILDE, OSCAR FINIGALL O'FLAHERTIE WILIA, Irish writer. Born in Dublin, he went to Oxford, where he was the Newdigate Prize, and afterwards took the literary world by storm; he was, however, of degenerate morals, and in 1895 was sent to prison for two years for a grave offence; he died in Paris in poverty three years after his release. As a dramatist his work was distinguished chiefly for brilliant epigrams, his plays including "The Importance of Being Earnest" and "Lady Windermere's Fan"; his poems include "The Ballad of Reading Gaol," and he also wrote a novel, "The Picture of Dorian Gray" (1856-1900).

WILDERNESS, a district covered with brushwood in Virginia, U.S., the scene of a two days' terrible conflict in the American Civil War between the Federals and the Confederates on May 5 and 6, 1864.

WILDFIRE, MADGE, a character in the "Heart of Midlothian," who, being seduced, had, in her misery under a sense of her crime, gone crazy.

WILFRID, ST., a Saxon bishop of York, born in Northumbria; brought up at Lindisfarne; had a checkered life; is celebrated in legend for his success in converting pagans, and is usually represented in the act, d. 709.

WILHELMINA I., queen of the Netherlands, daughter of William III., who ascended the throne on his decease in November, 1890; her mother, a sister of the Duchess of Albany, acted as regent during her minority, and she became of age on August 11, 1898, when she was installed as sovereign amid the enthusiasm of her people; in 1901 she married Prince Henry of the Netherlands (1880-).

WILHELMSHAVEN, the chief naval port of Germany, on Jade Haul, 43 m. NW. of Bremen.

WILKES, CHARLES, American naval officer; made explorations in the Southern Ocean in 1838-1842; boarded on the high seas the British mail-steamer *Trent* in 1861, and carried off two Confederate commissioners accredited to France, who were afterwards released on the demand of the British Government (1798-1877).

WILKES, JOHN, a notable figure in the English political world of the 18th century, born in Dorchester, son of a distiller; was elected M.P. for Aylesbury in 1761; started a periodical called the *North Briton*, in No. 45 of which he published an offensive libel, which led to his arrest and imprisonment in the Tower, from which he was released on the ground that the general warrant on which he was apprehended was illegal amid general rejoicing among the people; he was afterwards prosecuted for an obscene production, an "Essay on Woman," and outlawed for non-appearance; he sought an asylum in France, and on his return was elected for Middlesex, but instead of being allowed to sit was committed to prison; this treatment made him the object of popular favour; he was elected Lord Mayor of London, re-elected for Middlesex, and at length allowed to take his seat in the House; he was for years the cause of popular tumults, the watchword of which was "Wilkes and Liberty"; the cause of civil liberty certainly owes something to him and to the popular agitation which an interest in him stirred up (1727-1797).

WILKIE, SIR DAVID, painter, born in Cults, Fife; executed a great many pictures depicting homely subjects, which were very popular, and are generally well known by the sagacity of them, such as "The Rent Day," "The Penny Wedding," "Reading the Will," and "The Blind Fiddler," which were followed by others in a more ambitious style, and less appreciated, as well as portraits (1785-1841).

WILKIE, SIR GEORGE HUBERT, Australian explorer. Born at Mount Bryan, south Australia, he became a photographer with the Turkish army in the Balkan War of 1912, and in the Great War served in the Australian Air Force, after being second-in-command of Stefansson's Canadian Arctic expedition of 1913; he took a leading part in the British Imperial Antarctic expedition of 1920, and Shackleton's last expedition of 1921, and in 1926 led the Detroit Arctic expedition (1858-).

WILKINS, JOHN, bishop of Chester, born in Northamptonshire; married Oliver Cromwell's sister; wrote mathematical treatises, a curious one in particular, "Discovery of a New World," and was one of the founders of the Royal Society (1614-1672).

WILKINSON, SIR JOHN GARDNER, Egyptologist, born in Westmorland; studied at Oxford; explored the antiquities of Egypt, and wrote largely on the subject (1797-1875).

WILL, a legal document making provision for the disposal of property after death; only people of full age can make a will, and it must be signed by two witnesses; copies of wills are kept at Hmncet House, London.

WILLEMS, JAN FRANS, Dutch poet and scholar, born near Antwerp; translated "Reynard the

For" into Flemish, and did much to encourage the Flemings to preserve and cultivate their mother-tongue (1798-1816).

WILLETT, WILLIAM, the promoter of the policy of daylight saving, by putting forward clocks one hour in summer; his measure was adopted a year after his death; he was a builder by trade (1857-1915).

WILLIAM I., THE CONQUEROR, king of England, born in Falaise, became Duke of Normandy by the death of his father, being an illegitimate son had to establish his power with the sword, being the cousin of Edward the Confessor was nominated by him his successor to the English throne; on this being usurped by Harold, he invaded England and defeated Harold at Bosham in 1066 and assumed the royal power, which he established over the length and breadth of the country in 1068; he rewarded his followers with grants of land and lordships over them, subject to the Crown, the *Domesday Book* (*q.v.*) was compiled by his order, and the kingdom brought into closer relation with the Church of Rome, his adviser in Church matters being Lanfranc, archbishop of Canterbury (*q.v.*); died by a fall from his horse when suppressing rebellion in Normandy, and was buried at Caen. His invasion of England is known as the Norman Conquest, and it involved the introduction of the feudal system and Norman manners in the habits and speech of the English people (1027-1087).

WILLIAM II., king of England, surnamed Rufus or Reddy, born in Normandy, third son of William I.; succeeded his father in 1087, had to face a rebellion, headed by Bishop Odo, in favour of his eldest brother, Robert, Duke of Normandy, which he suppressed by favour of the mass of the people, to whom he made promises which he did not keep, for he proved a stern and exacting ruler; his energy was great, but was frequently spasmodic; he added Normandy to his dominion by compact with Robert, who went on Crusade, compelled Malcolm of Scotland to do homage for his kingdom, conducted several campaigns against the Welsh, and had a long-continued wrangle with Archbishop Anselm, virtually in defence of the royal prerogative against the claims of the Church; he was accidentally shot while hunting in the New Forest, and buried in Winchester Cathedral, but without any religious service; in his reign the Crusades began, and Westminster Hall was built (1060-1100).

WILLIAM III., king of England, born in The Hague, son of William II., Prince of Orange, by Mary, the daughter of Charles I.; during a contest on the part of the United Provinces with Louis XIV. was, in 1672, elected Stadtholder, and by his valour and wisdom brought the war to an end in 1678; married his cousin Mary, daughter of James II.; being invited to England, landed with a large army at Torbay, and on the flight of James to France, he and Mary were proclaimed King and Queen of Great Britain and Ireland in 1689; the Scots and the Irish offered resistance in the interest of the exiled monarch, but the former were defeated at Killbuckin in 1690, and the latter at the battle of the Boyne in 1690; he was an able man and ruler, but his reign was troubled by an interminable feud with France, and by intrigues on behalf of James both at home and abroad; he died by a fall from his horse at Kensington just as a great war with France was impending; he was through life the adversary of the covetous schemes of Louis, and before his death he had prepared the materials of that coalition which, under Marlborough and Prince Eugene, brought Louis to the brink of ruin; his reign forms one of the great epochs in the history of England, and his accession is known as the Revolution (1650-1702).

WILLIAM IV., king of England, known as the "sailor king," born in Windsor, the third son of George III.; entered the navy in 1779, saw service under Rodney and Nelson, but practically retired in 1789, as from insubordination he had to do, though he was afterwards promoted to be Admiral of the Fleet, and even Lord High Admiral, and continued to take great interest in naval affairs; after living, as Duke of Clarence, from 1792 to 1816 with Mrs. Jordan, the actress, by whom he had 10 children, he married

in 1818 Adelaide, eldest daughter of the Duke of Saxe-Meiningen; on the death of the Duke of York in 1827 became heir-presumptive, and on the death of George IV. in 1830 succeeded to the throne; his reign was distinguished by the passing of the first Reform Bill in 1832, the abolition of slavery in the colonies in 1833, the reform of the poor-laws in 1834, and the Municipal Reform Act in 1835; died at Windsor, and was succeeded by his niece, Queen Victoria (1765-1837).

WILLIAM I., German emperor, born in Berlin, second son of Frederick William III. of Prussia, and brother of Frederick William IV., his predecessor on the Prussian throne; was bred from boyhood to military life, having received his first commission at the age of 10; took part in the war of liberation that preceded the fall of Napoleon, and received his baptism of fire on February 14, 1814; visited England in 1844, and again in 1848, and returned prepossessed in favour of constitutional government, which he found the king had already conceded in his absence; in 1858 he was appointed regent owing to his brother's incapacity, and on February 2, 1861, he succeeded to the throne, having previously made the acquaintance of Bismarck in 1814 and of Bismarck in 1834; on his accession, while professing all due respect to the representatives of the people, he announced his intention to maintain to the utmost all his rights as king, and this gave rise to a threat of insurrection, but a war with Denmark, which issued in the recovery of the German duchies of Schleswig-Holstein, led to an outburst of loyalty, and this was deepened by the publication of the project of Bismarck to unite all Germany under the crown of Prussia; this provoked a war with Austria, which lasted only seven weeks, and ended with the consent of the latter to the projected unification of the other States, and the establishment of a confederation of these under the headship of the Prussian king, a unification which was consolidated into an imperial one at the close of the Franco-German War, when, on January 18, 1871, the Prussian king was proclaimed emperor of Germany in the palace of Versailles; the reign which followed was a peaceful one, and the pledge of peace to the rest of Europe; the emperor was a man of robust frame, of imposing figure, of temperate habits, of firm purpose, conspicuous courage, and devoted with his whole heart to the welfare of his people (1797-1888).

WILLIAM II., German emperor, born in Berlin, son of Frederick III., whom he succeeded as emperor in 1888, and grandson of the preceding, and through his mother of Queen Victoria; was trained from early boyhood for kingship, and on his accession to the throne gave evidence of the schooling he had received to equip him for the high post he was called to fill; one of the first acts of his reign was to take upon himself the full responsibility for the home and foreign policy of the State, Bismarck being dismissed by him. Assuming the character of a friend of peace, he continued the preparations for a great war which was to end in the triumph of Germany and make him the ruler of the world; by secret preparation and what he called peaceful penetration, and by unremitting interference in the affairs of other nations, encouraging disputes and discontents and stimulating disloyalty, he did his utmost to make peace impossible; and, finally, on August 1, 1914, he began the Great War which ended in the wreck of his country and his own ruin; abdicated November 9, 1918, and escaped into Holland, where he remained in exile. There was talk of bringing him for trial before an international court, but nothing came of it. It was his habit to wear a strong man, but, although there is no doubt he could have prevented the war had he desired peace, he was as putty in the hands of his advisers; once the war had started he was, despite his pose as "War Lord," little more than a figure-head. His incurable vanity was shown in the pathetic attempt to play the rôle of king in exile at Doorn after 1918. History will take the charitable view that his mind was diseased. (1859-).

WILLIAM, ex-Crown Prince of Germany; he took an important army post on the Western Front in

the Great War, was prominent though not successful at the siege of Verdun, and in November, 1918, fled to Holland; later he returned to Germany, but made no real bid for the throne (1882-).

WILLIAM THE LION, king of Scotland, grandson of David I., and brother of Malcolm IV., whom he succeeded in 1165, and whose surname is supposed to have been derived from his substitution of the lion for the dragon on the arms of Scotland; was taken captive when invading England at Alnwick Castle in 1174; sent prisoner to Falaise, in Normandy, but liberated on acknowledgment of vassalage to the English king, a claim which Richard I. surrendered on payment by the Scots of 10,000 marks to aid him in the Crusade; was the first king of Scotland to form an alliance with France; died at Stirling after a reign of 49 years (1143-1214).

WILLIAM THE SILENT, Prince of Orange, a cadet of the noble house of Nassau, the first Stadtholder of the Netherlands, a Protestant by birth; he was brought up a Catholic, but being at heart more a patriot than a Catholic, he took up arms in the cause of his country's freedom, and did not rest till he had virtually freed it from the Spanish yoke, which was then the dominant Catholic power; his enemies procured his assassination in the end, and he was murdered by Balthazar Gerard at Delft; he was brought up at the court of Charles V., where "his circumspect demeanour procured him the surname of Silent, but under the cold exterior he concealed a buoy, far-sighted intellect, and a generous, upright, daring heart" (1533-1584).

WILLIAMS, SIR GEORGE, founder of the Y.M.C.A., born in Duivertown, Somerset, was in business in London sixty years; originated the Association in 1844 and made that and the Band of Hope his philanthropic life-work; was knighted in 1894 (1821-1905).

WILLIAMS, ISAAC, Tractarian, born in Wales; educated at Oxford; got acquainted with Keble, wrote religious poetry and Tract LXXX. on "Reserve in Religious Teaching" (1802-1865).

WILLIAMS, JOHN, missionary and martyr, born near London; brought up an ironmonger; offered his services to the London Missionary Society; was sent out in 1816 to the Society Islands, laboured with conspicuous success among the natives, came home in 1834, and after four years returned, but was murdered at Erromanga in the New Hebrides, and his body eaten by the cannibals (1796-1839).

WILLIAMS, ROGER, founder of the State of Rhode Island, U.S., born in Wales; being a Puritan, fled the country to escape persecution, and settled in New England, where he hoped to enjoy the religious freedom he was denied at home, but was received with disfavour by the earlier settlers as, from his extreme views, a "troubler of Israel," and obliged to separate himself and establish a colony of his own, which he did at Providence by favour of an Indian tribe with whom he had made friends; and under a charter from the Long Parliament of England, obtained through Sir Henry Vane, and thus enjoyed the toleration which he had extended to others; he was characterised by Milton, who knew him, as "that noble champion of religious liberty" (1600-1683).

WILLIAMS, ROWLAND, English clergyman, born in Flintshire; was a prominent member of the Broad Church party; was condemned, though the judgment reversed, by the Court of Arches, for a paper contributed to the famous "Essays and Reviews"; wrote "Rational Godliness," "Christianity and Hinduism," etc. (1817-1870).

WILLIAMS, VAUGHAN, British composer. Born in Down Ampney, Gloucestershire, he studied privately at first and then at the Royal College of Music. A symphony called "London," an opera, "Hugh the Drover," several songs, including the cycle "On Wenlock Edge," and a number of hymn tunes are among his compositions (1872-).

WILLIBROD, ST., the "Apostle of the Frisians," born in Northumbria; was the chief of a company of 12 monks who went as missionaries from Ireland to Frisland, where they were welcomed by Pepin d'Héristal, and afterwards favoured by his son, Charles Martel; he founded an abbey near Trèves;

when he was about to baptize the Duke of Frisland, it is said the duke turned away when he was told his ancestors were in hell, saying he would rather be with them there than in heaven without them (658-739).

WILLINGDON, VISCOUNT, Governor-General of Canada since 1924, as Freeman Freeman-Thomas represented Jamaica in Parliament, 1900-1906; Governor of Bombay, 1913-1919, Governor of Madras, 1919-1924 (1866-).

WILLIS, NATHANIEL PARKER, American author and poet, had travelled much abroad, and published his experiences; among his writings are "Famillings by the Way," "Inklings of Adventure," "People I have Met," and "Melaine and other Poems" (1806-1867).

WILLIS, THOMAS, British doctor. After taking his degree in Oxford he practised for some years in that city, and for the last years of his life was established in London; he published a number of medical works, dealing especially with diabetes and the nervous system (1621-1675).

WILLOUGHBY, SIR HUGH, early Arctic voyager; was sent out in 1553 with three vessels by a company of London merchants on a voyage of discovery, but the vessels were separated by a storm in the North Seas, and not one of them returned; only Richard Chancellor, the captain of one of them, found his way to Moscow, and opened up a trade with Russia and this country; the ships, with the dead bodies of their crews, and the journal of their commander, were found by some fishermen the year after on the coast of Lapland, d. 1554.

WILLS, WILLIAM JOHN, Australian explorer, born in Totnes, accompanied Robert O'Hara Burke from the extreme S. to the extreme N. of the continent, but died from starvation on the return journey two days before his leader (1834-1861).

WILMINGTON, a large and handsome city and port in Delaware, 25 m. SW. of Philadelphia, with extensive manufactures; also the name of the largest city in North Carolina, with considerable manufactures and trade; was a chief Confederate port during the Civil War.

WILSON, ALEXANDER, ornithologist, born in Paisley; son of a weaver, bred to the loom; began his literary career as a poet; imprisoned for a lampoon on a Paisley nobility, went on his release to America unfriended, with only his fowling piece in his hand, and a few shillings in his pocket, led an unsettled life for a time; acquired the arts of drawing, colouring, and etching, and, so accomplished, commenced his studies on the ornithology of America, and prevailed upon a publisher in Philadelphia to undertake an exhaustive work which he engaged to produce on the subject; the first volume appeared in 1808, and the seventh in 1813, on the publication of which he met his death from a cold he caught from swimming a river in pursuit of a certain rare bird (1766-1813).

WILSON, SIR ARTHUR KAVVET, British admiral. Entering the navy at the age of 13, he saw service in the Crimea and China before he was 16, in the Egyptian campaign he won the V.C. at El Tab in 1884, from 1901 to 1907 he was in charge of the Channel fleet, and from 1910 to 1911 was First Sea Lord (1842-1921).

WILSON, CHARLES THOMSON REE, British physicist, succeeded Sir James Dewar as Jacksonian professor at Cambridge in 1925; carried out important researches on electricity and atomic physics; carried out an accurate determination of the ion and electrical charge of an electron; awarded Nobel prize in 1927 (1869-).

WILSON, SIR DANIEL, archaeologist, was born in Edinburgh, became in 1853 professor of English Literature at Toronto; wrote "Memorials of Edinburgh," "Prehistoric Annals of Scotland" and "Prehistoric Man" (1816-1902).

WILSON, SIR ERASMUS, English surgeon, a great authority on skin diseases, and a devoted student of Egyptian antiquities; it was at his instance that the famous Cleopatra's Needle was brought to England; he was liberal in endowments for the advance of medical science (1806-1884).

WILSON, GEORGE, chemist, born in Edinburgh, younger brother of Sir Daniel; was appointed pro-

essor of Technology in Edinburgh University; was eminent as a popular lecturer on science, and an enthusiast in whatever subject he took up (1819-1859).

WILSON, SIR HENRY HUGHES, British general. He entered the army in 1884, saw service in Burma and the Boer War, and in 1914 became assistant chief-of-staff to French; he was in Russia in 1916, and the following year became our military representative on the Versailles War Council; early in 1918 he became Chief of the Imperial General Staff; knighted in 1916, he was made a field-marshal in 1919, a keen opponent of Sinn Féin in Ireland, he was shot dead outside his London home by Irish fanatics, and was buried in St. Paul's (1864-1922).

WILSON, HORACE HAYMAN, Orientalist, born in London; studied medicine; went to India as a surgeon; mastered Sanskrit, and became Boden professor at Oxford (1786-1860).

WILSON, JOHN, Indian missionary, born near Lauder, educated at Edinburgh; missionary at Bombay from 1828 to his death—in 1843 in connection with the Free Church of Scotland; from his knowledge of the languages and religions of India, and his sagacity was held in high regard (1804-1875).

WILSON, JOHN, the well-known "Christopher North," born in Paisley, son of a manufacturer, who left him a fortune of £60,000; studied at Glasgow and Oxford; a man of powerful physique, and distinguished as an athlete as well as a poet; took up his abode in the Lake District, and enjoyed the society of Wordsworth, Coleridge, and Southey; wrote two poems, the "Isle of Palms," and the "City of the Plague"; lost his fortune, and came to settle in Edinburgh; was called to the Scottish bar, but never practised; became editor of *Blackwood's Magazine*, and was in 1820 elected over Sir William Hamilton professor of Moral Philosophy in Edinburgh University; his health began to fail in 1840; resigned his professorship in 1851, and received a pension from the Crown of £300; his "Noctes Ambrosianae," in 4 vols., are characteristic of his abundant humour and judicious criticism (1795-1854).

WILSON, WOODROW, American politician. A professor by occupation, he first came into prominence politically in 1912 as governor of New Jersey, and the following year was elected President of the United States. Early in the Great War he brought pressure to bear on Germany in an effort to make her abandon attacks on non-combatants, and, these failing, he was largely responsible for his country's entry into the war in 1917. He came to Europe for the Peace Conference, where his most notable work was the inclusion in the Treaty of Versailles of the League of Nations Covenant; but he was acting without the authority of his legislature, and on his return American participation in the League was rejected. Wilson retired from office in 1921, and died three years later. A man of high ideals, it was he who coined the phrase "make the world safe for democracy." It was during his term of office that Prohibition became the law of the U.S.A. (1856-1924).

WILTON, market town in Wiltshire, 3 m. NW. of Salisbury; was the ancient capital of Wessex, and gave name to the county; its church, erected by Lord Herbert of Lea in 1444, is a rich Lombardic structure, with a campanile 108 ft. high.

WILTSHIRE, or **WILTS**, an inland county in SW. of England, with Gloucestershire on the N. and Dorset on the S., 54 m. from N. to S. and 37 m. from E. to W.; is largely an agricultural and pastoral county; is flat, rising into hills at the N., and is broken by downs and rich valleys in the S., except on Salisbury Plain; sheep-breeding and dairy-farming are the chief industries, and it is famous for cheese and bacon.

WIMBLEDON, a suburb of London, 7½ m. to the SW., with a common used by the Volunteers from 1860 to 1889 for rifle practice. Here every June the premier lawn tennis championships of the world are played.

WIMSHURST MACHINE, an electrical apparatus for producing large charges of static electricity by friction; named after James Wimshurst, inventor (1832-1903).

WINCHELSEA, a town and Cinque port in Sussex;

the old town, dating from Saxon times, was inundated and destroyed by the sea in 1250 and again in 1287; the new town was begun soon after; contains a 14th-century church, ruins of a Greyfriars' monastery, and other antiquities.

WINCHESTER, an ancient city of Hampshire, and the county town, 60 m. SW. of London, on the right bank of the Itchen; is a cathedral city, with a noted large public school; was at one time the capital of England; the cathedral dates from the 11th century, but it has subsequently undergone considerable extensions and alterations; the school was founded by William of Wykeham in 1387.

WINCKELMANN, JOHANN JOACHIM, great art critic, born in Stendal, in Prussian Saxony, of poor parents; was a student from his boyhood, and early devoted especially to archaeology and the study of the antique; became a Roman Catholic on the promise of an appointment in Rome, where he would have full scope to indulge his predilections, and became librarian to Cardinal Albani there; his great work was "Geschichte der Kunst des Alterthums" (the "History of Ancient Art"), in particular that of Greece, which proved epoch-making, and the beginning of a new era in the study of art in general; he was assassinated in a hotel at Trieste on his way to Vienna by a fellow-traveller to whom he had shown some of his valuables (1717-1768).

WINDERMERE, a lake on the borders of Westmorland and Lancashire, the largest in England, 10½ m. long from N. to S., and 1 m. broad; is 240 ft. deep and 174 ft. above sea-level; is amid beautiful scenery, and near it is Rydal Mount, long the residence of Wordsworth.

WINDHAM, WILLIAM, English statesman, born of an ancient Norfolk family; was opposed to the American War; took part in the impeachment of Warren Hastings; was Secretary for War under Pitt; advocated the removal of Catholic disabilities, but was opposed to Parliamentary reform; has been described by his contemporaries as the model both physically and mentally of an English gentleman, able and high-minded (1750-1810).

WINDISCHGRÄTZ, PRINCE ALFRED ZU, Austrian field-marshal; took part in the campaigns against Napoleon, and in 1848 suppressed the revolution at Prague and Vienna; failed against the Hungarians, and was superseded (1787-1862).

WINDOW TAX, a tax levied according to the number of windows in a house, first imposed under William III in 1697, the results of which can be seen to-day in places in bricked-up windows.

WINDSOR, a town in Berkshire, on the right bank of the Thames, opposite Eton, and about 22 m. W. of London, with a castle which from early Plantagenet times has been the principal residence of the kings of England.

WINDWARD ISLANDS, a group of the West Indies, the Lesser Antilles, belonging to Britain, extending from Martinique to Trinidad.

WINDWARD PASSAGE, a channel leading into the Caribbean Sea, between the islands of Cuba and Hayti.

WINE, GEORGE BENEDICT, New Testament scholar, born in Leipzig, and professor there; best known for his work on the New Testament Greek idioms (1789-1858).

WINGATE, SIR FRANCIS REGINALD, British general. After leaving Woolwich he joined the Royal Artillery in 1890, served in India and Aden for three years before joining the Egyptian army, and then saw service in the Nile Expedition of 1897 and at Khartoum; from 1899 to 1916 he was Sirdar of the Egyptian army and Governor-General of the Sudan; from 1917 to 1919 he was High Commissioner for Egypt; he was in command of the Hedjaz operations from 1916 to 1919, and retired in 1922 (1861-).

WINGFIELD SCULLS, an annual sculling race rowed on the Thames from Putney to Mortlake in July; it is in effect the amateur sculling championship.

WINIFRED, ST., a British maiden who was decapitated by Prince Caradoc in 650; where her head rolled off tradition says a spring instantly gushed forth, the famous Holywell in Flintshire; is represented in art carrying her head.

WINKELRIED, ARNOLD VON, a brave Swiss who, on the field of Bempach, on June 9, 1858, rushed on the lances of the opposing Austrians, and so opened a way for his compatriots to dash through and win the day.

WINKLE. See **RIP VAN WINKLE**.

WINNIPEG, formerly Fort Garry, a trading post of the Hudson Bay Co., now the capital of Manitoba, at the junction of the Assiniboine with the Red River, over 1400 m. N.W. of Montreal; is a well-built town, with several public buildings and all modern appliances; stands on the Canadian Pacific Railway; is a busy trading centre, and is growing rapidly.

WINNIPEG LAKE, a lake in Manitoba, 40 m. N. of the city, 280 m. long, 57 m. broad, and covering an area of over 8000 sq. m.; it drains an area twice as large as France; the Saskatchewan flows into it, and the Nelson flows out.

WINLOW, EDWARD, one of the leaders of the Pilgrim Fathers. Born at Drottwich, he spent his early years in Holland. He sailed on the *Mayflower*, and on arrival in America was made governor of Plymouth colony, returning to England at intervals for diplomatic work; going on a naval expedition to the West Indies, he died at sea (1595-1655).

WINSTANLEY, HENRY, English engineer; erected a lighthouse on the Eddystone Rock in 1696, and completed it in four years; it was built of timber, and had not much strength; he perished in it in a storm in 1703.

WINT, PETER DE, water-colourist, born in Staffordshire, of Dutch descent; famed for paintings of English scenery and rustic life (1784-1849).

WINTER KING, name given by the Germans to Frederick V., husband of Elizabeth, daughter of James I., his Winter Queen, who was elected king of Bohemia by the Protestants in 1619, and compelled to resign in 1620.

WINTER'S TALE, one of Shakespeare's later plays, a tragic-comedy; it was written in 1610 and based on a novel by Robert Greene, published in 1588.

WINTHROP, JOHN, "Father of Massachusetts," born in Suffolk; studied at Trinity College; headed a Puritan colony from Yarmouth to Salem, and was governor of the settlement at Boston till his death; was a pious and tolerant man; left a "Journal" (1588-1649).

WIRELESS COMMUNICATION. The foundations of wireless or radio-telegraphy were laid by the theoretical work of Clerk Maxwell (q.v.) and the experimental researches of Hertz (q.v.) on the electrical oscillations produced in the ether by a circuit in which an alternating current of high frequency was flowing; further advances were made by Sir Oliver Lodge, and the final steps needed to make wireless communication a practical proposition were made by Marconi (q.v.) in 1896 and the following years, the first messages to cross the Atlantic being transmitted in 1902, between Poldhu (Cornwall) and Canada; wireless telephony was made possible by the invention of the thermionic valve by J. A. Fleming, and the later three-electrode valve by Lee de Forest; by the beginning of the Great War most ships were equipped with wireless. The broadcasting of music, &c., commenced in Great Britain in November, 1922, and the first telephone conversation by wireless between New York and London took place two years later. In 1922 the British Broadcasting Company was formed, this being taken over by the Government in 1927.

WISCONSIN, one of the Central States of North America, nearly as large as England and Wales, and situated between Lakes Superior and Michigan; the surface is chiefly of rolling prairie, and the soil fertile; yields cereals, sugar, hops, hemp, and large quantities of lumber from the forests; lead, iron, copper, and silver are among its mineral resources; it abounds in beautiful lakes; the Wisconsin and the Chippewa are the chief rivers, tributaries of the Mississippi; and Madison (the capital), Milwaukee, and La Crosse are the chief towns.

WISDOM OF JESUS. See **ECCLÉSIASTICUS**.

WISDOM OF SOLOMON, one of the most beautiful books in the Apocrypha, written at the close of the 2nd century B.C. by one who knew both the Greek language and Greek philosophy, to commend the

superiority to this philosophy of the divine wisdom revealed to the Jews. Its general aim, as has been said, is "to show, alike from philosophy and history, as against the materialists of the time, that the proper goal of life was not mere existence, however long, or pleasure of any sort, but something nobly intellectual and moral, and that the pious Israelite was on the surest path to its attainment."

WISEMAN, NICHOLAS PATRICK STEPHEN, cardinal and Roman Catholic archbishop of Westminster, born in Seville, of Irish parents; studied at the English college at Rome, of which he became rector; lectured in London in 1836 on the Doctrines of the Catholic Church, and in 1840 became vicar-apostolic, first in the central district of England, then of the London district in 1846, and was in 1850 named archbishop of Westminster by the Pope; this was known in England as the "papal aggression," which raised a storm of opposition in the country, but this storm Wiseman, now cardinal, succeeded very considerably in allaying by a native courtesy of manner which commended him to the regard of the intelligent and educated classes of the community; he was a scholarly man, and a vigorous writer and orator (1802-1866).

WISHART, GEORGE, a Scottish martyr, born in Forfarshire; began life as a schoolmaster; was charged with heresy for teaching the Greek New Testament; left the country and spent some time on the Continent; on his return boldly preached and preached the Reformation doctrine, and had the celebrated John Knox, who was tutor in the district, for a disciple among others, he was arrested in Haddingtonshire in January and burned at St. Andrews in March, 1546; Knox would fain have accompanied him on his arrest, but was paternally dissuaded by the gentle martyr; "Go home to your bairns" (pupils), said he; "and is sufficient for a sacrifice" (c. 1513-1546).

WISMAR, a seaport of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, on the Baltic; has a number of quaint old buildings, various manufactures, and an active trade.

WITCH OF ENDOR, a divining woman consulted by King Saul, who affected to call on the spirit of Samuel, who foretold the king's defeat and doom.

WITENAGEMOT, assembly of the wise, name given to the national council or Parliament of England in Anglo-Saxon times, through whose decisions the affairs of the kingdom were managed; it consisted of the bishops, royal council, and thegns, but historians differ on the point whether the assembly was actually representative of the people (i.e. freemen) or was mainly a feudal institution.

WITHER, GEORGE, poet, born in Hampshire, and educated at Magdalen College, Oxford; was imprisoned for his 1st poem, a satire, "Annuus Stripit et Whipt," in 1613; his subsequent productions betray true poetic inspiration, and special passages in them are much admired; he was a religious poet, and in much belauded by Charles Lamb; in the Civil War he espoused the Puritan side, and in his zeal in its behalf raised a troop of horse (1689-1687).

WITHERSPOON, JOHN, Scottish theologian, born in Fife; was minister at Paisley; became president of the college at New Jersey, U.S.; died at Princeton; wrote "Ecclesiastical Characteristicks" against the Moderates, also on justification and regeneration (1722-1794).

WITTEUS, HERMANN, Dutch theologian; became professor at Leyden; wrote on what are in old orthodox theology called the "Covenants," of which there were reckoned two, one of works, under the Mosaic system, and the other of grace, under the Christian (1639-1708).

WITTEKIND, leader of the Saxon struggle against Charlemagne; annihilated the Frankish army in 743, in retaliation for which Charlemagne executed 4500 Saxons he had taken prisoners, which roused the entire Saxon people to arms, and led to a drawn battle at Detmold, upon which Wittekind accepted baptism, and was promoted to a dukedom by the Frankish king; he fell in battle with Gerold, a Swabian duke, in 807.

WITTENBERG, a town in Prussian Saxony, on the right bank of the Elbe, 50 m. N.W. of Berlin; was the capital of the electorate of Saxony, and a stronghold of the Reformers; is famous in the history of

Luther, and contains his tomb; it was on the door of the Schloßkirche there that he nailed his famous 95 theses, and at the Elster Gate burned the Pope's bull.

WIZARD OF THE NORTH, name given to Sir Walter Scott, from the magic power displayed in his writings.

WODEN, the German and Anglo-Saxon name for Odin (q.v.).

WODROW, ROBERT, Scottish Church historian, born in Glasgow; studied at the University, became librarian, and settled as minister at Eastwood, Renfrewshire; was diligent with his pen; left 60 volumes of MSS., only one of which was published in his lifetime, "History of the Sufferings of the Church of Scotland from the Restoration to the Revolution," the rest having been in part published by several antiquarian societies since (1679-1734).

WOFFINGTON, PEG, actress, born in Dublin, where she made her first appearance in 1737, and in London at Covent Garden in 1740, in a style which carried all hearts by storm; she was equally charming in certain male characters as in female; her character was not without reproach, but she had not a little of that charity which covereth a multitude of sins, in the practice of which, after her retirement in 1767, she ended her days, founding some almshouses at Teddington (1720-1760).

WOHLER, FREDERICK, German chemist, professor at Göttingen, the first to prepare urea synthetically (1800-1852).

WOIWODE, name at one time of an elective prince among the Slavs, originally one chosen in some emergency; superseded by Hospodar in 1716.

WOKING, a small town in Surrey, 24 m. SW of London; contains a large cemetery with crematorium near it, and not far off is Biscay Common, with shooting-butte for practice by the Territorials and others.

WOLOOT, JOHN, better known by his pseudonym Peter Pindar; born in Devonshire; bred to and practised medicine; took orders, and held office in the Church; took eventually to writing satires and lampoons, which earned no one, and could not be bribed into silence; was blind for some years before he died (1738-1819).

WOLF, FRIEDRICH AUGUST, great classical scholar, born near Nordhausen; studied at Göttingen, was professor of Philology at Halle; became world-famous for his theory of the Homeric poems; he maintains, in his "Prolegomena ad Homerum," that the "Iliad" and the "Odyssey" were originally a body of independent ballads handed down by oral tradition, and gradually collected into two groups, which finally appeared each as one, bearing the name of Homer, who, he allows, was probably the first to attempt to weave them severally into one; the "Prolegomena" was published in 1755, and the appearance caused a widespread sensation, and gave rise to a controversy which maintained itself for a long time (1759-1824).

WOLFE, CHARLES, author of the "Burial of Sir John Moore," born in Dublin; became an Irish clergyman; died of consumption (1791-1823).

WOLFE, JAMES, major-general, born in Kent, son of a lieutenant-general who served under Marlborough; was present at the battle of Dettingen, Fontenoy, Falkirk, and Culloden, and served in the expedition against Rochefort which it was believed proved disastrous because his counsel was not followed; this circumstance attracted the attention of Pitt, who appointed him to a command in Canada; here he distinguished himself first at the siege of Louisbourg, and then by the capture of Quebec, where he fell at the moment of victory over the French under Montcalm (1727-1759).

WOLFENBÜTTEL, an old town in Brunswick, 7 m. S. of Brunswick; in an old building, now rebuilt, is a library of vast extent and rich in MSS.; has various manufactures.

WOLFF, JOHANN CHRISTIAN VON, German philosopher and mathematician, born in Breslau; was appointed professor at Halle in 1707; but was in 1733 not only removed from his chair, but banished from Prussia by Frederick William on account of his opinions, which, as fatalistic, were deemed socially demoralising, but was recalled by Frederick

the Great on his accession, and afterwards promoted to the rank of baron of the empire; he was a disciple of Leibnitz, and the father of the philosophy that prevailed in Germany before the time of Kant; his merits as a philosopher were threefold; he claimed for philosophy the entire field of knowledge, he paid special attention to method in philosophical speculation, and he first taught philosophy to express itself in German, or made German the philosophical language (1679-1754).

WOLFRAMITE, a fairly abundant mineral from which tungsten is obtained.

WOLLASTON, WILLIAM, ethical and theological writer, born near Stafford; wrote "Religion of Nature," a rationalistic work written in an optimistic spirit (1659-1724).

WOLLASTON, WILLIAM HYDE, physicist and chemist, born in Norfolk, grandson of preceding; made extensive discoveries in chemistry and optics; invented the camera lucida and the goniometer (1766-1828).

WOLLSTONECRAFT, MARY. See GODWIN.

WOLSELEY, GARNET JOSEPH, VISCOUNT, field-marshal, born in co. Dublin, of a Staffordshire family; entered the army in 1852; served in the Burmese War of 1852-1853, in the Crimean War, where he was severely wounded, in the Chinese War of 1860, and afterwards in Canada; commanded in the Ashanti War in 1878, and received the thanks of Parliament, with a grant of £25,000, for "courage, energy, and perseverance" in the conduct of it, and after services in Natal, Egypt, and Ireland was made field-marshal in 1894, and commander-in-chief in 1895 (1833-1913).

WOLSEY, THOMAS, cardinal, born in Ipswich, son of a well-to-do grazier and wool-merchant, educated at Magdalen College, Oxford; entered the Church early, gained the favour of Henry VII., and was promoted by him for his services to the deanery of Lincoln; this was the first of a series of preferments at the hands of royalty, which secured him one bishopric after another until his revenue accruing therefrom equalled that of the Crown itself, which he spent partly in display of his rank and partly in acts of munificence; of the latter the founding of Christ Church college at Oxford in the interest of learning was one, and the presentation of Hampton Court Palace, which he had built, to the King, was another; it was in the reign of Henry VIII. that he rose to power, and to him especially he owed his honours; it was for his services to him he obtained the chancellorship of the kingdom, and at his suit that he obtained the cardinal's hat and other favours from the Pope; this, though not the height of his ambition, was the limit of it, for he soon learned how frail a reed is a prince's favour; he refused to sanction his master's marriage with Anne Boleyn, and was driven from power and bereft of all his possessions; finally, though restored to the see of York, he was arrested on a charge of treason, taken ill on the way to London, and died at Leicester, with the words on his lips, "Had I but served God as I have served the King, He would not have forsaken me in my grey hairs" (1471-1530).

WOLVERHAMPTON, a town in Staffordshire, 12½ m. NW. of Birmingham, in the midst of coal and iron fields; the centre of a group of towns engaged in different kinds of iron manufacture, locks and keys the staple, and the metropolis of the Black Country.

WOLVERTON, a town in Buckinghamshire with a large railway works of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway.

WOMEN IN PARLIAMENT. The first woman to take her seat in the House of Commons was Lady Astor (q.v.), who was returned as a Conservative for the Sutton division of Plymouth in 1919. In 1918 the Countess Markievicz was elected as a Sinn Féiner, but in accordance with that party's policy never took her seat. Miss Margaret Bondfield was the first woman Cabinet minister, becoming Minister of Labour in 1929 in Ramsay MacDonald's second government.

WOMEN IN THE WAR. As soon as the Great War caused a shortage of man labour, women took to work previously regarded as a male preserve; they appeared as postmen, porters, bus and tram conductors, and worked in munition and other factories.

In addition there was formed the Voluntary Aid Detachment, for nursing, the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, the Women's Royal Naval Service, the Women's Royal Air Force, and the Women's Land Army; many of the women thus engaged served overseas.

WOMEN'S VOTE was first granted in Great Britain in 1918 to those over 30, and extended to all over 21 in 1929. See **FRANCHISE** and **SUFFRAGETTES**.

WOOD, SIR ANDREW, Scottish admiral, born in Largo, Fife; was distinguished and successful in several naval engagements, chiefly in the North, against the English in the reigns of James III. and James IV.; received for his services the honour of knighthood and the village and lands of Largo in fee, was an eccentric old admiral; is said to have had a canal cut from his house to the church, and to have sailed thither in his barge every Sunday; d. 1615.

WOOD, ANTHONY, antiquary, born in Oxford, and educated at Merton College, Oxford; was a gentleman of independent means; wrote "History and Antiquities of Oxford University," which appeared in 1674, and "Athens Oxoniensis," which appeared in 1691, being an exact history of all the writers and bishops educated at Oxford from 1600 to 1690 (1692 1693).

WOOD, SIR EVELYN, soldier, born in Essex; served in the Indian Mutiny, where he gained the V.C.; also in the Ashanti, the Zulu, and Transvaal (1880-1881) Wars, and in Egypt in 1882; he was one of the British generals in the Boer War (1898-1900).

WOOD, SIR HENRY JOSEPH, British conductor. A Londoner by birth, he came of a musical family; he played the piano well at six, and when only ten became deputy-organist at St. Mary's, Aldermanbury; later he studied under several masters, including Garcia, and at nineteen began to conduct. He conducted the first Queen's Hall Promenade Concerts when only 28, and his name became inseparable from them; he also conducted a Handel Festival, and at leading concerts in England, besides visiting America. He was knighted in 1911 (1869-).

WOOD, MRS. HENRY (née Price), novelist, born in Worcestershire; her best novels "The Channings" and "Mrs. Halliburton's Troubles," though her most popular was "East Lynne"; she wrote some thirty books, all successful (1814-1887).

WOOD SPIRIT, name commonly given to methyl alcohol. See **METHYLATED SPIRIT**.

WOODEN HORSE, a gigantic horse of wood, with which Greek warriors were concealed, and which the Trojans were persuaded to admit into their city, to its ruin, on the pretext that it was an offering by the Greeks to Pallas, to atone for their abduction of her image from the citadel. See **SINON**.

WOODHALL SPA, small town and inland resort in Lincolnshire, frequented on account of its brackish saline springs discovered early last century.

WOODROCK, a small market town on the Glyme, 3 m. NW. of Oxford, once a royal manor, near which is Blenheim Park (q.v.).

WOODWARD, SIR ARTHUR SMITH, British scientist, for many years keeper of the zoological department of the Natural History Museum, South Kensington; his greatest work was a detailed study of fossil reptiles, mammals, and fishes, especially those of South America (1844-).

WOOLLETT, WILLIAM, British engraver. Born in Makhona, he learned his craft in London; he was made engraver to the king in 1775; he did many historical and genre pictures (1755-1785).

WOOLNER, THOMAS, English sculptor, born in Hadleigh, in Suffolk; sympathized with the Pre-Raphaelite movement; did a number of statues (one of Bacon for Oxford), busts of famous contemporaries—Carlyle, Darwin, Tennyson, &c.—and ideal works, such as Elaine, Ophelia, Guinevere, &c.; was a poet as well as a sculptor (1825-1892).

WOOLPACK, the seat of the Lord Chancellor in the House of Lords, as Speaker of the House, being a large square cushion of wool covered with red cloth, without either back or arms; its origin is said to date from Elizabeth's reign, when wool was a staple commodity.

WOOLSTON, THOMAS, an eccentric semi-dedicated writer, born in Northampton, who maintained a lifelong polemic against the literal truth of the Bible, and insisted that the miraculous element in it must be allegorically interpreted, with such obstinacy that he was in the end subjected to imprisonment as a blasphemer, from which he was never released, because he refused to recant (1670-1733).

WOOLWICH, a town in Kent, on the S. bank of the Thames, 9 m. below London, of which it forms a suburb; is the chief military arsenal in the country; contains a gun factory, ammunition factory, laboratory, &c., which employ several thousands of men, besides barracks for artillery, engineers, &c., covering an area 4 m. in circumference; it is also the seat of the Royal Military Academy.

WOOLWORTH, FRANK WINFIELD, American business man and the pioneer of the cheap stores; he founded his first store at the age of 27 with a capital of under \$100; when he died he owned 800 stores in the United States and Canada, besides several in England, and left a fortune of \$9,000,000; the Woolworth Building, the New York headquarters of his companies, is 792 feet high and cost \$3,000,000 (1852-1919).

WORCESTER, the county town of Worcestershire, on the left bank of the Severn, 26 m. SE. of Birmingham; a very ancient place, and a handsome city, with a noble old Gothic cathedral; is famous for its blue porcelain ware and other industries, particularly glove-making; was the scene in 1651 of Cromwell's victory over the Royalists, which he called his "crowning mercy."

WORCESTER, the second city of Massachusetts, U.S.A., a place of busy industry, and with a flourishing trade.

WORCESTER, MARQUIS OF, inventor of the steam-engine, born in London; he early gave himself to mechanical studies; was an ardent Royalist; negotiated with the Irish Catholics on behalf of the King, was discovered and imprisoned on a charge of treason, but, his release being procured by the King, he spent some time in exile; on his return he was again imprisoned and then released, wrote an account of inventions amounting to a hundred, "A Century of Inventions," as he called it, one of which he described as "an admirable and most forcible way of driving up water by fire" (1601 1667).

WORCESTERSHIRE, an agricultural and pastoral county in the valley of the Severn, the N. part of which is the Black Country, rich in coal and iron mines, with Dudley for capital, and the SW. occupied by the Malvern Hills, while the S. is famous for its orchards and h-p-gardens; it has also extensive manufactures at Worcester, Kidderminster, Stourbridge, and Redditch.

WORD, THE, or LOGOS, the name given by St. John to God as existing from the beginning just as in the fulness of time He manifested Himself in Christ, or as at first what He revealed Himself at last.

WORDE, WYNNYN DE, an early English printer, born in Wyrth in Alsace; was assistant to Caxton in 1476, and in time succeeded the latter, moved the business from Westminster to Fleet Street in 1500, and there printed a large number of books; d. 1534.

WORDSWORTH, CHARLES, bishop of St. Andrews, born in Lambeth, studied at Christ Church, Oxford; was private tutor to Gladstone and Manning, Warden of Glenalmond College, Perthshire, and made bishop in 1852; was a student of Shakespeare, and distinguished as a prelate for his seal for Church union in Scotland; he was a nephew of the poet (1806-1892).

WORDSWORTH, WILLIAM, poet, born in Cockermouth, of a Yorkshire stock; educated at Hawkshead Grammar School and at St. John's College, Cambridge; travelled in France at the Revolution period and was smitten with the Republican fever, which, however, soon spent itself; established himself in the S. of England, and there fell in with Coleridge, visiting Germany in company with him, and on his return settled in the Lake Country; married Mary Hutchinson, who had been a school-fellow of his, and to whom he was attached when

a boy, and received a lucrative sinecure appointment as distributor of stamps in the district; took up his residence first at Gramere and finally at Rydal Mount, devoting his life to the composition of poetry, with all faith in himself, and slowly but surely bringing round his admirers to the same conclusion; he began his career in literature by publishing with "Olebridge" "Lyrical Ballads"; finished his "Prelude" in 1806, and produced his "Excursion" in 1814, after which, from his home at Rydal Mount, there issued a long succession of miscellaneous pieces; he succeeded Southey as poet-laureate in 1843; he is emphatically the poet of external nature and of its all-inspiring power, and it is as such his admirers regard him; to judge of Wordsworth's merits as a poet the student is referred to Matthew Arnold's "Selections" (1770-1850).

WORKS, OFFICE OF, the government department in England which controls the royal palaces and parks, government buildings, and a large number of castles and monuments throughout the country that have been acquired for the nation; the department dates from 1832, and is in charge of the First Commissioner of Works, usually a member of the cabinet.

WORLD, THE, the name applied in the New Testament to the collective body of those who reject and oppose the spirit of Christ, who practically affirm what He denies, and practically deny what He affirms, or turn His Yes into Nay, and His Nay into Yea.

WORMS, an old German town in Hesse-Darmstadt, in a fertile plain on the left bank of the Rhine, 40 m. SE. of Mainz, with a massive Romanesque cathedral having two domes and four towers; it was here the Diet of the empire was held under Charles V., before which Martin Luther appeared on April 17, 1521, standing alone in his defence on the rock of Scripture, and deferentially declining to recant: "Here stand I; I can do no other; so help me God."

WORSAAE, JANS JACOB, eminent Danish archaeologist, born in Jutland; wrote on the antiquities of the North, especially in a Scandinavian reference (1821-1886).

WORTHING, a popular watering-place on the Sussex coast, 10½ m. SW. of Brighton; has a mild climate, fine sands, and a long, wide parade.

WOTTON, SIR HENRY, diplomatist and scholar, born in Kent; was ambassador of James I. for 20 years, chiefly at Venice; visited Kepler (q.v.) on one occasion, and found him a very "ingenious person," and came under temporary eclipse for his definition of an ambassador, "An honest man sent to lie abroad for the good of his country"; was ultimately provost of Eton, and was a friend of many good men, among others Isaac Walton, who wrote his life; he wished to be remembered as the author of the saying, "The itch of controversy is the scab (scabies) of the Churches," and caused it to be inscribed in his epitaph (1608-1639).

WOUEVERMANS, PHILIP, Dutch painter, born in Haarlem, where he lived and died; painted small landscapes, hunting pieces, and battle pieces, from which the picture-dealers profited, while he lived and died poor; had two brothers, whose pictures are, though inferior, often mistaken for his (1619-1668).

WRANGLER, FREDERICK, COUNT VON, Prussian field-marshal, born in Stettin, served with distinction in various campaigns, and commanded in the Danish War of 1864, and was present in the Austro-Prussian War of 1866 though without command; was known as "Papa Wrangel" among the Berliners, who loved him for his disregard of grammar (1784-1877).

WRANGLER, BARON PETER, Russian general. Born in St. Petersburg, he entered the army, fought in the Russo-Japanese War and held a command in the Great War; but it was not until after the 1917 revolution that he became prominent, leading the anti-Bolshevik forces, or White Russians, and being defeated by the Bolsheviks in 1920 (1879-1928).

WRANGLER, name given in Cambridge University to those placed in the first class of Part II. of the Mathematical Tripos; the man heading the list was

formerly known as the Senior Wrangler, but the names are no longer placed in order of merit.

WREDE, KARL PHILIPP, PRINCE, field-marshal, born in Kiedelberg; served as a Bavarian general against Austria as the ally of Napoleon at Wagram, and also in the expedition against Russia in 1812, on which occasion he covered the retreat of the French army, to the loss of nearly all the cavalry; fought against the French at Hanau; was defeated, but was afterwards successful on French soil, and eventually became commander-in-chief of the Bavarian army (1767-1858).

WREN, SIR CHRISTOPHER, architect, born in East Knoyle, in Wiltshire; educated at Westminster School and Wadham College, Oxford, and became Fellow of All Souls; was early distinguished in mathematics and for mechanical ingenuity, and soon became notable for his skill in architecture, and received a commission to restore St. Paul's, London, but on its destruction in 1666 he was appointed to design and erect an entirely new structure; for this he had prepared himself by study abroad, and he proceeded to construct a new St. Paul's after the model of St. Peter's at Rome, a work which, as it occupied him from 1675 to 1710, took him 35 years to finish; he died at the age of 90, sitting in his chair after dinner, and was buried in the cathedral which he had erected, with this inscription, "Si monumentum requiris, circumspice" (If you seek his monument, look around); many famous London churches, including St. Stephen's, Walbrook, and St. Bride's, Fleet Street, were designed by him, together with Chelsea Hospital, Marlborough House, and part of Windsor Castle; Wren was a man of science as well as an artist; he was at one time Savilian professor of Mathematics at Oxford, and one of the founders of the Royal Society (1632-1723).

WREN, MATTHEW, bishop of Ely; was one of the judges of the Star Chamber; assisted in preparing the liturgy for Scotland, which, when read in St. Giles', Edinburgh, roused the ire of Jenny Geddes (q.v.); was impeached, and confined in the Tower for 18 years, and released at the Restoration (1585-1667).

WREXHAM, an important town in Denbighshire, North Wales, 12 m. SW. from Chester, in the centre of a mining district, and famed for its breweries.

WRIGHT, JOSEPH, painter, usually called "Wright of Derby" from his birthplace and place of residence nearly all his life; he excelled in portraits, and in the representation of the effects especially of firelight (1734-1797).

WRIGHT, ORVILLE, American aeronaut. With his brother Wilbur (q.v.) he began experiments with a glider in Carolina in 1900, and in 1903 built a machine fitted with a petrol engine; on December 17 that year they flew for 300 yards, the first successful flight ever made. The Wright brothers were thus the real pioneers of aeroplane aviation (1871-).

WRIGHT, THOMAS, antiquary, born in Shropshire, but settled in London; wrote or edited a vast number of works bearing on the antiquities, literary and other, of England, and was connected with the founding of sundry antiquarian societies (1810-1877).

WRIGHT, WILBUR, American aeronaut, brother of Orville Wright, and with him the pioneer of the aeroplane; he died of fever (1867-1912).

WRITERS TO THE SIGNET, a body of solicitors in Scotland who had at one time the exclusive privilege of practising in and drawing up cases for the supreme courts of the country, and whose privileges are now limited to the preparation of Crown writs.

WROTTESELEY, LORD, British astronomer, erected an observatory at Blackheath; president of the British Association at Oxford in 1860 (1824-1910).

WULFSTAN, ST., Saxon bishop of Worcester in the days of Edward the Confessor; being falsely accused by his adversaries, after the king's death, he was required to resign, but refused, and laying his crozier on the Confessor's shrine called upon him to decide who should wear it; none of his accusers could lift it, only himself, to his exculpation from their accusations; archbishop of York from 1003 to his death in 1023.

WUNDT, WILHELM MAX, distinguished German physiologist, born in Baden and professor at Leipzig; eminent for his studies on the connection of the physical with the psychical in the human organisation, and wrote on psychology as well as physiology (1832-1920).

WUPPERTHAL, a densely peopled valley in Germany traversed by the river Wupper, which after a course of 40 m. enters the Rhine between Cologne and Düsseldorf; it embraces the towns of Barmen and Elberfeld.

WURMSER, COUNT VON, Austrian general, born in Alsace; took an active part in the war with France; commanded the respect of Napoleon for his defence of Mantua, on the capitulation of which he refused to take him prisoner (1721-1797).

WURTEMBERG, a former kingdom of South Germany, about one-fourth the size of Scotland, between Baden on the W. and Bavaria on the E.; the Black Forest extends along the W. of it, and it is traversed nearly E. and W. by the Swabian Alp, which slopes down on the N. side into the valley of the Neckar, and on the S. into that of the Danube; the soil is fertile, and is in great part under cultivation, yielding corn, vines, and fruits, agriculture being the chief industry of the population; minerals abound, the chief being salt and iron. Stuttgart is the capital; the towns are the centres of varied manufactures; education is of a high standard; associated with the country are a number of famous names—enough to mention the names of Kepler, Schiller, Hegel, Schelling, and Strauss; the government was formerly constitutional, under a hereditary sovereign, but is now a republic.

WURTZ, CHARLES ADOLF, French chemist, born in Strasbourg; invented a method for the preparation of ethane by the action of sodium on methyl iodide (1817-1844).

WURZBURG, a Bavarian town in a valley of the Main, 70 m. SE. of Frankfurt; its principal buildings are the Royal or Episcopal Palace, the cathedral, and the university, with the Julius Hospital, called after its founder, Bishop Julius, who was also founder of the university, which is attended by over 1000 students, mostly medical, and has a library of 100,000 volumes; the fortress of Marienberg, overlooking the town, was till 1720 the episcopal palace.

WUTKE, KARL, theologian, born in Breslau, professor at Halle; wrote on Christian ethics, stoutly maintained the incompleteness of Christianity with democracy, that a Christian could not be a democrat or a democrat a Christian (1819-1870).

WYANDOTS, a tribe of North American Indians of the Iroquois stock; were nearly exterminated in 1836, but a feeble remnant of them now occupy a small district in the Indian Territory.

WYATT, RICHARD, sculptor, born in London; studied in Rome under Canova, and had Gibson for fellow-student; a man of classical tastes, and produced a number of exquisitely modelled, especially female, figures (1799-1850).

WYATT, SIR THOMAS, English poet, courtier, and statesman, born at Allington Castle, in Kent, and educated at St. John's College, Cambridge; was a welcome presence at court, a friend of Anne Boleyn, in high favour with the King, and knighted in 1537; did a good deal of diplomatic work in Spain and the Netherlands, and died on his way to meet the Spanish ambassador and convey him to London; he had travelled in Italy, had studied the lyric poets of Italy, especially Petrarch, and, along with Surrey, imported their sentiment into English verse, "amorous poetry," as it has been called, "a poetry extremely personal, and personal as English poetry had scarcely ever been before" (1503-1542).

WYATT, SIR THOMAS, the younger, only son of the preceding; was leader of the rebellion that broke out in 1554 in consequence of the settlement of the marriage between Queen Mary and Philip of Spain, in which, being repulsed at Temple Bar, he surrendered and was committed to the Tower, and for which he was executed, Lady Jane Grey and her husband following to the same doom shortly after (1530-1554).

WYCHERLEY, WILLIAM, dramatist, born in Shropshire, of good birth, and resident for a time in Paris, being admitted to the circle of the Précieuses, but returned to England at the Restoration, and became a figure at the court; his plays were marked with the coarseness of the time, and his best were "The Country Wife" (1675) and "The Plain Dealer" (1677); married the Countess of Drogheda for her fortune, a legacy which cost him only lawsuits and imprisonment for debt; succeeded to his paternal estate when he was an old man; married again, and died immediately after (1640-1718).

WYCLIFFE, JOHN. See WICKLIFFE.

WYCOMBE, HIGH, a market town in Buckinghamshire, on the Wye, 25 m. SE. of Oxford; has a parish church built in the Norman style in 1273 and restored in 1887, and several public buildings; the manufacture of chairs, lace, and straw-plait among the leading industries.

WYE, a lovely winding river in South Wales, which rises near the source of the Severn on Plynlimmon, and falls into its estuary at Chepstow, 125 m. from its head; rapid in its course at first, it becomes gentler as it gathers volume; harges second it as far as Hereford, but a high tidal wave makes navigation dangerous at its mouth.

WYKEHAM, WILLIAM OF, bishop of Winchester, born in Wykeham, Hampshire, of humble parentage; was patronised by the governor of Winchester Castle and introduced by him to Edward III., who employed him to superintend the rebuilding of Windsor Castle, and by-and-by made him Privy Seal and Lord Chancellor, though he fell into disgrace towards the close of Edward's reign; was restored to favour in Richard II.'s reign and once more made Chancellor; in his later years he founded the New College, Oxford, built and endowed St. Mary's College, Winchester, and rebuilt the cathedral there. He was less of a theologian than an architect; was disparagingly spoken of by John Wicliffe as a "builder of castles," and his favourite motto was, "Manners make the man" (1324-1404).

WYNAAID, a highland district in the Western Ghats, Madras Presidency, with extensive coffee plantations, and a wide distribution of auriferous quartz rock, the working of which has involved the loss of much capital.

WYNANTS, JAN, one of the greatest of the Dutch landscape painters; born in Haarlem; had for pupils Philip Wouvermans (q.v.) and Adrian van de Velde (1615-1679).

WYNDHAM, SIR CHARLES, English actor; served in the American Civil War as a surgeon; took to the stage, playing first with John Wilkes Booth; appeared in London in 1865; was successful in the management of the Criterion Theatre where he produced and acted in "Pink Dominoes," "Wild Oats," "David Garrick," "She Stoops to Conquer," and "The School for Scandal," among other plays; built Wyndham's Theatre and was associated many years in management with Mary Moore (1841-1919).

WYNTOUN, ANDREW OF, Scottish chronicler; lived at the end of the 14th and beginning of the 15th centuries; was canon regular of St. Andrews and prior of St. Serf, Lochleven; the subject of his "Original Chronicle," as he calls it, was Scottish history, from the creation downwards, and it was written in verse that can hardly be called poetry; it is of value historically and interesting philologically, and consists of nine books or cantos; it is to him we owe "When Alexander our King was dead."

WYOMING, a north-west State of the U.S.A., chiefly on the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains, an elevated region about three times the area of Ireland, and with a comparatively sparse population, settled principally along the line of the Union Pacific Railway; it has a very rugged surface, and abounds in deep cañons and frowning precipices, the lakes also are deep, and there are immense caverns, one, the Great Cavern, throwing up a volume of water 300 ft. high; it is rich in minerals, yields good crops of various grains, rears large herds of horses and cattle, as well as game on its mountains, and trout and salmon in its rivers. See **YELLOWSTONE PARK**.

WYOMING VALLEY, a fertile valley in Pennsylvania, on the Susquehanna River, 20 m. long by 5 broad; it was the scene in 1778 of a series of contests between rival settlers, when the last of them were set upon by an invading force, forced to surrender, and either massacred or driven forth from the valley; Campbell's "Gertrude of Wyoming" relates to this last disaster.

WYSS, JOHANN RUDOLF, Swiss littérateur, born in Berne, professor of Philosophy there; the author of the "Swiss Family Robinson," on which alone his title to fame rests (1781-1830).

WYVERN, a heraldic device in shape of a dragon with expanded wings, with only two legs and the pointed tail of a scorpion.

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XANTHAMIDE, a crystalline substance produced by passing ammonia gas through xanthic or ether acid in an alcoholic solution.

XANTHUS, principal city in ancient Lycia, on a river of the same name, celebrated for its temples and works of art; sustained two sieges, the last of which terminated in the self-destruction of its inhabitants; ruins of it exist, and are Cyclopean; also the name of a river in the Troad, called also the Scamander.

XANTIPPE, or **XANTHIPPE**, the name of the wife of Socrates, a woman of a peevish and shrewish disposition, the subject of exaggerated gossip in Athens, to the exaltation of the temper of her husband, which it never ruffled.

XAVIER, ST. FRANCIS, a Jesuit missionary, styled usually the "Apostle of the Indies," born of a noble family, in the north of Spain; a student of Sainte Barbe in Paris, he took to philosophy, became acquainted with Ignatius Loyola, and was associated with him in the formation of the Jesuit Society; was sent in 1541, under sanction of the Pope, by John III. of Portugal to christianise India and arrived at Goa in 1542, whence he extended his missionary labours to the Eastern Archipelago, to Ceylon and Japan, in which enterprises they were attended with signal success; on his return to Goa in 1552 he proceeded to organise a mission to China, in which he experienced such opposition and so many difficulties that on his way, to carry on his work there he sickened and died; he was buried at Goa; beatified by Paul V. in 1619, and canonised by Gregory XV. in 1622; festival, December 3 (1500-1552).

XEBEC, a small three-masted vessel with lateen and square sails, used formerly in the Mediterranean by the Algerine pirates, and mounted with guns.

XENIEN, the name, derived from Martial, of a series of stinging epigrams issued at one time by Goethe and Schiller, which created a great sensation and gave offence to many, causing "the solemn empire of dulness to quake from end to end."

XENOCRATES, an ancient philosopher and a disciple of Plato, born in Chalcodon, and a successor of Plato in the Academy as head of it; d. 314 B.C.

XENON, one of the inert gases, similar to argon, neon, and helium; discovered by Sir William Ramsay (q.v.).

XENOPEANES, the founder of the Eleatic school of philosophy, born in Asia Minor; was the first to enunciate the doctrine "all is one," but "without specifying," says Schwegler, "whether this unity was intellectual or moral. . . Aristotle says he called God the one."

XENOPHON, historian, philosopher, and military commander, born in Athens, son of an Athenian of good position; was a pupil and friend of Socrates; joined the expedition of Cyrus against his brother Artaxerxes, and on the failure of it conducted the ten thousand Greeks—"the Retreat of the Ten Thousand"—who went up with him back to the Bosphorus, served afterwards in several military adventures, brought himself under the ban of his fellow-citizens in Athens, and retired to Elis, where he spent 20 years of his life in the pursuits of country life and in the prosecution of literature; the principal of his literary works, which it appears have all come down to us, are the "Anabasis," being an account in seven books of the expedition of Cyrus and his own conduct of the retreat; the "Memorabilia," in four books, being an account of the life and teaching, and a defence, of his master Socrates; the "Hæcæica," in seven books, being an account of 49 years of Grecian history in continuation of Thucydides to the battle of Mantinea; and "Cyropædia," in eight books, being an ideal account of the education of Cyrus the Elder. Xenophon wrote pure Greek in a plain, unpretentious and unaffected style, had an eye to the practical in his estimate of things, and professed a sincere belief in a divine government of the world (435-354 B.C.).

—, a town in Spain, 14 m. N.E. of Cadix, a well-

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built, busy town, and the centre of the trade in sherry wine which takes its name from it, and of which there are large stores.

XERXES, a king of Persia, son of Darius I., whom he succeeded on the throne in 485 B.C.; in his ambition to subdue Greece, which, after suppressing a revolt in Egypt, he in 481 essayed to do with an immense horde of men both by sea and land, he with his army crossed the Hellespont by means of a bridge of boats, was checked for a time at Thermopylae by Leonidas and his five hundred, advanced to Athens to see his fleet destroyed at Salamis by Themistocles, fled at the sight by the way he came, and left Mardonius with 300,000 men to carry out his purpose, but, as it happened, to suffer defeat on the fatal field of Plataea in 479, and the utter annihilation of all his hopes; the rest of his life he spent in obscurity, and he was assassinated in 465 B.C. by Artabanus, the captain of his body-guard, after a reign of 20 years.

XESIBELAND, a region in South Africa lying between Griqualand East and Pondoland; was annexed to Cape Province in 1886.

XIMENES DE CISNEROS, FRANCISCO, cardinal and statesman, born in Castile, of a poor but noble family; studied at Salamanca and went to Rome, where he gained favour with the Pope, who appointed him to the first vacant ecclesiastical preferment in Spain, as the result of which he in 1495 became archbishop of Toledo, but not till he was 60 years of age; in 10 years after this he became regent of Spain, and conducted the affairs of the kingdom with consummate ability. He was a severe man, and he was careful to promote what he considered the best and highest interests of the nation; but he was narrow-minded, and did often more harm than good; he was intolerant of heresy such as the Church deemed it to be, and contrived by his policy to confer more than sovereign rights upon the crown. He was to Spain pretty much what Richelieu was to France; d. 1517.

XIMENES, GONZALO DE QUESADA, Spanish statesman; he led an expedition to New Granada in 1538, and succeeded in conquering the country.

XINGU, a river in Brazil, which rises in the heart of the country, and after a course of 1300 m. falls into the Amazon 210 m. W. of Para.

X-RAYS, discovered by Röntgen, are rays similar in nature to those of light but of much smaller wavelength; they are produced in a vacuum discharge tube when the cathode particles (q.v.) meet an obstacle; X-rays are invisible to the eye and will penetrate most substances to a considerable distance; they can be detected by a photographic plate, a phosphorescent screen, or an electrometer, which discharges owing to the ionisation of the air; those of short wave-length, i.e. high frequency, can pass through a greater thickness of matter and are known as "hard" X-rays, being similar to the "gamma rays" of radioactive substances; X-rays are used for surgical purposes, and were invaluable to Sir William Bragg and his co-workers in their investigations of crystal structure.

XUCAR, or **JUCAR**, a river of Valencia, in Spain, which rises near the source of the Tagus, and after a course of 317 m. falls diminished into the Mediterranean, most of its water having been drained off for purposes of irrigation in connection with orange-gardens on its way, gardens which yield, it is said, 20 millions of oranges a year.

XYLENE, a hydrocarbon obtained in the distillate from coal tar, resembling benzene and toluene in its general properties, but having a higher boiling-point than either.

XYLONITE, a variety of celluloid, made by mixing pyroxilin and camphor under high pressure.

XYLOPHONE, a musical instrument consisting of 27 bars of specially prepared wood arranged in rows over resonators; notes are produced by striking the bars with small hammers.

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YABLONOI MOUNTAINS, a range of mountains which extend N.E. from the Altai chain and run S. of Lake Baikal, near the frontier of China, dividing the basin of the Amur from that of the Lena.

YACHTING, as a sport began early in the 18th century in Ireland, and quickly spread to England; the Cowes Yacht Club was formed in 1815, and two years later, when the Prince Regent joined it, the name was changed to the Royal Yacht Squadron; it is the premier body in the sport, and members fly the white ensign; regattas take place at the leading ports and resorts in the summer; the Queen's Cup was one of the chief events of the yachting year, and when in 1851 the *America* won the trophy it was taken to the United States and called the *America's* Cup, since which date all British attempts to regain it have failed, though Lord Dunsen challenged twice in 1893 and 1895, and Sir Thomas Lipton has made five attempts with his *Shannon*.

YACU-MAMA, a fabulous marine monster, said to haunt the lagoons of the Amazon, and to suck into its mouth and swallow whatever comes within a hundred yards of it; before bathing in a lagoon, where he apprehends its presence, the Indian sounds a horn, the effect of which is to make it reveal itself if it is there; it is probable that the unicorn, the large serpent which frequents water, is responsible for the tradition.

YAHOO, name of a race of brutes, subject to the Houyhnhnms (*q.v.*), in "Gulliver's Travels," with the form and all the vices of men.

YAJUR-VEDA, one of the books of the Vedas (*q.v.*), containing the prescribed formulae in connection with sacrifices.

YAKSHA, a species of gnome in the Hindu mythology.

YAKUTSK, a capital town in East Siberia, on a branch of the Lena; occupied chiefly by traders in furs, hides, &c.; is said to be one of the coldest towns in the world.

YALE UNIVERSITY, a well-equipped university at New Haven, Connecticut, U.S., founded in 1701, which derives its name from Elihu Yale, a Boston man, and which was given to it in recognition of his benefactions; it occupies a square in the heart of the city, has a large staff of professors, besides tutors and lecturers, and a magnificent library; the faculties include arts, medicine, law, theology, fine arts, and music, while the course of study extends over four years.

YALU, river in Asia flowing between Korea and Manchuria and entering the sea at the Bay of Korea; it is 300 m. in length; in September, 1894, a battle in which Japanese ships beat those of China was fought in the mouth of the river.

YAMA, in the Hindu mythology a solar hero who rules over the dead; might have lived as an immortal, but chose to die; was the first to traverse the road from which there is no return, tracing it for future generations; in the remotest extremity of the heavens, the abode of light and the eternal waters, he reigns in peace and in union with Varuna (*q.v.*); there, by the sound of his flute, under the branches of the mythic tree, he assembles around him the dead who have lived nobly; they reach him in a crowd, convoyed by Agni (*q.v.*), grimly scanned as they pass by two monstrous dogs that are the guardians of the road.

YAMAGATA, PRINCE, Japanese politician and soldier. In the army he raised himself to the highest rank, and in 1898 he was head of the government of Japan, being in power for two years; he was made a prince in 1907 (1898-1922).

YAMBO, or **YAMBO**, the port of Medina, in Arabia, on the Red Sea.

YANAON, a small patch of territory belonging to France, on the Godavari, enclosed in the British province of Madras, India.

YANG-TSZE-KIANG, or the Blue, or Great, River, the largest river in China and in the East; rises in

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the plateau of Tibet, and after a course of 3200 m., draining and irrigating great part of China by the way, falls by a wide estuary into the Yellow Sea, terminating near Shanghai; it has numerous tributaries, some of great length, and is of great value to the country as a waterway; it is navigable 1000 m. from its mouth, and at Hankow, 700 m. up, is a mile in width.

YANKEE, slang name for a New Englander; applied in England to the citizens of the United States generally; it is of uncertain derivation, though possibly a corruption of the name "English" or "Anglais" on the part of Indians.

YAPUZA, an affluent of the Amazon, which rises in Columbia; has a course of 1750 m., and is navigable to steamers for 970 m.

YARKAND, the capital or chief city of Eastern Turkestan, 100 m. SE. of Kashgar; is in the centre of a very fertile district of the vast continental basin of Central Asia, abounding also in large stores of mineral wealth; it is a great emporium of trade, and the inhabitants are mostly Mohammedans.

YARMOUTH, a seaport, fishing town, and watering-place of Norfolk, 20½ m. E. of Norwich, and some 2 m. above the mouth of the Yare; is the principal seat of the English herring fishery, and is famous for its herrings, known as bloaters; it has a fine roadstead called Yarmouth Roads, a safe anchorage for ships, being protected by sandbanks; has a number of public buildings, in particular a parish church, one of the largest in England, and a fine marine parade.

YARRELL, WILLIAM, naturalist, born in Westminster; wrote "History of British Fishes" and "History of British Birds" (1784-1856).

YARROW, a famous Scottish stream which rises on the confines of the shires of Peebles, Dumfries, and Selkirk; passes N.E. through the Loch of the Lowes and St. Mary's Loch, and joins the Ettrick 2 m. above Selkirk after a course of 25 m.

YATES, EDMUND HODGSON, journalist, founded *The World* newspaper; wrote a supremely interesting "Autobiography" and several novels (1831-1894).

YEAMES, WILLIAM FRIDERIC, British artist. The son of a diplomat, he was born in Russia and studied painting in Italy and London; of his paintings the most famous is "When did you last see your father?" a Cavalier and Roundhead subject; he taught in the R.A. school, was made A.R.A. in 1866, and R.A. in 1878 (1835-1918).

YEATS, WILLIAM BUTLER, Irish poet, born in Dublin; superintendent of the Irish Literary Theatre; has written several volumes of verse, including "The Wanderings of Oisín," and a number of poetic dramas, "The Land of Heart's Desire," "The Shadowy Waters," and "The Countess Cathleen," among them; has also produced in prose "The Secret Rose" and a volume of essays, all of high quality (1865-).

YEDDO. See **KOBE**.

YELL, the second largest island in the Shetlands, N. of Mainland; is 17 m. from N. to S.; inhabitants live mostly by fishing.

YELLOW SEA, or **WHANG-HAI**, an inlet of the Pacific, on the N.E. coast of China, bounded on the E. by Korea, including in the NW. the Gulf of Pechili, some 600 m. long, and its average breadth 300 m.; is very shallow, and gradually silting up owing to the quantity of alluvium brought down by the rivers which fall into it.

YELLOWSTONE, THE, a river which rises in the NW. of Wyoming (*q.v.*) and falls into the Missouri as one of its chief tributaries after a course of 1800 m.

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, a high-lying tract of land in the State of Wyoming (*q.v.*) traversed by the Yellowstone, about the size of Kent, being a square of about 75 m.; was set apart by Congress as a great pleasure ground in perpetuity for the enjoyment of the people; it abounds in springs

and geysers, and care is taken that it be preserved for the public benefit.

YEMEN, a province in the SW. of Arabia, bounded on the N. by Hedjaz, bordering on the Red Sea, and forming the Arabia Felix of the ancients; about 400 m. in length and 150 m. in breadth; it is a highly fertile region, and yields tropical and subtropical fruits, in particular coffee, dates, gums, spices, and wheat.

YENIKALE, or **KERTCH**, a strait 20 m. long, connecting the Sea of Azov with the Black Sea.

YENISEI, a river which rises in the mountainous region that borders the plateau of Gobi, its headwaters collecting in Lake Baikal, and, after a course of 3200 m. through the centre of Siberia, falls by a long estuary or gulf into the Arctic Ocean; it is the highway of a region rich in both mineral and vegetable products.

YENISEISK, a town of East Siberia, on the Yenisei, in a province of the name, and a centre of trade in it.

YEOMANRY, name given to a cavalry volunteer force, the members of which provided their own horses and uniforms, with a small allowance from the Government, which was increased when they were called out.

YEOMEN, a name given in England to a class of freeholders next in rank to the gentry, and to certain functionaries in royal households.

YEOMEN OF THE GUARD, a body of old soldiers of soldierly presence, employed on ceremonial occasions in conjunction with the gentlemen-at-arms, as the bodyguard of the British sovereign; they were constituted in 1483, and number, besides officers, 100 men; the Beefeaters, as they are called, are the wardens of the Tower, and are a different corps.

YEovil, a town in Somerset, 22 m. SE. of Bridgwater, is in the centre of an agricultural district, and the staple industry is glove-making.

YERKES, CHARLES TYSON, American financier, born in Philadelphia; after considerable experience in New York and Chicago railways he interested himself in London's underground system, and advocated the electrification of the Metropolitan District Railway; was the promoter of the Charing Cross and Hampstead, Bakerloo and other underground lines; founded the Yerkes Observatory in Wisconsin, and engaged in philanthropic work (1837-1905).

YETHOLM, a village of Roxburghshire, 7 m. SE. of Kelso; consists of two parts, Town Yetholm and Kirk Yetholm, the latter of which has for two centuries been the headquarters of the gypsies in Scotland.

YEZZ, a town in a oasis, surrounded by a desert, in the centre of Persia, 230 m. SE. of Isfahan; a place of commercial importance; carries on miscellaneous manufactures.

YEZIDITES, a small nation bordering on the Euphrates, whose religion is a mixture of devil worship and ideas derived from the Magi, the Mohammedans, and the Christians.

YEZO, or **YESSO**, the northernmost of the four large islands of Japan, is about as large as Ireland; is traversed from N. to S. by rugged mountains, several of them active volcanoes; is rich in minerals, and particularly coal; its rivers swarm with salmon, but the climate is severe, and it is only partially settled, the principal inhabitants being the Hairy Ainos (q.v.).

YGGDRASIL. See **IGGDRASIL**.

YIDDISH, a kind of mongrel language spoken by foreign Jews in England.

YMIR, a giant in the Norse mythology, slain by the gods, and out of whose carcass they constructed the world, his blood making the sea, his flesh the land, his bones the rocks, his eyebrows Asgard, the dwelling-place of the gods, his skull the vault of the firmament, and his brains the clouds.

YMOGLU, an earl of Arthurian legend, the father of Enid, who was ousted from his earldom by his nephew, the "Sparrow-Hawk," but who, when overthrown, was compelled to restore it to him.

YOGA, in the Hindu philosophy a state of soul, emancipation from this life and of union with the divine, achieved by a life of asceticism and devout

meditation; or the system of instruction or discipline by which it is achieved.

YOGIN, among the Hindus one who has achieved his *sopa*, over whom nothing perishable has any longer power, for whom the laws of nature no longer exist, who is emancipated from this life, so that death even will add nothing to his bliss, it being his final deliverance or Nirvana, as the Buddhists would say.

YOKOHAMA, principal port of entry of Japan, 18 m. SW. of Tokyo (q.v.), situated in a spacious bay, the centre of trade with the West and the headquarters of foreign trade generally; foreigners are numerous, and the exports include silk, tea, cotton, flax, tobacco, &c.

YOKUBA, the largest town in Sokoto, in the Lower Sudan, with a large trade in cotton, tobacco, and indigo.

YONGE, CHARLOTTE MARY, British novelist, born in Osterbourne, Hants., wrote "The Heir of Redclyffe" and "The Daisy Chain" among other popular books, "Camions of History of England" and "Landmarks of History"; edited the *Monthly Packet* for 30 years (1823-1901).

YONI, a Hindu symbol of the female principle in nature, and as such an object of worship. See **LINGA**.

YONKERS, a city of New York, U.S., on the Hudson River, 15 m. N. of New York; has factories of various kinds, and some beautiful villas occupied by New York merchants.

YONNE, a department of the NE. of France, watered by the Yonne, a tributary of the Seine, with forests and vineyards which yield large quantities of wine.

YORICK, a jester at the court of Denmark, whose skull Hamlet apostrophises in the churchyard; also a sinister jester in "Tristram Shandy."

YORK, the county town of Yorkshire, situated at the confluence of the Foss with the Ouse, 188 m. N. of London and 22 m. NE. of Leeds; is an interesting historic town, the seat of an archbishop, and a great railway centre; known among the Romans as Eboracum, it was the centre of the Roman power in the North, relics of which as such still remain; its cathedral, known as the Minster, is one of the grandest in England; this is built on the site of a church erected as early as the 7th century, and was finished as it now exists in 1470; it is 524 ft. in length, and the transepts 250 ft., the breadth of the nave 140 ft., the height of the central tower 216 ft., and of the western one 201 ft. There are other buildings of great antiquity, and the Guildhall dates from the 15th century.

YORK, CARDINAL, the last of the line of the Stuart royal family, who died in 1807, 19 years after his brother Charles Edward.

YORK, DUKE OF, title often borne by the second son of the King of England. Henry VIII., Charles I., James II., and George V. are among Kings who were once Dukes of York.

YORK, DUKE OF (Prince Albert), second son of King George V. and Queen Mary. Educated at Osborne and Dartmouth, he served from 1913 in the Navy, and in 1918 became a captain in the Royal Air Force. In 1923 he married Lady Elizabeth Bowden-Lyon, daughter of the Earl of Strathmore, and they visited Africa in 1925 and Australia in 1927. His interest in industrial matters led him to accept the presidency of the Industrial Welfare Society and found an annual camp at New Romney for public schoolboys and young factory hands (1896-).

YORK, DUKE OF (Frederick Augustus), second son of George III., with a fancied ability as a general; he is famed in rhyme on account of the unsuccessful expedition he led against Holland in 1793 (1763-1827).

YORK, DUKE OF (Richard), the Protector of England while Henry VI. was a lunatic, and the man who started the Wars of the Roses, on account of his claiming the throne and disputing the Lancastrian right of succession; he was killed in the battle of Wakefield in 1460.

YORK, PRINCESS ELIZABETH OF, elder daughter of the Duke and Duchess of York, and first granddaughter of King George V. and Queen Mary; she was born on April 21, 1926.

YORKE, OLIVER, the name assumed by the editor of *Praser's Magazine* when it first started.

YORKSHIRE, the largest county in England, is divided into three Ridings (i.e. thirdings or thirds) for administrative purposes, North, East, and West, with a fourth called the Ainsty, under the jurisdiction of the Lord Mayor and aldermen of York; of these the West is the wealthiest and the most populous; contains a large coalfield, and is the centre of the woollen manufacture of the county; the East being mainly agricultural, with ironworks and shipbuilding works; and the North mainly pastoral, with industries connected with mining and shipping. Leeds (q.v.) is the largest town.

YORKTOWN, a small town in Virginia, U.S., on the York River, where Lord Cornwallis surrendered to Washington in 1781.

YOSEMITE VALLEY, the most remarkable gorge in the world, in the centre of California, 140 m. E. of San Francisco, 6 m. long and from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 24 m. broad, girt by perpendicular walls thousands of feet deep and traversed by the river Merced in a succession of falls of great height, the whole presenting a scene of mingled grandeur and beauty; it was discovered in 1851 and steps have been taken by Congress to preserve it as a place of public resort and recreation.

YOSHIMITO, Emperor of Japan. He succeeded to the throne in 1912; in 1900 he married Princess Sadako; during his reign the westernisation of Japan steadily continued, and for the first time the country figured as one of the Great Powers, being of special importance in naval matters (1879-1920).

YOUATT, WILLIAM, veterinary surgeon, born in Exeter; established the *Veterinarian*, and wrote "Canine Madness," "The Horse," "The Dog," and other important works (1776-1847).

YOUGHAL, a seaport in co. Cork, on the estuary of Blackwater, 27 m. E. of Cork; has some structures of interest, and exports chiefly agricultural produce.

YOUNG, ARTHUR, writer on agriculture, born in London; was trained to mercantile life, which he abandoned in disgust, and took to farming, which he studied at home and abroad and practised on scientific lines, and became Secretary of the Board of Agriculture on its establishment in 1793; he elevated agriculture to the rank of a science and imparted dignity to the pursuit of it (1741-1820).

YOUNG, BRIGHAM, Mormon polygamist chief, born in Whitingham, Vermont, U.S., son of a small farmer; had no schooling, wrought as carpenter, fell in with Joe Smith's brother, and embraced Mormonism in 1832; became one of the apostles of the Church and a preacher, and finally the head in 1851 after the settlement of the body at Utah; with all his fanaticism he was a worldly-wise man and a wise manager of secular affairs; died rich, leaving his fortune to 17 wives and 56 children (1801-1877).

YOUNG, CHARLES AUGUSTUS, American astronomer, chiefly famous for discovering the reversing layer in the atmosphere of the sun; he was a professor at Dartmouth and Princeton, and wrote an astronomical text-book (1834-1908).

YOUNG, CHARLES MAYNE, tragedian, born in London, made his debut in 1798; married in 1805 a gifted young actress, Julia Anne Grimaldi, with whom he had often played in lover's parts, and whom, after a brilliant partnership of 16 months on the stage together, he the year after lost in giving birth to a son; appeared in the Haymarket, London, in 1807 in the character of Hamlet; played afterwards other Shakespearean characters, such as Iago, Macbeth, and Falstaff in Covent Garden and Drury Lane, and took leave of the stage in 1832 in the same character in which he first appeared on it in London, *Gylf at Brighton* (1777-1856).

YOUNG, EDWARD, poet, born in Hampshire, educated at Westminster School; studied at Corpus Christi, Oxford, and obtained Fellowship at All-Souls' College; wrote plays and satires, but is best known to fame as the author of "Night Thoughts," which has been pronounced "his best work and his last good work," a poem which was once in high repute, and is less, if at all, in favour to-day, being written in a mood which is a strain upon the reader; it is "a little too declamatory," says Professor Saintsbury, "a little too suggestive of soliloquies in an inky cloak, with footlights in front"; his "Revenge," acted in 1721, is pronounced to be

the very last example of an acting tragedy of real literary merit; his satires in the "Love of Fame; or, The Universal Passion," almost equalled those of Pope, and brought him both fame and fortune; he took holy orders in 1727, and became in 1730 rector of Welwyn, in Hertfordshire; his flattery of his patrons was fulsome, and too suggestive of the toady (1683-1765).

YOUNG, JAMES, chemist, born in Glasgow; discovered cheap methods of producing certain substances of value in the chemical arts, and made experiments which led to the manufacture of paraffin (1811-1883).

YOUNG, ROBERT, a notorious impostor; forged certificates, and obtained deacons' orders and curacies, and could by no penalty be persuaded to lead an honest life, and was hanged in the end for coining in 1700.

YOUNG, THOMAS, physicist, born in Somersetshire, of Quaker parents; studied medicine at home and abroad; renounced Quakerism, and began practice in London in 1800; was appointed professor of Natural Philosophy in the Royal Institution, 1802; made Secretary of the Royal Society, and was afterwards nominated for other important appointments; his principal work is a "Course of Lectures on Natural Philosophy and the Mechanical Arts," published in 1807, in which he propounded the undulatory theory of light, and the principle of the interference of rays; he made researches on the structure of the eye; the hieroglyphic inscriptions of Egypt occupied much of his attention, and he is credited with having anticipated Champollion in discovering the key to them (1773-1829).

YOUNG IRELAND PARTY, a political group formed in southern Ireland in 1848 to unite Irishmen in agitation for independence; its members indulged in violence, and Britain suppressed the movement.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, an association founded in London in 1841, for the benefit of young men connected with various dry-goods houses in the City, which extended itself over other large cities throughout the world; its object is the welfare of young men at once spiritually, morally, socially, and physically. During the Great War it took up canteen and other work among the troops and so much increased its scope. See **SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS**.

YOUNG PLAN, a scheme for the settlement of German reparations (q.v.) named after Owen Young, the American chairman of the international committee of experts which examined the problem in 1928 in Paris, which was adopted at a conference at the Hague in 1929. Besides reducing the total of German indebtedness it set up a Bank of International Settlement, and superseded the Dawes Plan (q.v.).

YOUNGSTOWN, a town in Ohio, U.S., with large iron factories; is in the heart of a district rich in iron and coal.

YPRES, an old Belgian town in West Flanders, 30 m. SW. of Bruges; was at one time a great weaving centre, and famous for its diaper linen; its town hall and cathedral, both of Gothic architecture, were almost completely destroyed with the rest of the town during the Great War, being the site of an almost continuous battle; the most notable dates were the first battle of Ypres, October 20, 1914, when the German advance was checked, the "decisive" German attack on November 11, 1914, which also failed, the poison gas attack on April 22, 1915, and the other great German defeat on February 14, 1916. The town now contains a memorial to the British dead called the Menin Gate (q.v.), and is visited annually by thousands of pilgrims. In ancient times it was strongly fortified, and has been subjected to many sieges; the manufacture of thread and lace is now the most important industry.

YPRES, EARL OF. See **FRENCH**.

YRIARTE, THOMAS DE, Spanish poet; studied at Madrid; was editor of the *Madrid Mercury*; his principal works "Musica," a poem, and "Literary Fables" (1750-1790).

YSAÏE, EUGÈNE, violinist, born in Liège, Belgium; appeared first in London in 1839; professor of the violin at Brussels (1858-).

YSER, a river 55 m. in length rising in the department of the Nord, France, and flowing through Belgium to the sea at Newport. It was the scene of a battle in October, 1914, when the Germans in an endeavour to capture the coast ports met French and Belgian troops; the Allied forces won, owing largely to their opening the sluice gates and letting in the sea on the advancing Germans.

YSTAD, a seaport in the extreme S. of Sweden, with a commodious harbour, and a trade chiefly in corn.

YSTRADYFODWIG, a township in Glamorgan, in a rich mining district.

YTTRIUM, a rare metal always found in combination with others, is a blackish-grey powder; the oxide of it, yttria, is a soft whitish powder, and when ignited glows with a pure white light.

YUAN-SHI-KAI, Chinese politician. Under the Empire he served as Minister in Korea and Minister of Finance, and after the revolution of 1912 he became in 1913 President of the Chinese Republic, an office he held till his death, though for the last year he was styled Emperor (1859-1916).

YUCATAN, a peninsula in Central America dividing the Gulf of Mexico from the Caribbean Sea, and one of the few peninsulas of the world that extend northwards; is a flat expanse; has a good climate and a fertile soil, yielding maize, rice, tobacco, indigo, &c.; abounds in forests of valuable wood; forms one of the States of the Mexican Republic; it bears traces of early civilisation in the ruins of temples and other edifices.

YUGA, a name given by the Hindus to the four ages of the world, and, according to M. Barth, of the gradual triumph of evil, as well as of the successive creations and destructions of the universe, following each other in the lapse of immense periods of time.

YUKON, (1) a great river of Alaska, rises in British territory, and after a course of 2000 m. falls, by a number of mouths forming a delta, into the Behring Sea; it is navigable nearly throughout, and its waters swarm with salmon three months in the year, some of them from 80 to 120 lbs. weight, and from 5 to 6 ft. long; (2) a territory in Canada, formerly part of the Mackenzie region, constituted in 1898 on the discovery of gold in the Klondike (q.v.) and other fields; is connected by steamer on river and lake between Lake Bennett and Dawson, and by railway from Skagway as far as Fort Selkirk.

YULE, the old name for the festival of Christmas, originally a heathen one, observed at the winter solstice in joyous recognition of the return northward of the sun at that period, being a relic in the N. of the old sun worship.

YULE, SIR HENRY, Orientalist, born in Inveresk, Mid-Lothian; was an officer in Bengal Engineers, and engaged in surveys in the East; was president of the Royal Asiatic Society; wrote numerous articles for Asiatic societies; his two great works, "The Book of Marco Polo the Venetian" and the "Anglo-Indian Glossary," known by its other title as "Hobson Jobson" (1820-1889).

YUMAS, an aboriginal people of South America, known also as Cuchana, who formerly inhabited Arizona and part of California; reduced now to a few hundreds.

YUMBOES, fairies in African mythology, represented as about two feet in height, and of a white colour.

YUNG-LING, a mountain range running N. and S., which forms the eastern buttress of the tableland of Central Asia.

YUNNAN, the extreme south-western province of China; is fertile particularly in the S.; yields large quantities of maize, rice, tobacco, sugar, and especially opium, and abounds in mineral wealth, including gold, silver, mercury, as well as iron, copper, and lead; the country was long a prey to revolt against the Chinese rule.

YUSAFZAI, Iranian-Aryan tribes inhabiting the Indo-Afghan frontier, some of whom are settled in the Peshawar district; a warlike and independent people.

YUSTE, ST., called also St. Just, a village in Estremadura, Spain, the seat of a monastery where Charles V., Emperor of Germany, spent the last 18 years of his life, and where he died.

YVES, the patron saint of lawyers; was a lawyer himself, and used his knowledge of the law to defend the oppressed; is called in Brittany "the poor man's advocate."

YVETOT, an old town in the dep. of Seine-Inférieure, 24 m. NW. of Rouen, with manufactures of textile fabrics, and a trade in agricultural produce, the seigneurs of which long bore the title of king, "Roi d'Yvetot," a title satirically applied by Héranget to Napoleon, and often employed to denote an insignificant potentate with large pretensions.

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ZAANDAM

ZAANDAM, or **SAARDAM**, a town in North Holland, 5 m. NW. of Amsterdam; intersected by a network of canals, with various manufactures, including shipbuilding, and a considerable trade; it was here Peter the Great wrought as a ship carpenter in 1699, and the house is still preserved in which he lived, with a stone tablet inscribed "Petro Magno Alexievitch."

ZABISM. See **SABIANISM**.

ZACATECAS, a town of Mexico, capital of an inland province of the same name, 440 m. NW. of Mexico City; a great silver-mining centre, an industry which employs over 10,000 of the inhabitants; it is in a valley over 6000 ft. above the sea-level, and has several fine churches, a college, a mint, &c.

ZACHARIAS, Pope from 741 to 752; succeeded Gregory III.; set aside the Merovingian dynasty and sanctioned the elevation of Pepin the Short to the throne of France, in return for which Pepin twice over saved Rome from the Lombards.

ZACOCICA, a king of Mozambique who, according to the Lusian (q.v.), received Vasco da Gama with welcome, believing him to be a Mohammedan, but conceived feelings of bitterest hatred to him when he discovered he was a Christian, and tried, but all in vain, to allure him to his ruin; the agent he employed to compass it failing, in his despair he took away his own life.

ZADIG, name of a famous novel by Voltaire, of a philosophical cast, bearing upon life as in the hands of a destiny beyond our control.

ZADKIEL, according to the Rabbins, the name of the angel of the planet Jupiter; also pseudonym assumed by Richard James Morrison, a naval officer, believer in astrology, and the compiler of an astrological almanac.

ZAGAZIG, a town in the Delta of Egypt, 50 m. NE. of Cairo; a railway centre, and entrepôt for the cotton and grain grown in the section of the delta round it, and once a centre of worship and the site of two temples; Tel-el-Kebir (q.v.) lies E. of it.

ZAGHULU, PASHA SAAD, Egyptian politician. Educated at Ali Ashar University, he took an active part in Nationalist politics before becoming a barrister, and was arrested for the part he played in Arabi Pasha's revolt; in 1906 he became Minister of Education, but was later removed from office and became leader of the revolutionaries, being deported in 1921, but returning to lead the powerful Wafd or home rule party (1852-1927).

ZAHAROFF, SIR BASIL, Greek industrialist. Most of his life has been spent in England, but his commercial interests have had world-wide ramifications; he took a keen interest in flying and founded chairs of aviation in England, France, and Russia, as well as one for French literature at Oxford (1850-).

ZÄHRINGEN, a village 2 m. N. of Freiburg, in Baden, with a castle now in ruins which gave name to the grand-ducal family of Baden, the founders of which were counts of Brünzau.

ZAIRE, name for the Congo (q.v.) in part of its lower course.

ZAKKUM, a tree, according to Moslem belief, growing in hell, and of the bitter fruit of which the damned are compelled to eat so as to intensify their torment.

ZALEUCUS, lawgiver of the ancient Locrians, a Greek people settled in Lower Italy, who flourished in the 7th century B.C.; had a supreme respect for law, and was severe in the enforcement of it; punished adultery with the forfeiture of sight; refused to exonerate his own son who had been guilty of the offence, but submitted to the loss of one of his own eyes instead of exacting the full penalty of the culprit; had established a law forbidding any one to enter the Senate-house armed; did so himself on one occasion in a sudden emergency, was reminded of the law, and straightway fell upon his sword as a sacrifice to the sovereignty of the claims of social order.

ZEALAND

ZAMA, a fortified city of ancient Numidia, 100 m. SW. of Carthage, where Hannibal (q.v.) was defeated by Scipio Africanus, and the Second Punic War (q.v.) brought to an end, and the fate of Carthage virtually sealed.

ZAMBESI, one of the four great African rivers, and the fourth largest as regards both the volume of its waters and the area it drains, the other three being the Nile, the Congo, and the Niger; its head-streams are the Lunzebungo, the Leeba, and Leembyre; it waters a rich pastoral region, and it falls into the Indian Ocean after a course of nearly 1600 m., in which it drains 600,000 sq. m. of territory, or an area three times larger than that of France; owing to cataracts and rapids it is only navigable in different stretches; at 900 m. from its mouth it plunges in a cataract known as the Victoria Falls, which rival in grandeur those even of Niagara.

ZAMBESIA, a territory on the Zambesi, under British protection, embracing Mashonaland, Matabeleland, and the country of Khama.

ZAMORA, ancient town of Spain, on the right bank of the Douro, 150 m. NW. of Madrid; now in a decayed state; was a flourishing place in Moorish times; contains interesting ruins; manufactures linens and woollens, and trades in wine and fruits.

ZANGWILL, ISRAEL, litterateur, born in London, of Jewish parents in poor circumstances; practically self-taught; studied at London University, where he took his degree with triple honours; became a teacher, then a journalist; wrote novels, essays, plays, and poems; among his works the "Bachelor's Club," "Old Maid's Club," "Children of the Ghetto," "Dreams of the Ghetto," "The Master," "Without Prejudice"; he was a leader of the Zionist movement (1864-1925).

ZANGWILL, LOUIS, man of letters, brother of preceding; self-taught; has written several works under the pseudonym of ZZ; distinguished himself at one time as a chess-player (1869-).

ZANTE, one of the Ionian Islands, 9 m. off the NW. coast of the Morea, is 24 m. long and 12 broad; raises currants, the produce of a dwarf vine, and exports large quantities annually Zante, the capital, on a bay on the E. coast, is a clean and prosperous town.

ZANZIBAR, a kingdom of East Africa, under British protection, consisting of the islands of Zanzibar, with a capital of the same name, and the island of Pemba, and a strip of the coast extending 10 m. inland from Cape Delgado to Kipini; has a hot, unhealthy climate, and a rich tropical vegetation; its products are cloves chiefly, coco-nuts, betel-nuts, and grain, and the exports ivory, india-rubber, gum, &c.; the natives are mostly Arab Mohammedans under a sultan.

ZAPAROS, a South American aboriginal people once dominant in Ecuador; are apparently of Mongol stock.

ZAPOTECAS, an ancient Mexican people of no little culture who were subjected by the invading Aztecs; the ruins of one of their palaces at Mitla testify to their skill in architecture and building; a remnant of the race still exists in the state of Jalisco.

ZAPOROGIANI, Cossacks of the Ukraine, who revolted under Mazepa as chief, and were transported by Catherine II. to the shores of the Sea of Azov.

ZARA, the capital of Dalmatia, and an ancient seaport on promontory on the coast, 129 m. SE. of Trieste; it was founded by the Venetians, has a spacious harbour, was strongly fortified, and the chief manufactures are glass and a liqueur called marschino.

ZARAGOZA. See **SARAGOSSA**.

ZEAL, the ancient Oeos, an island of the Grecian Archipelago; of great fertility; produces wine, honey, silk, and maise.

ZEALAND, the largest island in the Danish Archipelago, situated between the Cattegat and the Baltic, being 81 m. long and 67 m. broad, with

Copenhagen (q.v.) on the E. coast; the surface is nearly everywhere flat, and agriculture and cattle-rearing the chief industries.

ZEALAND, a province of the Netherlands, formed chiefly of islands, of which Walcheren (q.v.) is one, constituting a delta as if formed by the Maas and Scheldt; great part of it is reclaimed from the sea.

ZEALOTS, THE, a fanatical party among the Jews in Judaea, who rose in revolt against the Roman domination on the appointment over them of a Roman governor instead of a native prince, which they regarded as an insult to their religion and religious belief.

ZEBU, one of the Visaya group of the Philippine Islands, E. of Negros.

ZEBU, the Indian ox, domesticated and used principally for draught purposes; is distinguished from the European species by a large hump behind the head; the Brahmin sacred bulls of India belong to the species.

ZECARIAH, a Hebrew prophet who appears to have been born in Babylon during the captivity, and to have prophesied in Jerusalem at the time of the restoration, and to have contributed by his prophecies to encourage the people in rebuilding the Temple and reorganising its worship; his prophecies are divided into two great sections, but the authenticity of the latter has been much debated; he is reckoned one of the Minor Prophets.

ZEDLITZ, JOSEPH CHRISTIAN VON, poet, born in Austrian Silesia; entered and served in the army, and did service as a diplomatist; wrote dramas and lyrics, and translated Byron's "Childe Harold" into German (1790-1862).

ZEERUGGE, the port of Bruges, was the scene of one of the most daring deeds in naval warfare, when on April 23, 1918, H.M.S. "Indivict" fought her way to the mole, stormed it, and held it while the old cruisers *Intrepid* and *Iphigenia*, laden with cement, were run into the mouth of the canal and sunk there so as to block the fairway. The object was to prevent German submarines reaching the sea from Bruges, which was used by them as a base. Admiral Sir Roger Keyes commanded the attack.

ZEEHAN, a township on the W. coast of Tasmania, with large silver-lead mines.

ZEIT-GEIST (i.e. Time-spirit), German name for the spirit of the time, or the dominant trend of life and thought at any particular period.

ZEITUN, a town in the province of Aleppo, with iron mines, inhabited chiefly by Armenian Christians; distinguished as having, for centuries maintained their independence under Turkish oppression.

ZELLER, EDUARD, German professor of Philosophy, born in Württemberg; studied at Tübingen; was first a disciple of Baur, and then of Hegel; became professor at Berlin, and devoted himself chiefly to the history of Greek philosophy (1814-1908).

ZEMINDAR, in India a holder or farmer of land from the government, and responsible for the land-tax.

ZEMSTVO, an elective district assembly in Russia, the larger being formed of representatives of the smaller provincial ones; was established in 1864 by the Czar Alexander II. as a progressive measure in constitutional reform, but, being under State control, was subject to the veto of the governor of a province.

ZEM-ZEM, a sacred well in Mecca, built round together with the Kaaba (q.v.); has its name from the bubbling sound of the waters; the Moslems think it the Well which Hagar found with her little Ishmael in the wilderness when he was dying of thirst.

ZENANA, in India the part of a house reserved for the women among Hindu families of good caste, and to which only since 1860 Christian women missionaries have been admitted, and a freer intercourse established.

ZEND, name applied, mistakenly it would seem, by the Europeans to the ancient Iranian language of Persia, or the language in which the Zend-Avesta is written, closely related to the Sanskrit of the Vedas.

ZEND-AVESTA, the name given to the sacred writings of the Guebres or Parsees, ascribed to Zoroaster, of which he was more the compiler than the author, and of which many are now lost; they represent

several stages of religious development, and as a whole yield no consistent system.

ZENITH, name of Arab origin given to the point of the heaven directly overhead, being, as it were, the pole of the horizon, the opposite point directly under foot being called the Nadir, a word of similar origin; the imaginary line connecting the two passes through the centre of the earth.

ZENO, Greek philosopher of the Eleatic school (q.v.), who flourished about 600 B.C.; was the founder of the dialectic so successfully adopted by Socrates, which arose for a particular truth by demonstration of the absurdity that would follow from its denial, a process of argument known as the *reductio ad absurdum*.

ZENO, Greek philosopher, the founder of Stoic philosophy, born in Citium, in Cyprus, son of a merchant and bred to merchandise, but losing all in a shipwreck gave himself up to the study of philosophy; went to Athens, and, after posing as a cynic, at length opened a school of his own in the Stoa, where he taught to extreme old age a gospel called *Stoicism*, which, at the decline of the heathen world, proved the stay of many a noble soul that but for it would have died without sign (342-270 B.C.). See **STOICS**, THE.

ZENOBIA, queen of Palmyra and ultimately of the East, whose ambition provoked the jealousy of the Emperor Aurelian, who marched an army against her, and after a succession of defeats subdued her and brought her to Rome to adorn his triumph as conqueror, though afterwards he presented her with a domain at Tivoli, where she spent the rest of her days in queen-like dignity, with her two sons by her side; she was a woman of great courage and surpassing beauty. See **LONGINUS**.

ZEPHANIAH, a Hebrew prophet who prophesied in the interval between the decline and fall of Nineveh and the hostile advance of Babylon; forewarned the nation of the judgment of God impending over them for their ungodliness, and exhorted them to repentance as the only way of averting the inevitable doom, while he at the same time encouraged the faithful to persevere in their godly course with the assurance that the day of judgment would be succeeded by a day of glorious deliverance, that they would yet become "a name and a praise among the people of the earth."

ZEPHON (searcher of secrets), name of a cherub sent, along with Ithuriel (q.v.), by the archangel Gabriel to find out the whereabouts of Satan after his flight from hell.

ZEPHYRUS, a personification in the Greek mythology of the West Wind, and in love with Flora.

ZEPPELIN, the name given to the first dirigible balloon designed and built by Count Zeppelin which started from Lake Constance on August 4, 1908, the name being applied for a time to all types of subsequent airships. The first Zeppelin raid, on East Anglia, took place on January 19, 1915; the first on London was on May 31, 1915; on October 19, 1917, there was a raid on East Anglia in which six airships were lost on their return journey. It was a machine of this type called *Graf Zeppelin* that in 1929 accomplished the first round the world flight.

ZEPPELIN, COUNT, German soldier and inventor; designed a type of airship used extensively by the German air services in the Great War, particularly for bombing raids on Great Britain (1838-1917).

ZERMATT, a small village of the canton Valais, in Switzerland, 23 m. SW. of Brig, a great centre of tourists and the starting-point in particular for the ascent of the Matterhorn.

ZERO, a word of Arab origin signifying a cipher, and employed to denote a neutral point in scale between an ascending and descending series, or between positive and negative.

ZEUS, the chief deity of the Greeks, the sovereign ruler of the world, the father of gods and men, the mightiest of all the gods, to whose will as central all must bow; he was the son of Kronos and Rhea; by the help of his brothers and sisters dethroned his father, seized the sovereign power, and appointed them certain provinces of the universe to administer in his name—Hera to rule with him as queen above, Poseidon over the sea,

Pluto over the nether world, Demeter over the fruits of the earth, Hestia over social life of mankind; to his dynasty all the powers in heaven and earth were more or less related, descended from it and dependent on it; and he himself was to the Greeks the symbol of the intelligence which was henceforth to be the life and light of men, an idea which is reflected in the name Jupiter given him by the Romans, which means "father of the day"; he is represented as having his throne in heaven, and as wielding a thunderbolt in his right hand, in symbol of the jealousy with which he guards the order of the world established under him as chief.

ZEUSS, JOHANN KASPAR, great Celtic scholar, and the founder of Celtic philology, born in Vogtland, in Upper Franconia, professor at Bamberg; his great work, "Grammatica Celtica" (1806-1856).

ZEUXIS, famous Greek painter, born in Heraclea, who flourished from about 420 B.C. to the close of the century; was unrivalled in rendering types of sensuous, especially female, beauty, and his principal works are his pictures of "Helen," "Zeus Enthroned," "The Infant Hercules Strangling the Serpent"; he is said to have given away several of his works rather than sell them, as no price could pay him for them.

ZIDON, an ancient town of Phœnicia, 20 m. N. of Tyre, and the original capital.

ZIETHEN, JOHANN JOACHIM VON, Prussian general, born in Russia; entered the army at the age of 16, served as a cavalry officer under Frederick the Great, was one of the greatest of his generals, became his personal friend, and contributed to a great many of his victories, all of which he lived through, spending his days thereafter in quiet retirement at Berlin in favour with the people and in honour to the last with the king (1699-1786).

ZIG, a giant cock in the Talmud (q.v.), which stands with its foot on the earth, touches heaven with its head, and when it spreads its wings causes a total eclipse of the sun.

ZILLERTHAL, a valley in the Tyrol, watered by the Ziller, an affluent of the Inn, some 400 of the inhabitants of which were in 1837 obliged to seek a home elsewhere because of their opposition to the practice of auricular confession, eventually settling near Liegnitz, in Silesia.

ZIMBABWE, a remarkable ruin in Mashonaland, the remains apparently of some enterprising colony of nature-worshippers that settled there in ancient times, in the interest of trade presumably.

ZIMMERMANN, JOHAN GEORG, BARON VON, Swiss physician, born in Brugg, in the canton of Berne; studied at Göttingen, became the friend of Haller (q.v.), and settled down to practice in his native town, where he continued 16 years, very successful both in medicine and literature, but "tormented with hypochondria," and wrote his book on "Holltude," which was translated into every European language; wrote also on "Medical Experiences," a famed book in its day too, also on "National Pride," and became "famed throughout the universe"; attended Frederick the Great on his deathbed, and wrote an unwise book about him, "a poor puddle of calumnies and credulities" (1728-1795).

ZINC, a common metal, somewhat like tin, found in the minerals zinc-blende and calamine; it is used for coating or *galvanising* iron.

ZINDIKITES, a Mohammedan heretical sect, who disbelieve in Allah, and deny the resurrection and a future life.

ZINOVIEFF LETTER, a communication sent in September, 1924, by the Third (Communist) International, of which Zinovieff was the head, to the Russian chargé d'affaires in London with instructions for intensive revolutionary propaganda in England; it was largely the publication of a letter to the eve of the general election of 1924 that led to the defeat of the first Labour Government.

ZINZENDORF, NICOLAUS, COUNT VON, a German count, born in Dresden; studied at Wittenberg, came under the influence of the Pietist Spener, gave himself up to evangelical labours, and established a religious community on his estate at Herrnhut, in Saxony, consisting chiefly of a body of Moravian Brethren, who had been driven out of

Bohemia and Moravia on account of their religious opinions, and were called Herrnhuters; he became one of their leaders and chief apostles, labouring far and wide in the propagation of their doctrines and suffering no small persecution by the way; he was an earnest man, the author of religious writings, controversial and devotional; wrote a number of hymns, and died at Herrnhut, from which he was driven forth, but to which he was allowed to return before the end (1700-1760).

ZION, that one of the four hills on which Jerusalem is built, on the SW. of the city, and the site of the palace of King David and his successors.

ZIONISM, the name given to a movement on the part of the Jews to re-establish themselves in Palestine as a nation. It gained impetus after the capture of Palestine from the Turks in 1917.

ZIRCONIA LIGHT, an intensely brilliant light, similar to the Drummond light, but differing from it chiefly in the employment of cones of zirconia instead of cylinders of lime; it has been superseded by the electric light.

ZIRCONIUM, a metallic element often found in connection with silica, commonly in the form of a black powder; zirconia is the oxide.

ZIRENITZ, LAKE, a high-lying lake in Carinthia, 20 m. SW. of Laybach, the waters of which in the dry season will sometimes disappear altogether through the fissures, and in rainy will sometimes expand into a lake 5 m. long and 3 m. broad.

ZISKA, JOHANN, Hussite leader, born in Bohemia of a noble family, began life as a page at the court of King Wenceslas, but threw up a courtier's life in disgust for a career in arms, fought and distinguished himself by his valour against the Teutonic knights at Tannenberg in 1410, to their utter defeat; signalled himself afterwards against the Turks, and in 1419 fought on the English side at Agincourt; failing to rouse Wenceslas to avenge the death of Huss (q.v.) and of Jerome of Prague (q.v.), he joined the Hussites, organised their forces, assumed the chief command, and in 1420 gained, with a force of 4000 men, a victory over the Emperor Sigismund with an army of 40,000 mustered to crush him; captured next year the castle of Prague, erected fortresses over the country, one in particular called Tabor, whence the name Taborites given to his party; blind of one eye from his childhood, lost the other at the siege of Ratz, fought on blind notwithstanding, gaining victory after victory, but was seized with the plague and carried off by it at Zaslav, where his remains were buried and his big nose of battle-club, mostly iron, hung honourably on the wall close by; that his skin was tanned and made into the cover of a drum is a fable; he was a tough soldier, and is called in Carlyle's "Frederick" "Rhinoceros Ziska" (1360-1424).

ZITTAU, a town of Saxony, 71 m. SE. of Dresden, with a magnificent Rathhaus; stands on a vast lignite deposit; manufactures cotton, linen, machinery, &c.

ZLATOUST, a Russian town near the Urals, 180 m. NE. of Ufa, with iron and gold mines near; manufactures sword-blades and other steel ware.

ZOARE, a small village of Ohio, U.S., 91 m. S. of Cleveland, once the seat of a German Socialistic community.

ZODIAC, the name given to a belt of the heavens extending 8° on each side of the ecliptic, composed of twelve constellations, called signs of the zodiac, which the sun traverses in the course of a year. These signs are named: Aries, the Ram; Taurus, the Bull; Gemini, the Twins; Cancer, the Crab; Leo, the Lion; Virgo, the Virgin; Libra, the Balance; Scorpio, the Scorpion; Sagittarius, the Archer; Capricornus, the Goat; Aquarius, the Water-bearer; and Pisces, the Fishes. The sun enters Aries at the spring equinox and Libra at the autumnal equinox, while the first point of Cancer marks the summer solstice, and that of Capricorn the winter. The name Zodiac is derived from the Greek *zōon*, an animal, and has been given to the belt because the majority of the signs are named after animals.

ZODIACAL LIGHT, a track of light seen at times along the ecliptic; in the tropics it may form a

complete ring; it appears to be due to reflection from matter surrounding the sun.

ZOFFANY, JOHANN, German painter. Though of German birth he studied in Rome and did most of his work in England, where he made a considerable reputation as a portrait painter; he was made an R.A. in 1769 (1735-1810).

ZOHAR, a Jewish book of cabalistic commentaries on the Old Testament.

ZOLLUS, a Greek rhetorician who flourished in the 3rd century B.C.; was distinguished for the bitterness with which he criticized Homer, and his name has in consequence become a synonym for a malignant critic, hence the saying, "Every great poet has his Zollus."

ZOLA, EMILE, a noted French novelist of the realistic school, or of what he preferred to call the naturalist school, born in Paris, of Italian descent; began literature as a journalist, especially in the critical department, but soon gave himself up to novel-writing, ultimately on realistic lines, and an undue catering, as some think, to a morbid interest in the seamy side of life, to which he addressed himself with great vigour and graphic power; of his works the chief are "Thérèse Raquin," "La Fortune des Rougons," "L'Assommoir," "Le roman expérimental," and "Paris"; he distinguished himself by his courage in connection with the Dreyfus affair and his bold condemnation of the sentence under which Dreyfus was condemned (1849-1902).

ZOLAISM, name given to an excessive realism in depicting the worst side of human life and society. See **ZOLA**.

ZOLLNER, JOHANN KARL FRIEDRICH, German scientist, who did much work with spectrum analysis and photometry; he went to Basel University, and in 1872 was made a professor at Leipzig (1834-1882).

ZOLLVEREIN (Customs Union), a union of the German States under Prussia in 1827, and extended in 1867, to establish among them a uniform system of customs rates.

ZOMBA, town in Nyasaland, of which it is the capital; it stands on the side of Mount Zomba, 10 m. W. of Lake Shirwa.

ZONE FOSSILS, name given to the family of fossils the members of which are used by geologists to distinguish the different horizons of geological strata, e.g. the different subdivisions of the Jurassic are marked by peculiar species of ammonites.

ZONER, the name given to belts of climate on the surface of the earth marked off by the tropical and polar circles, of which the former are 23½° from the equator and the latter 23½° from the poles, the zone between the tropical circles, subject to extremes of heat, being called the Torrid Zone, the zones between the polar circles and the poles, subject to extremes of cold, being called respectively the North Frigid Zone and the South Frigid Zone, and the zones north and south of the Torrid, subject to moderate temperature, being called respectively the North Temperate and the South Temperate Zones.

ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS, a portion of Regent's Park containing one of the world's best collections of animals, birds, and reptiles; controlled by the Zoological Society, the gardens were opened in 1827; the public are admitted every day except Sunday, which is reserved for Fellows and their guests.

ZOROASTER, ZARATHUSTRA, or ZERDUSHT, the founder or reformer of the Parsee religion, of whom, though certainly a historical personage, nothing whatever is for certain known except that his family name was Spitama, that he was born in Bactria, and that he could not have flourished later than 800 B.C.; he appears to have been a pure monotheist, and not to be responsible for the Manichean doctrine of dualism associated with his name, as Zoroastrianism, or the institution of fire-worship.

ZOSIMUS, Greek historian; wrote a history of the Roman emperors from the time of Augustus to the year 410, and ascribed the decline of the empire to the decay of paganism (408-450).

ZOUAVES, the name given to a body of light infantry in the French army. They were raised in 1830

from among the Zouavay, a tribe of Kabyle Arabs, whose name they spelled in the French way; but since 1840 they have been almost always men of superior physique specially selected from the ordinary infantry regiments of the line.

ZOUTPANSBERG, a ridge of mountains on the N.E. of the Transvaal, being a continuation of the Drakensberg.

ZSCHORKE, JOHANN HEINRICH, a German writer, born in Masdeburg, lived chiefly at Aarau, in Aargau, Switzerland, where he spent forty years of his life, part of them in the service of his adopted country, and where he died; wrote histories and a series of tales, but is best known by his "Stunden der Andacht" (i.e. hours of devotion), on ethical-rationalistic lines (1771-1848).

ZSIGMONDY, RICHARD, German scientist, professor at Göttingen; invented the ultra-microscope; awarded the Nobel Prize for Chemistry in 1925; d. 1929.

ZUG, the smallest canton of Switzerland, which sends only one representative to the National Council; is 12 m. long by 9 m. broad; is hilly and pastoral in the S.E., and has cultivated fields and orchards in the N.W.; all but includes Lake Zug, at the N.E. of which is Zug, the capital, which carries on sundry industries on a small scale.

ZUIDER ZEE (i.e. south sea), a deep inlet of the North Sea, in the Netherlands, which includes the islands of Texel, Vlieland, Terschelling, and Ameland, and was formed by irruptions of the North Sea into a lake called Flevo, in the 12th, 13th, and 14th centuries, when thousands of people were drowned; is 85 m. long and 45 m. broad, and is embraced in a circuit of 210 m.; 150,000 acres of land have been reclaimed from it since the 17th century.

ZULEIKA, the bride of Abydos, celebrated by Byron, a pure-souled woman of great beauty, who, in love with Selim, promises to flee with him and become his bride, but her father shoots him and she dies of a broken heart.

ZULULAND, a territory to the N.E. of Natal, from which it is separated by the Tugela, and of which it was independent till 1898, but is now an integral part; it is a little larger than England, is well watered, is capable of cultivation, and has 140 m. of seaboard; it possesses considerable mineral wealth.

ZULUS, a section of the Bantu family which originally occupied the N.E. seaboard of Africa from Delagoa Bay to the Great Fish River; they are a race of superior physique and intellectual endowment, as well as moral temperament, and incline to a quiet pastoral life, they were attacked under Cetshwayo by the English in 1879, but after falling upon an English force at Isandula, and cutting it in pieces, were overpowered at Ulundi, and put to rout.

ZUMPT, KARL, philologist, born in Berlin, and professor at the University; edited a number of the Latin classics, and is best known by his Latin Grammar (1792-1849).

ZURBARAN, FRANCISCO, Spanish painter, born in Extremadura; did mostly religious subjects; his chief work is an altar-piece in Seville, where he lived and worked (1599-1662).

ZÜRICH, a northern canton in Switzerland, and the second largest, is in the basin of the Rhine, with a well-cultivated fertile soil, and manufactures of cottons and silks, and with a capital of the same name at the foot of the Lake of Zurich; a large manufacturing and trading centre; has a Romanesque cathedral and a university, with silk mills and cotton mills, as well as foundries and machine shops; here Lavater was born and Zwingli was pastor.

ZURITA, JERONIMO, Spanish historian, born in Saragossa; appointed official historiographer of Aragon, he made his name as one of the earliest Spanish historians, his work being characterised by accuracy and soundness of judgment; wrote "Annals of the Crown of Aragon" (1512-1580).

ZUTPHEN, manufacturing town in the Dutch province of Guelderland, in the neighbourhood of which Sir Philip Sidney fell wounded in a skirmish.

ZWICKAU, a town in Saxony, in a division of the same name, 82 m. S.W. of Dresden; it is in the

midst of rich beds of coal, and has a number of manufactures.

ZWINGLI, ULRICH, the Swiss Reformer, born in Wildhaus, in the canton of St. Gall, and founder of the Reformed Church; studied at Berne and Vienna, afterwards theology at Basel, and was appointed pastor at Glarus; he got acquainted with Erasmus at Basel, and gave himself to the study of Greek, and in particular the epistles of St. Paul; attached to the monastery of Einsiedeln, he, in 1516, attacked the sale of indulgences, and was in 1518 elected to be preacher in the cathedral of Zurich; his preaching was attended with an awakening, and the bishop of Constance tried to silence him, but he was silenced himself in a public debate with the Reformer, the result of which was the abolition of the Mass and the dispensation instead of the Lord's Supper; the movement thus begun went on and spread, and Zwingli met in conference with Luther, but they

failed to agree on the matter of the Eucharist, and on that point the Lutheran and the Reformed Churches separated; in 1531 the Catholic cantons declared war against the reformers of Zurich and Berne, and the latter were defeated at Cappel, among the dead on the battlefield being the Reformer, whose last words were, "They may kill the body, but not the soul" (1484-1531). See **LUTHERANS**.

ZWOLLE, a manufacturing town in the Dutch province of Overijssel, 50 m. N.E. of Amsterdam; close to it is Agnetenberg, famous as the seat of the monastery where Thomas a Kempis lived and died.

ZYMASE, the substance in yeast which causes the fermentation of sugar in the manufacture of alcohol.

ZYMOTIC DISEASES, diseases of a contagious nature, presumed to be due to some virus or organism which acts in the system like a ferment.

ZYRIANS, a tribe of Finnish origin scattered in the Archangel district and in Siberia.

POPULATIONS OF PRINCIPAL PLACES

The following are the latest populations of the principal places mentioned in the body of the work.

AALBORG, 38,100.
AARHUUS, 105,000.
ABBEVILLE, 20,000.
ABERAVON, 10,505.
ABERDEEN, 163,981.
ACARNANIA, 190,000.
ACCRINGTON, 45,029.
ADALIA, 26,260.
ADELAIDE, 205,000.
ADEN, 46,000.
ADRIANOPOLE, 83,000.
AFGHANISTAN, 6,000,000.
AGRA, 185,450.
AGRAM, 40,000.
AHMADABAD, 216,800.
AIX-LA-CHAPELLE, 150,143.
AKYAB, 32,000.
ALABAMA, 2,138,100.
ALAIS, 25,000.
ALASKA, 64,356.
ALAVA, 98,000.
ALBERTA, 73,000.
ALCIRA, 20,770.
ALCOY, 32,380.
ALDERSHOT, 35,875.
ALEPPO, 250,000.
ALEXANDRIA, 319,766.
ALGARVE, 274,500.
ALGERIA, 5,600,000.
ALGIERS, 173,000.
ALIGARH, 65,000.
ALLAHABAD, 172,000.
ALLOA, 17,130.
ALOST, 35,603.
AMENS, 93,207.
AMOY, 114,000.
AMRITSAR, 152,576.
AMSTERDAM, 686,589.
ANCONA, 68,430.
ANDORRA, 5,231.
ANGERS, 83,788.
ANNAM, 5,200,000.
ANTIOCH, 28,280.
ANTRIM (CO.), 193,864.
ANTWERP, 312,884.
ARABIA, 6,000,000.
ARCHANGEL, 22,500.
ARGENTINA, 8,608,516.
ARIZONA, 334,862.
ARKANSAS, 1,752,204.
ARLES, 29,150.
ARMAGH (CO.), 119,625.
ARMENIÈRES, 29,750.
ARNHEIM, 70,714.
ARRAS, 23,650.

ASSAM, 8,000,000.
ASSIE, 17,400.
ASSOUAN, 11,293.
ATHENS, 300,700.
AUCKLAND, 180,800.
AUGSBURG, 154,500.
AURUNGABAD, 27,000.
AUSTRALIA, 5,900,000.
AUSTRIA, 6,191,450.
AVIGNON, 49,120.
AYACUCHO, 14,346.
AYR, 36,741.
BADEN (DUCHY), 2,208,503.
BAGDAD, 250,000.
BAHIA, 348,130.
BAKU, 250,000.
BALTIMORE, 733,826.
BANGALORE, 238,110.
BANGKOK, 931,176.
BARBADOS, 198,335.
BARCELONA, 582,220.
BARNSLEY, 53,670.
BARROW-IN-FURNESS, 74,254.
BASEL, 135,976.
BASRA, 30,000.
BATAVIA, 120,000.
BATH, 68,648.
BATLEY, 36,131.
BATOUM, 28,600.
BAVARIA, 7,140,000.
BEAUVAIS, 20,130.
BECHUANALAND, 153,000.
BEDFORD, 40,247.
BELFAST, 393,000.
BELFORT, 32,000.
BELGIUM, 7,684,272.
BELGRADE, 120,000.
BELUCHISTAN, 450,000.
BENARES, 199,000.
BENDIGO, 25,693.
BENGAL, 46,000,000.
BERKSHIRE, 294,821.
BERLIN, 3,800,000.
BERMUDAS, 22,000.
BERNE, 104,826.
BERNARABIA, 2,344,800.
BEYROUT, 180,000.
BHAGALPUR, 68,835.
BHOPAL, 691,299.
BILBAO, 98,900.
BIRKENHEAD, 145,592.
BIRMINGHAM, 840,202.
BISHOP AUCKLAND, 14,294.
BLACKBURN, 126,630.

BLOEMFONTEIN, 36,800.
BOLIVIA, 2,889,970.
BOLTON, 178,678.
BOMBAY, 1,172,953.
BORDEAUX, 267,000.
BORNEO, 2,100,000.
BOSTON (U.S.A.), 748,000.
BOULOGNE, 55,338.
BOURNEMOUTH, 91,770.
BRADFORD, 285,979.
BRAZIL, 30,045,296.
BREMEN, 257,923.
BRESLAU, 528,260.
BRIGHTON, 142,427.
BRISBANE, 209,699.
BRISTOL, 377,050.
BRITISH COLUMBIA, 580,000.
BRUGES, 54,308.
BRUSSELS, 685,000.
BUCHAREST, 398,987.
BUCKINGHAMSHIRE, 236,171.
BUDAPESTH, 1,184,166.
BUENOS AYRES, 1,674,000.
BUFFALO, 506,775.
BULGARIA, 4,861,440.
BURMA, 13,200,000.
BURNLEY, 193,000.
BURTON-ON-TRENT, 48,927.
BURY, 56,420.
ADIZ, 83,101.
CAIRO, 790,939.
CAITHNESS, 29,284.
CALAIS, 73,000.
CALCUTTA, 1,260,000.
CALGARY, 63,117.
CALIFORNIA, 3,426,860.
CAMBRIDGE, 59,262.
CAMBRIDGESHIRE, 129,602.
CANADA, 9,700,000.
CANTERBURY, 23,500.
CANTERBURY (N.Z.), 200,000.
CANTON, 1,365,000.
CAPE TOWN, 125,344.
CARDIFF, 200,262.
CARDIGANSHIRE, 60,881.
CARLISLE, 52,610.
CARMARTHENSHIRE, 175,000.
CARNARVONSHIRE, 130,975.
CAROLINA, N., 2,559,123.
CAROLINA, S., 1,680,700.
CAVAN, 91,100.
CAWNPORE, 213,044.
CAYENNE, 13,520.
CEYLON, 4,497,600.

CHARLESTON, 67,950
 CHATHAM, 42,865.
 CHERBOURG, 43,250.
 CHESHIRE, 1,025,724.
 CHESTER, 38,517.
 CHESTERFIELD, 61,623.
 CHICAGO, 2,701,795.
 CHILE, 3,750,000.
 CHINA, 450,000,000.
 CINCINNATI, 401,247.
 CLACKMANNANSHIRE, 22,543.
 CLEVELAND (U.S.), 706,911.
 COBLENZ, 56,576.
 COLOGNE, 633,904.
 COLOMBO, 244,800.
 COLORADO, 936,029.
 CONNAUGHT, 648,000.
 CONNECTICUT, 1,380,800.
 CONSTANTINOPLE, 1,000,000.
 COPENHAGEN, 565,000.
 CORNWALL, 320,706.
 CORSICA, 300,000.
 COVENTRY, 128,205.
 CRAOWW, 176,465.
 CRETE, 310,273.
 CREWE, 46,477.
 CROYDON, 190,877.
 CUBA, 2,489,000.
 CUMBERLAND, 273,173.
 CZECHOSLOVAKIA, 13,600,000.

DAKOTA, N., 646,872.
 DAKOTA, S., 635,647.
 DAMASCUS, 250,000.
 DAN'IG, 35,380.
 DARLINGTON, 65,866.
 DARMSTADT, 82,367.
 DAYTON, 152,159.
 DELHI, 487,000.
 DENBIGHSHIRE, 154,842.
 DENMARK, 3,299,195.
 DENVER, 256,491.
 DERBY, 129,836.
 DERBYSHIRE, 714,062.
 DETROIT, 992,678.
 DEVONSHIRE, 709,614.
 DHARWAR, 85,000.
 DONCASTER, 54,962.
 DONEGAL, 166,000.
 DORSET, 228,160.
 DORTMUND, 295,026.
 DOUGLAS, 22,500.
 DOVER, 39,985.
 DRESDEN, 529,326.
 DUBLIN, 399,000.
 DUDLEY, 55,908.
 DUMBARTONSHIRE, 150,869.
 DUMFRIESSHIRE, 75,363.
 DUNDEE, 168,217.
 DURBAN, 31,783.
 DURHAM CITY, 17,329.
 DURHAM COUNTY, 1,479,000.
 DUSSELDORF, 407,338.

EASTBOURNE, 69,300.
 ECUADOR, 1,323,500.
 EDINBURGH, 420,281.
 EGYPT, 12,500,000.

EISENACH, 39,229.
 ELOIN, 41,500.
 ELGINORE, 15,120.
 ELVAS, 13,500.
 ELY, 7,690.
 EMDEN, 17,000.
 ENGLAND, 35,678,530.
 EPINAL, 27,960.
 EPSOM, 18,803.
 ERFURT, 129,600.
 ERIVAN, 1,284,391.
 ERLANGEN, 23,521.
 ERZERUM, 40,000.
 ESSEN, 439,257.
 ESSEX, 1,470,257.
 ESSLINGEN, 37,811.
 ESTHONIA, 1,750,000.
 EUROPE, 400,000,000.
 EXETER, 59,608.

FAENZA, 18,800.
 FALAISE, 9,020.
 FALKIRK, 33,750.
 FALKLAND ISLANDS, 2,255.
 FALMOUTH, 13,318.
 FASHODA, 300,000.
 FERMANAGH, 61,900.
 FERRARA, 102,550.
 FERROL, 36,500.
 FEZ, 62,693.
 FEZZAN, 50,000.
 FIFE, 292,902.
 FIJI ISLANDS, 162,601.
 FINLAND, 3,345,237.
 FIUME, 49,806.
 FLINT, 61,599.
 FLORIDA, 964,470.
 FLUSHING, 23,025.
 FOLKESTONE, 37,571.
 FOOCHOW, 1,491,143.
 FORFARSHIRE, 10,849.
 FORMOSA, 3,654,394.
 FRANCE, 39,209,766.
 FRANKFORT-ON-MAIN,

433,003

FRANKFORT-ON-ODER, 65,055.
 FREDERIKSHALD, 11,218.
 FREMANTLE, 25,526.
 FRESNO, 45,086.
 FRIESLAND, 382,891.
 FUNCHAL, 24,687.

GALLIPOLI, 30,000.
 GALVESTON, 44,245.
 GALWAY, 181,750.
 GAMBIA, 240,000.
 GARD, 396,196.
 GATESHEAD, 124,514.
 GAYA, 67,759.
 GEELONG, 24,456.
 GEFLE, 37,746.
 GENEVA, 135,059.
 GENOA, 300,139.
 GEORGETOWN, 53,422.
 GEORGIA (U.S.), 2,895,832.
 GERMANY, 60,000,000.
 GHAZIPUR, 40,000.
 GHENT, 165,910.

GHILAN, 150,000.
 GIBRALTAR, 19,120.
 GLAMORGAN, 1,252,481.
 GLASGOW, 1,034,069.
 GLOUCESTER, 51,330.
 GLOUCESTERSHIRE, 757,051.
 GOTHENBURG, 202,366.
 GÖTTINGEN, 32,200.
 GRAHAMSTOWN, 14,000.
 GRANADA, 77,477.
 GRANTHAM, 19,902.
 GRAVESEND, 31,117.
 GREECE, 8,000,000.
 GREENLAND, 13,517.
 GREENOCK, 61,120.
 GRENADA, 75,660.
 GRIMSBY, 82,329.
 GUANAJUTO, 1,085,680.
 GUATEMALA, 2,000,000.
 GUAYAQUIL, 93,851.
 GUERNSEY, 41,500.
 GUILDFORD, 24,927.
 GWALIOR, 3,175,822.

HAARLEM, 76,858.
 HAGUE, THE, 353,286.
 HALBERSTADT, 46,120.
 HALIFAX, 99,129.
 HALIFAX (CANADA), 70,203.
 HALLE, 182,326.
 HAMBURG, 1,014,664.
 HAMILTON, 82,000.
 HAMPSHIRE, 910,252.
 HANGCHOW, 729,948.
 HANKOW, 289,804.
 HANOVER, 310,431.
 HARDWAR, 31,000.
 HARRISBURG, 75,917.
 HARROGATE, 38,938.
 HARTFORD, 138,036.
 HARTLEPOOL, 20,061.
 HARWICH, 13,036.
 HASTINGS, 66,496.
 HAVANA, 319,884.
 HAVRE, 163,370.
 HAWAII, 250,000.
 HERRIDES, 84,120.
 HEDJAZ, 400,000.
 HEIDELBERG, 60,831.
 HELSINGFORS, 47,074.
 HERAT, 20,000.
 HEREFORD, 22,324.
 HEREFORDSHIRE, 113,189.
 HERTFORDSHIRE, 333,195.
 HESSE, 1,290,988.
 HINCKLEY, 13,644.
 HISSAR, 783,000.
 HOBART, 52,160.
 HOBOKEN (U.S.), 68,166.
 HOLLAND, 6,841,150.
 HOLYHEAD, 11,757.
 HONDURAS, 637,114.
 HONDURAS (BRITISH), 45,300.
 HONGKONG, 648,150.
 HONOLULU, 53,327.
 HUDDERSFIELD, 110,120.
 HUELVA, 346,724.
 HULL, 287,013.

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HUNGARY, 7,840,830.
HUNTINGDONSHIRE, 54,741.
HYDERABAD, 12,471,770.

ICELAND, 94,600.
IDAHO, 431,866.
ILLINOIS, 6,485,280.
INDIA, 318,042,480.
INDIANA, 2,930,400.
INDIANAPOLIS, 314,194.
INDORE, 92,903.
INGOLDSTADT, 26,013.
INNSBRUCK, 55,650.
INVERNESS, 22,216.
INVERNESSSHIRE, 82,446.
IOWA, 2,404,020.
IPSWICH, 70,383.
IRAQ, 2,849,300.
IRELAND, 4,227,444.
IRISH FREE STATE, 2,971,122.
ITALY, 40,600,000.

JABALPUR, 108,073.
JACKSONVILLE, 91,508.
JAFFA, 45,000.
JAMAICA, 857,920.
JAPAN, 83,454,489.
JARROW, 35,590.
JAVA, 30,000,000.
JENA, 48,504.
JERSEY, 49,494.
JERSEY CITY, 298,079.
JERUSALEM, 64,000.
JODHPUR, 1,841,642.
JOHANNESBURG, 284,191.
JUGO-SLAVIA, 13,000,000.

KABUL, 150,000.
KANDAHAR, 31,500.
KANSAS, 1,760,257.
KANSAS CITY, 324,410.
KARLSRUHE, 135,952.
KEIGHLEY, 41,942.
KELAT, 328,802.
KENT, 1,141,666.
KENTUCKY, 2,416,630.
KENYA COLONY, 2,849,091.
KERRY, 158,000.
KHARKOFF, 258,360.
KHARTOUM, 23,083.
KHATMANDU, 50,000.
KHERSON, 3,550,000.
KHIVA, 519,438.
KHORASSAN, 1,000,000.
KIDDERMINSTER, 27,122.
KIEFF, 4,500,000.
KIEL, 295,330.
KILDARE, 67,120.
KILKENNY (CO.), 74,500.
KILMARNOCK, 34,850.
KIMBERLEY, 39,320.
KINCARDINESHIRE, 41,779.
KING'S COUNTY, 56,500.
KINGSTON (ONTARIO), 22,500.
KINGSTON (JAMAICA), 57,000.
KINGSTOWN, 20,120.
KINROSS-SHIRE, 7,963.

KIRKCUDBRIGHTSHIRE, 37,156.
KÖNIGSBERG, 260,893.
KOREA, 17,284,207.
KURDISTAN, 3,000,000.

LABRADOR, 3,630.
LANARKSHIRE, 1,539,307.
LANCASHIRE, 4,927,484.
LANCASTER, 40,226.
LA PLATA, 90,436.
LAS PALMAS, 70,233.
LATVIA, 2,000,000.
LAUSANNE, 68,533.
LEEDS, 458,320.
LEICESTER, 234,190.
LEICESTERSHIRE, 494,409.
LEIPZIG, 600,000.
LEITH, 82,100.
LEMBERG, 208,500.
LENNINGRAD, 1,000,000.
LEYDEN, 65,635.
LIBERIA, 2,000,000.
LIEGE, 165,117.
LIEGNITZ, 70,337.
LILLE, 200,652.
LIMA, 228,740.
LIMERICK, 142,500.
LINCOLN, 66,020.
LINCOLNSHIRE, 602,200.
LINLITHGOW, 83,966.
LINZ, 94,072.
LISBON, 489,667.
LITHUANIA, 150,000.
LIVERPOOL, 803,118.
LOMBARDY, 5,000,000.
LONDON (GREATER), 7,470,000.

LONDON (CITY), 13,706.
LONDON (COUNTY), 4,484,323.
LOS ANGELES, 576,673.
LOUISIANA, 1,798,509.
LOUISVILLE, 234,891.
LOUVAIN, 39,450.
LUCERNE, 44,029.
LUCKNOW, 243,533.
LUXEMBURG (DUCHY), 264,000.
LUXEMBURG (CITY), 45,980.
LYONS, 362,000.

MACCLESFIELD, 33,816.
MADAGASCAR, 3,500,000.
MADEIRA, 169,777.
MADRAS (CITY), 522,951.
MADRID, 608,793.
MAINE, 768,014.
MALAY, 1,037,000.
MALTA, 224,860.
MAN, ISLE OF, 145,325.
MANCHESTER, 730,551.
MANCHURIA, 19,290,000.
MANDALAY, 147,429.
MANILA, 283,613.
MANTOBA, 650,000.
MANNHEIM, 229,676.
MARSEILLES, 586,341.
MARTINIQUE, 195,000.

MARYLAND, 1,449,660.
MASSACHUSETTS, 3,852,260.
MAURITIUS, 376,108.
MAYO, 191,920.
MEATH, 64,750.
MECCA, 70,000.
MELBOURNE, 795,000.
MEMPHIS, 162,351.
MERIONETH, 45,087.
METZ, 62,311.
MEXICO, 15,500,000.
MICHIGAN, 3,868,410.
MIDDLESBROUGH, 131,103.
MIDDLESEX, 1,263,002.
MILAN, 663,059.
MILWAUKEE, 457,174.
MINNESOTA, 2,387,125.
MISSISSIPPI, 1,790,620.
MISSOURI, 3,404,055.
MOMBASA, 40,000.
MONACO, 23,000.
MONAGHAN, 71,050.
MONMOUTHSHIRE, 450,794.
MONTANA, 548,000.
MONTEVIDEO, 361,950.
MONTGOMERYSHIRE, 51,263.
MONTREAL, 607,063.
MOROCCO, 102,107.
MOSCOW, 1,050,010.
MOSUL, 2,860,000.
MUKDEN, 158,130.
MUNICH, 630,711.
MUSCAT, 500,000.
MYSORE, 5,800,000.

NAIRNSHIRE, 8,790.
NAIROBI, 24,300.
NAMUR, 32,274.
NANCY, 113,226.
NANKING, 902,441.
NANTES, 183,704.
NAPLES, 857,000.
NASHVILLE, 118,342.
NATAL, 1,500,000.
NEBRASKA, 1,296,370.
NEPAL, 5,000,000.
NEW BRUNSWICK, 415,000.
NEW GUINEA, 600,000.
NEW HAMPSHIRE, 443,083.
NEW JERSEY, 3,155,000.
NEW ORLEANS, 387,408.
NEW SOUTH WALES, 2,265,000.

NEW YORK (STATE), 10,385,227.
NEW YORK (CITY), 6,103,384.
NEW ZEALAND, 1,434,000.
NEWCASTLE, 278,400.
NEWFOUNDLAND, 263,000.
NICARAGUA, 635,210.
NICE, 155,839.
NIGERIA, 16,250,000.
NORFOLK, 504,293.
NORTHAMPTON, 90,895.
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE, 302,404.
NORTHUMBERLAND, 746,095.
NORWAY, 2,301,780.

NORWICH, 120,653.
 NOTTINGHAM, 266,400.
 NOTTINGHAMSHIRE, 641,149.
 NOVA SCOTIA, 550,000.
 NOVGOROD, 1,500,000
 NUREMBERG, 352,675.

OAKLAND, 216,261.
 ODESSA, 631,040.
 OHIO, 5,769,400.
 OKLAHOMA, 2,030,000.
 OLDHAM, 144,983.
 OMAHA, 191,700.
 OMSK, 52,000.
 ONTARIO, 3,000,000.
 OPORTO, 203,990.
 ORANGE FREE STATE,
 628,360.

OREGON, 784,389.
 OSAKA, 2,115,000.
 OSLO, 258,000.
 OSTEND, 50,210.
 OTAGO, 201,000.
 OTTAWA, 107,137.
 OXFORD, 57,052.
 OXFORDSHIRE, 189,615.

PADUA, 105,135.
 PAISLEY, 84,837.
 PALERMO, 345,891.
 PALESTINE, 775,000.
 PANAMA, 425,000.
 PARAGUAY, 1,000,000.
 PARIS, 3,000,000.
 PARMA, 64,920.
 PASSAU, 20,000.
 PATNA, 120,200.
 PAU, 31,320.
 PAVIA, 600,000.
 PEEBLESHIRE, 15,330.
 PEKIN, 1,300,000.
 PEMBROKESHIRE, 91,978.
 PENNSYLVANIA, 8,720,017.
 PENZANCE, 12,096.
 PERSIA, 9,600,000.
 PERTH (SCOTLAND), 33,030.
 PERTH (AUSTRALIA), 156,000
 PERTSHIRE, 128,000.
 PERU, 4,621,000.
 PESHAWAR, 93,894.
 PETERBOROUGH, 35,633.
 PHILADELPHIA, 1,823,779.
 PILSEN, 47,000.
 PISA, 67,285.
 PITTSBURG, 587,780.
 PLYMOUTH, 209,857.
 POLAND, 24,275,000.
 POMERANIA, 1,790,000.
 PONDICHERY, 170,000.
 PORT ELIZABETH, 37,063.
 PORTLAND (U.S.), 268,288.
 PORTSMOUTH, 247,843.
 PORTUGAL, 5,957,985.
 POSEN, 166,691.
 POTOSI, 632,000.
 PRAQUE, 677,000.
 PRESTON, 119,000.
 PRETORIA, 57,674.

PRUSSIA, 36,684,717.
 PUNJAB, 20,000,000.

QUEBEC (PROVINCE),
 2,600,000.
 QUEBEC (CITY), 78,710.
 QUEEN'S COUNTY, 64,000.
 QUEENSLAND, 845,000.
 QUEENSTOWN, 9,020.
 QUELPAERT, 100,000.
 QUERETARO, 33,062.
 QUETTA, 17,100.
 QUILON, 16,700.
 QUIMPER, 16,200.
 QUITO, 71,000.

RABAT, 29,550
 RADNORSHIRE, 23,528.
 RAJPUTANA, 9,900,000.
 RAMSGATE, 36,560
 RANGOON, 339,527.
 RAVENNA, 74,161.
 READING, 92,274.
 REDDITCH, 16,235.
 REGINA, 37,000.
 REICHENBERG, 37,000.
 REIGATE, 24,915.
 RENDSBURG, 14,000
 RENFREWSHIRE, 298,887.
 RENNES, 82,241.
 REVEL, 130,000.
 RHEIMS, 76,645
 RHODE ISLAND, 601,397.
 RHODESIA, N., 1,200,000
 RHODESIA, S., 900,000.
 RICHMOND (SURREY), 35,631
 RICHMOND (U.S.), 171,000.
 RIGA, 186,137.
 RIO DE JANEIRO, 1,160,000.
 ROCHDALE, 90,816.
 ROCHESTER, 31,933.
 ROME, 768,000.
 RONDA, 20,760
 ROSARIO, 222,592.
 ROSCOMMON, 83,556.
 ROSTOCK, 67,593.
 ROTHERHAM, 68,045
 ROTTERDAM, 652,343.
 ROUBAIX, 113,265.
 ROUEN, 123,720.
 ROXBURGHSHIRE, 41,989.
 RUGBY, 25,098.
 RUMANIA, 17,393,150.
 RUSSIA, 165,000,000.
 RUTLAND, 18,376.
 RYBINSK, 29,000.

SACRAMENTO 65,857.
 SAIGON, 50,000.
 ST. ALBANS, 25,588.
 ST. HELENS, 102,640.
 ST. HELIER, 30,200.
 ST. JOHNS, 34,050.
 ST. LOUIS, 772,897.
 SALAMANCA, 335,000.
 SALEM, 42,500.
 SALISBURY, 22,867.
 SALONICA, 170,200.

SALT LAKE CITY, 118,110.
 SALVADOR, 1,500,000.
 SALZBURG, 36,749.
 SAMARKAND, 82,000
 SAN DIEGO, 74,700.
 SAN FRANCISCO, 506,676.
 SANTIAGO, 607,296.
 SARAGOSSA, 117,742.
 SARAWAK, 600,000.
 SARDINIA, 880,000.
 SAXONY, 4,670,320.
 SCARBOROUGH, 46,192.
 SCOTLAND, 4,882,298.
 SELKIRKSHIRE, 22,606.
 SENEGAL, 1,200,000.
 SEVILLE, 150,600.
 SHANGHAI, 1,500,000.
 SHEFFIELD, 519,239
 SHREWSBURY, 31,030
 SHROPSHIRE, 243,062.
 SIAM, 8,500,000.
 SIBERIA, 10,000,000.
 SICILY, 3,795,000.
 SIND, 3,250,000.
 SINGAPORE, 423,768.
 SLIGO (CO.), 78,750.
 SMOLENSK, 51,000
 SMYRNA, 350,000.
 SOFIA, 154,430
 SOLINGEN, 51,050
 SOMERSET, 465,710.
 SOUDAN, 3,500,000
 S AFRICA, 14,004,899.
 S. AUSTRALIA, 576,576
 S. SHIELDS, 116,667.
 SOUTHAMPTON, 162,200.
 SOUTHEND, 106,021.
 SOUTHPORT, 76,621.
 SPAIN, 20,793,844.
 STAFFORD, 28,632.
 STAFFORDSHIRE, 1,348,877.
 STETTIN, 230,000
 STIRLINGSHIRE, 161,728.
 STOCKHOLM, 419,421.
 STOCKPORT, 125,500.
 STOCKTON, 64,126.
 STOKE-ON-TRENT, 273,238.
 STRASBURG, 166,767.
 STUTTGART, 309,200.
 SUEZ, 31,000.
 SUFFOLK, 400,058.
 SUMATRA, 5,855,970.
 SUNDERLAND, 159,065.
 SURAT, 118,300.
 SURREY, 930,086.
 SUSSEX, 727,977.
 SUTHERLAND, 17,800.
 SWANSEA, 157,561.
 SWATOW, 85,000.
 SWEDEN, 5,903,762.
 SWINDON, 54,920.
 SWITZERLAND, 3,880,320.
 SYDNEY, 1,100,000.
 SYRIA, 3,000,000.

TACNA, 32,000.
 TAGANROG, 65,750.
 TAMPICO, 23,760.

TANGANYIKA TERRITORY.

4,320,000.

TANQUIER, 50,000
 TANJORE, 2,400,000.
 TARANTO, 58,820.
 TARRAGONA, 329,085.
 TASMANIA, 218,000.
 TAUNTON, 24,191.
 TENNESSEE, 2,337,885.
 TETUAN, 37,000.
 TEXAS, 4,003,228.
 THORN, 39,500.
 TIBET, 2,000,000.
 TIENTSIN, 850,000.
 TIFLIS, 350,000.
 TILSIT, 37,250.
 TIPPERARY (CO.), 150,000.
 TOBOLSK, 2,000,000.
 TOKYO, 2,000,000.
 TOLEDO, 243,163.
 TRENT, 25,250.
 TRÈVES, 46,000.
 TRIESTE, 229,500.
 TRINIDAD, 391,280.
 TRIPOLI, 73,000.
 TRURO, 10,833.
 TULLE, 18,730.
 TUNBRIDGE WELLS, 35,568.
 TUNIS, 170,381.
 TURIN, 451,992.
 TURKESTAN, E., 1,200,000.
 TURKESTAN, W., 7,200,000.
 TURKEY, 13,660,275.
 TYNEMOUTH, 63,786.
 TYROL, 300,000.
 UGANDA, 3,071,890.
 UKRAINE, 28,397,000.
 ULEABORG, 366,800.
 ULM, 45,500.
 ULSTER, 1,256,322.
 UNITED STATES, 105,710,620.
 UPSALA, 28,897.
 URALS, 40,000.
 URUGUAY, 1,720,420.
 URUMIYA, 25,000.
 UTAH, 450,000.
 UTAKAMAND, 15,270.
 UTICA, 94,156.
 UTRECHT, 140,180.

VALENCIA, 236,447.
 VALETTA, 25,000.
 VALLADOLID, 69,800.
 VALPARAISO, 320,388.
 VANCOUVER, 16,400.
 VARNA, 50,900.
 VENEZUELA, 2,415,000.
 VENICE, 170,000.
 VERA CRUZ, 48,633.
 VERDUN, 13,450.
 VERONA, 86,448.
 VICENZA, 57,016.
 VICKSBURG, 17,931.
 VICTORIA, 1,657,000.
 VIENNA, 1,841,326.
 VIGO, 18,050.
 VIRGINIA, 2,310,000.
 VIRGINIA, WEST, 1,465,000.
 VLADIMIR, 2,000,000.

WAKEFIELD, 52,891.
 WALCHEREN, 41,750.
 WALES, 2,200,712.
 WARRINGTON, 78,000.
 WARSAW, 931,176.
 WARWICK, 12,862.
 WARWICKSHIRE, 1,390,092.
 WASHINGTON (STATE), 1,356,621.
 WASHINGTON (CITY), 437,571.
 WATERFORD, 51,915.
 WEDNESBURY, 30,497.
 WEI-HAI-WEI, 150,000.
 WELMAR, 37,237.
 WELLINGTON (N.Z.), 118,500.
 WEST AUSTRALIA, 332,732.
 WEST BROMWICH, 73,761.
 WEST RIDING, 3,181,654.
 WESTMEATH, 56,818.
 WESTMINSTER, 141,317.
 WESTMORLAND, 65,740.
 WESTPHALIA, 4,448,115.
 WEYMOUTH, 24,570.
 WHITEHAVEN, 19,536.
 WICKLOW, 57,591.
 WIDNES, 38,879.
 WIESBADEN, 97,566.
 WIGAN, 91,200.

WIGTOWNSHIRE, 30,782.
 WILHELMSHAVEN, 26,100.
 WILMINGTON, 110,168.
 WILTSHIRE, 292,213.
 WINCHESTER, 23,791.
 WINNIPEG, 178,364.
 WISCONSIN, 2,632,067.
 WITTENBERG, 21,200.
 WOLVERHAMPTON, 102,373.
 WOLVERTON, 14,062.
 WORCESTER, 49,153.
 WORCESTERSHIRE, 406,876.
 WORMS, 51,860.
 WORTHING, 35,224.
 WREXHAM, 10,002.
 WÜRTEMBERG, 2,626,200.
 WÜRZBURG, 86,671.
 WYOMING, 194,402.

XERES, 62,628.

YAKUTSK, 320,000.
 YARKAND, 120,000.
 YARMOUTH, 60,710.
 YEMEN, 750,000.
 YENISEISK, 13,500.
 YEZO, 45,000.
 YOKOHAMA, 422,942.
 YORK, 84,500.
 YORKSHIRE, 4,098,490.
 YOUNGSTOWN, 132,358.
 YPRES, 18,770.
 YUKON, 8,512.
 YUNNAN, 8,000,000.

ZAANDAM, 29,000.
 ZACATECAS, 30,000.
 ZAGAZIG, 21,500.
 ZANZIBAR, 197,000.
 ZARA, 35,100.
 ZEALAND, 225,000.
 ZITTAU, 36,000.
 ZOMBA, 27,120.
 ZULULAND, 200,000.
 ZÜRICH, 190,116.
 ZUTPHEN, 20,560.
 ZWICKAU, 69,595.
 ZWOLLE, 25,620.

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ADAMS, STEPHEN. Michael Maybrick.

ADELER, MAX. Charles Heber Clark.

ALEXANDER, MRS. Mrs. Alexander Hector.

ALLEN. Mrs. Baker.

AMATEUR CASUAL, THE. James Greenwood.

AMYAND, A. Capt. E. Arthur Haggard.

ANE OF THAT ILK. Prof. W. E. Aytoun.

ANSTEY, F. Thomas Anstey Guthrie.

APE (of *Vanity Fair*). Carlo Pellegrini.

ARTIST, UNKNOWN. Joseph Pennell.

ATLAS. Edmund Yates.

AUSTIN, ARTHUR. Prof. John Wilson.

BAB. Sir W. S. Gilbert.

BARTIMEUS. Lewis Anselmi da Costa Kleck.

BECK, CHRISTOPHER. T. C. Bridges.

BEDE, CUTHBERT. Rev. Edward Bradley.

BELL, ACTON. Anne Brontë.

BELL, CURRER. Charlotte Brontë.

BELL, ELLIS. Emily J. Brontë.

BERWICK, MARY. Adelaide Ann Procter.

BETTINA. Elisabeth von Arnim.

BIBLIOPHILE. Jacob Paul Lacroix; C. Uzanne

BICKERDYKE. C. H. Cook

BICKERSTAFF, ISAAC. Swift and Steele

BIGLOW, HOSEA. James Russell Lowell.

BILLINGS, JOSH. Henry Wheeler Shaw.

BIRD, ISABELLA. Mrs. Bishop.

BIRMINGHAM, GEORGE A. Canon James Owen Hannay.

BLACKSMITH, THE LEARNED. Ellihu Burritt.

BOLDREWOOD, ROLF. T. A. Browne

BON GAULTIER. Prof. W. E. Aytoun and Sir Theodore Martin.

BORDEN, MARY. Mrs. E. L. Spears.

BOUVERIE, BARTHOLOMEW. W. F. Gladstone

BOWEN, MARJORIE. Gabrielle Margaret Long.

BOZ. Charles Dickens.

BRADDON, M. E. Mrs. Maxwell.

BREITMANN, HANS. Charles Godfrey Leland

BROWN, TOM. Thomas Hughes

BROWN THE YOUNGER, THOMAS. Tom Moore.

BROWNE, MATTHEW. William B. Rands.

BYSTANDER, THE. Goldwin Smith.

CADENUS. Dean Swift.

CALIBAN. Jules Claretie.

CALLUM BEG. Colonel John Clarkson Ogilvie Mack.

CAMBRIDGE, ADA. Mrs. George F. Cross.

CARROLL, LEWIS. Rev. C. Lutwidge Dodgson.

CAVENDISH. Henry Jones.

CHAM. Amédée de Noë.

CLARIBEL. Mrs. Charles Barnard.

CLARINDA. Mrs. MacLehose.

CLEAR, CLAUDIUS. W. Robertson Nicoll.

CLEEVE, LUCAS. Mrs. Kingscote.

CLEISHBOTHAM, JEDEDIAH. Sir Walter Scott.

COBBLEIGH, TOM. Walter Raymond.

COFFIN, JOSHUA. H. W. Longfellow.

COLLINGWOOD, HARRY. W. J. C. Lancaster.

COLMAN, R. W. James Hogg.

CONINGTON, J. J. Prof. Alfred Walter Stewart.

CONNOR, MARIE. Mrs. Robert Leighton.

CONNOR, RALPH. Rev. C. W. Gordon.

CONWAY, HUGH. F. J. Fergus.

OOO-EE. W. Sylvester Walker.

CORDEUX, ALFRED. Honoré de Balzac.

CORNWALL, BARRY. Bryan Walter Procter.

COUNTRY PARSON, A. Rev. A. K. H. Boyd.

CRADDOCK, C. E. Mary Noailles Murfree.

CRAIG, ISA. Mrs. Knox

CRAYON, CHRISTOPHER. J. Ewing Ritchie.

CRAYON, GEOFFREY. Washington Irving

CROSS, VICTORIA. Vivian Corey.

CROWFIELD, CHRISTOPHER. Mrs. Harriet Beecher-Stowe.

CROWQUILL, ALFRED. A. H. Forrester.

CRUISER, BENEDICT. George Augustus Sala.

CUSHING, PAUL. Roland Wood-Seys

CYNICUS. Martin Andersen

D'ACHE, CARAN. Emmanuel Poiré.

DAGONET. George R. Sims.

DALE, DARLEY. Fanny M. Steele.

DANBY, FRANK. Mrs. Julia Frankau.

DANE, HAL. Haldane MacFall

DANGERFIELD, JOHN. Oswald Crawford.

DART, STEPHEN. Adeline Sergeant.

DARYL, SYDNEY. Sir Douglas Straight.

DASH, COMTESSE. M. de Sainte-Mars.

D'ARDELOT, GUY. Mrs. Helen Rhodes.

DEHAN, RICHARD. Clotilde Inez Mary Graves.

DELTA. David Macbeth Moir.

DOCTOR SYNTAX. William Coombe.

DONOVAN, DICK. J. E. Preston Muddock.

DOOLEY, MR. F. P. Dunne.

DOWNNEY, EDMUND. F. M. Allen.

DRAPER, M. D. Swift.

DUNCAN, SARAH JEANNETTE. Mrs. Everard Cotes.

DURAN, CAROLUS. G. Auguste Emil Durand.

EGERTON, GEORGE. Mary Charalita Egerton (Chairnoute).
ELIA. Charles Lamb.
ELIOT, GEORGE. Mrs. J. W. Cross (née Marian Evans).
ENGLISH OPIUM EATER. Thomas de Quincey.
ETCHER, AN. Philip Gilbert Hamerton.
ETTRICK SHEPHERD, THE. James Hogg.
EVOE. E. G. V. Knox.

FAIRLEIGH, FRANK. Frank E. Smedley.
FAIRLESS, MICHAEL. Margaret Fairless Barber.
FALCONER, LANOE. Mary Elizabeth Hawker.
FANE, VIOLET. Lady Currie.
FERN, FANNY. Mrs. James Paston (Sarah Payson Willis).
FIELD, MICHAEL. Miss Bradley and Miss Cooper.
FIELDMOUSE, TIMON. William B. Rands.
FITZ-BOODLE, GEORGE. W. M. Thackeray.
FITZVICTOR, JOHN. Percy Bysshe Shelley.
FLEMING, GEORGE. Julia C. Fletcher.
FORBES, ATHOL. Rev. Forbes A. Phillips.
FOUCHER, PAUL. Victor Hugo.
FRANCIS, M. E. Mrs. Francis Blundell.
FROISSART, JEAN. Alphonse Daudet.

GARRETT, EDWARD. Mrs. Isabella Fyvie Mayo.
GERARD, DOROTHEA. Madame Longard de Longgarde.
GERARD, MORICE. Rev. John Jessop Teague.
GIFT, THEO. Theo. Mulker.
GLYN, ELINOR. Mrs. Glyn Glyn.
GOODWELL, GODEK. Horace Greeley.
GRAHAM, ENNIS. Mrs. Molesworth.
GRAHAM, WINIFRED. Mrs. Theodore Cory.
GRAND, SARAH. Mrs. Frances E. Mac Fall.
GRAY, MAXWELL. Mary Gled Tattlett.
GRIER, SYDNEY C. Hilda Greig.
GYP. Comtesse de Martel de Janville.

HALIBURTON, HUGH. James Logie Robertson.
HALL, OWEN. James Davis.
HAY, IAN. Major Ian Hay Belth.
HENRY, O. William Porter.
HEWITT, MARTIN. Arthur Morrison.
HILL, HEADON. F. Grainger.
HISTORICUS. Sir William Vernon-Harcourt.
HOBBS, JOHN OLIVER. Mrs. Craikie.
HOFFMANN, PROFESSOR. Angelo Lewis.
HOPE, ANTHONY. Sir Anthony Hope Hawkins.
HOPE, ASCOTT R. A. R. Hope Moncrieff.
HOPE, LAURENCE. Adela Nicolson.
HOWARD, KEEBLE. Keble Bell.
HYACINTHE, PÈRE. Charles J. M. Luyson.

ICONOCLAST. Charles Bradlaugh.
IGNATIUS, FATHER. Rev. J. L. Lyne.
IK MARVEL. Donald Grant Mitchell.
INGOLDSBY, THOMAS. Rev. R. H. Barham.
IOTA. Mrs. Mannington Caffyn.
IRON, RALPH. Olive Schreiner (Mrs. Cronwright).

JUNIUS. Sir Philip Francis (alleged).

KEITH, LESLIE. Miss G. L. Keith Johnston.
K. DIEDRICH. Washington Irving.

L. E. L. Letitia E. Landon.
LE BRETON, JOHN. Miss M. Harle-Potts and T. Murray Ford.
LE FANU, J. S. J. Sheridan.
LEE, HOLME. Harriet Parr.
LEE, VERNON. Violet Paget.
LEHMANN, ELIZA. Mrs. Herbert Bedford.
LIMNER, LUKE. Lord Leighton.
LINDSAY, MAYNE. Mrs. Clarke.
LOGROLLER. Richard le Gallienne.
LOMBARD, PETER. Canon Benham.
LONDON ANTIQUARY. J. Camden Rotten.
LONGWAY, HUGO A. Andrew Lang.
LOTHROP, AMY. Anna B. Warner.
LOTI, PIERRE. Louis Marie Julien Vland.
LUDDLOW, JOHNNY. Mrs. Henry Wood.
LYALL, EDNA. Ada Ellen Bayly.
LYS, CHRISTIAN. Percy J. Brebner.

MAARTENS, MAARTEN. Joost Marius Willem van der Poorten Schwartz.
MACKAY, MARION. Marie Corelli.
MACLAREN, IAN. Rev. John Watson.
MACLEOD, FIONA. William Sharp.
MAITLAND, THOMAS. Robert Buchanan.
MALET, LUCAS. Mary St. Leger Harrison.
MAN OF KENT. W. Robertson Nicoll.
MARCHANT, BESSIE. Mrs. J. A. Comfort.
MARKHAM, MRS. Mrs. E. C. Penrose.
MARRYATT, FLORENCE. Mrs. F. Lean.
MATHERS, HELEN. Mrs. Reeves.
MEADE, L. T. Mrs. Toulmin Smith.
MEREDITH, OWEN. Lord E. R. Bulwer Lytton.
MERRIMAN, HENRY SETON. Hugh Stowell Scott.
MILLER, JOAQUIN. C. H. Miller.
MOLIÈRE. Jean Baptiste Poquelin.
MONTGOMERY, CHARLES MONTAGUE. Sir T. Dick Lauder, Bart.
MORRIS, PETER. John Gibson Lockhart.
MULHOLLAND, ROSA. Lady Gilbert.
MULOCK, DINAH MARIA. Mrs. Craik.

NASIER ALCOFRIBAS. Francois Rabelais.
NAUTICUS. Sir Owen Reaman.
NESBIT, E. Mrs. Hubert Bland.
NORTH, CHRISTOPHER. Prof. John Wilson.
NUNQUAM. Robert Blackford.
NYE, BILL. Edgar Wilson Nye.

O.K. Madame Olga de Novkoff.
O'DOWD, CORNELIUS. Charles Lever.
OGLIVY, GAVIN. Sir J. M. Barrie, Bart.
OLD MERRY. Edwin Hodder.
OLDCASTLE, JOHN. Wilfred Meynell.
OLDSTYLE, JONATHAN. Washington Irving.
OLIVER, OWEN. Sir J. Albert Flynn.
O'RELL, MAX. Paul Bonet.
OUIDA. Louise de la Ramée.
OWEN, J. A. Mrs. J. A. Owen Viger.

PAGE, H. A. A. H. Japp.
PARLEY, PETER. S. G. Goodrich, George Mogeridge, and William Martin.
PASTON, GEORGE. Miss F. M. Symonds.
PAUL, JEAN. Jean Paul F. Richter.
PAULL, M. A. Mrs. John Ripley.

PENDENNIS, ARTHUR. W. M. Thackeray.
 PENN, ARTHUR. Brander Matthews.
 PEPPERCORN, PETER. Thomas Love Peacock.
 PFAAL, HANS. Edgar Allan Poe.
 PHELPS, ELIZABETH STUART. Mrs. Herbert D. Ward.
 PHIZ. Hablot Knight Browne.
 PINDAR, PETER. John Wolcott.
 PLYMLEY, PETER. Sydney Smith.
 POOR RICHARD. Benjamin Franklin.
 PORCUPINE, PETER. William Cobbett.
 POY. P. H. Fearon.
 PRENDERGAST, PAUL. Douglas Jerrold.
 PREVOST, FRANCIS. H. F. Prevost-Battersby.
 PROUT, FATHER. F. B. Mahony.

Q. Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch.
 QUERY, PETER. Martin Farquhar Tupper.
 QUEX. George H. F. Nichols.
 QUIZ. Charles Dickens.

RAIMOND, C. E. Elizabeth Robins.
 RAINE, ALLEN. Mrs. Beynon Puddicombe.
 RAMSBOTTOM, MRS. Theodore Hook.
 REMUS, UNCLE. Joel Chandler Harris.
 RIP. Rowland Hill.
 RITA. Mrs. W. D. Humphreys.
 ROB ROY. John MacGregor.
 ROBINSON, A. MARY F. Mdm. Darnesteter.
 ROSS, ADRIAN. Arthur Reed Ropes.
 ROSS, MARTIN. Violet Martin (in collaboration with Edith Somerville).
 ROWLANDS, CADWALADER. J. S. Roberts.
 ROWLEY, THOMAS. Thomas Chatterton.
 ROY, JOHN. Sir Mortimer Durand.
 RUCK, BERTA. Mrs. Oliver Onions.
 RUNNYMEDE. Benjamin Disraeli (Lord Beaconsfield).
 RUTHERFORD, MARK. William Hale White.

SAND, GEORGE. Mdm. Dudevant.
 SAPPER. Herman Cyril MacNeile.
 SAUNDERS, RICHARD. Benjamin Franklin.
 SAUZADE, JOHN S. James Payn.
 SAVONAROLA, JEREMY. F. S. Mahony.
 SCHREINER, OLIVE. Mrs. Cronwright.
 SCRIBLERUS, MARTINUS. Swift, Pope, and Arbuthnot.
 SEAMARK. Austin J. Small.
 SETOUN, GABRIEL. Thomas Napier Hepburn.
 SEVERIN, PAUL. Raymond Brucker.
 SHAPCOTT, REUBEN. William Hale White.
 SHARP, LUKE. Robert Barr.
 SHIRLEY. Sir John Skelton.
 SHUFFLEBOTTOM, ABEL. Robert Southey.
 SKETCHLEY, ARTHUR. Rev. George Rose.
 SLICK, SAM. T. C. Hallburton.
 SLINGSBY, PHILIP. Nathaniel Parker Willis.
 SLOPER, ALLY. Gilbert Dalglish and C. H. Ross.
 SON OF THE MARSHES, A. Mrs. J. A. Owen Viegner.
 SON OF THE SOIL, A. J. S. Fletcher.
 SPY (of Vanity Fair). Sir Leslie Ward.
 STENDHAL. Marie Henri Beyle.
 STEPNIK. Serge Michaelovitch Kravchinsky.
 STERN, DANIEL. Countess d'Agout.

STRETTON, HENNA. Sarah Smith.
 STRIVELYNE, ELAIE. Sir J. Noel Paton.
 STUART, EMM. Miss Leroy.
 SWAN, ANNIE S. Mrs. Burnett Smith.
 SYLVA, CARMEN. Elizabeth, Queen of Rumania.
 SYLVAN. B. W. Procter.
 SYLVANDER. Robert Burns.

TALEFITCHER. Arthur M. Binstead.
 TAFFRAIL. Henry Taprell Dorling.
 TASMA. Mdm. Jessie Couvreur.
 TAYLOR, THEODORE. J. Camden Hotten.
 TENNANT, DOROTHY. Lady H. M. Stanley.
 TEUFELSDRÖCKH, HERR. Thomas Carlyle.
 THACKERAY, ANNA ISABELLA. Mrs. Ritchie.
 THANET, OCTAVE. Alice French.
 THOMAS, ANNIE. Mrs. Fender-Cudlip.
 THOMPSON, ALICE. Mrs. Wilfred Meynell.
 THOMPSON, ELIZABETH. Lady Butler.
 THUNDERTENTRONCKH, ARMINIUS VON. Matthew Arnold.
 THURSTON, HENRY T. Francis Turner Palgrave.
 TIREBUCK, W. William Sharp.
 TITMARSH, MICHAEL ANGELO. W. M. Thackeray.
 T. P. T. P. O'Connor.
 TRAFFORD, F. G. Mrs. J. H. Kiddell.
 TRAVERS, GRAHAM. Margaret Todd.
 TURNER, ETHEL. Mrs. H. A. Curlewis.
 TWAIN, MARK. Samuel Langhorne Clemens.
 TWO BROTHERS. Alfred (Lord) Tennyson and Chas. Tennyson-Turner.
 TYNAN, KATHARINE. Mrs. H. A. Hinkson.
 TYTLER, SARAH. Miss Henrietta Keddie.

VACUUS, VIATOR. Thomas Hughes.
 VAGRANT. R. C. Lehmann.
 VANE, DEREK. Mrs. B. Laton-Back.
 VERA. Lady Colin Campbell.
 VERNE, JULES. M. Okchewitz.
 VIOLINIST, A. Eric Mackly.
 VOLTAIRE. François Marie Arouet.

WAGSTAFFE, LAUNCELOT. Washington Irving.
 WALKER, PATRICIUS. William Allingham.
 WARD, ARTEMUS. Charles Farrer Browne.
 WARDEN, FLORENCE. Mrs. G. James.
 WETHERELL, ELIZABETH. Susan Warner.
 WHITE, ROMA. Blanche Oram.
 WILLIAMS, F. HAROLD. Rev. F. W. Orde Ward.
 WINTER, JOHN STRANGE. Mrs. Arthur Stannard.
 WIZARD, THE. John Corlett.
 WORBOISE, EMMA J. Mrs. Etherington Guyton.
 WYNMAN, MARGARET. Ella Hepworth Dixon.
 WYNNE, PAMELA. Mrs. Herbert Scott.

YENDYS, SYDNEY. Sydney Dobell.
 YORICK. Laurence Sterne.
 YORKE, CURTIS. Mrs. Richmond Lee.
 YORKE, OLIVER. F. S. Mahony.

Z. Z. Louis Zangwill.
 ZACK. Gwendoline Keats.
 ZADKIEL. Richard J. Morrison.
 ZETA. James Anthony Froude.

WELL-KNOWN CHARACTERS IN DRAMA AND FICTION

(Many names not included in the following list will be found in the body of this work; where repetition occurs such has been considered advisable for purposes of quick reference.)

AARON, a Moor with whom Tamora, queen of the Goths, is in love.—*Titus Andronicus*, Shakespeare.

ABBOT, THE. See **AMBROSE, FATHER**.

ABDIEL, the seraph who withstood Satan when called upon to revolt: "faithful found among the faithless; faithful only he among innumerable false"—*Paradise Lost*, Milton.

ABOU HASSAN, a youth of Baghdad who is conveyed to the bed of the caliph Harqu-ul-Raschid in the latter's palace, and awakes to believe himself to be the caliph.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.

ABSOLUTE, SIR ANTHONY, an irascible, domineering, but warm-hearted old gentleman who deludes himself that he is good-tempered, his son is **CAPTAIN ABSOLUTE**, who, under the name of London Beverley, woos the heiress Lydia Languish. See **ACRES, BOB**.—*The Rivals*, Sheridan.

ABYDOS, BRIDE OF, Zuleika, the daughter of Glaffer, the pasha of Abydos, her lover, Selim, is shot by her father, whereupon Zuleika dies broken-hearted.—*The Bride of Abydos*, Byron.

ACRASIA, an enchantress personifying sensual indulgence; in her tower of Bliss she transformed her lovers into fearful beings; was overcome by (Sir) Guyon (q.v.).—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

ACRATES, the personification of incontinence.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

ACRES, BOB, a blustering braggart whose course "sized out of his fingers' ends" when put to the test, the rival of Beverley (Capt. Absolute) for the hand of Lydia Languish.—*The Rivals*, Sheridan.

ADAM, the old retainer who follows Orlando (q.v.) into the Forest of Arden; a type of the loyal, devoted man-servant.—*As You Like It*, Shakespeare.

ADAMASTOR, the spirit of the Cape of Storms (Cape of Good Hope).—*The Lusiad*, Camoens.

ADAMS, PARSON, a simple-minded and pious clergyman, possessed of much learning, but with little knowledge of the world.—*Joseph Andrews*, Fielding.

ADIELA, the wife of the sultan, who treats an ambassador from a neighbouring kingdom with cruelty and is discomfited by (Sir) Artegal and changed into a tiger; is the personification of injustice.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

ADMIRABLE CRICHTON, THE, a butler in the service of the Earl of Loom, the perfection of an "upper man-servant"; when, with members of the Earl's family, he is wrecked on a desert island it is he who alone rises to the occasion; from being "king" of the island he reverts naturally to his former position on the party being rescued.—*The Admirable Crichton*, Sir J. M. Barrie.

ADON-AL, the spirit of love and beauty.—*Zanoni*, Lord Lytton.

ADRIANA, a lady of Ephesus, wife of Antipholus, who nags the latter on the matter of unfaithfulness.—*The Comedy of Errors*, Shakespeare.

ADRIANA, a lady in love with a squire named Amias, from whom she is parted by the wiles of a monster; she is released by Belphoebe and united to her lover.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

ADRIANA, the mother of the twins named Antipholus, one of whom married Adriana (q.v.); parted from her sons by shipwreck, she goes to Ephesus and becomes abbess of a convent there; unknown to her one of the twins is a powerful citizen of Ephesus;

the other, with Egeon, lands in Ephesus later, and all are brought together when the strange story of their lives is unfolded.—*The Comedy of Errors*, Shakespeare.

AFRICAN MAGICIAN, THE, the wizard who in the story of Aladdin leads the latter to the cave in quest of the wonderful lamp; later he deprives Aladdin of the lamp by a trick and transports its former possessor and his palace to Africa, but is subsequently killed by Aladdin.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.

AGED, THE, the father of John Wemmick, who resides in his son's "castle" at Walworth; a very old man, cheerful but extremely deaf.—*Great Expectations*, Dickens.

AGIB, the Third Calender, whose adventures are related from his shipwreck to his flight to Baghdad.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.

AGNES, the unsophisticated girl whom M. Armand keeps in seclusion, with a view to making her his wife, until a youth (Horace) awakens her love and carries her off.—*L'Ecole des Femmes*, Molière.

AGNES, the daughter of Mr Wickfield, the solicitor, whom David Copperfield married after the death of Dora (q.v.).—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.

AGRAVAIN, SIR, son of King Lot of Orkney, nephew of King Arthur, and brother of Gawain, Gaheris, and Gareth; was killed by Lancelot, when he had otherwise tried to trap him in an intrigue with Queen Guinevere.—*Morte d'Arthur*, Malory.

AGUECHEER, SIR ANDREW, an old fop who is the boon companion of Sir Toby Belch (q.v.).—*Twelfth Night*, Shakespeare.

AHMED, PRINCE, the possessor of the magic tent and the apple of Samarkand which cured all diseases.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.

AIDWELL, VISCOUNT, a fortune-hunting nobleman, the associate of Arrher (q.v.); he marries Bordinia, daughter of Lady Bountiful.—*The Hecate Stratagem*, Farquhar.

ALADDIN, the hero of the story of the "wonderful lamp"; on possessing himself of the treasure, he becomes the owner of immense wealth and son-in-law of the Sultan; after being deprived for a time of his palace and riches by the machinations of a magician, he regains them and returns home in triumph.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.

ALABAM, PRINCE, the owner of eight statues, each a precious stone mounted on gold; being told to search for a ninth, he finds it in the person of a beautiful girl, whom he marries; during his quest he carries a magic mirror, the surface of which remains undimmed only when the face it reflects is that of a virtuous woman.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.

ALBERT, a young farmer who eventually marries Lotte, the beloved of Werther; Werther in real life is Goethe himself, Albert is his friend Kentner, and Lotte is Charlotte Buß.—*The Sorrows of Werther*, Goethe.

ALCYON, a one-time shepherd who became "full woeeful," detesting man, woman, and all things on earth, after the death of his love, Daphne.—*Daphnoda*, Spenser.

ALDEN, JOHN, a son of one of the Pillgrim Fathers, in love with Priscilla; sent by Captain Miles Standish

- to plead the latter's suit, he is answered by the Puritan maiden: "Why don't you speak for yourself, John?"—*The Courtship of Miles Standish*, Longfellow.
- ALDEBRONTHOSOPHORNIO**, a courtier who figures in the burlesque by Carey; the name was bestowed upon James Ballantyne, the printer, by Sir Walter Scott, owing to the other's pomposity.—*Chronoholotholopia*, Henry Carey.
- ALI BABA**, the hero of the story of "The Forty Thieves," a poor woodman who learned the magic password, "Open Sesame!" which gained him entrance to the robbers' treasure cave and possession of its wealth, through the wit of his female slave, Morgiana, the Forty Thieves are killed.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.
- ALLAN-A-DALE**, a member of Robin Hood's band whom the outlaw befriends and assists in his marriage against the will of the lady's father, as a character figures in Scott's *Ivanhoe*.
- ALLEN, BENJAMIN**, a medical student and friend of Bob Sawyer, he purposes marrying his sister, Arabella, to Bob, but Mr Winkle, aided by Mr Pickwick, carries off the girl.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.
- ALLWORTHY**, an upright and charitable gentleman who rears Tom Jones and discovers the latter to be the natural son of his sister.—*Tom Jones*, Fielding.
- ALNASHAR**, a youth who buys a basket of glassware, dreams of the fortune he is to make therefrom as he invests his money again and again, and, kicking it in a fit of temper, destroys the glass and all his hopes.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.
- ALONZO THE BRAVE**, betrothed to "the fair Imogen"; his ghost returns from the wars to appear at the wedding feast when the lady has wed another, and bears her off with him.—*Alonso the Brave* (ballad), M. G. Lewis.
- ALTON LOCKE**, a tailor and poet, the hero of the Chartist novel of the name by Charles Kingsley.
- AMADIS DE GAUL**, the hero of a romance of chivalry attributed to a Portuguese writer, is to Spain and Portugal what in legend Arthur is to Britain and Charlemagne is to France, his lady-love, whom he ultimately marries, is Oriana.
- AMARYLLIS**, a favourite name among old-time pastoral poets for a country girl: "To sport with Amaryllis in the shade" (Milton), a character (founded on the Countess dowager of Derby) in Spenser's *Colin Clouts Come Home Againe*.
- AMBROSE, FATHER**, the Abbot of Kennaquhair, otherwise Edward Beheading, brother of the Knight of Avenel.—*The Abbot*, Scott.
- AMBROSIO**, a Capuchin abbot of Madrid who falls from grace and is condemned by the Inquisition; he makes a bargain with the Devil and gains his release, but dies a terrible death.—*The Monk*, M. G. Lewis.
- AMELIA**, the wife of the profligate Captain Booth, a woman of the highest virtues and a model of wifely affection, is accorded as a portrait of the novelist's wife.—*Amelia*, Fielding.
- AMINE**, the wife of Still Noman, a beautiful woman whom her husband discovers to be a ghoul.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.
- AMORY, BLANCHE**, a good-looking girl with superficial accomplishments but selfish at heart, was engaged in turn to Pendergast and Harry Foker.—*Pendergast*, Thackeray.
- ANCIENT MARINER, THE**, the hero of a poem of the name by Coleridge, relating how, having shot an albatross, he was doomed to wander from place to place repeating the story of his ill-doing as a warning.
- ANDRÉ**, the hero of a novel of the name by George Sand.
- ANDREWS, JOSEPH**, a footman who successfully resists temptation offered him and eventually marries a girl of his own class; a character created to ridicule Richardson's *Pamela*.—*Joseph Andrews*, Fielding.
- ANGELICA**, the daughter of Galaphron, King of Cathay, with whom Orlando falls in love; she, however, conceives a passion for Rinaldo, which is hopeless until the two drink at certain fountains, the result being that while Rinaldo now loves Angelica she finds she has lost her love for him.—*Orlando Innamorato*, Bolardo.
- ANTIPHOLUS**, the name of the twin brothers, sons of Aegon and Emilia of Syracuse, whose misadventures provide the plot for Shakespeare's *Comedy of Errors*.
- ANTIQUARY, THE**, Jonathan Oldbuck, the laird of Monkton, a whimsical but good hearted gentleman of antiquarian tastes who is the central figure in Scott's novel of the name.
- ANTONIO**, the "Merchant of Venice" in Shakespeare's play of the name, who is in debt to Shylock the Jew and who is saved from his predicament by the shrewdness of Portia (q.v.).
- ARAM, EUGENE**, a schoolmaster of Knaresborough, who, having committed a murder, becomes haunted by remorse until he is driven to kill himself.—*Eugene Aram*, Lord Lytton. Thomas Hood wrote a poem on the same subject.
- ARCHER, FRANCIS**, with Almew (q.v.), a fortune-hunter; one of the two beaux of *The Rivals' Stratagem*, Farquhar.
- ARDEN, ENOCH**, the hero of Tennyson's poem of the name, a seaman who returns home as from the dead to find his wife married again and happy, rather than make himself known and cloud her happiness he goes away.
- ARGAN**, the leading character, father of Angelique, in *Le Malade Imaginaire*, Moliere.
- ARIEL**, an airy spirit liberated from bondage by Prospero, Duke of Milan, and a faithful servant to the latter.—*The Tempest*, Shakespeare.
- ARMIDA**, a beautiful, seductive sorceress who lures Rinaldo among other crusaders from the siege of Jerusalem, entertaining him in her palace.—*Jerusalem Delivered*, Tasso.
- ARTEGAL**, a prince of Cornwall stolen as a baby by the fairies and brought up by them, marries Britomart (q.v.), is the personification of justice.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.
- ARTFUL DODGER, THE**, John Dawkins, a young pickpocket trained by Fagin the Jew.—*Oliver Twist*, Dickens.
- ASHTON, LUCY**, daughter of Sir William Ashton and betrothed to the Master of Ravenswood, but forced into marriage with the Laird of Bucklaw, whom she tries to murder.—*The Bride of Lammermoor*, Scott.
- AUDREY**, a country girl who attaches herself to Touchstone (q.v.), a type of rustic simplicity and coquetry.—*As You Like It*, Shakespeare.
- AUTOLYCUS**, a witty pedlar, "a snapper-up of unconsidered trifles."—*The Winter's Tale*, Shakespeare.
- BACKBITE, SIR BENJAMIN**, a conceited and malicious scandal-monger, with an unwarranted reputation as a poet and a wit, the nephew of Crabtree.—*The School for Scandal*, Sheridan.
- BAGSTOCK, MAJOR**, a retired military officer, reduced and pompous, with a native servant whom he abuses constantly, refers to himself as "Old Jock."—"J. B."—"Old Jock—tough, and devilish sly!" cherishes an admiration and affection for Miss Tox.—*Bombey and Son*, Dickens.
- BALDERSTONE, CALES**, the old butler in the service of the Master of Ravenswood, who resorts to odd shifts to maintain the dignity of the house.—*The Bride of Lammermoor*, Scott.
- BALFOUR, DAVID**, a young Scotsman driven to seek his fortune in the world, the hero of *Kidnapped* and *Rob Roy*, novels by R. L. Stevenson dealing with the Jacobite rebellion.
- BANQUO**, a Scottish thane who is murdered at Macbeth's instigation and whose ghost haunts the latter.—*Macbeth*, Shakespeare.
- BARDELL, MRS.**, a landlady in Goswell Street, London, who brings a successful action for breach-of-promise against Mr Pickwick, but is subsequently brought to book by her own lawyers, Dodson and Fogg.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.
- BARBOLTE**, a corporal under Sir John Falstaff, a pimply, drunken, swaggering rascal, whose red nose is a continual source of jest with his companions; is a lieutenant in *Henry V.*; like Nym (q.v.) comes to the gallows eventually.—*The Merry Wives of Windsor*, Shakespeare.
- BARKIS**, a carrier who courts David Copperfield's nurse, Clara Peggotty, sending her a message that "Barkis is willin'"; and eventually marries her.—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.

BARNBOIDE, a prince who entertains a beggar named Shabacab to a mock feast, and is so pleased with the other's reception of the feast that he finally orders a real banquet to be prepared.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.

BARNWELL, GEORGE, a London apprentice who, succumbing to the wiles of a dissolute woman (Sarah Millwood), becomes a thief and a murderer; he is betrayed by her at last, and both are hanged.—*George Barnwell*, George Lillo (1730).

BASSANIO, the friend of Antonio (q.v.) and the lover of Portia (q.v.).—*The Merchant of Venice*, Shakespeare.

BATES, CHARLEY, a lively young pickpocket, one of Fagin's "apprentices"—*Oliver Twist*, Dickens.

BAYES, the chief character in *The Rehearsal*, a farce by the Duke of Buckingham (1671), a vain and obsequious man; intended to represent Dryden.

BEATRICE, (1) the niece of Leonato, governor of Messina, the light-hearted, impulsive, and affectionate heroine of Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*; is in love with Benedick, whom she marries; (2) the daughter of a citizen of Florence named Portinari, with whom Dante fell in love; she was the inspiration of his *Divine Comedy*; (3) Beatrice Cenci, the subject of Shelley's tragedy, *The Cenci*.

BEAU TIBBS, a dandy who, for all his finery and pretence, lives in poverty.—*The Citizen of the World*, Goldsmith.

BEDE, ADAM, an upright, honest, God-fearing artisan whose love affair with Hetty Sorrel is marred by her seduction; he marries Dinah Morris.—*Adam Bede*, George Eliot.

BEDIVERE, SIR, a knight of the Round Table and King Arthur's buffer; at the king's death he throws the latter's magic sword Excalibur into the mere.—*Morte d'Arthur*, Tennyson.

BELCH, SIR TOBY, the roistering old uncle of the Countess Olivia, and companion of Sir Andrew Aguecheek (q.v.).—*Twelfth Night*, Shakespeare.

BELINDA, the heroine of *The Rape of the Lock*, by Pope (see entry on p. 54), also the heroine of a novel of the name by Maria Edgeworth.

BELLASTON, LADY, a dissolute woman who patronises Tom Jones, to his detriment.—*Tom Jones*, Fielding.

BELLENDEN, LADY MARGARET, the mistress of the Tower of Millietudem, and an ardent Jacobite; her daughter is in love with the Covenantant, Morton, and marries him.—*Old Mortality*, Scott.

BELPHEBE, the burgess of Shrewsbury's *Faerie Queene*, in whom he depicted Queen Elizabeth; "a Diana among women, cold, passionless, correct, and strong-minded."

BELVIDERA, the tragic heroine of Otway's *Venice Preserved*; entangled by her husband in a plot against the senators, she becomes mad and dies.

BEN HUR, the Jewish hero of the novel of the name by Lew Wallace, the scenes of which are laid in the time of Christ.

BENEDICK, a young lord of Padua who forgoes his vow of celibacy to woo and marry the fair Beatrice (q.v.).—*Much Ado About Nothing*, Shakespeare.

BERTRAM, COUNT, of Roussillon, the errant husband of Helena (q.v.).—*All's Well That Ends Well*, Shakespeare.

BEVERLEY, ENSION. See **ABSOLUTE, CAPTAIN**.

BIRON, a merry young lord in attendance on the King of Navarre, who finds subject for jest in almost everything.—*Love's Labour's Lost*, Shakespeare.

BLACK DWARF, THE. See **MANLEY, SIR EDWARD**.

BLAIR, ADAM, the hero of a novel of the name by J. G. Lockhart, a Scottish minister who errs and redeems himself.

BLAKENY, SIR PERCY, an English gentleman who assists French aristocrats to escape from the terrors of the Revolution, masquerading under the name of "The Scarlet Pimpernel."—*The Scarlet Pimpernel*, Baroness Orczy.

BLANCHEFEUR, the heroine of Boccaccio's *Il Filicopo*, her lover being named Flores.

BLARNEY, LADY, a vulgar, smart woman introduced to the Primrose family by Squire Thornhill.—*The Vicar of Wakefield*, Goldsmith.

BLIVE, a hypocritical character who is properly exposed.—*Tom Jones*, Fielding.

BLIMBER, DR., the head of a school for young gentlemen at Brighton, a man of much learning; among his pupils was Paul Dombey.—*Dombey and Son*, Dickens.

BLOUNT, SIR FREDERICK, a relative of Sir John Vevey, whose daughter (with a fortune) he marries; in his speech he "wounds" his "r's," considering them "wough and wasping"—*Money*, Lord Lytton.

BLOUZELINDA, a shepherdess, unsophisticated and sweet, in love with Lobbin Clout.—*The Shepherd's Week*, Gay.

BLUEBEARD, the chief character in a fairy story that has several variants; a tyrant remarkable for his blue tinged beard; he allows his newly-wedded wife access to all the rooms in his castle save one; disregarding his prohibition, she opens the door of the forbidden chamber and finds therein the dead bodies of her predecessors.—*The Fairy Tales of Charles Perrault*.

BLUFF, CAPTAIN, a bully and swaggerer who loves fighting "for fighting's sake"—*The Old Bachelor*, Congreve.

BOBADIL, CAPTAIN, a blustering but cowardly braggart, remarkable for his boasting and "dainty oaths"; with nineteen selected warriors like himself he says, he would annihilate an army by challenging twenty of the enemy at a time—"two hundred a day, five days a thousand," and so on.—*Every Man in His Humour*, Ben Jonson.

BOIS-GUILBERT, BRIAN DE, a leader of the Knights Templars, a cruel and unscrupulous man; when the Jewish girl, Rebecca, refuses his advances he carries her off; later, Rebecca being on trial for sorcery, Sir Brian encounters her champion, Ivanhoe, in single combat and is killed.—*Ivanhoe*, Scott.

BOFFIN, NIODEMUS, "the golden dustman," John Harmon's foreman, "a broad, round-shouldered, one-sided old fellow," rough in exterior but with a heart of gold; he sacrifices a fortune in favour of his employer's son.—*Our Mutual Friend*, Dickens.

BOMBASTES FURIOSO, the leading character in a farcical tragedy of the name by W. B. D'Urfey (1709), written in burlesque of Ariosto's *Orlando Furioso*.

BONIFACE, the landlord of a Lichfield Inn, well-known upon the road and friendly to highwaymen, "fed purely upon ale"—*The Bazaar-Stratagem*, Farquhar.

BOOBY, LADY, an ill-bred lady of loose morals who attempts to seduce Joseph Andrews, her footman.—*Joseph Andrews*, Fielding.

BORS, SIR, a worthy, high-minded knight of the Round Table, the grandfather of Sir Galahad, to whom is given a vision of the Holy Grail.—*Morte d'Arthur*, Malory.

BOTTOM, NICK, a weaver of Athens, ignorant but full of conceit; with his fellows he devises the play *Pyramus and Thisbe* for Duke Theseus, under the spell of Oberon, the Fairy King, he is invested with an ass's head, in which guise Titania, the Fairy Queen, adores upon him.—*A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Shakespeare.

BOUNTIFUL, LADY, the widow of a knight who busies herself in the care of the sick and needy.—*The Bazaar-Stratagem*, Farquhar.

BOWLING, TOM, a naval lieutenant, a man of the most excellent qualities.—*Roderick Random*, Smollett. It was this character which suggested Dibdin's well-known song.

BOYTHORN, LAURENCE, a loud-voiced and seemingly ferocious personage whose actions belie his words; he gives utterance to alarming statements while fondling a pet canary on his finger.—*Break House*, Dickens.

BRABANTIO, a senator, father of Desdemona, a man of haughty, arrogant bearing, and an enemy of the Moor.—*Othello*, Shakespeare.

BRADAMANT, the "virgin knight" in white armour who marries Roger the Moor upon his baptism; was the patroness of a magic and irresistible spear; is a character in both *Orlando Innamorato*, Bojardo, and *Orlando Furioso*, Ariosto.

BRADWARDINE, BARON, a pedantic but brave Scottish nobleman, a Jacobite, whose daughter, Rose, marries Waverley.—*Waverley*, Scott.

BRAG, JACK, a boastful upstart whose vulgarity makes him conspicuous in good society.—*Jack Brag*, Theodore Hook.

BRAGGADOCCHIO, a braggart who is eventually shorn of his borrowed plumes; the personification of exaggeration and boasting.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

BRAINWORM, Knowell's servant, who appears in various guises, as a soldier, a clerk, and valet.—*Every Man in His Humour*, Ben Jonson.

BRAMBLE, MATTHEW, a dyspeptic, hot-tempered old gentleman who at the same time is good-natured and generous; his sister, **TABITHA**, is his antithesis; with a dowry of £4,000 she is married to Captain Lamahago.—*Humphrey Clinker*, Smollett.

BRASS, SAMSON, a rogue of a lawyer, with a sister, **SALLY**, who is his counterpart.—*The Old Curiosity Shop*, Dickens.

BRAZENHEAD, CAPTAIN SALOMON, "the Great," a fifteenth-century soldier of fortune who passes through amazing adventures with many love affairs.—*Brazenhead the Great*, Maurice Hewlett.

BRECK, ALAN (real name Stewart), the companion of David Halloway in his flight through the Highlands; an ardent Jacobite and "a bonny fletcher."—*Kilnappied*, R. L. Stevenson.

BRENTFORD, THE TWO KINGS OF, characters in the Duke of Buckingham's farce, *The Rehearsal*; they perform the same actions to an absurd degree, dancing, singing, and walking together.

BRICK, JEFFERSON, an American newspaper man; was correspondent of the *New York Weekly Journal*, a slightly built, pale young man who dips his pen figuratively in gore.—*Martin Chuzzlewit*, Dickens.

BRIDE OF LAMMERMOOR. See **ASHTON, LUCY**.

BRIDGENORTH, MAJOR, a Parliamentary conspirator who is a neighbour of Sir Geoffrey Peveril; his daughter, Alice, the heroine of the novel, marries Julian Peveril, Sir Geoffrey's son.—*Peveril of the Peak*, Scott.

BRIDLEGOOSE, a Judge who decides his cases by a throw of the dice.—*Pantagruel*, Rabelais.

BRITOMART, an allegorical character representing chastity, whose adventures denote the triumph of purity over impurity; meets eventually with Sir Artegal (q.v.), to whom she is married.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

BROOKER, a former clerk of Ralph Nickleby, a felon, who out of revenge steals the latter's son and confines him under the name of Smike in Dotheboys Hall school.—*Nicholas Nickleby*, Dickens.

BROWDIE, JOHN, a big, brusque, but kind-hearted Yorkshireman who is a loyal friend to Nicholas Nickleby and Smike.—*Nicholas Nickleby*, Dickens.

BROWN, MRS., a character created by Arthur Schrevel in several books such as *Mrs. Brown in Paris*; a typical lady of the middle class, opposed to convention and with strong prejudices against everything that is un-English; her opinions are delivered in a humorous, original manner and are characterised by shrewd common sense.

BROWN, TOM, the hero of *Tom Brown's School-days* and *Tom Brown at Oxford*, by Thomas Hughes; a typical healthy-minded, sports-loving, natural boy.

BROWNLOW, MR., a benevolent old gentleman who befriends Oliver when he escapes from Fagin and his associates.—*Oliver Twist*, Dickens.

BRUN, the bear in the beast-epic, *Reynard the Fox* (1490).

BRUNEHILD, a masterful princess whom King Gunther surpasses in feats of strength and skill by the aid of his friend Siegfried; the story of her conflict with the latter forms an important part of *The Nibelungenlied*.

BRUSH, the valet of Lord Ogleby, an impertinent rogue who flouts his master and purloins articles of clothing, etc.—*The Claudine Marriage*, Colman and Garrick.

BRUTE, LADY, the wife of Sir John, an ill-natured, coarse, tyrannical man who provokes her constantly and drives her into an intrigue.—*The Provoked Wife*, Vanbrugh.

BRUTUS, MARCUS, the Roman patriot who conspires against Caesar with Cassius, Casca, and others and stabs the great dictator in the Capitol.—*Julius Caesar*, Shakespeare.

BUCKLAW, LAIRD OF, Frank Hayston, to whom

Lucy Ashton (q.v.) is married against her will and whom she attempts to murder on her wedding-night.—*The Bride of Lammermoor*, Scott.

BUMBLE, MR., the pompous, self-important headie who becomes master of the workhouse in which Oliver Twist is lodged; his marriage with Mrs. Corney, the matron, turns out badly for him, and eventually he is disgraced.—*Oliver Twist*, Dickens.

BUMPER, SIR HARRY, a jovial, rollicking friend of Charles Surface. In the play he is given the song "Here's to the maiden of bashful fifteen."—*The School for Scandal*, Sheridan.

BUMPTOP, NATTY, backwoodsman and trapper, alias "Deerslayer," "Hawk-Eye," "Pathfinder," and "La Lobque Carabine," the hero of *The Pathfinder*, *The Pioneers*, *The Deerslayer*, *The Last of the Mohicans*, and *The Prairie*, Fenimore Cooper.

BUNCE, JACK, a one-time actor who is a member of the company.—*The Pirates*, Scott.

BUNCH, MOTHER, an alewife noted for her jests, referred to by Dekker in *Sadromastix*, a drama produced in 1602; also a popular character giving name to a series of fairy tales.

BUNSHY, JACK, a ship captain and friend of Captain Cuttle; he is considered to be an oracle of wisdom, although his speech is laconic, remarkable for possessing "one stationary eye and one revolving one, on the principle of some lighthouses"; eventually marries Mrs. McGinty, the vixenish landlady of Cuttle.—*Dombey and Son*, Dickens.

BURCHELL, MR., the name under which Sir William Thornhill masqueraded when he visits Dr. Primrose; he marries the latter's daughter, Sophia.—*The Vicar of Wakefield*, Goldsmith.

BUZZFUT, SERJEANT, the lawyer retained by Dodson and Fogg on behalf of Mrs. Bardell in the action brought against Mr. Pickwick.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.

CAIUS, DR., a French physician, one of whose servants is Mrs. Quickly.—*The Merry Wives of Windsor*, Shakespeare.

CALENDERS, in the *Arabian Nights' Entertainments*, begging dervishes who are actually princes in disguise, the three relate their adventures, in which each one lost his right eye.

CALIBAN, a deformed and malignant being whose mother is the witch Sycorax; he is servant to Prospero (q.v.)—*The Tempest*, Shakespeare.

CALDWORE, SIR, a gallant knight (modelled upon Sir Philip Sidney) who is the personification of courtesy; he adventures in quest of the Blatant Beast.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

CALISTA, the imperious daughter of the noble Scioito of Genoa; is seduced by Iacharion (q.v.), but betrothed to the young lord Altamont, who discovers her peridy and fights a duel with Iacharion; Calista kills herself in the end.—*The Fair Penitent*, Rowe.

CAMBYSES, a ranting character in a tragedy of the name by Preston (1569), referred to in Shakespeare's *Henry IV.*, Part I. ("In King Cambyse's vein").

CAMILLO, a Sicilian lord who saves Polixenes from death at the hands of King Leontes and befriends the two lovers, Florisel and Perdita.—*The Winter's Tale*, Shakespeare.

CAMPAIGNER, THE OLD, Mrs. Mackenzie, the mother of Rose, Olive Newcome's first wife.—*The Newcomes*, Thackeray.

CANDIDE, the unfortunate hero of a novel of the name by Voltaire; his attitude towards his accumulation of ills is one of critical indifference.

CANDOUR, MRS., a female scandal-monger with a malicious tongue.—*The School for Scandal*, Sheridan.

CANTWELL, DR., a ranting rascal who trades on religion to secure his unworthy ends, until he is laid by the heels for swindling.—*The Hypocrite*, Bickerstaff.

CARADOC, SIR, one of the knights of the Round Table, whose pure heart enables him to safely pass two tests.—*Percy's Reliques*.

CARELESS, one of the rollicking companions of Charles Surface.—*The School for Scandal*, Sheridan.

CARKER, JAMES, the head clerk of Mr. Dombey, an evil man who not only brings financial ruin upon his

- employer but elopes with the latter's young (second) wife; he is killed accidentally on the railway line. — *Domby and Son*, Dickens.
- CARSTONE, RICHARD**, a ward of John Jarndyce and concerned in the famous Chancery suit, "Jarndyce v. Jarndyce"; he is a happy and engaging young man, who marries his cousin, Ada Clare, also a ward in Chancery, but after trying several occupations he plunges into the family litigation, loses his estate, and dies soon after. — *Black House*, Dickens.
- CARTON, SYDNEY**, the disquieted "jackal" of Mr. Stryver, the barrister; his great abilities deadened by drink, he cherishes an affection for Lucie Manette (q.v.), who marries Charles Darnay (Evremonde), and, by reason of the strong likeness between the two men, he persuades Darnay and goes to the guillotine in his stead. — *A Tale of Two Cities*, Dickens.
- CASCA**, one of the conspirators against Caesar who, with Brutus, steals the dictator in the Capitol. — *Julius Caesar*, Shakespeare.
- CASSIM**, Ali Baba's brother, who enters the treasure cave of the Forty Thieves by stealth, but is imprisoned therein because he cannot remember the password "Open Sesame" which opens the door; when the Thieves return he is caught and cut to pieces. — *The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.
- CASSIO**, a Florentine lieutenant under Othello, whose disgrace with the latter leads to the assumed intrigue between Desdemona and Iago (q.v.). — *Othello*, Shakespeare.
- CASSIUS**, a friend of Brutus, and the chief conspirator against Caesar. — *Julius Caesar*, Shakespeare.
- CASTLEWOOD, BEATRICE**, a beautiful and accomplished girl, daughter of Lady Rachel, the heroine of *Esmond*, Thackeray.
- CATHARICK, ANNE**, the "Woman in White," in the novel of that name by Wilkie Collins.
- CAUDLE, MRS.**, famous for her "curtain lectures" to her husband, delivered at night-time for many years. — *The Caudle Papers (in Punch)*, Douglas Jerrold.
- CEDRIC**, a wealthy Saxonthane, lord of Rotherwood, and guardian of Rowena. — *Ivanhoe*, Scott.
- CELSA**, daughter of Duke Frederick, the usurper, who joins her cousin, Rosalind (daughter of the banished duke), in her journey into the Forest of Arden to seek the latter's father; in disguise as a peasant girl is known as Aliens. — *As You Like It*, Shakespeare.
- CHADEAND, REV. MR.**, a hypocritical clergyman, "a large yellow man, with a fat smile," who speaks of himself as "a vessel" and imposes on many of his dupes. — *Black House*, Dickens.
- CHAMPNEYS, SIR GEOFFREY**, the aristocratic old gentleman, a neighbour of the retired butlerman, Perkyu Middlewick, whose son, like that of the other, marries against his father's will. — *Our Boys*, H. J. Byron.
- CHARMIAN**, one of Cleopatra's women attendants, devoted to her mistress; following the queen's example she kills herself with an asp bite. — *Antony and Cleopatra*, Shakespeare.
- CHEERYBELL BROTHERS**, Edwin and Charles, twins and business partners, the warm-hearted and generous employers of Nicholas Nickleby; they are the incarnation of benevolence. — *Nicholas Nickleby*, Dickens.
- CHERRY**, the daughter of Boniface (q.v.) the innkeeper. — *The Beau's Stratagem*, Farquhar.
- CHUCKWEED, MR.**, a licensed victualler who pretends frequently that he has been robbed and trades upon the generosity of friends until his fraud is exposed. — *Oliver Twist*, Dickens.
- CHILDREN OF THE MIST**, a branch of the MacGregor clan; they withstand the soldiers sent in pursuit of Dalgetty. — *The Legend of Montrose*, Scott.
- CHILLIP, DR.**, the physician who attends David's mother at his birth, a meek and mild little man. — *David Copperfield*, Dickens.
- CHINGACHOOKE**, a redoubtable Delaware Indian chief (alias *Le Gros Serpent*), the friend and ally of Natty Bumppo (q.v.). — *The Pathfinder* and other novels, Fenimore Cooper.
- CHITLING, TOM**, one of Fagin's "apprentices," a half-wit who makes a poor thief. — *Oliver Twist*, Dickens.
- CHOKE, CYRUS**, an American militia general, editor of *The Hubertian Gazette* and interested in the Eden Land Corporation, in which Martin Chuzzlewit invests to his disaster. — *Martin Chuzzlewit*, Dickens.
- CHRISTMID**, sister of King Gunther of Burgundy and wife of Siegfried (q.v.), who after the latter's death develops into a chivalrous, revengeful woman; as her second husband marries Attila, king of the Huns. — *The Nibelungenlied*.
- CHRISTABEL**, the heroine of Coleridge's beautiful but unfinished poem of the title.
- CHRISTIAN**, the hero of Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress*, which recounts the story of his journeying from the City of Destruction to the Celestial City; his wife, Christiansa, follows him under the guidance of Mr. Greatheart.
- CHRISTIE, JOHN**, a London ship-chandler, whose pretty wife (Dame Nelly) is abducted by Lord Delamere. — *The Fortunes of Nigel*, Scott.
- CHRONOPHOTONTHOLOGOS**, the king who is the hero of the burlesque of the name by Henry Carey.
- CHUCKS**, a boatman who serves under Captain Savage. — *Peter Simple*, Marryat.
- CHUZZLEWIT, ANTHONY**, the miserly brother of Martin Chuzzlewit the Elder and father of Jonas; a Manchester warehouseman in business. — *Martin Chuzzlewit*, Dickens.
- CHUZZ LEWIT, JONAS**, the profligate son of Anthony, who attempts to murder his father and does so away with Montagu Tigg who discovers his villainy; he marries Mercy Peckinoff, treats her cruelly, and eventually poisons himself while on his way to prison under arrest for murder. — *Martin Chuzzlewit*, Dickens.
- CHUZZ LEWIT, MARTIN**, the elder, a rich but eccentric old man who disinherits his grandson, Martin, goes to live with the hypocritical Peckinoff (q.v.), and after the latter's exposure is reconciled to Martin. — *Martin Chuzzlewit*, Dickens.
- CHUZZLEWIT, MARTIN**, the younger, grandson of Martin the Elder, because of a love affair with Mary Graham quarrels with his grandfather and goes to America, where he loses his money in a swindling land-bacon project; returns to find his grandfather apparently in the power of the Peckinoffs, but is rebuffed in the old man's affections and marries Mary. — *Martin Chuzzlewit*, Dickens.
- CINDERELLA**, the heroine of the fairy-tale of the name, a household drudge who with the aid of a fairy godmother outwits her sisters and marries her Prince Charming.
- CLARE, ADA**, the cousin of Richard Carstone (q.v.) and, like him, a ward in Chancery; she marries Rikhard, but their happiness is marred by the great "Jarndyce v. Jarndyce" suit. — *Black House*, Dickens.
- CLARIBEL, SIR**, a knight surnamed "the Lewd," one of the six who contend for Florimel the Fair. — *The Fairie Queene*, Spenser.
- CLARISSA HARLOWE**. See HARLOWE, CLARISSA.
- CLAUDIO**, the brother of Isabella and a suitor for Juliet's hand. — *Measure for Measure*, Shakespeare.
- CLAUDIO**, a Florentine lord who is the lover of Hero, Leonato's daughter. — *Much Ado About Nothing*, Shakespeare.
- CLAUDIUS**, king of Denmark, Hamlet's uncle; having poisoned his brother and married the latter's widow, he is finally killed by Hamlet, whom he has attempted to poison. — *Hamlet*, Shakespeare.
- CLAYPOLE, NOAH**, a charity-boy, apprenticed to Sowerberry the undertaker, who runs away to London and lives by thieving; he marries Charlotte, Mrs. Sowerberry's servant.
- CLISHBOTHAM, JEDEDIAH**, the schoolmaster editor of *The Tales of My Landlord*, Scott.
- CLEMENTINA, LADY**, a beautiful and accomplished woman whose love for Sir Charles Grandison is unrequited. — *Sir Charles Grandison*, Richardson.
- CLEOFAS, DON**, the Spanish hero of *Le Diable Boiteux* (The Devil on Two Sticks), Lessane.
- CLEON**, the governor of Tarsus, slain with his wife by the citizens under suspicion of having murdered Marina, daughter of Pericles. — *Pericles*, Shakespeare.
- CLEVELAND, CLEMENT**, otherwise Vaughan, the pirate, in love with Minna Trol, daughter of Magnus, the sailor. — *The Pirate*, Scott. See MORNA.

CLIFFORD, PAUL, a highwayman, whom *Ish* transforms into a virtuous character.—*Paul Clifford*, Lord Lytton.

CLINKER, HUMPHRY, the natural son of Mr. Braublie, into whose service he enters after leaving the workhouse and taking several menial positions, he marries his fellow-servant, Winifred Jenkins.—*Humphry Clinker*, Smollett.

CLORINDA, the daughter of Senapus of Ethiopia; abandoned by her mother for a chanceling, she goes to Africa after many adventures, becomes a leader of the pagan forces, wins the love of Tancréd (q.v.), but is slain by him unknowingly.—*Jerusalem Delivered*, Tasso.

CLOTEN, Cymbeline's son by her first husband, a base-minded fool who tries to make love to Imogen (q.v.) and is killed in a duel with Guiderius. Cymbeline, Shakespeare.

CLOUT, LOBBIN, a shepherd in love with Blouzelinda (q.v.), whose charms and merits he extols in song.—*The Shepherd's Week*, Gay.

COBBS, the "Boots" at the Holly-Tree Inn, who relates the story of the elopement of Master Harry Walmsley, Jun., and his cousin Norah.—*The Holly-Tree Inn*, Dickens.

CODLIN, TOM, with Mr. Harris ("Short Trotters"), one of the Punch-and-Judy showmen, Codlin and Short, who show kindness to Little Nell and her grandfather.—*The Old Curiosity Shop*, Dickens.

COGIA, HOUSAIN, the captain of the band of the Forty Thieves, who is outwitted and killed by Morgiana, Ali Baba's slave.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.

COLBRAND, a Danish giant who is slain by Sir Guy of Warwick.—*Polydoron*, Dryden.

COLE, KING, an old-time British king of legend, believed to have been originally Coll, famous for his convivial tastes.

COLEPEPPER, CAPTAIN, a bully of Abbatia, the thieves' quarter in London.—*The Fortunes of Vent*, Scott.

COMPEYSON, a convict, a swindler and forger who dupes and ruins Abel Magwitch and lifts Miss Havisham; is killed in a struggle with Magwitch near Greenwich.—*Great Expectations*, Dickens.

CONINGBEY, the hero of a novel of the name by Lord Beaconsfield, a representative of the Young England Party.

CONRAD, LORD, Lara, the corsair, the hero of Byron's poem, *The Corsair*.

CONSTANCE, a Benedictine nun in love with Marmion, whom she accompanies in disguise as a page, is subsequently immured to her death for violating her vows.—*Marmion*, Scott.

COPHETUA, an African king of legend who falls in love with and marries a beggar-girl, as in Tennyson's poem, *The Beggar-Maid*.

COPPERFIELD, DAVID, an only son, after his father's death leads a life of misery under Mr. Murdstone, whom his mother marries, runs away from menial employment and finds a friend in Betsey Trotwood, a great-aunt at Dover; enters a law office, turns to writing, marries first Dora Spenlow, and secondly Agnes Wickfield.—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.

CORDELLA, the youngest daughter of King Lear, disinherited by her father, but faithful and forgiving to him in the end.—*King Lear*, Shakespeare.

CORINNE, the heroine of a novel of the same title by Mme. de Staël; she has an unhappy love affair and dies of grief.

CORNEY, MRS., the matron of the workhouse in which Oliver is brought up; she marries Bumble, the headle, and then poisons him.—*Oliver Twist*, Dickens.

CORYDON, a shepherd in love with Pastorella, who, however, marries Sir Calidore; the knight compensates him for his disappointment by giving him sheep and cattle.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

COSTARD, a clown who uses big words and phrases of which he knows not the meaning, in imitation of the court gallants.—*Love's Labour's Lost*, Shakespeare.

COSTIGAN, CAPTAIN, a hard-drinking Irish soldier who makes a show of dignity inconsistent with his poverty; he is the father of an actress known as Miss Fotheringay, with whom Penderennis falls in love in his youth.—*Penderennis*, Thackeray.

COVERLEY, SIR ROGER DE, a country gentleman of

the time of Queen Anne, as modest, courteous, and benevolent as he is vain and eccentric, he was the creation of Addison in *The Spectator*.

CRABTREE, the uncle of Sir Benjamin Backbite (q.v.).—*The School for Scandal*, Sheridan.

CRACKIT, TOBY, "Flash Toby," a burglar who is an associate of Bill Sikes.—*Oliver Twist*, Dickens.

CRATCHIT, BOB, the hard-working clerk of Scrooge, into whose happy home at Christmas the miserly old man is given a peep by the ghost.—*A Christmas Carol*, Dickens.

CRAWLEY, CAPTAIN RAWDON, Pitt's younger brother, a guardaman and "man about town"; he marries Becky Sharp (q.v.), forfeits the fortune that goes to Pitt, and with her lives on his wife's, until Becky's intrigue with Lord Steyne brings about their separation; he becomes later governor of Coventry Island, where he dies.—*Fanny Hill*, Thackeray.

CRAWLEY, PITT, son of Sir Pitt, very much the grand gentleman, but inclined to frigidity, he succeeds his father in the title, inherits a fortune from an aunt, marries a lady of title, and enters Parliament.—*Fanny Hill*, Thackeray.

CRAWLEY, SIR PITT, "a cunning, mean, foolish, disreputable old rogue," miserly vulgar, and litigious.—*Fanny Hill*, Thackeray.

CRESSIDA, a beautiful Trojan woman who lightly breaks her troth with Troilus in favour of Diomed, whose prisoner she becomes; her story is told by Chaucer, and by Shakespeare in *Troutus and Cressida*.

CRICHTON, THE ADMIRABLE. See **ADMIRABLE**.

CROAKER, MR., the guardian of Miss Richmond, a self-martyr, always grumbling and out-of-elbow with the world, his wife is his antithesis.—*The God-Natured Man*, Goldsmith.

CRUMPLES, VINCENT, the good-hearted manager of a travelling theatrical company who induces Nicholas and Snike to join him; his wife, a "tragedy queen" lady, is similarly kind and generous; his daughter, Sinnetta, is billed as "the Infant Phenomenon."—*Nicholas Nickleby*, Dickens.

CRUNCHER, JERRY, the "odd-job" worker at Felson's Bank, who in secret is a "resurrection man"; his wife prays for his reform, and is styled by him his "Agerawayter" for her constant "flopping."—*A Tale of Two Cities*, Dickens.

CRUSOE, ROBINSON, the hero of the novel of the same title by Defoe, a sailor shipwrecked on a desert island whose ingenuity and resource enable him to make a home there. See **SELKIRK, ALEXANDER**, on p. 345.

CUTTLE, CAPTAIN, a retired ship-captain with a hook in place of his right hand, a kind-hearted man who befriends Florence Dombey; given to quoting, with a favourite motto—"When found, make a note of."—*Dombey and Son*, Dickens.

CYMBELINE, a legendary king of Britain, the father of Imogen (q.v.).—*Cymbeline*, Shakespeare.

DAGONET, SIR, King Arthur's court fool, whose adventures are related by Malory and whom Tennyson introduces in his *Idylls*.

DALGARNO, LORD, a profligate nobleman who is killed by Captain Colepepper after his abduction of John Christie's wife.—*The Fortunes of Nigel*, Scott.

DALGETTY, DUGALD, a soldier of fortune with pretensions to scholarship, always ready to sell his sword to the highest bidder.—*The Legend of Montrose*, Scott.

DANDIE DIMMONT, an eccentric but good-natured farmer with a fighting disposition.—*Guy Rannering*, Scott.

DANGLE, a gentleman whose predilection for the theatre leads him to pester a theatrical manager.—*The Critic*, Sheridan.

DARNAY, CHARLES, otherwise Evrémoud in France, the lover of Lucie Manette, whom he is enabled to marry after Sydney Carton (q.v.) has gone to the guillotine in his place.—*A Tale of Two Cities*, Dickens.

D'ARTAGNAN, the dashing swordman who is the leader of the three musketeers, Athos, Porthos, and Aramis, the hero of *The Three Musketeers* and *Twenty Years After*, by Alexandre Dumas, and a

- leading character in other books by the same novelist.
- DARTLE, ROSA**, the companion to Mrs. Steerforth, in love with the latter's son; a clever, vindictive woman with a passion for "wanting to know."—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.
- DEANS, JEANIE AND EFFIE**, the daughters of "douce" Davie Deans, cowed; when Effie is imprisoned for the murder of her love-child her sister Jeanie travels from Edinburgh to London to obtain a pardon from the queen.—*The Heart of Midlothian*, Scott.
- DEEDLOCK, SIR LEICESTER**, a proud and obstinate baronet, whose wife is the mother of Esther Summerson (q.v.), her child before marriage by a Captain Hawdon; on the eve of the discovery of her secret Lady Deedlock runs away from home and dies miserably.—*Black House*, Dickens.
- DEFARGE, MADAME**, a strong-willed woman and a virulent, relentless Revolutionist; her husband, keeper of a wine-shop, is a strikingly implacable character.—*A Tale of Two Cities*, Dickens.
- DELIA**, in mythology Diana, so called from her birth-place, the island of Delos, in pastoral poetry a popular name for a female sweetheart, as in Virgil, Shendone, Pope, and other writers.
- DELPHINE**, the heroine of a novel of the same title by Madame de Staël, a girl who, like Corinne, dies of grief from unrequited love.
- DEMETRIUS**, a youth of Athens in love with Herulia, daughter of Egeus, but eventually united to Helena.—*A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Shakespeare.
- DEMOGORGON**, a dreaded being reputed to be the lord of all elves and fairies, as in Milton's *Paradise Lost* and Spenser's *Fairie Queene*.
- DERONDA, DANIEL**, the hero of a novel of the same title by George Eliot.
- DESDEMONA**, the daughter of Brabantio, a senator of Venice, who loves Othello the Moor and marries him; she is killed by Othello after Iago has poisoned his mind against her.—*Othello*, Shakespeare.
- DICK, MR.**, a kindly, half-witted gentleman who is defended by Bayly Trotwood, David Copperfield's aunt; his peculiar mania concerns the head of Charles I.—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.
- DIDDLE, JEREMY**, a swindling vagabond who raises money by his verses and his witticisms.—*Raising the Wind* (farce), Kenney.
- DIGGERY**, an unscrupulous farm servant who is impressed into service by Mr. Hardestade as a butler to wait at table.—*She Stoops to Conquer*, Goldsmith.
- DINAH**, the coloured cook in the St. Clair household (Uncle Tom's Cabin, Harriet Beecher Stowe).
- DINARZADE**, the sister of Scheherazade (wife of the Sultan of Persia), who wakes the latter early every morning to relate a story that shall interest the Sultan and postpone his decision to strangle his wife at daybreak.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.
- DISMAS**, the name given in old charms and ballads to the penitent thief crucified with our Lord; Gossima is the name of the insipient thief.
- DIVER, COLONEL**, the pompous, conceited editor of *The New York Rough Journal*.—*Martin Chuzzlewit*, Dickens.
- DOBBIN, COLONEL**, a soldier and gallant gentleman, awkward in manner, but with truly fine instincts; he worships Amelia Sedley and after her husband's death marries her.—*Vanity Fair*, Thackeray.
- DODS, MEO**, the landlady of the Clackan Inn, a humorous and shrewd character.—*St. Ronan's Well*, Scott.
- DODSON AND FOGG**, the firm of lawyers who act for Mrs. Hardell in her breach-of-promiss suit against Mr. Pickwick.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.
- DOBBERY**, an ignorant constable who, with his fellow, Verges, misuses words in a ridiculous manner.—*Much Ado About Nothing*, Shakespeare.
- DOMBIE, MR.**, a self-important, money-loving London merchant, the father of Florence and Paul; after the latter's death he becomes harder still in nature and treats his daughter with indifference; the desertion of his second wife and the loss of his fortune humble him at last.—*Dombie and Son*, Dickens.
- DOMINIE SAMPSON**, a learned and poor tutor with little knowledge of the world, much given to classic quotations; his favourite exclamation is "Prodigious!"—*Guy Rannering*, Scott.
- DON JUAN**, a reckless libertine who, after numerous amatory adventures, is carried off by the Devil; a character in Spanish legend that has inspired dramas by Moliere and Corneille, an opera (*Don Giovanni*) by Mozart, and has given its name to a poem by Byron.
- DON QUIXOTE**, the hero of the romance of the same title by Cervantes, a Castilian gentleman of means whose head is turned by books of chivalry and who rides out into the world, accompanied by his squire, Sancho Panza, as a knight errant.
- DONOVAN**, the hero of a novel of the same title, by John Lyall, dealing with the subject of free-thinking.
- DOONE, LORNA**, a girl of noble birth, adopted by the last Lord Doones in the Exmoor valley; she is taken from them by John Ridd (q.v.), who marries her.—*Lorna Doone*, Blackmore.
- DORA**, the daughter of Mr. Spenlow, the proctor, and the "child wife" of David; she dies young.—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.
- DOUSTERSWIVEL**, a German charlatan who, by means of a divining rod, pretends to find hidden wealth and so dupes Sir Arthur Wardour.—*The Intiquary*, Scott.
- DOWLAS, DICK**, son of Daniel Dowlas, a chandler who poses as a peer until the actual heir at law appears on the scene. Dick is a scoundrel, comes into a large fortune, and engages Dr. Faustus (q.v.) as his tutor; he marries Cicely Homespun.—*The Hereditary Heir*, Colman.
- DRAWCANSIR**, a brazening bully who boasts that in a battle he killed every one on both sides.—*The Rehearsal*, Buckingham.
- DROMIO**, the name of twin brothers who are servants to the twins Antipholus, and whose exact resemblance to each other adds to the confusion caused by their masters.—*The Comedy of Errors*, Shakespeare.
- DROOD, EDWIN**, the hero of Dickens' last and unfinished novel, *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*.
- DRUGGER, ABEL**, a simple-minded, glibly chameleon who consults Subtle, the alchemist, as to the disposition of his new shop to ensure good luck.—*The Alchemist*, Ben Jonson.
- DRYADROUST, REV. DR.**, a pedantic character invented by Scott to introduce certain of his novels, the name being used as a synonym for a dull though pains-taking historian.
- DUBOSC**, the thief who robs the Lyons night mail and bears so strong a resemblance to Joseph Desmoures that the latter is suspected of the crime.—*The Courier of Lyons*, Stirling.
- DUESSA**, the witch, the personification of false faith, who deceives the Red Cross Knight, lures him into the toils of the giant Orgoglio, and is abused by Prince Arthur.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.
- DULCINEA DEL TOBOSO**, a country wench whom Don Quixote exalts into a peerless beauty as the object of his devotion.—*Don Quixote*, Cervantes.
- DUMBIEDIKES**, a young laird who falls in love with Jeanie Deans but falls in his suit.—*The Heart of Midlothian*, Scott.
- DUNDREARY, LORD**, a good-natured but indolent, empty-headed young nobleman, with amusing affectations.—*Our American Cousin*, Tom Taylor.
- DURWARD, QUENTIN**, a brave young archer in the Scottish Guard in France, who saves the life of Louis XI and carries off the Countess Isabella de Croys from the Duke of Orleans.—*Quentin Durward*, Scott.
- EDGAR**, the Master of Ravenswood, the affianced lover of Lucy Ashton (q.v.), after the tragedy of her marriage to Bucklaw, he meets his death in a quicksand, according to a prophecy.—*The Bride of Lammermoor*, Scott.
- EGEUS**, the father of Herulia (q.v.).—*A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Shakespeare.
- EGLAMOUR, SIR**, one of the knights of the Round Table.
- EGLANTINE, MADAME**, the prioress of Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*, a good-natured but ignorant woman who speaks French "after the mode of Stratford-at-Bowe."
- ELAIN, DANIE**, daughter of King Pelles and the mother by Lancelot of Sir Galahad.—*History of Prince Arthur*, Malory.

- ELAINE**, the "lily maid of Astolat" who pines and dies of her love for Lancelot.—*History of Prince Arthur*, Malory; and *Idylls of the King*, Tennyson.
- EMILIA**, the wife of Iago, who uses her to procure a handkerchief of Desdemona in order to further his plot; when she later reveals the truth she is killed by Iago.—*Othello*, Shakespeare.
- EM'LY, LITTLE**, the niece of Daniel Pezzogotty and engaged to the latter's nephew, Ham; she is induced to elope with Steerforth, who deserts her, is found after a long search by Daniel Pezzogotty, and eventually goes with him to Australia.—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.
- ENID**, daughter of Ynol and wife of Geraint, under suspicion of unfaithfulness she proves her purity and is reunited to her husband.—*Idylls of the King*, Tennyson.
- EPPIE**, the adopted daughter of Silha Marner, who marries Aaron.—*Silas Marner*, George Elliot.
- ERL-KING**, a mischievous goblin or spirit in German legend, the subject of a ballad by Goethe.
- ERMINIA**, a lady who falls in love with Tamer and in disguise seeks him out in the Christian army before Jerusalem.—*Jerusalem Delivered*, Tasso.
- ESMERALDA**, a gipsy girl of great beauty who dances publicly with a tambourine and a goat; she is sheltered from peril in a church by Quasimodo, the hunchback, but eventually comes to the gibbet.—*Notre Dame de Paris*, Hugo.
- ESMOND, HENRY**, a chivalrous soldier involved in a plot for the restoration of the Stuarts; pays court to the imperious Beatrix, his kinswoman, but finally marries the latter's mother.—*Henry Esmond*, Thackeray.
- ESTELLA**, a beautiful girl who is adopted by Miss Havisham; at one time engaged to Pip, she marries the worthless Drummle, she proves to be the natural child of Magwitch the convict.—*Great Expectations*, Dickens.
- EUPHUES**, an Athenian noted for his fine taste, wit, and gallantry, the chief character in John Lyly's *Euphues, or the Anatomy of Wit*.
- EVANGELINE**, the heroine of Longfellow's poem of the same title, an Acadian (Nova Scotian) girl who is parted from her lover Chibouche, during the exile of the colonists, and who does not find him until both are old.
- EVANS, SIR HUGH**, a pedantic, humorous Welsh schoolmaster and parson with a shrewd wit.—*The Merry Wives of Windsor*, Shakespeare.
- EVELINE**, the heroine of a novel of the same name by Fanny Burney (Mme. D'Arbigny).
- EYRE, JANE**, the heroine of a novel of the same name by Charlotte Brontë, a governess who marries Rochester, a man of fortune but a misanthrope, after the death of his insane wife.
- FAG**, the living servant of Captain Absolute, who "wears his master's wit, as he does his lace, at second hand"—*The Rivals*, Sheridan.
- FAGIN**, an old Jew, a trainer of thieves and receiver of stolen goods; he is ultimately convicted of complicity in a murder and executed.—*Oliver Twist*, Dickens.
- FAINALL**, a plausible but deceitful and worthless man who marries a young, wealthy widow and leads a "cat-and-dog" life with her, failing in his attempt to get possession of her estates.—*The Illy of the World*, Congreve.
- FAIR MAID OF PERTH**, Catherine Glover, daughter of a Perthshire glover, whose lover is Smith the armourer, "Hal of the Wynd," a brave youth who survives an Onchal of Battle and wins her hand.—*The Fair Maid of Perth*, Scott.
- FAIR PENITENT, THE**. See **CALISTA**.
- FAIRSERVICE, ANDREW**, a humorous, conceited gardener in the service of Sir Hildebrand Osbaldistone.—*Rob Roy*, Scott.
- FAITHFUL**, Christian's companion in his journey to the Celestial City; at Vanity Fair he is taken and burned alive.—*The Pilgrim's Progress*, Bunyan.
- FAITHFUL, JACOB**, the hero of a tale of the sea, under the same title, by Captain Marryat.
- FALKLAND**, a gentleman of high birth who, under provocation, commits a murder for which another suffers the death penalty; his secret is discovered by a servant named Caleb Williams, and when he persecutes the latter for robbery his crime is revealed and he dies in misery.—*Caleb Williams*, Godwin.
- FALKLAND**, the lover of Julia, a fine gentleman, although given to jealousy.—*The Rivals*, Sheridan.
- FALSTAFF, SIR JOHN**, the droll, bonafide and bibulous "fat knight" whose amorous misadventures form the main theme of Shakespeare's *Merry Wives of Windsor*, and who, as soldier and wit, the companion of Prince Hal, figures in *Henry IV.*, Parts I, and II.
- FANG, MR.**, an overbearing magistrate who would have sent Oliver to prison for theft but for unexpected evidence.—*Oliver Twist*, Dickens.
- FAT BOY, THE**, otherwise Joe, a lad in the employ of Mr. Wardle, of Dingley Dell, with a voracious appetite and a habit of going to sleep constantly.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.
- FATA MORGANA**, the sister of King Arthur, a fairy who lived in a lake and was associated with the wizard Merlin.
- FATHOM, FERDINAND, COUNT**, a heartless scoundrel, who spares neither friend nor enemy in his villainies, but finds forgiveness in the end.—*The Adventures of Ferdinand, Count Fathom*, Smollett.
- FATIMA**, the last of the wives of Bluebeard (q.v.), who is saved from the fate of the others by the arrival of her brothers.—*Fairy Tales*, Perrault.
- FAUST**, or Dr. Faustus, a magician and astrologer who makes a compact with the Devil to sell his soul in exchange for twenty-four years of unlimited enjoyment; the subject of a tragedy by Marlowe and of a poem by Goethe, in the latter work Faust being represented as a scholar of high attainments, while the Devil, Mephistopheles, is a less crude character than in previous productions.
- FEEBLE**, a tailor, the "most forcible Feeble" of Falstaff's following, though a thin weed of a man.—*Henry IV.*, Part II, Shakespeare.
- FEEDER, MR.**, an usher in Dr. Blumber's Academy at Brighton, who marries the Doctor's daughter and succeeds to the school.—*Dombey and Son*, Dickens.
- FEENEY, MR.**, the Hon. Mrs. Skewton's nephew and cousin to Edith, Mr. Dombey's second wife; he is an old gentleman who makes himself up as a young man.—*Dombey and Son*, Dickens.
- FELIX, MONK**, a monk who is so enchanted by the singing of a milk-white bird that a hundred years pass like an hour.—*The Golden Legend*, Longfellow.
- FENTON**, the lover of "sweet Anne Page," a gentleman of breeding who seeks an heiress but marries for love.—*The Merry Wives of Windsor*, Shakespeare.
- FERDINAND**, the son of Alonso, king of Naples, in love with Prospero's daughter, Miranda.—*The Tempest*, Shakespeare.
- FEZZI TWIG, MR.**, a kindly, jolly old merchant, a former employer of Scrooge, whom the ghost shows to the latter as presiding at a Christmas Hall, his wife, "one vast substantial smile," is worthy to be his partner in every sense of the term.—*A Christmas Carol*, Dickens.
- FIDELLE**, the name under which Imogen went when, in disguise as a boy, she set out to meet her husband.—*Cymbeline*, Shakespeare.
- FIGARO**, the astute barber and valet who outwits everybody by his cunning.—*Barber de Séville* and *Marianne de Fierro*, Beaumarchais, two comedies on which were based operas by Mozart, Paisiello, and Rossini.
- FILCH**, a lad who promises, on Mrs. Peachum's word, to be a clever pickpocket.—*The Beggar's Opera*, Gay.
- FINN, HUCKLEBERRY**, the companion of Tom Sawyer in many amusing adventures in the story of the same name by Mark Twain.
- FLANDERS, MOLL**, a notorious woman, the story of whose career as thief and convict, with her subsequent reform, is told in *The Fortunes of Moll Flanders*, Defoe.
- FLIBBERTIGIBBET**, a foul fiend who inflicts man with the hare-lip and squint-eyes among other evils, and midwens the white wheat.—*King Lear*, Shakespeare. Also the name given to Dickie Sludge, the dwarf, in *Kentworth*, Scott.
- FLITE, MISS**, a half-crazed little woman, a suitor in Chancery, who haunts the Court in the expectation of securing judgment.—*Bleak House*, Dickens.

FLORAC, COMTE PAUL DE, a French *émigré*, of polished manners but a prodigal, who makes his home in England, and whose mother was an early flame of Colonel Newcome.—*The Newcomes*, Thackeray.

FLORIBEL, the name of two characters in Spenser's *The Faerie Queene*: "the Fair," who undergoes perilous adventures before being united to her lover, Marinell; and "the False," a representation of the former who deceives Braggadocio, but whose falsity is exposed when she is stripped of her vestures.

FLORIZEL, the young prince, a son of Polixenes, king of Bohemia, who falls in love with Perdita (q.v.)—*The Winter's Tale*, Shakespeare.

FLUELLEN, a Welsh captain and a pedant, famous for the parallel he draws between Henry V. and Alexander the Great.—*Henry V.*, Shakespeare.

FOIBLE, the lady's-maid of Lady Wishfort, well versed in intrigue.—*The Way of the World*, Congreve.

FOKER, HARRY, the son of Lady Foker, a sporting young gentleman who talks slang, he marries Blanche Amory.—*Pendennis*, Thackeray.

FORD, a gentleman of Windsor whose wife leads Sir John Falstaff on to make himself ridiculous; during this humorous intrigue he assumes the name of Brook and further fools the knight.—*The Merry Wives of Windsor*, Shakespeare.

FORTUNATUS, a man in extreme poverty who chooses from Fortune riches in place of health and long life; his nurse is inebriated and his wishing-cup transports him whither he desires, but these gifts bring him to ruin, a character in old-time Italian, German, and French legends and the subject of several dramas.

FORTY THIEVES. See **ALI BABA**.

FOTHERINGAY, MRS. See **COSTIGAN**.

FRA DIAVOLO, a brigand chief who is the subject of a comic opera by Aubier. See entry on p. 235.

FRAIL, MRS., a demirep, the quintessence of folly, vanity, malice, and wantonness, is trapped into marrying the foppish and equally disreputable beau, Tattle.—*Love for Love*, Congreve.

FRANCESCA, a lady of Ravenna, married to the deformed Lanciotto of Ravenna, but wooed by the latter's brother, Paolo, both being put to death by Lanciotto when their guilt is discovered; her story is told by Dante and forms the theme of a tragedy by Silvio Pellico.

FRANKENSTEIN, a student who constructs a hideous monster (without name) which is endowed with life but has no "breath of divinity; in the end it slays its creator.—*Frankenstein*, Mrs. Shelley.

FRISCHÜTZ, DER, a German archer of legend who, making a compact with the Devil, is given seven balls, six of which will hit with certainty whatever may be his mark, but the seventh to be directed as the Devil wishes.—*Der Frischütz*, an opera by Weber. See **MAX**.

FRIAR TUCK, one of Robin Hood's "merry men" of Sherwood, identified by some with the "curial friar."

FRIDAY, MAN, a young Indian, Robinson Crusoe's servant on his island, so named as having been saved from cannibals on a Friday.—*Robinson Crusoe*, Defoe.

FRITHIOF, a legendary hero of Iceland, a great warrior.

FROLLO, CLAUDE, an archdeacon who pursues Esmeralda, the gipsy girl, and is killed by Quasimodo, who slings him from the top of Notre Dame in Paris.—*Notre Dame de Paris*, Hugo.

FUDGE FAMILY, THE, the name of an English family, the four members of which write letters to friends at home describing (in verse) their doings and impressions of Paris, the whole being a delightful satire.—*The Fudge Family*, Tom Moore.

FUBOE, the personification of intemperate anger.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

GABRIEL, son of Basil Lajeunesse, the blacksmith of Grand Pré, in Acadia; he was the betrothed of Evangeline (q.v.), from whom fate parted him for many years.—*Evangeline*, Longfellow.

GADSHILL, a rascally thief, a companion of Sir John Falstaff.—*Henry IV.*, I, Shakespeare.

GALAHAD, SIR, a knight of the Round Table, the son of Lancelot and Elaine, the chaste and noblest of the company, whose strength "was as the strength of ten, because his heart was pure"; he was the only knight to achieve the quest of the Holy Grail.—*History of Prince Arthur*, Malory; and *Idylls of the King*, Tennyson.

GALATEA, a statue chiselled by Pygmalion which became endowed with life, but, after a time of some complexity, reverted to its original form.—*Pygmalion and Galatea*, Sir W. S. Gilbert.

GAME CHICKEN, THE, a prize fighter whom Mr. Toots engages for boxing lessons.—*Dombey and Son*, Dickens.

GAMP, ZARAH, a monthly nurse addicted to drink and noted for her frequent allusions to a hypothetical "Mrs. Harris"—*Martin Chuzzlewit*, Dickens.

GANELOU, a false knight of Charlemagne, whose jealousy of Roland caused him to turn traitor.

GANEV, a youth of Damascus who saves Fetnah, the favourite of Haroun al-Raschid, from being buried alive, falls under the caliph's displeasure, but is forgiven and honoured by receiving Fetnah for his wife.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.

GARETH, SIR, a knight of the Round Table who serves in the king's household as a scullion under the name of "Beaumains," and, on being knighted, attaches himself to the Lady Lancelotte in her quest to free her sister Lynors from bondage; at first treated by his mistress with contempt, he proves his worth and wins her hand.—*Idylls of the King*, Tennyson.

GARGANTUA, a huge giant with an enormous appetite, the father of Pantagruel (q.v.), he is the hero of a romance of the same name by Rabelais.

GAWAIN, SIR, a knight of the Round Table surnamed "the Courtesous," strong in upholding the king's honour.—*History of Prince Arthur*, Malory.

GAWREY, a woman encountered by a shipwrecked mariner on a desert island, whom he describes as being furnished with wings which serve her for flying as for dress, the winged men of the island are named Glimps.—*Peter B. Kydd*, Pultock.

GEIERSTEIN, ANNE OF, "the Maiden of the Mist," the heroine of a novel of the same name, dealing with Swiss history in the time of Edward IV. by Scott.

GEORGE-A-GREEN, the pindar, pound-keeper of Wakefield, a man of great strength and a companion of Robin Hood.

GERAINT, SIR, a knight of the Round Table, married to the Lady Enid, whose fidelity he doubts but whose faithful love is proved to him.—*Idylls of the King*, Tennyson.

GERTRUDE OF WYOMING, a girl who, soon after her marriage, is tragically killed in an Indian raid on the settlement.—*Gertrude of Wyoming*, Campbell.

GIANT DESPAIR, the ogre of Doubting Castle, who imprisons Christian and Hopeful in his dungeons.—*The Pilgrim's Progress*, Bunyan.

GLAUCO, THE, the hero of a dramatic poem of the same name by Byron, the glaucous being an unbeliever (according to Mohammedan tenets) who turns monk after the tragic fate that overtakes Ishak, a beautiful girl, whom he has carried off from the caliph Hassan.

GIL BLAS, the hero of a novel of the same name by Lesage, a chronicle of the more or less amusing adventures of a young man of good birth and scholarship whom vanity and lax morality lead astray often, but who becomes a reformed character.

GILDEROY, a noted robber of the sixteenth century whose name is commemorated in the saying, "Higher than Gilderoy's Kite," the allusion being to the gallows on which he was hanged.

GILLS, SOLOMON, a ship's instrument maker, "a slow, quiet-spoken, thoughtful old fellow," the uncle of Walter Gay in quest of whom he journeys abroad on hearing of the loss of his nephew's ship.—*Dombey and Son*, Dickens.

GILPIN, JOHN, a London linen-draper, the story of whose ride on horseback to Ware and back is told in Cowper's poem of the same title.

GINEVRA, a young Italian bride who, according to legend, on her wedding day hides in a large chest, the lid of which falls upon her and locks her within her fate being undiscovered until many years after.—*The Middlemarch Bough*, T. Haynes Bailey.

GIOVANNI, DON. See **DON JUAN**.

GLORIANA, the name of the Queen of Fairyland, who represents Queen Elizabeth in Spenser's *The Faerie Queene*.

GLOVER, CATHERINE. See **FAIR MAID OF PERTH**.
GLUMDALCLITCH, a giantess, forty feet high, in whose charge Gulliver was placed on his visit to Brobdingnag.—*Gulliver's Travels*, Swift.

GOBBO, LAUNCELOT, an amusing clown, an ex-servant of Shylock who attaches himself to Bassanio.—*The Merchant of Venice*, Shakespeare.

GONERIL, the eldest daughter of Lear, who, with her sister Regan, when she later poisons out of jealousy, treats her father with ill courtesy.—*King Lear*, Shakespeare.

GRADGRIND, THOMAS, a retired hardware merchant who rules out sentiment in his life and is nothing if not practical, and whose family suffer for the hard, practical way in which he brings them up.—*Hard Times*, Dickens.

GRANDISON, SIR CHARLES, a Christian and perfect gentleman, precise in his manner and moral to the highest degree in precept and practice.—*The History of Sir Charles Grandison*, Richardson.

GRATIANO, a friend of Antonio, who talks "an infinite deal of nothing", he marries Nerissa, Portia's attendant.—*The Merchant of Venice*, Shakespeare.

GREATHEART, MR., the guide of Christmas and her children when they follow Christian to the Celestial City.—*The Pilgrim's Progress*, Bunyan.

GREAVES, SIR LAUNCELOT, a young country squire who adventures into the world like Don Quixote to redress wrong and succour the distressed, accompanied by an old sea captain, Crow, who plays Sancho Panza to his Mantuan knight.—*The Adventures of Sir Launcelot Greaves*, Smollett.

GREEN, VERDANT, a young scolar at Oxford, as green as his name and the object of many practical jokes until he learns by experience and becomes an "old hand" himself.—*Verdant Green*, Cutbert Bede.

GRIM, GIANT, a giant who endeavoured to hinder pilgrims on their way to the Celestial City.—*The Pilgrim's Progress*, Bunyan.

GRISSELLA, the model wife, patient and submissive under a series of trials inflicted upon her by her husband, Walter, Marquis of Saluzzo, the subject of the Clerk's tale in *The Canterbury Tales*, Chaucer.

GRIZEL, the heroine of *Sentimental Tommy* and *Tommy and Grace*, Sir J. M. Barrie.

GRUMIO, a servant in the employ of Petruchio.—*The Taming of the Shrew*, Shakespeare.

GUDRUN, the daughter of Attila, who is carried off by the king of Norway from her lover and put to menial service because she will not marry her captor, ultimately her lover, Herwig of Helioland, defeats the king of Norway and recovers Gudrun for his bride.

GUINEVERE, the wife of King Arthur, who entertains a guilty love for Sir Lancelot and flies from the court to end her days in a nunnery.—*Tale of the King*, Tennyson.

GULLIVER, LEMUEL, a sea-captain, formerly a surgeon, whose ship is wrecked on the coast of Lilliput (the land of pygmies), after which he visits Brobdingnag (the land of giants), Laputa (the country of quacks), and the land of the Houyhnhnms (horses), encountering amusing adventures.—*Gulliver's Travels*, Swift.

GULNARE, queen of the sultan Seyd's harem, who is saved from death by Conrad the corsair and flies with him after she has killed the sultan.—*The Corsair*, Byron.

GUMMIDGE, MRS., the widow of Pengotto's partner, who keeps house for Pengotto; considers herself a "lone, lorn creature" and is continually "thinkin' of the old un".—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.

GUNTHER, the kins of Burgundy and the brother of Chriemhild (q.v.), he weds Brunhild through the aid of Siegfried, acquiesces in the murder of the latter, and is himself killed by Chriemhild.—*The Nibelungenlied*.

GUPPY, MR., a young clerk in the office of Kenge and Carboy, solicitors, who conceives a passion for Esther Summerson and declares his love in an amusing series of declarations.—*Black House*, Dickens.

GURTH, the swineherd who is the serf of Cedric,thane of Rotherwood.—*Ivanhoe*, Scott.

GURTON, GAMMER, the heroine of a very old comedy, the plot of which turns on the loss of her needle and its discovery in the breeches of her husband, Hodge.

GUYON, SIR, a gallant knight who is the personification of temperance; he overcomes in turn Braggadocio, Furor, and Mammon, and finally overthrows the Tower of Babel, the home of Acrasia the enchantress.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

HAIDEE, a beautiful Greek girl, daughter of Lambro the pirate, who nurses Don Juan in a cave after he has been shipwrecked, falls in love with him, and dies of grief when her father returns and orders Juan to be sold into slavery.—*Don Juan*, Byron.

HANDY ANDY, the amusing Irish hero of the novel of the same name by Lover, a servant with a faculty for blundering.

HARDCASTLE, KATE, the daughter of Squire Hardcastle; when young Marlow mistakes her father's house for an inn she "steeps to conquer" by waiting upon him like a maid.—*She Steeps to Conquer*, Goldsmith.

HARDCASTLE, SQUIRE, a jovial but prosy country gentleman, who holds forth at length on Prince Eugene and the Duke of Marlborough to young Marlow who has mistaken his house for an inn.—*She Steeps to Conquer*, Goldsmith.

HARLOWE, CLARISSA, a young lady of high principle whose trust is shamefully abused by a libertine named Lovelace, she dies of shame after rejecting his attempt to make reparation.—*The History of Clarissa Harlowe*, Richardson.

HARMACHIS, an Egyptian, descended from the Pharaohs, who sets out to kill Cleopatra, but soon falls in love with her, being outwitted by Antony, he, with Charmian, who loves him, plots the queen's death.—*Cleopatra*, Sir H. Rider Haggard.

HARMON, JOHN, a leading character in Dickens' novel, *Our Mutual Friend*, a young man who is assumed to be dead and who takes the name of John Boksmit to further his plans.

HAROLD, CHILDE, the hero of a poem of the same name by Byron, describing the travels of a blond man of intellect.

HAROUN-AL-RASCHID, a caliph of Bagdad who figures as a leading character in many of the stories in *The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.

HARRIS, MRS. See **GAMP, SARAH**.

HASTINGS, the friend of Marlow in their adventure in Squire Hardcastle's house.—*She Steeps to Conquer*, Goldsmith.

HAVISHAM, MISS, an old spinster whose former lover is Compeyson, the forger, deserted on her wedding morn, she ever after wears her wedding dresses and finery; she adopts the girl Estella, whom Pip eventually marries.—*Great Expectations*, Dickens.

HAWK, SIR MURBERRY, a scoundrelly rascal, who insults Kate Nickleby, sister of Nicholas, and is thrashed by the latter, and later in a duel kills Lord Frederick Verisopht, his associate and dupe.—*Nicholas Nickleby*, Dickens.

HEATHEN CHINEE, THE, Ah Sin, a Chinaman with a smile "childlike and bland" that belied his cunning and deceit at cards.—*The Heathen Chinee*, Bret Harte.

HEEP, URIAH, a cringing, malignant clerk in the office of Mr. Wickfield, always proclaiming himself "so 'umble," he secretly works for his employer's ruin, but is exposed by Micawber.—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.

HELENA, the wife of Bertram, Count of Rousillon, the heroine of Shakespeare's *All's Well that Ends Well*.

HELENA, the companion of Hermia (q.v.), who marries Demetrius after the latter has abandoned his love for Hermia.—*A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Shakespeare.

HERIOT, GEORGE, a goldsmith, the guardian of the Lady Hermione.—*The Fortunes of Nigel*, Scott.

HERMIA, an Athenian lady promised by her father in marriage to Demetrius, but eventually affianced to Lysander.—*A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Shakespeare.

HERMIONE, the wife of Leontes of Sicily and mother of Perdita, a cold, dignified woman, not without tenderness.—*The Winter's Tale*, Shakespeare.

HERO, the daughter of Leonato, the governor of Messina, who is the victim of a scurvy trick played on her by Don John which leads her bridegroom Claudio to reject her at the altar, though later the wrong is put right.—*Much Ado About Nothing*, Shakespeare.

HIAWATHA, a legendary hero, a prophet-teacher among the North American Indians, whose adventures are related in a poem of the same name by Longfellow.

HIPOLITA, a queen of the Amazons; the wife of Duke Theseus of Athens in Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

HOLOFERNES, a schoolmaster who speaks in a pedantic manner.—*Love's Labour's Lost*, Shakespeare.

HONEYCOMB, WILL, a member of the Invidious club to which Sir Roger de Coverley belongs, an authority on the fashions of the day.—*The Spectator*, Addison.

HONEYMAN, CHARLES, a clergyman of free-and-easy manners with a touch of the bunbuz, is uncle to Olive.—*The Ascendancy*, Thackeray.

HOLMES, SHERLOCK, a detective who brings science to bear upon the elucidation of crime mysteries, arriving at his solution by the method of deduction, the leading character in a number of stories by Sir A. Conan Doyle.

HOOD, ROBIN, the outlaw hero of Sherwood Forest, celebrated in medieval ballads. See entry on p. 304.

HOPEFUL, the companion of Christian during the journey to the Celestial City after the death of Faithful.—*The Pilgrim's Progress*, Bunyan.

HORATIO, the friend of Hamlet in Shakespeare's tragedy of that name.

HOUGHNONS, a race of horses who are endowed with reason and live in a community with the man-like Yahoos for servants.—*Gulliver's Travels*, Swift.

HUDIBRAS, the hero of a poetical satire of the name, aimed at the Nonconformists, by Butler.

HUGH OF LINCOLN, a boy alleged to have been crucified by Jews, his story forming the theme of the Princess's Tale in Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*.

HUNTER, MRS. LEO, a lady who runs after any celebrity, and noted among her friends for an "Ode to an Expiring Frog." *The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.

HYPATIA, the heroine of a novel of the same name by Charles Kingsley, the story of a young and beautiful leader of Greek philosophic thought of the 4th century who arouses the enmity of the Church and is cruelly put to death.

IACHIMO, a libertine who by deceit persuades Posthumus that his wife Imogen is faithless to him, but is compelled to confess his guilt.—*Cymbeline*, Shakespeare.

IAGO, an "ancient," or ensign, in the army of Othello, who villainously poisons the Moor's mind against his wife, Desdemona, and contrives to implicate Othello.—*Othello*, Shakespeare.

IDA, the Princess in the poem of the same name by Tennyson.

IMOGEN, the wife of Posthumus, whose good name is blown upon through the wiles of Iachimo, but whose fidelity to her husband is finally established.—*Cymbeline*, Shakespeare.

IRAS, a female attendant, like Charmian, upon Cleopatra.—*Antony and Cleopatra*, Shakespeare.

ISAAC, a wealthy Portuguese Jew, who, priding himself upon his cunning, is in the end outwitted by others, dying with the dream of the lady whom he aspires to marry.—*The Duenna*, Sheridan.

ISAAC OF YORK, a rich Jew, the father of Rebecca, who is put to the torture as a means of extorting his money.—*Ivanhoe*, Scott.

ISABELLA, sister of Claudio, and the victim of the insults of Angelo, the deputy of Vienna, from whom she is delivered by Duke Vincentio on his return to the city.—*Measure for Measure*, Shakespeare.

ISENGRIIN, the wolf in the medieval beast-epic, *Reynard the Fox*.

ISEULT, or **ISOLDE**, the princess of Brittany who is the lady-love of Sir Tristan.—*Iddylls of the King*, Tennyson.

ITHURIEL, an angel despatched to find Satan, whom he discovers in the shape of a toad by the side of the sleeping Eve.—*Paradise Lost*, Milton.

IVANHOE, the gallant hero-knight of Scott's romance of the same name, the son of Cedric of Rotherwood and a favourite of Richard I.; he marries Rowena, a Saxon girl, who is his father's ward.

JACK, COLONEL, a pickpocket, a young man of good birth, who is sent to Virginia and rises from the position of a convict servant to become the owner of plantations.—*The History of Colonel Jack*, Defoe.

JAKES, a lord in attendance upon the banished duke in Arden, a philosopher with a melancholy turn of mind.—*As You Like It*, Shakespeare.

JARLEY, MRS., the owner of a travelling waxwork show, a good-hearted woman who shows kindness to Little Nell.—*The Old Curiosity Shop*, Dickens.

JARNDYCE, MR., the guardian of Esther Summerson and involved in the great Jarndyce v. Jarndyce lawsuit in Chancery, a kindly man who affects a churlish demeanour.—*Black House*, Dickens.

JARVIS, BAILIE NICOL, a proud, tactless, self-important, quick spoken, but kind hearted magistrate of Glasgow.—*Rob Roy*, Scott.

JASPER, JOHN, the chalmaster at Clotterham, and uncle to Edwin Drood, whom he secretly loves, is addicted to opium.—*The Mystery of Edwin Drood*, Dickens.

JAVERT, a police officer, the incarnation of inexorable justice, who tracks down Jean Valjean.—*Les Misérables*, Hugo.

JEAMES (DE LA PLUCHE), a flunkey who becomes a "some one" through fortunate speculation; an amusing character in a series of sketches—*James's Diary*, etc.—contributed to *Punch* by Thackeray.

JEKYLL, DR., a doctor who, respected and beloved, transforms himself at will into a despicable creature named Hyde, changing from one to the other until his magic potion is exhausted and he kills himself.—*The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*, Dr. H. Stevenson.

JELLYBY, MRS., a pseudo philanthropist, immersed in African missionary work to the detriment of her own family.—*Black House*, Dickens.

JENKINSON, EPHRAIM, an old swindler who deludes Moses Primrose and the good Doctor, impressing the latter with his learned talk, he becomes a reformed character in the end.—*The Fear of Blackwell*, Goldsmith.

JENNY DIVER, a right-of-love of Captain Macheath, whom she betrays at last.—*The Beggar's Opera*, Gay.

JESSICA, the daughter of Shylock who elopes with the young Lorenzo.—*The Merchant of Venice*, Shakespeare.

JINGLE, ALFRED, an actor, a sharp-witted and plausible rascal, who succeeds in imposing upon Mr. Pickwick and other members of the Club for a time.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.

JO, a London wad, continually told to "move on," who becomes possessed of information concerning Lady Dedlock's secret.—*Black House*, Dickens.

JONES, TOM, the hero of a novel of the name by Fielding, a man of good heart but lax morals who involves himself in many adventures.

JORKINS, MR., the partner of Mr. Spenslow, a man of a retiring nature and softness of heart, who is continually represented to clients by his colleague as a stern, uncompromising man.—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.

JORROCKS, MR., a humorous hunting character in *Jorrocks's Jaunts and Jollities* and other sporting books by Robert Surtees.

JULIA, Sir Anthony Absolute's ward, who is in love with Falkland.—*The Rivals*, Sheridan.

JULIET, a lady of the Capulets of Verona, whose lover is Romeo, a son of the rival Montagues, the heroine of *Romeo and Juliet*, Shakespeare.

KATHARINA, the fiery-tempered daughter of Baptista of Padua, whom Petruchio marries and tames.—*The Taming of the Shrew*, Shakespeare.

KAY, SIR, the foster-brother of Arthur⁵ whose wenchship he becomes; a spiteful, mean-spirited, and beautiful knight, with a penchant for bestowing nicknames. *The History of Prince Arthur*, Malory; and *Idylls of the King*, Tennyson.

KEHAMA, a mighty rajah of India who, possessing supernatural power, drinks a draught conferring upon him immortality of death and meets with the doom that he would have avoided. *The Curse of Kehama*, Southey.

KILMANSIEGO, MISS, an heiress who, after an accident, is provided with an artificial leg of gold, with which her husband kills her. *Miss Kilmansiegy and her Golden Leg*, Lloyd.

KITE, SERGEANT, the admittedly disreputable but humorous hero of *The Recruiting Officer*, Farquhar.

KROOK, a rag-and-bone merchant, a miserly drunkard, who dies of spontaneous combustion. *Black House*, Dickens.

KWASIND, the Hercules of the North American Indian mythology, only defeated by the pygmies with their arrows. *Hawatha*, Longfellow.

LA CREEVY, MISS, a lovable, talkative, and simple miniature painter, who marries Tim Linkinwater, a clerk to the Cheeryble Brothers. *Nicholas Nickleby*, Dickens.

LADY OF SHALOTT. See ELAINE.

LADY OF THE LAKE, Ellen Douglas of Loch Katrine, the heroine of the poem of the name by Scott.

LADY OF THE LAKE, Nimue, with whom Merlin the wizard fell in love, and who learned all the latter's secrets. *History of Prince Arthur*, Malory. In Tennyson's *Idylls of the King* the enchantress is given the name of Vivien.

LAERTES, the son of Polonius and brother to the ill-fated Ophelia, is wounded to death by Hamlet in a duel. *Hamlet*, Shakespeare.

LALLA ROOKH, the daughter of the emperor Aurangzeb, who journeys from Delhi to Cashmere to wed the Sultan of Bucharia, but on the way falls in with a young Persian poet, who wins her love and proves to be the sultan himself. *Lalla Rookh*, Moore.

LAMMLE, ALFRED, a designing young man who attempts to deceive Mr. Boffin but is discomfited, he and his wife lead a cat-and-dog life abroad, though outwardly a most amiable pair. *Our Mutual Friend*, Dickens.

LANCELOT, SIR, the most distinguished of the knights of the Round Table, whose guilty love of Queen Guinevere breaks up the king's company and causes the death of many. *History of Prince Arthur*, Malory; and *Idylls of the King*, Tennyson.

LANGUISH, LYDIA, a romantic young lady whose behaviour is moulded on sentimental characters in fiction. *The Rivals*, Sheridan.

LARA, the name by which Girard the Corsair is known in his later adventures. *Lara*, Byron.

LAUNCE, a clownish serving man attached to Proteus, notable for his "sour-natured" dog, Crab. *The Two Gentlemen of Verona*, Shakespeare.

LAUNFAL, SIR, a steward of King Arthur, whose mistress was a paragon among women; the hero of a poem. *The Vision of Sir Launfal*, by J. R. Lowell.

LAURENCE, FRIAR, the Franciscan friar who agrees to marry Romeo and Juliet and provides the sleeping draught that will enable the latter to escape from her home. *Romeo and Juliet*, Shakespeare.

LAVINIA, the daughter of Titus Andronicus, whose sad fate is the theme of Shakespeare's tragedy, *Titus Andronicus*.

LEAR, a legendary king of Britain, whose misfortunes are the theme of Shakespeare's tragedy, *King Lear*. See CORDÉLIA.

LEAROYD, JOCK, a Yorkshireman, one of the Soldiers' Three in several stories by Kipling.

LEGGRE, a villainous slave-dealer in Uncle Tom's Cabin. Harriet Beecher Stowe.

LEIGH, AMYAS, a gallant son of Devon, who ventures to the Indies in quest of Rose Salterne, carried off by a Spanish don, fights the Spaniards on the Main and takes part in the battle with the Armada. *Howard Ho!* Charles Kingsley.

LENORE, the heroine of an old German ballad of the name, in which she is carried off by a phantom lover on his horse to celebrate their marriage in a graveyard.

LISMAHAGO, CAPTAIN, a hard-featured, eccentric, pedantic, and argumentative Scottish soldier on half-pay, who marries Tabitha Bramble for her fortune. *Humphrey Clinker*, Smollett.

LITTLE BILLYE, the boy in Thackeray's ballad of the name who narrowly escapes being eaten by his shipmates; also a leading character in *Trilby*, George du Maurier.

LITTLE DORRITY, the heroine of the novel of the name by Dickens, a girl brought up in the Marshalsea prison until the release of her father from confinement for debt; she marries Arthur Clennam.

LITTLE NELL, the pathetic child who lives with her grandfather and, terrorised by the scoundrelly Quilp, accompanies the former in his wandering through the country. *The Old Curiosity Shop*, Dickens.

LOCHINVAR, a gallant young Highlander who carries off his lady-love from her bridegroom and kinsmen at Netherby Hall. *Marmion*, Scott.

LOCKIT, a harsh jailer who extorts money from his prisoners; his daughter, Lucy, in love with Captain Marchmont, helps the latter to escape, but is killed by him. *The Beggar's Opera*, Gay.

LOCKEY, the name by which Robin Hood is known, taken from his birthplace. *Franklin*, Scott.

LORELEI, a siren of the Rhine who, according to legend, sits on a rock combing her hair and singing to entice sailors to their doom on the rocks.

LOTHAIR, the hero of a novel of the name, dealing with religious questions, by Lord Beaconsfield.

LOTHARIO, a youthful nobleman of Genoa who betrays Calista, the daughter of Sciotto, and is killed in a duel. *The Fair Penitent*, Rowe.

LOVELACE, the handsome but heartless libertine who betrays Clarissa. *Clarissa Harlowe*, Richardson.

LUMPKIN, TONY, the rough, mischievous, but good-natured son of Mrs. Hardcastle by her first husband, with a fondness for playing practical jokes. *The School for Scandal*, Goldsmith.

LYSANDER, a young Athenian in love with Hermia and united to her, as Demetrius to Helena (q.v.), after their adventure. *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Shakespeare.

MAB, the fairy queen according to the early English poets.

MACBETH, the thane of Glamis, who is incited by his wife to treacherously murder King Duncan. *Macbeth*, Shakespeare.

MACCHOAKUMCHILD, MR., a schoolmaster in Coketown, full of facts and statistics, who might have taught much more had he learnt less. *Hard Times*, Dickens.

MACDUFF, the thane of Fife, who kills Macbeth at Dunsinane, in accordance with prophecy. *Macbeth*, Shakespeare.

MACHEATH, CAPTAIN, a highwayman, a dashing, handsome rascal, who swings in love between Polly Fincham and Lucy Lockit, and marries the former, although it is the latter who helps him to escape from jail. *The Beggar's Opera*, Gay.

MACSYOOPHANT, SIR PERTINAX, a Scotsman with an overweening pride in his country and a reverence for great men; he could never stand straight in the presence of the latter, but always "bood, and bood, and bood." *The Man of the World*, Macklin.

MADGE WILDFIRE, the demented daughter of Meg Murdocation, the gipsy, who lost her reason after the murder of her illegitimate child. *The Heart of Midlothian*, Scott.

MADOC, a Welsh prince who, in Southey's poem of the name, is credited with having discovered America in 1170.

MAID MARIAN, the lady of the Robin Hood ballads, incorrectly assumed to be the daughter of Lord Fitzwater, who joins the outlaw in Sherwood Forest.

MALAGROWTHIER, SIR MUNGO, a soured and sharp-tongued old courtier, made peevish by misfortune and illness. *The Fortunes of Nigel*, Scott.

MALAMBRO, a giant and wizard whose victims Don Quixote gallantly attempts to release from enchantment. *Don Quixote*, Cervantes.

- MALAPROP, MRS.**, an amusing old lady, aunt and guardian to Lydia Languish (q.v.), whose misuse of words has made her name a synonym for verbal blunders.—*The Rivals*, Sheridan.
- MALVOLIO**, the vain and pompous steward of the Countess Olivia, who is tricked into a ludicrous declaration of his love for his mistress by Sir Toby Belch and Sir Andrew Aguecheek, together with Maria, the Countess's waiting-woman.—*Twelfth Night*, Shakespeare.
- MANETTE, DR.**, a prisoner in the Bastille who, after release, slowly recovers his lost memory; his daughter, Lucie, marries Charles Darnay, the French emigré, whom Sydney Carton (q.v.) personates on the scaffold.—*A Tale of Two Cities*, Dickens.
- MANLEY, SIR EDWARD**, "the Black Dwarf," who assists Isabella Vere (daughter of the lord of Milieslaw) to marry her lover, Patrick Farinclair, in defiance of her father's opposition; he is otherwise known as "annie Elsie and Elshander the Recluse."—*The Black Dwarf*, Scott.
- MANON LESCAUT**, the heroine of a novel by the Abbé Prevost, which tells the story of Manon transported for crime to Louisiana with her lover (Grioux), of her adventures there, and her death in the wilderness with Grioux.
- MANTALINI, MADAME**, a London milliner who supports a worthless, foppish husband to whom life is "one damned horrid grind."—*Nicholas Nickleby*, Dickens.
- MARCHIONESS, THE**, a half-starved maid-of-all-work employed by Sampson Brass and his sister, so named by Dick Swiveller, who afterwards marries her.—*The Old Curiosity Shop*, Dickens.
- MARGARET**, sometimes alluded to as "Fretchen," the girl whom Faust betrays, who murders her infant and loses her reason in prison.—*Faust*, Goethe.
- MARIA**, the waiting woman to the Countess Olivia.—*Twelfth Night*, Shakespeare. See **MALVOLIO**.
- MARIGOLD, DR.**, a cheap-jack with a big heart and a fund of humorous philosophy, the leading character in *Dr. Marigold's Prescriptions*, Dickens.
- MARINA**, the daughter of Pericles, Prince of Tyre, whose misadventures form the theme of Shakespeare's drama, *Pericles*.
- MARLEY, SCROOGE'S** late partner, whose ghost appears to the old miserly man and helps to bring about his change of character.—*A Christmas Carol*, Dickens.
- MARLOW, SIR CHARLES**, the father of Young Marlow and the friend of Squire Hardcastle (q.v.).—*She Stoops to Conquer*, Goldsmith.
- MARMION**, the hero of a poem of the name by Scott, "a tale of Ffalden Field."
- MARPLLOT**, a good-natured but officious and blundering young man, a character in two comedies, *The Busy Body* and *Marplot in Lisbon*, by Mrs. Centlivre.
- MAX**, the huntsman hero of Weber's opera, *Der Freischütz* (q.v.).
- MEG MERRILEES**, a half-crazy gipsy fortune teller.—*Guy Rannering*, Scott.
- MELNOTTE, CLAUDE**, the son of a gardener who poses as a prince and marries Pauline (q.v.), but parts from her on his desertion being discovered; he returns from service in the army to save her and her father from ruin and to be reunited to his wife.—*The Lady of Lyons*, Lord Lytton.
- MELURNA**, a French fairy of legend who for a crime is condemned to become a serpent one day a week.
- MEPHISTOPHELES**, the demon attendant upon Faust after his compact with the powers of evil.—*Faust*, Goethe.
- MERCUTIO**, the friend of Romeo, a lively and witty young nobleman.—*Romeo and Juliet*, Shakespeare.
- MERLIN**, the wizard in the Arthurian legend, beloved by Vivien (q.v.).—*Idylls of the King*, Tennyson.
- MICAWBER, WILKINS**, the improvident but ever optimistic friend of David, constantly expecting "something to turn up" in the face of continued misfortune, unsuccessful in every scheme he devises, but after emigrating to Australia with the ability to become a magistrate.—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.
- MIDDLEWICK, PERKYN**, a retired buttermilk, the dalked neighbour of the aristocratic Sir Geoffrey Champneys, to whom he is reconciled through their respective sons' love affairs.—*Our Boys*, H. J. Byron.
- MIGNON**, a beautiful Italian girl whose love for her protector, Wilhelm, is not returned and who loses her reason thereby and dies.—*Ilheim Meister's Apprenticeship*, Goethe.
- MINNEHAWA** ("laughing water"), the wife of Hiawatha, so named from a waterfall.—*Hiawatha*, Longfellow.
- MIRANDA**, the daughter of Prospero, the magician, and the beloved of Ferdinand (q.v.).—*The Tempest*, Shakespeare.
- MORGAN LA FEE**, a sister of King Arthur, who treacherously plots his death by stealing his magic sword Excalibur and later by means of poison.—*History of Prince Arthur*, Malory.
- MORGIANA**, the woman slave of Ali Baba, who outwits the Forty Thieves, kills them with boiling oil, and stabs the captain of the band at Ali's supper-table.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*.
- MULVANEY, TERENCE**, a big-hearted Irishman, one of the Soldiers Three in several stories by Kipling.
- MURCLAUSEN, BARON**, the hero of a number of marvellous and incredible adventures, founded on stories told of a German officer who served in the Russian army.
- MUSKETEERS, THE THREE**, Athos, Porthos, and Aramis, the companions of D'Artagnan, in the novel of the name by Dumas, and figuring in other books by the same writer.
- NANCY**, a girl who loves the brutal burglar, Bill Sikes, and after trying to dissuade him from joining in a projected robbery is killed by him.—*Oliver Twist*, Dickens.
- NEWCOMBE, COLONEL**, a gallant, simple-minded gentleman, who after losing his fortune, lives in retirement in the "Charterhouse," his son, Clive, the hero of the novel, adopts art as a career and eventually marries his cousin, Ethel.—*The Newcomers*, Thackeray.
- NICKLEBY, NICHOLAS**, the son of a country gentleman, who seeks his own fortune, first as an usher in "Squeers' school, Dotheboys Hall, and later as a member of a travelling theatrical company, which he leaves for a business post in London, his fortune is involved with those of an ill-used boy named Smike (q.v.); his mother, Mrs. Nickleby, is noted for her inconsequent style of conversation.—*Nicholas Nickleby*, Dickens.
- NIGEL, LORD**, a young nobleman of the days of James I, whose property is heavily mortgaged, and who seeks his fortune in London, where he encounters many adventures and misfortunes; he marries Margaret Ramsay, a watchmaker's daughter.—*The Fortunes of Nigel*, Scott.
- NORNA**, "of the Ruff Head," in real life Ulta Troll, whose baseborn son becomes Cleveland, the pirate, her reason affected by her ill usage and deception, she finally recovers her senses.—*The Pirate*, Scott.
- NORVAL**, a boy found as an abandoned infant by a shepherd and adopted by him, the secret of his birth as the son of Lord Douglas being revealed later; he is killed by his stepfather, Lord Randolph, and his mother's self-inflicted death completes the tragedy.—*Ingolids*, Burns.
- NYM**, a disreputable but amusing corporal in the ragged army of Sir John Falstaff.—*The Merry Wives of Windsor* and *Henry V.*, Shakespeare.
- OBERON**, king of the fairies and husband of Titania.—*A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Shakespeare.
- OGILVY, GAVIN**, the simple, lovable minister of Thrums, the story of whose love for Babbie, "the Egyptian," is the theme of *The Little Minister*, by Sir J. M. Barrie.
- OGLEBY, LORD**, a foppish old nobleman, who tries to make up as a young man, with a great deal of "brushing, oiling, screwing, and winding up."—*The Claudine Marriage*, Colman and Garrick.
- OLD MORTALITY**, a leading character in the novel of the name by Scott, an antiquary who wanders about restoring the names and effigies of tombstones.
- OLIVER**, the brother of Orlando (q.v.), whom he hates, but to whom he is reconciled in the Forest of Arden, where Orlando saves his life, he marries Celia, Rosalind's companion.—*As You Like It*, Shakespeare.

- OLIVIA**, a countess beloved by Orsino, the Duke of Illyria, who falls in love with Viola when the latter, in disguise as a page, brings her a message from the Duke; eventually, through a misunderstanding, she marries Sebastian, Viola's brother.—*Twelfth Night*, Shakespeare.
- OPHELIA**, the daughter of Polonius and sister of Laertes; in love with Hamlet, she loses her reason consequent on his feigned madness and behaviour to her, and drowns herself.—*Hamlet*, Shakespeare.
- ORLANDO**, the younger son of Sir Rowland de Boys and the lover of Rosalind, whom he meets in the Forest of Arden.—*As You Like It*, Shakespeare.
- Also a paladin of Charlemagne, the hero of the medieval romances, *Orlando Innamorato*, by Boiardo, and *Orlando Furioso*, by Ariosto.
- ORSON**, the twin-brother of Valentine, who, suckled as an infant by a bear, becomes a "wild man of the woods," and is united to his brother years later.—*Valentine and Orson*, a 15th-century romance.
- ORTHERIS, STANLEY**, a sharp-witted cockney with a mission for dogs, one of the Soldiers Three in several stories by Kipling.
- OSBALDISTONE, FRANK**, the hero of *Rob Roy*, by Scott, a youth in love with Diana Vernon, among other characters of the name are Sir Hildebrand, Frank's uncle, and his cousin Thornhill, the bully, and the villainous Rashleigh, who is killed by Rob Roy.
- O'SHANTER, TAM**, the hero of Burns' humorous poem of the name, a farmer who, riding by the Kirk of Alloway at night, well primed with liquor, encounters a number of witches at their dance, and just escapes from their pursuit, though his mare loses her tail.
- OTHELLO**, a Moor, in command of the army of Venice, who kills his wife Desdemona after Iago (*q.v.*) has poisoned his mind regarding her fidelity; he kills himself in remorse.—*Othello*, Shakespeare.
- O'TRIGGER, SIR LUCIUS**, a fire-eating, fortune-hunting Irishman, a friend of Captain Absolute.—*The Rivals*, Sheridan.
- OVERREACH, SIR GILES**, a flint-hearted, unscrupulous man whose schemes go awry through his covetousness, his daughter marrying Allworth, whom he hoped to dupe.—*A New Way to Pay Old Debts*, Massinger.
- PAGE, MR.**, a gentleman of Windsor, whose wife seduces Mistress Ford to fool Sir John Falstaff, his daughter, "sweet Anne Page," is in love with Fenton.—*The Merry Wives of Windsor*, Shakespeare.
- PAMELA**, a maid-servant who is tempted by her master, a rich young squire, but who preserves her virtue, marries the would-be rake and reforms him.—*Pamela*, Richardson.
- PAN, PETER**, the elfin hero of Sir J. M. Barrie's play of the name, "the boy who never grows up."
- PANDARUS**, a pimp who acts as go-between for Troilus and Cressida, the word "pander" being derived from his name.—*Troilus and Cressida*, Shakespeare.
- PANGLOSS, DR.**, a prigish pedant, much given to quotations, who becomes tutor to Dick Doolittle, son of the ex-chandler peer.—*The Heart-Lane*, Colman.
- PANTAGRUEL**, the son of Gargantua (*q.v.*), a giant whose achievements are related in *Gargantua and Pantagruel*, Rabelais.
- PANURGE**, an amusing rascal, with a penchant for practical jokes, who becomes the bosom companion of Pantagruel.—*Pantagruel*, Rabelais.
- PANZA, SANCHE**, the squire of Don Quixote, a short, stout man of ready wit and no little commonsense; he rides an ass of the name of Dapple.—*Don Quixote*, Cervantes.
- PAROLLES**, a boastful and craven-hearted man in the retinue of the Count of Roussillon.—*All's Well That Ends Well*, Shakespeare.
- PARZIVAL, SIR, OR SIR PERCEVAL**, a knight of the Round Table, to whom is vouchsafed a glimpse of the Holy Grail.
- PAULINE**, the "beauty" of Lyons, daughter of M. Deschappellous, a merchant, whose love story is the theme of Lord Lytton's play, *The Lady of Lyons*. See **MELNOTTE, CLAUDE**.
- PEACHUM, POLLY**, the pretty daughter of a receiver of stolen goods; she is in love with Captain Macheath, the highwayman, and marries him.—*The Beggar's Opera*, Gay.
- PECKSNIFF, MR.**, the canting humbug, an architect and surveyor, who endeavours to impose upon Martin Chuzzlewit the Elder.—*Martin Chuzzlewit*, Dickens.
- PEGGOTTY, DANIEL**, the rough but tender-hearted brother of David's old nurse, a fisherman of Yarmouth, and uncle of Little Em'ly (*q.v.*), his son, Ham, is the latter's lover and is drowned while attempting to save her betrayer, Steerforth, from the sea.—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.
- PERDITA**, the daughter of Leontes and Hermione (*q.v.*), who is abandoned as an infant, brought up by a shepherd, and courted by Florizel, son of the King of Bohemia, who marries her after her identity has been discovered.—*The Winter's Tale*, Shakespeare.
- PEREGRINE PICKLE**, the hero of a novel of the name by Smollett, a boorish spendthrift whose hot temper involves him in many misfortunes.
- PETRUCHIO**, a gentleman of Verona, who takes it on himself to tame Baptista's daughter Katharina, "the shrew."—*The Taming of the Shrew*, Shakespeare.
- PICKWICK, SAMUEL**, a simple-minded, kindly-hearted old gentleman, the chairman of the Pickwick Club, whose amusing adventures form the theme of *The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens. See **WELLER, SNODGRASS, JINGLE, and TUPMAN**.
- PINCH, TOM**, Mr. Pecksniff's clerk, an honest, simple, fellow devoted to the orphan, his sister, Ruth, equally lovable, marries his friend, John Westlock.—*Martin Chuzzlewit*, Dickens.
- PISTOL**, Falstaff's "ancient," or ensign, a loud voiced and unscrupulous bully; he marries Dame Quickly of the Leathcheap tavern.—*The Merry Wives of Windsor* and *Henry IV.*, Shakespeare.
- PLAGIARY, SIR FRETFUL**, a wretched play-wright, irritated by criticism, whose work is all borrowed from various sources.—*The Critic*, Sheridan.
- PODSNAP, JOHN**, a pompous, self-satisfied man of "society," eminently respectable and methodical, having taken Providence, so to speak, under his protection, and with articles of a faith and school which may properly be called Podsnappery.—*Our Mutual Friend*, Dickens.
- POLONIUS**, the aged chamberlain at the court of Denmark, the father of Laertes and Ophelia, he is killed by Hamlet while eavesdropping in a room, the prince believing that his victim is King Claudius.—*Hamlet*, Shakespeare.
- PORTIA**, an heiress in love with Bassanio, whose debt to Antonio leads to Shylock's importunate claim; in the dress of a law doctor she defends Antonio and cleverly outwits the Jew.—*The Merchant of Venice*, Shakespeare.
- POYNER, MRS.**, a sharp-tongued, shrewd old lady in *Yours Truly*, George Eliot.
- PRIO, BETSEY**, a monthly nurse, a partner of Sarah Gamp (*q.v.*), and her equal in ignorance and vulgarity.
- PRIDMORE, DR.**, a simple-minded, lovable, and devout clergyman, who is the hero of Goldsmith's novel, *The Vicar of Wakefield*, other leading characters are his son, Moses, a simpleton, who is swindled at a fair, his daughters, Olivia and Sophia, the former tricked into a marriage by squire Thornhill, and the latter rescued from abduction by the squire's uncle, Sir William, who marries her.
- PROSPERO**, the ex-Duke of Milan, who, wrecked on a desert island, becomes a magician, with Ariel (*q.v.*) for his familiar spirit.—*The Tempest*, Shakespeare. See **MIRANDA**.
- PRY, PAUL**, an idle, meddling busybody, a character in the comedy of the same name by Pyle.
- PRYNE, HESTER**, the tragic heroine of *The Scarlet Letter*, Hawthorne.
- PUFF, MR.**, a critic who proclaims himself "a professor of the art of puffing."—*The Critic*, Sheridan.
- PURE, SIMON**, an American Quaker, who is impersonated by a rogue, Colonel Feignwell, and is himself treated as an impostor until matters are put right, but in the meantime Feignwell has forestalled him in marrying an heiress.—*A Bold Stroke for a Wife*, Mrs. Centlivre.

PYGMALION, the sculptor who creates the statue of *Galatea* (q.v.).—*Pygmalion and Galatea*, Sir W. S. Gilbert

QUASIMODO, the one-eyed hunchback bell-ringer of Notre Dame, Paris, who befriends the gipsy dancing girl, Esmeralda, and protects her from the basely-minded Frolo, whom he kills.—*Notre Dame de Paris*, Hugo

QUATERMAIN, ALLAN, a renowned hunter, a leading character in *King Solomon's Mines* and other romances by Sir H. Rider Haggard.

QUICKLY, DAME, the keeper of an Eastcheap tavern and a friend of Sir John Falstaff; she marries the latter's "ancient," Pistol.—*Henry IV.* and *Henry V.*; also the servant of Dr. Caius, the physician, and the go-between of Anne Page and her suitors.—*The Merry Wives of Windsor*, Shakespeare

QUIP, DANIEL, a rascally and malicious dwarf, who styles himself a ship-breaker, but lives more on advancing money to seamen and rent-collecting; he is drowned in the Thames while escaping to avoid arrest for various crimes.—*The Old Curiosity Shop*, Dickens

QUINCE, PETER, a carpenter, a companion of Bottom (q.v.), and the manager of the play *Pyramus and Thisbe*, staged for the Duke.—*A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Shakespeare

RALPH ROISTER DOISTER, a vain, turbulent fellow who courts a wealthy widow named Constance without effect, the leading character in a comedy of the name—the first of its kind in English—by Nicholas Udall (1534).

RANDOM, RODERICK, a selfish and often mean-minded Scottish n'er-do-well, who seeks his fortune in various countries and passes through many adventures among people of a disreputable class, the hero of a novel of the name by Smollett

RASSLAS, a prince of Abyssinia, who escapes from the paradise assigned to him, and with his sister and a poet friend seeks his world in quest of happiness; in the end, disillusioned, he returns to his "happy valley"—*Rasselas*, Dr. Johnson

REBECCA, the beautiful Jewish daughter of Isaac, who falls in love with Ishmael, but has to relinquish him to the Lady Rowena.—*Ivanhoe*, Scott

RED CROSS KNIGHT, THE, a pure-minded knight, representative of St. George, who slays a dragon (symbolical of evil) and marries Una (q.v.).—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser

REDDGAUNTLET, the hero of a novel of the name by Scott, dealing with a conspiracy on behalf of the Young Pretender.

REECE, CAPTAIN, the skipper of the *Man'elpee*, who is beloved by his crew for the attentions he pays them, and marries a number of his relations to his shipmates.—*The Red Bull*, Sir W. S. Gilbert

REGAN, one of Lear's daughters who, like her sister, Goneril, treats her father cruelly; she is poisoned by Goneril out of jealousy.—*King Lear*, Shakespeare

REYNARD, the principal character in the medieval beast-epic, *Reynard the Fox*, a satire on the state of Germany.

RIDD, JOHN, "girt Jan," the stalwart farmer who is the lover of Lorna Doone (q.v.) and carries her off from the outlaws of Exmoor.—*Lorna Doone*, Blackmore

RINALDO, a paladin of Charlemagne and cousin of Orlando (q.v.), whose rival in love he is for Angelica.—*Orlando Furioso*, Ariosto

RIP VAN WINKLE, the hero of the story of the name by Washington Irving, who slept for twenty years in the Catskill Mountains.

ROB ROY, Robert the Red, a MacGregor, the outlaw who befriends Frank Osbaldistone.—*Rob Roy*, Scott

RODERICK DHU, an outlaw chief whose encounter and gallant hand-to-hand fight with Fitz-James, "the Saxon," is told in Scott's poem, *The Lady of the Lake*.

ROLAND, the bravest of Charlemagne's paladins (in Italian romance styled Orlando), who was slain at

Roncesvalles; he is the hero of *Orlando Innamorato*, *Boiaduro*, and *Orlando Furioso*, Ariosto.

ROMEO, a son of the Montagues, who loves Juliet, a daughter of the rival house of Capulet, and kills himself for grief at her supposed death.—*Romeo and Juliet*, Shakespeare

ROMOLA, a Florentine maiden of noble birth, the heroine of a novel of the name by George Eliot, dealing with Italy in the days of Savonarola

ROSALIND, the fair daughter of an exiled duke who seeks refuge in the Forest of Arden, where, in disguise, she encounters Orlando (q.v.); in the course of events the two fall in love and are married.

As You Like It, Shakespeare

ROSINANTE, the cart horse which becomes the charger of Don Quixote.—*Don Quixote*, Cervantes

ROWENA, the fair ward of Cedric the Saxon, thine of Rotherwood, who marries Ivanhoe.—*Ivanhoe*, Scott

RUDGE, BARNABY, a half-witted fellow, usually accompanied by his pet raven, Grip, who becomes involved in the Gordon Riots, is condemned, but reprieved to end his days peacefully.—*Barnaby Rudge*, Dickens

RUSTAM, a hero of Persian mythology, who fights a Homeric battle with Aspadar, celebrated in romance.

ST. EYREMONDE, the name of the French marquis and of his son, known as Charles Darnay, condemned by the Revolutionary tribunal in Paris.

A Tale of Two Cities, Dickens

SAWYER, BOB, a rollicking, impetuous young medical student whom Mr. Pickwick meets, he sets up in practice in Bristol without success.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens

SCHERHAZADE, the bride of the Sultan Schahriar, who, to defeat his vow to slay each wife the morning after marriage, relates a series of stories which compel his interest and save her life.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*

SCHLEIMILCH, PETER, a man who sells his shadow and has cause to regret his silly bargain, the hero of a German story of the name by "Chamisso"

SCHOOGE, EBENEZER, a miserly, ill-humored "old hunk," a London merchant, whose character is transformed by a series of visions vouchsafed to him one Christmas.—*A Christmas Carol*, Dickens

SEBASTIAN, twin brother to Viola (q.v.), a youth of Messaline who, being mistaken for Viola while the latter is in man's disguise, is married by the Countess Olivia.—*Twelfth Night*, Shakespeare

SHALLOW, a foolish country justice, given to boasting of his early escapades.—*The Merry Wives of Windsor* and *Henry IV.*, Shakespeare

SHANDY, TRISTRAM, the titular hero of the novel of the name by Sterne. See **UNCLE TOBY, TRIM** and **WADMAN**.

SHARP, BECKY, the attractive but unprincipled girl who marries Rawdon Crawley, influences with Lord Steyne, and after a career of adventures attaches herself to Jewish Seelix, whom she fleeces of all his money.—*Family Fortunes*, Thackeray

SHE, "She who must be obeyed," "Ayesha," the mysterious Arabian born queen, who has lived through many centuries to be the priestess ruler of an African people, the heroine of Sir H. Rider Haggard's romances *She*, *Ayesha*, and other stories

SHYLOCK, the Jew who claims his "pound of flesh" from Antonio under the latter's bond, and is defeated in his purpose by Portia.—*The Merchant of Venice*, Shakespeare

SIEGFRIED, the fearless warrior hero of the *Nibelungenlied*, who weds and marries Chriemhild (q.v.)

SILKS, BILL, a brutal burglar, an associate of Faalr (q.v.) who murders his paramour, Nancy, and meets a tragic death while endeavouring to escape from justice.—*Oliver Twist*, Dickens

SILVER, LONG JOHN, a one-legged ex-pirate, who, as cook, accompanies the *Hispaniola* on its adventurous expedition to the island of buried treasures.

Treasure Island, R. L. Stevenson

SINBAD, a merchant of Bagdad who makes seven voyages and encounters numerous adventures, which he tells to one Hindbad, a porter.—*The Arabian Nights' Entertainments*

SKIMPOLE, HAROLD, an artist with as plausible manner who deliberately sponges upon his friends and deceives Mr. Jarndyce.—*Black House*, Dickens.

SLENDER, a country bumpkin, cousin of Justice Shallow, who presumes to woo "sweet Anne Page."—*The Merry Wives of Windsor*, Shakespeare.

SLY, CHRISTOPHER, a thinker who, while drunk, is carried into a nobleman's house and wakes to find himself treated as a great lord, after which he is entertained by the performance of *The Taming of the Shrew*, Shakespeare.

SMIKE, a poor, half-starved boy, actually the son of Ralph Nickleby (uncle of Nicholas), whom the latter meets at Dotheboys Hall; he runs away to join Nicholas and remains under his protection to his death.—*Nicholas Nickleby*, Dickens.

SNAKE, MR., a treacherous man, the ally of Lady Smeeth, who, if it were known that he had been betrayed into an honest action, would "lose every friend he had in the world."—*The School for Scandal*, Sheridan.

SNEERWELL, LADY, a lady expert in the use of a slanderous tongue.—*The School for Scandal*, Sheridan.

SNODGRASS, AUGUSTUS, a poetical young man, a member of the Pickwick Club; he marries Emily Warrle.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.

SNOUT, TOM, a tinker, one of Bottom's companions in the performance of the play *Pyramus and Thisbe*.—*A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Shakespeare.

SNUG, a joiner, another of Bottom's fellow-players.—*A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Shakespeare.

SPENLOW, MR., the father of Dora, David's "child-wife," a proctor with a mild natured partner named Jorkins to whom he refers as a man of sternness,averse to any indulgent course of action which he himself might be inclined to follow.—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.

SQUEERS, WACKFORD, the brutal schoolmaster of Dotheboys Hall, who starves and ill-treats Snulke (q.v.), and under whom Nicholas Nickleby serves for a time as an usher.—*Nicholas Nickleby*, Dickens.

STANDISH, MILES, the Puritan captain, in love with Priscilla, to whom he sends John Alden (q.v.) to plead his suit.—*The Courtship of Miles Standish*, Longfellow.

STEERFORTH, JAMES, the old school friend of David, who betrays Little Emily and is later drowned in a shipwreck off Yarmouth.—*David Copperfield*, Dickens.

STEYNE, MARQUIS OF, a nobleman of high position, but selfish and lax in morals, who carries on an intrigue with Becky Sharp while the latter is Rawdon Crawley's wife.—*Vanity Fair*, Thackeray.

STIGGINS, a hypocritical and drunken Methodist pastor who imposes upon Mrs. Weller, but is exposed by her husband.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.

STRULDBRUGGS, the miserable inhabitants of Language, who cannot die but linger on with their infirmities.—*Gulliver's Travels*, Swift.

SURFACE, CHARLES, the gay, good-hearted scapegrace, who loves Sir Peter Teazle's ward, Maria, and is a contrast to his hypocritical brother, Joseph, who for a time deceives Sir Peter.—*The School for Scandal*, Sheridan.

SWIVELLER, DICK, a good-hearted, smart and amusing young clerk in the employ of Sampson Brass, remarkable for his flowery language; he marries the Marchioness (q.v.) and comes into money.—*The Old Curiosity Shop*, Dickens.

TALUS, a man of iron, "unmovable and restless without end," who carries with him an iron nail with which to beat out falsehood and unfold the truth; a follower of Sir Artegal whom he helps to rescue from the power of the Amazon queen, Radigund.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

TANCEDER, a Crusader who falls in love with a pagan lady, Corinna, and unknowingly slays her; himself wounded in battle, he is cared for by Erminia (q.v.).—*Jerusalem Delivered*, Tasso.

TANNAHAUSER, a Teutonic Knight of German legend who yields himself to the spell of Venus, and later

seeks absolution from the Pope for his sins, but disappears before the same can be given.

TAPLEY, MARK, an ostler first at a Salisbury Inn and later the servant of Martin Chuzzlewit the younger, whom he accompanies to America, distinguished by his irrepresible optimism and good-humour in all circumstances.—*Martin Chuzzlewit*, Dickens.

TAPPERTIT, SIMON, a vain, "old-fashioned, thin-faced, sharp-nosed, small-eyed little fellow," captain of the "Prentice Knights," who aspires to marry Dolly Varden, his master's daughter, takes part in the Gordon Riots, and loses both legs.—*Barnaby Rudge*, Dickens.

TARTUFFE, a religious impostor who preys upon his dupes with success, until his exposure and arrest for theft.—*Tartuffe*, Molière.

TARTARIN, of Tarascon, the hero of a series of stories by Alphonse Daudet, a great boaster who, according to his own story, passes through incredible adventures.

TEAZLE, LADY, the young wife of Sir Peter Teazle, who thoughtlessly involves herself in an intrigue with the hypocritical Joseph Surface, but is saved from disgrace.—*The School for Scandal*, Sheridan.

TESS, the tragic heroine of Thomas Hardy's novel, *Tess of the D'Urbervilles*, a girl who is cruelly wronged and who suffers the death penalty for the murder of her betrayer.

TEUFELDRÖCKH, HERR, a German philosopher with a new philosophy of clothes, in which he satirises shams in general and particular, the leading character in *Noriel's Resurrection* by Carlyle.

THORNHILL, SQUIRE, a young country gentleman who lures Olivia, Dr. Primrose's daughter, into what he thinks is a mock marriage, but which proves to be legal; he is nephew of Sir William Thornhill, who befriends the Doctor and his family, and marries Sophia, Olivia's younger sister.—*The Year of Wackfield*, Goldenboth. See BURCHELL.

TIBERT, SIR, the name given to the cat in the medieval beast-epic, *Reynard the Fox*.

TITANIA, wife of Oberon and queen of the fairies, whom her husband, in revenge for a slight, places under a spell, so that she falls in love with Bottom (q.v.) whose head has been transformed into that of an ass.—*A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Shakespeare.

TOBY, UNCLE, the uncle of Tristram Shandy, an old officer wounded in the French wars, the incarnation of simplicity and kindness of nature.—*Tristram Shandy*, Sterne.

TOPSY, a young, ingenious girl slave in the St. Clair household.—*Uncle Tom's Cabin*, Harriet Beecher Stowe.

TOUCHSTONE, a clown whose quaint wit is touched with wisdom.—*As You Like It*, Shakespeare.

TRILBY, a beautiful artist's model, who, after a love affair, becomes a famous singer under the mesmeric influence of Svengali, a Hungarian; the heroine of a novel of the name, dealing with art-student life in Paris, by George du Maurier.

TRIM, CORPORAL, the faithful and simple servant of Uncle Toby.—*Tristram Shandy*, Sterne.

TRISTRAM, SIR, a knight of the Round Table, whose unhappy love for Isolt, his uncle Mark's wife, brings about much trouble and his death.—*The History of Prince Arthur, Malory, and Idylls of the King*, Tennyson.

TRUNNION, COMMODORE, a one-eyed, retired old sailor whose household is run on the lines of a ship, the servants sleeping in hammocks and taking watches.—*Peppercorn Pickle*, Smollett.

TUPMAN, TRACY, a dandified young man with an amorous eye, a companion of Mr. Pickwick in his travels.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.

TURVEYDROP, MR., a selfish and conceited dancing-master, a "model of deportment."—*Black House*, Dickens.

TWIST, OLIVER, an orphan boy brought up in a workhouse and afterwards thrown into the company of Fagin and his band of thieves, but who finds good friends, and is shielded from further danger.—*Oliver Twist*, Dickens.

TYBALT, a hot-tempered young nobleman of the Capulets in Verona and cousin of Juliet; he kills Mercutio and is himself slain in a fight with Romeo.—*Romeo and Juliet*, Shakespeare.

UGOLINO, a count of Pisa, cruelly starved to death with some of his family in a tower, through the machinations of his political enemies.—*Inferno*, Dante.

UMSLOPOGAAS, a giant Zulu who accompanies Sir Henry Curtis, Captain Good, and Allan Quatermain in their adventures and performs deeds of valour with his axe.—*Allan Quatermain*, Sir H. Rider Haggard.

UNA, the personification of truth, a beautiful damsel to whom Gloriana assigns the Red Cross Knight to be her champion to free her father and mother from the toils of a dread dragon; after many adventures and the success of his mission, she marries him.—*The Faerie Queene*, Spenser.

UNCLE TOM, the faithful and pious negro slave hero of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, Harriet Beecher Stowe's story of the evils of slavery in America.

UNDINE, a water-symph endowed with a soul, who marries a mortal, to her and his undoing; the heroine of a German romance of the name by Tie la Motte Fouque.

VALENTINE, one of the two gentlemen of Verona, the lover and subsequently husband of Sylvia, daughter of the Duke of Milan. *The Two Gentlemen of Verona*, Shakespeare; also the name of the brother of Mephistopheles, Faust's victim; attempting to take revenge upon Faust, he is killed by Mephistopheles.

VALENTINE, the twin-brother of Orson (*q.v.*) and son of Alexander, Emperor of Constantinople, and Queen Bellicant, is carried off as an infant by his uncle, King Pepto, and brought up by him. *Valentine and Orson*, a 15th-century romance.

VALJEAN, JEAN, an ex-convict who, rising to high position through industry, is dragged down again by the relentless hand of the law, but through all his misfortunes displays patience and courage.—*Les Misérables*, Hugo.

VARDEN, DOLLY, the pretty, roguish daughter of a locksmith in Clerkenwell, who marries Joe Willet and becomes mistress of the Maypole Inn.—*Barnaby Rudge*, Dickens.

VATHEK, a caliph who commits himself to terrible crimes under the influence of malignant spirits, and is consigned to the Abyss of Eblis.—*Vathek*, Beckford.

VERGES. See **DOGBERRY**.

VERNON, DIANA, the charming heroine of Scott's *Rob Roy*, an ardent Jacobite like her father, she marries Frank Osbaldistone.

VIOLA, a young lady of Messina, twin to Sebastian; being shipwrecked, she adopts male disguise and enters the service of Orsino, Duke of Illyria, whom she ultimately marries. *Twelfth Night*, Shakespeare. See **SEBASTIAN**.

VIVIEN, the enchantress who bewitches Merlin (*q.v.*).—*The Idylls of the King*, Tennyson. See **LADY OF THE LAKE**.

WADMAN, WIDOW, a lady who "sets her cap" at Uncle Toby and nearly succeeds in entrapping him into marriage.—*Tristram Shandy*, Sterne.

WEGG, SILAS, the keeper of a fruit stall, a plausible rascal, who becomes "reader" to Mr. Hoppin (*q.v.*) and endeavours vainly to victimise his employer.—*Our Mutual Friend*, Dickens.

WELLER, SAM, the one-time "boots" at the White Hart Inn who becomes the faithful servant of Mr. Pickwick; a typical sharp-witted, humorous Londoner with a fund of stories.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.

WELLER, TONY, father of Sam, driver of a coach between London and Dorking, with no knowledge of anything outside his business; he marries a widow and ever after is insistent upon the artfulness of "widders."—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.

WIMBLE, WILL, a simple, good-natured and amusing member of Sir Roger de Coverley's Club.—*The Spectator*, Addison.

WINKLE, NATHANIEL, the alleged sportsman member of the Pickwick Club, whose failures to live up to his reputation amuse his companions.—*The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.

WARDLE, MR., a jolly, hearty country gentleman who entertains Mr. Pickwick and his friends at his house at Dingley Dell. *The Pickwick Papers*, Dickens.

YELLOWPLUSH, MR., a London West-End illiterate footman, the fictitious author of humorous sketches by Thackeray.

YORICK, the jester to the King of Denmark, "a fellow of infinite jest and most excellent fancy," whose skull Hamlet apostrophises in the graveyard.—*Hamlet*, Shakespeare.

ZANONI, the hero of a novel of the name by Lord Lytton, a man with power over spirits and able to prolong life.

ZULEIKA. See **ARYDOS, THE BRIDE OF**.

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AD—Gloucestershire.
AE—Bristol.
AF—Cornwall.
AG—Ayrshire.
AH—Norfolk.
AI—Meath.
AJ—Yorkshire (N.R.).
AK—Bradford.
AL—Nottinghamshire.
AM—Wiltshire.
AN—West Ham.
AO—Cumberland.
AP—Sussex (East).
AR—Hertfordshire.
AS—Nairn.
AT—Kingston-on-Hull.
AU—Nottingham.
AV—Aberdeenshire.
AW—Salop (Shropshire).
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BC—Leicester.
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BH—Buckinghamshire.
BI—Monaghan.
BJ—Suffolk (East).
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BM—Bedfordshire.
BN—Bolton.
BO—Cardiff.
BP—Sussex (West).
BR—Sunderland.
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BT—Yorkshire (E.R.).
BU—Oldham.
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BW—Oxfordshire.
BX—Carmarthenshire.
BY—Crendon.
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CH—Derby.
CI—Queen's Co., Leix or Laoighis.
CJ—Herefordshire.
CK—Preston.
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CO—Plymouth.
CP—Halifax.
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 IU—Limerick.
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SO—Moray.
SP—Fifehire.
SR—Angus.
SS—East Lothian.
ST—Invernesshire.
SU—Kincardineshire.
SV—Kinrossshire.
SW—Kirkcudbrightshire.
SX—West Lothian.
SY—Midlothian (Edinburghshire).

T }
TA } Devonshire.
TB }
TC }
TD } Lancashire.
TE }
TF }
TG—Glamorganshire.
TH—Carmarthenshire.
TI—Limerick.
TJ—Lancashire.
TK—Dorsetshire.
TL—Lincolnshire (Kesteven).
TM—Bedfordshire.
TN—Newcastle-on-Tyne.
TO—Nottingham.
TP—Portsmouth.
TR—Southampton.
TS—Dundee.
TT—Devonshire.
TU—Cheshire.
TV—Nottingham.
TW—Essex.
TX—Glamorgan.
TY—Northumberland.

U }
UA } Leeds.
UB }
UC—London.
UD—Oxfordshire.
UE—Warwickshire.
UF—Brighton.
UG—Leeds.
UH—Cardiff.
UI—Londonderry.
UJ—Shropshire.
UK—Wolverhampton.
UL—London.
UM—Leeds.
UN—Denbighshire.
UO—Devonshire.
UP—Durham County.
UR—Hertfordshire.
US—Glasgow.
UT—Leicestershire.
UU }
UV } London.
UW }
UX—Salop (Shropshire).
UY—Worcestershire.

V }
VA } Lancashire.
VB—Croydon.
VC—Coventry.
VD—Lancashire.
VE—Cambridgeshire.
VF—Norfolk.
VG—Norwich.
VH—Huddersfield.
VJ—Herefordshire.
VK—Newcastle-on-Tyne.
VL—Lincoln.
VM—Manchester.
VN—Yorkshire (N.R.).
VO—Nottinghamshire.
VP—Birmingham.
VR—Manchester.
VS—Greenock.
VT—Stoke-on-Trent.
VU—Manchester.
VV—Northampton.
VW } Essex.
VX }
VY—York.

W }
WA } Sheffield.
WB }
WD—Warwickshire.
WE—Sheffield.
WF—Yorks (E.R.).
WG—Stirlingshire.
WH—Bolton.
WI—Waterford.
WJ—Sheffield.
WK—Coventry.
WL—Oxford.
WM—Southport.
WN—Swansea.

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WP—Worcestershire.
WR—Yorkshire (W.R.).
WS—Edinburgh.
WT { Yorkshire (W.R.).
WU {
WV—Wiltshire.
WW }
WX } Yorkshire (W.R.).
WY }

X—Northumberland.
XA
XB
XC
XD } London.
XE
XF
XG—Middlesbrough.
XH—London.
XI—Belfast.
XJ—Manchester.

XX }
XL }
XM } London.
XN }
XP }
XQ }
XR }
XS—Paisley.
XT }
XU }
XV } London.
XW }
XX }
XY }

Y }
YA }
YB } Somersetshire.
YC }
YD }
YE }
YF } London.

YG—Yorkshire (W.R.).
YH—London.
YI—Dublin.
YJ—Dundee.
YK }
YL }
YM } London.
YN }
YO }
YP }
YR }
YS—Glasgow.
YT }
YU }
YV } London.
YW }
YX }
YY }

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